

# SCHEME INFORMATION DOCUMENT AXIS LIQUID FUND

(An Open ended Liquid Scheme. A relatively low interest rate risk and moderate credit risk)

This product is	Scheme Risk-o-meter	Benchmark	Risk-o-	POT	ENTIAL RI	SK CLASS	
suitable for		meter		Credit Risk	Relativ	Moder	Relative
investors who				<b>—</b>	ely Low	ate	ly High
are seeking*:				Interest	(Class	(Class	(Class
<ul> <li>Regular</li> </ul>	Moderate Moderately Risk High Risk			Rate Risk *	A)	B)	C)
income	Moderate Risk	Moderate Mod Risk High	derately th Risk	Relatively			
over short	Very	Moderate Risk	High Risk	Low		B-I	
term	Low Risk	Low	Very	(Class I)			
<ul> <li>Investment</li> </ul>	SCHEME RISKOMETER  The risk of the scheme is low to moderate	Risk	High Risk	Moderate			
in debt and	The risk of the scheme is low to moderate	BENCHMARK RISKOMETE The risk of the benchmark is lo		(Class II)			
money		NIFTY Liquid Ir		Relatively			
market .		A-I	IGCX	High			
instruments		(AMFI Tier	. 1	(Class III)			
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\* Investors should consult their financial advisers if in doubt about whether the product is suitable for them.

Continuous offer for Units at NAV based prices

Name of Mutual Fund		Axis Mutual Fund
Name of Asset Management	:	Axis Asset Management Company Ltd.
Company		
Name of Trustee Company		Axis Mutual Fund Trustee Ltd
Addresses, Website of the entities		One Lodha Place, 22nd & 23rd Floor, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai, Maharashtra, Pin Code – 400013 www.axismf.com
Name of Sponsor	:	Axis Bank Limited

The particulars of the Scheme have been prepared in accordance with the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Mutual Funds) Regulations 1996, (herein after referred to as SEBI(MF) Regulations) as amended till date and circulars issued thereunder filed with SEBI, along with a Due Diligence Certificate from the AMC. The units being offered for public subscription have not been approved or recommended by SEBI nor has SEBI certified the accuracy or adequacy of the Scheme Information Document.

The Scheme Information Document sets forth concisely the information about the scheme that a prospective investor ought to know before investing. Before investing, investors should also ascertain about any further changes to this Scheme Information Document after the date of this Document from the Mutual Fund / Investor Service Centres / Website / Distributors or Brokers.

The investors are advised to refer to the Statement of Additional Information (SAI) for details of Axis Mutual Fund, Standard Risk Factors, Special Considerations, Tax and Legal issues and general information on <a href="https://www.axismf.com">www.axismf.com</a>.

SAI is incorporated by reference (is legally a part of the Scheme Information Document). For a free copy of the current SAI, please contact your nearest Investor Service Centre or log on to our website.

The Scheme Information Document (Section I and II) should be read in conjunction with the SAI and not in isolation.

This Scheme Information Document is dated November 28, 2025.



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# **SECTION I**

# PART I. HIGHLIGHTS/SUMMARY OF THE SCHEME

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		The warrants/cheque/demand draft shall be dispatched to the Unit holders within 7 working days from the record date.				
X.	Plans and Options Plans/Options and sub options under the Scheme	Axis Liquid     Each Plan off     a. Growth				
		b. Incom	e Distribution cum Capital Wi	thdrawal (IDCW	/)option	
		Options	Sub-options	Frequency of IDCW	Record date	
		Growth	Nil	NA	NA	
		IDCW	Daily (reinvestment)	Daily (every day)	Daily	
			Weekly (payout and reinvestment)	Weekly	Every Monday*	
			Monthly (payout and reinvestment)	Monthly	25 <sup>th</sup> of the month*	
		The Trustee// to time.  Where IDCW to or less than the option of  If IDCW payor less than Rs. the option of  However, ID option of correspondir  Regular Plan Regular Plan	is available for investors who	option (Monthly uld be compulsed be compulsed be compulsed be cases under the compulsorily reindund.	d date from time  y Option) is equal orily reinvested in  ion) is equal to or orily reinvested in  ne IDCW payout nvested in the	
		Direct Plan Direct Plan is directly with	ugh a Distributor.  only for investors who purche the Fund and is not availab through a Distributor.			
		All categoric permitted ur eligible to su be made thr with the Fu	tors / modes for applying es of investors (whether e nder the Scheme Information bscribe under Direct Plan. Involugh various modes offered and {except Platform(s) who funits are routed through Di	n Document of vestments unde by the Fund for ere investors'	the Scheme are r Direct Plan can investing directly	

All the plans will have a common portfolio.



		Default Option/Facility					
		The investor must clearly specify his choice of option/facility. In the					
		absence of such clear instruction, it will be assumed that the investor has					
		opted for 'default' option / facility and the application will be processed					
			accordingly. The default plan/ option / facility are:				
		<b>Default Option</b> – Growth	penori / raciiry arc.				
		Default IDCW frequency – Daily	Ontion				
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		For detailed disclosure on defau	ult plans and options kindly refer SID & SAI				
XI.	Load Structure	For detailed disclosure on default plans and options, kindly refer SID & SAI.  Entry Load: Not Applicable					
			r on Mutual Funds as amended from time				
			shall be no entry load for all Mutual Fund				
		schemes.	strail so the offin, read for all Meredi Ferra				
		<b>Exit Load</b> : w.e.f. October 20, 201	9				
		Investor exit upon Subscription	Exit load as a % of redemption				
		питолого одн орон оозоонрион	proceeds				
		Day 1	0.0070%				
		Day 2	0.0065%				
		Day 3	0.0060%				
		Day 4	0.0055%				
		Day 5	0.0050%				
			0.0045%				
		Day 6					
		Day 7 onwards	NIL				
		fresh investments made in the Scheme on or after the effective date including registered Systematic Transfer Plans (STPs), Systematic Withdrawal Plans (SWPs) etc. falling due on or after the effective date. No exit load will be charged for switch between Axis Liquid Fund (Regular Plan) and Axis Liquid Fund - Direct Plan or vice versa  Para 10.4 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds as amended from time to time has decided that there shall be no entry Load for all Mutual Fund Schemes.					
VII	A4::		re, refer to the paragraph 'Load Structure'.				
XII.	Minimum	On Continuous basis	witch in				
	Application Amount/switch in	Minimum Application Amount/sv					
	Amount/switch in	<b>Growth Option:</b> Rs. 100 and in median All other options: Rs. 5,000 and in					
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		folio and at the time of first inves	applicable at the time of creation of new				
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		"Note - The aforesaid requiren	nent of minimum application shall not be				
		"Note - The aforesaid requirement of minimum application shall not be applicable on the mandatory investments made by the Designated					
		Employees of Axis AMC in accordance with clause 6.10 of SEBI Master					
VIII	Adiminarum	Circular on Mutual Funds".	ultiples of Do. 17 thorse offer				
XIII.	Minimum	Growth Option: Rs. 100 and in multiples of Re. 1/- thereafter					
i		All other options: Rs. 1,000 and in multiples of Re. 1/- thereafter					
	Additional	All other options: Rs. 1,000 and in	imoniples of Re. 17- merediter				
	Additional Purchase Amount						
		"Note - The aforesaid requir	ement of minimum additional purchase on the mandatory investments made by				



		the Designated Employees of Axis AMC in accordance with clause 6.10 of
		SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds".
XIV.	Minimum Redemption/switch out amount	There will be no minimum redemption criterion.
XV.	New Fund Offer Period This is the period during which a new scheme sells its units to the investors.	This section does not apply to the Scheme as it has already been launched.  The New Fund Offer opened on October 8, 2009 and closed on October 8, 2009. The units under the Scheme were allotted on October 9, 2009.  The Scheme is now available for Subscription and Redemption at NAV based prices on all Business Days.
XVI.	New Fund Offer Price: This is the price per unit that the investors have to pay to invest during the NFO.	This section does not apply to the Scheme as it has already been launched.  The Scheme is now available for Subscription and Redemption at NAV based prices on all Business Days.
XVII.	Segregated portfolio/side pocketing disclosure	The Scheme has the provision for Segregated portfolio/side pocketing disclosure. For Details, kindly refer SAI.
XVIII	Swing pricing disclosure	The Scheme has the provision for Swing pricing disclosure. For Details, kindly refer SAI.
XIX.	Stock lending/short selling	The Scheme may engage in stock lending / short selling subject to disclosure as specified in asset allocation. For Details, kindly refer SAI.
XX.	How to Apply and other details	Investors can undertake transactions in the Schemes of Axis Mutual Fund either through physical, online / electronic mode or any other mode as may be prescribed from time to time.  Physical Transactions For making application for subscription / redemption / switches, application form and Key Information Memorandum may be obtained from / submitted to the Official Points of Acceptance (OPAs) of AMC or downloaded from the website of AMC viz. <a href="https://www.axismf.com">www.axismf.com</a> .  Online / Electronic Transactions Investors can undertake transactions via electronic mode through various online facilities offered by Axis AMC / other platforms specified by AMC from time to time.
XXI.	Investor services	For further details of online / electronic mode please refer SAI.  Contact details for general service requests and complaints:
		Investors can lodge any service request or complaints or enquire about NAVs, Unit Holdings, IDCW, etc by calling the Investor line of the AMC at contact number 8108622211 (chargeable) from 9.00 am to 6.00 pm (Monday to Saturday) or (022) 6311 1001 (at local call rate for enquiring at AMC ISC's) or email – customerservice@axismf.com. The service representatives may require personal information of the Investor for verification of his / her identity in order to protect confidentiality of information. The AMC will at all times endeavour to handle transactions efficiently and to resolve any investor grievances promptly.



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		One Lodha Place Mumbai, Maharas Phone no.: (022) 6 For any grievance NSE MFSS, the inv broker or the inves	Nair et Management Company Ltd. , 22nd & 23rd Floor, Senapati Bapat <i>I</i> shtra, Pin Code – 400013	n BSE StAR and / or h either the stock	
XXII	Specific attribute of the scheme	Not Applicable			
XXIII	Special product/facility available during the NFO and on ongoing basis	A. SYSTEMATIC INVESTMENTS     1) Systematic Investment Plan (SIP)     2) Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) Switch Facility     3) Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) Top-Up Facility     4) Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) Pause/Un pause facility			
			RANSFERS IC TRANSFER PLAN (STP) APPRECIATION SYSTEMATIC TRANSFER F	PLAN ("CAPSTP")	
		C. SYSTEMATIC WITHDRAWAL PLAN (SWP)			
		D. TRANSFER OF INCOME DISTRIBUTION CUM CAPITAL WITHDRAWAL PLAN (IDCW TRANSFER PLAN)			
		-	PTIONS neme Switching option neme Switching option		
		F. ONLINE SCHE	DULE TRANSACTION FACILITY		
		G. INSTA REDEMI	PTION FACILITY('THE FACILITY')		
		The details pertaining to Frequency / Minimum installments / Minimum amount of SIP / SWP / STP are as follows:			
		Investors shall ha to 28th or last do	Investment Plan we an option of choosing any date of ate of the Month as his SIP date. Miniments for daily and weekly frequency in	mum amount and	
		Frequency under SIP Facility	Minimum amount	Minimum number of installments	
		Daily & Weekly	100 and in multiples of 1/- thereafter	6 installments	
		Monthly	Rs. 1000/- and in multiple of Re. 1/-	6 installments	
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#### 2. Systematic Transfer Plan

Investors can opt for the Systematic Transfer Plan by investing a lumpsum amount in one scheme of the fund and providing a standing instruction to transfer sums at following intervals into any other scheme (as may be permitted by the Scheme Information Document of the respective schemes) of Axis Mutual Fund.

STP Frequency	Cycle Date	Minimum Amount* (in Rs.)	Minimum Installment
Daily	Monday To Friday	1,000/-	6
Weekly	Monday To Friday	1,000/-	6
Fortnightly	Alternate Wednesday	1,000/-	6
Monthly	1st, 7th, 10th, 15th or 25th	1,000/-	6
Quarterly	1st, 7th, 10th, 15th or 25th	3,000/-	2

#### 3. Systematic Withdrawal Plan

There are five options available under SWP viz. Weekly, Monthly option, quarterly option, Half Yearly and Yearly option. The details of which are given below:

	Weekly Option	Monthly Option	Quarterly Option	Half Yearly Option	Yearly Option
Minimum value of SWP			Rs. 1,000/-		
Additional amount in multiples of			Re.1		
Dates of SWP Installment	Any Business Day		1/5/10/	15/25*	
Minimum No. of SWP	Five	Six	Four	Four	Two

<sup>\*</sup> In the event that such a day is a holiday, the withdrawals would be affected on the next business day.

For further details of special products / facilities / Modes of Transactions, kindly refer SAI.

# TER for last 6 months / Daily TER: For details, please refer our website: <a href="https://www.axismf.com/total-expense-ratio">https://www.axismf.com/total-expense-ratio</a> Scheme factsheet: For details, please refer our

#### **INTERPRETATION**

For all purposes of this Scheme Information Document, except as otherwise expressly provided or unless the context otherwise requires:

https://www.axismf.com/downloads

- all references to the masculine shall include the feminine and all references, to the singular shall include the plural and vice-versa.
- all references to "dollars" or "\$" refer to United States Dollars and "Rs" refer to Indian Rupees. A "crore" means "ten million" and a "lakh" means a "hundred thousand".

website:



- all references to timings relate to Indian Standard Time (IST).
- References to a day are to a calendar day including a Non Business Day.
  All references to SEBI Master Circular would refer to SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024 as amended from time to time.



#### DUE DILIGENCE BY THE ASSET MANAGEMENT COMPANY

It is confirmed that:

- (i) The Scheme Information Document submitted to SEBI is in accordance with the SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 and the guidelines and directives issued by SEBI from time to time.
- (ii) All legal requirements connected with the launching of the Scheme as also the guidelines, instructions, etc., issued by the Government and any other competent authority in this behalf, have been duly complied with.
- (iii) The disclosures made in the Scheme Information Document are true, fair and adequate to enable the investors to make a well informed decision regarding investment in the Scheme.
- (iv) The intermediaries named in the Scheme Information Document and Statement of Additional Information are registered with SEBI and their registration is valid, as on date.
- (v) The contents of the Scheme Information Document including figures, data, yields etc. have been checked and are factually correct
- (vi) The AMC has complied with the compliance checklist applicable for Scheme Information Documents and other than cited deviations/ that there are no deviations from the regulations
- (vii) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Scheme Information Document, the provisions of the SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 and the guidelines there under shall be applicable.
- (viii) The Trustees have ensured that the Scheme approved by them is a new product offered by Axis Mutual Fund and is not a minor modification of any existing scheme/fund/product.

Sd/-

Name: Darshan Kapadia

**Designation: Compliance Office** 

Place: Mumbai

#### PART II. INFORMATION ABOUT THE SCHEME

#### A. HOW WILL THE SCHEME ALLOCATE ITS ASSETS?

Under normal circumstances the asset allocation pattern will be:

	Indicative allocations (% of total assets)		
Instruments	Minimum	Maximum	
Money market instruments (including cash, repo, CPs, CDs, Treasury Bills and Government securities) with maturity/residual maturity up to 91 days	50	100	
Debt instruments (including floating rate debt instruments) with maturity/residual maturity/ weighted average maturity up to 91 days	0	50	

Investment in Derivatives – up to 50% of the net assets of the Scheme. Investment in derivatives shall be for hedging, portfolio balancing and such other purposes as maybe permitted from time to time.

Pursuant to SEBI circular no. SEBI/IMD/CIR No. 13/150975/09 dated January 19, 2009, the Scheme shall make investment in / purchase debt and money market securities with maturity of up to 91 days only.

#### **Explanation:**

- a) In case of securities where the principal is to be repaid in a single payout, the maturity of the securities shall mean residual maturity. In case the principal is to be repaid in more than one payout then the maturity of the securities shall be calculated on the basis of weighted average maturity of the security.
- b) In case of securities with put and call options (daily or otherwise) the residual maturity of the securities shall not be greater than 91 days.
- c) In case the maturity of the security falls on a Non Business Day, then settlement of securities will take place on the next Business Day.

The Scheme retains the flexibility to invest across all the securities in the debt and Money Market Instruments. The Scheme may also invest in units of debt and liquid mutual fund schemes.

The total exposure in a particular sector (excluding investments in Bank CDs, Tri-party Repo on Government securities or treasury bills, Government Securities, T-Bills, short term deposits of scheduled commercial banks and AAA rated securities issued by Public Financial Institutions and Public Sector Banks) shall not exceed 20% of the net assets of the Scheme. Provided that an additional exposure to financial services sector (over and above the limit of 20%) not exceeding 10% of the net assets of the Scheme shall be allowed by way of increase in exposure to Housing Finance Companies (HFCs) only. Provided further that the additional exposure to such securities issued by HFCs are rated AA and above and these HFCs are registered with National Housing Bank (NHB) and the total Investment/exposure in HFCs shall not exceed 20% of the net assets of the Scheme.

The Scheme can invest up to 50% of net assets in Foreign Securities. All investments in foreign securities shall adhere to para 12.19 of SEBI master circular for Mutual Funds and amendments thereto.

The Scheme may engage in Short Selling of securities in accordance with the framework relating to Short Selling and securities lending and borrowing specified by SEBI.

The Scheme may also engage in Securities Lending wherein the Scheme shall not deploy more than 20% of its net assets in securities lending and not more than 5% of the net assets of the Scheme will be deployed in securities lending to any single counterparty.

The portfolio duration will undergo a change according to the expected movement in interest rates. Liquidity conditions and other macro-economic factors affecting interest rates shall be taken into account for varying the portfolio duration. It is expected that the average maturity for the fund will be in the range of 1-3 months depending on the interest rate view. However, this can undergo a change in case the market conditions warrant and according to the fund manager's view.

In accordance with the requirement of regulation 43A of SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 read with chapter 16A of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds on Investment by Mutual Fund Schemes and AMCs in units of Corporate Debt Market Development Fund, scheme shall invest 25 bps of its AUM as on December 31, 2022 in the units of the Corporate Debt Market Development Fund ('CDMDF') within 10 working days from the request of CDMDF. Further, an incremental contribution to CDMDF shall be made every six months within 10 working days from the end of half year starting from December 2023 to ensure 25 bps of scheme AUM is invested in units of CDMDF. However, if AUM decreases there shall be no return or redemption from CDMDF. Contribution made to CDMDF, including the appreciations on the same, if any, shall be locked-in till winding up of the CDMDF.

However, in case of winding up of contributing Scheme, inter-scheme transfers within the same Mutual Fund or across Mutual Funds may be undertaken.

Further, investments in CDMDF units shall not be considered as violation while considering maturity restriction as applicable for various purposes (including applicable Investment limits) and the calculations of Potential Risk Class (PRC) Matrix, Risk-o-meter, Stress testing and Duration for various purposes shall be done after excluding investments in units of CDMDF.

**Indicative Table** (Actual instrument/percentages may vary subject to applicable SEBI circulars)

Type of Instrument	Type of Instrument Percentage of exposure		
		references	
Securities Lending and borrowing & Short Selling	The Scheme may engage in Short Selling of securities in accordance with the framework relating to Short Selling and securities lending and borrowing specified by SEBI.	Para 12.11 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds as amended from time to time.	
	The Scheme may also engage in Securities Lending wherein the Scheme shall not deploy more than 20% of its net assets in securities lending and not more than 5% of the net assets of the Scheme will be deployed in securities lending to any single counterparty.		
Derivatives for non- hedging purposes	There is no separate limit for derivatives for non-hedging purposes. Please refer above para for exposure in derivatives.	Para 7.5, Para 7.6 and Para 12.25 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds	
Debt instruments with special features AT1 & AT2 Bonds*	a) No Mutual Fund under all its schemes shall own more than 10% of such instruments issued by a single issuer.	Para 12.2.2 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds	
	Securities Lending and borrowing & Short Selling  Derivatives for non-hedging purposes  Debt instruments with special features AT1 & AT2	Securities Lending and borrowing & Short Selling  The Scheme may engage in Short Selling of securities in accordance with the framework relating to Short Selling and securities lending and borrowing specified by SEBI.  The Scheme may also engage in Securities Lending wherein the Scheme shall not deploy more than 20% of its net assets in securities lending and not more than 5% of the net assets of the Scheme will be deployed in securities lending to any single counterparty.  Derivatives for nonhedging purposes  Debt instruments with special features ATI & AT2  AND Mutual Fund under all its schemes shall own more than 10% of such instruments	

		<ul> <li>i. more than 10% of its NAV of the debt portfolio of the scheme in such instruments; and</li> <li>ii. more than 5% of its NAV of the debt portfolio of the scheme in such instruments issued by a single issuer.</li> <li>The above investment limit for a mutual fund scheme shall be within the overall limit for debt instruments issued by a single issuer and other prudential limits with respect to the debt instruments.</li> </ul>	
4.	Overseas Securities	The Scheme can invest up to 50% of net assets in Foreign Securities. All investments in foreign securities shall adhere to para 12.19 of SEBI master circular for Mutual Funds and amendments thereto.	Para 12.19 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds
5.	Tri party Repo	Allocation may be made to TREPS from any amounts that are pending deployment or on account of any adverse market situation.	-
6.	Mutual Fund Units	The Scheme may also invest in units of debt and liquid mutual fund schemes.  The Scheme may invest in other schemes managed by the AMC or in the schemes of any other mutual funds in conformity with the investment objective of the Scheme and in terms of the prevailing SEBI (MF) Regulations.	Clause 4 of Seventh Schedule of SEBI (MF) Regulations, 1996
7.	Repo and Reverse repo in corporate debt securities	The Scheme may undertake repo transactions in corporate debt securities in accordance with the directions issued by RBI and SEBI from time to time. The gross exposure of the Scheme to repo transactions in corporate debt securities shall not be more than 10% of the net assets of the Scheme or such higher limit as may be specified by SEBI. Further, such an investment shall be made subject to the guidelines which may be prescribed by the Board of Directors of the Asset Management Company and Trustee Company.	Para 12.18 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds
8.	Units of Corporate Debt Market Development Fund ('CDMDF')	The Scheme shall invest 25 bps of their AUM in the units of CDMDF. The scheme shall, every six months, additionally contribute to CDMDF as their AUM increases, to ensure 25 bps of scheme AUM is invested in units of CDMDF.	Chapter 16A of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds

<sup>\*</sup>In accordance with clause 17.5.17 of SEBI master circular Fresh investments in perpetual bonds (including Additional Tier 1 bonds) can only be made in schemes that are in Class III of PRC.

The limits given above shall be subject to Schedule VII of the Regulations / circulars issued by SEBI and shall stand revised to the extent of changes in the Regulations/ circulars from time to time.

The Scheme shall not invest in following instruments:

Sr. No.	Type of Instrument
1	Credit Enhancement /Structured Obligations, however, debt securities with government guarantee shall be excluded from such restriction.
2	REITS and InVITS
3	Credit default swaps
4	Securitized Debt

#### Portfolio rebalancing due to short term defensive considerations:

Subject to the SEBI (MF) Regulations, the asset allocation pattern indicated above may change from time to time, keeping in view market conditions, market opportunities, applicable regulations and political and economic factors. The Scheme may actively deviate from the stated asset allocation pattern outlined in the SID during extenuating circumstances. These instances may be beyond the control of the fund manager & the AMC and hence may require such deviations. Such changes in the investment pattern will be transitionary in nature and will be undertaken as defensive considerations only in accordance with Para 1.14.1.2 of SEBI Master circular for Mutual Fund and as amended from time to time. Defensive considerations may be determined by the fund manager and /or AMC from time to time. In case of deviations on account of exogenous factors, the fund manager will endeavour to rebalance the Scheme within 30 calendar days from the date of such deviation. The intention being at all times to seek to protect the interests of the Unit holders.

# Portfolio rebalancing due to passive breaches:

In case of passive deviation from the asset allocation pattern or various prudential limits prescribed under SEBI (Mutual funds) regulations, 1996 and circulars issued thereunder the AMC shall follow process specified in Para 2.9 of SEBI Master circular for Mutual Fund as amended from time to time. In line with the circular, in the event of deviation from the mandated asset allocation limits mentioned in the SID or the prudential limits due to passive breaches such as corporate action, substantial rise/ fall in the price of an underlying scrip, maturity of any underlying security, large redemptions, etc., the portfolio would be rebalanced within 30 business days from the date of deviation. Where the portfolio is not rebalanced within mandated timelines, justification in writing including details of efforts taken to rebalance the portfolio shall be placed before the Investment Committee. The Investment Committee, if so desires, can extend the timelines up to sixty (60) business days from the date of completion of mandated rebalancing period. In case the portfolio of the Scheme is not rebalanced within aforementioned mandated plus extended timelines AMC shall adhere to the requirements as laid down in the aforesaid SEBI circular. However, at all times, the portfolio will adhere to the overall investment objective of the scheme.

## **B. WHERE WILL THE SCHEME INVEST?**

Following are list of all instruments in which the scheme will invest:

- Debt Instruments & Money Market Instruments
- Derivative
- Foreign Securities
- Units of debt and liquid Mutual Fund schemes
- Investment in CDMDF

Investment in overseas securities shall be made in accordance with the requirements including appointment of Fund Manager stipulated by SEBI and RBI from time to time.

The Scheme shall invest in any other instruments as may be permitted by SEBI/RBI from time to time.

Kindly refer detailed definitions and applicable regulations/guidelined for each instruments in the Section II.

#### C. WHAT ARE THE INVESTMENT STRATEGIES?

The scheme follows an Active investment strategy.

The Fund shall be managed according to the investment objective - to generate reasonable returns commensurate with low risk. As this Scheme is positioned at the lowest level of risk-return matrix, it is usually aimed to meet the needs of the Investors who want to deploy their funds for a short period of time.

The composition of Indian debt market (both primary and secondary) at the front end of the yield curve is dominated by money market instruments. Accordingly, the Scheme will invest predominantly in money market securities with some tactical allocation towards other debt securities to enhance the portfolio return. The portfolio will be structured to incorporate asset-liability management based on seasonal/historic trends of liabilities. Given the usually observed nature of the profile of liabilities, the fund shall seek to maintain high liquidity with the use of cash/cash equivalent assets.

As yield curve has been observed to be flat (overnight to 3 months) during most of the times, attempt will be made to space out the assets uniformly across the maturity buckets. However any irregularity in the shape of the curve (steep/inverted) will be played out in the portfolio construction after analysing the macro-economic environment including future course of system liquidity, interest rates and inflation along with other considerations in the economy and markets.

The investment team of the AMC will carry out rigorous in depth credit evaluation of the money market and debt instruments proposed to be invested in. The credit evaluation will essentially be a bottom up approach and include a study of the operating environment of the issuer, the past track record as well as the future prospects of the issuer and the short term / long term financial health of the issuer.

#### **Derivatives Strategy:**

The Scheme may use Derivative instruments like interest rate swaps like Overnight Indexed Swaps ("OIS"), forward rate agreements, interest rate futures or such other Derivative instruments as may be permitted under the applicable regulations. Derivatives will be used for the purpose of hedging, and portfolio balancing or such other purpose as may be permitted under the regulations and guidelines from time to time.

The Scheme will be allowed to take exposure in interest rate swaps only on a non-leveraged basis. A swap will be undertaken only if there is an underlying asset in the portfolio. In terms of circular no. MFD.BC.191/07.01.279/1999-2000 and MPD.BC.187/07.01.279/1999-2000 dated November 1, 1999 and July 7, 1999 respectively issued by RBI permitting participation by Mutual Funds in interest rate swaps and forward rate agreements, the Scheme will use Derivative instruments for the purpose of hedging and portfolio balancing. The Scheme may also use derivatives for such purposes as maybe permitted from time to time. Further, the guidelines issued by RBI from time to time for forward rate agreements and interest rate swaps and other derivative products would be adhered to by the Mutual Fund.

IRS and FRA do also have inherent credit and settlement risks. However, these risks are substantially reduced as they are limited to the interest streams and not the notional principal amounts.

Investments in Derivatives will be in accordance with the extant Regulations / guidelines. Presently Derivatives shall be used for hedging and / or portfolio balancing purposes, as permitted under the Regulations. The circumstances under which such transactions would be entered into would be when, for example using the IRS route it is possible to generate better returns / meet the objective of the Scheme at a lower cost. e.g. if buying a 2 Yr Mibor based instrument and receiving the 2 Yr swap rate yields better return than the 2 Yr AAA corporate, the Scheme would endeavor to do that. Alternatively, the Scheme would also look to hedge existing fixed rate positions if the view on interest rates is that it would likely rise in the future.

The following information provides a basic idea as to the nature of the Derivative instruments proposed to be used by the Fund and the benefits and risks attached therewith. Please note that the examples have been given for illustration purposes only.

# **Using Overnight Indexed Swaps**

In a rising interest rate scenario, the Scheme may enhance returns for the Investor by hedging the risk on its fixed interest paying assets by entering into an OIS contract where the Scheme agrees to pay a fixed interest rate on a specified notional amount, for a pre determined tenor and receives floating interest rate payments on the same notional amount. The fixed returns from the Scheme assets and the fixed interest payments to be made by the Scheme on account of the OIS transaction offset each other and the Scheme benefits on the floating interest payments that it receives. The Scheme may enter into an opposite position in case of a falling interest rate scenario, i.e. to hedge the floating rate assets in its portfolio the Scheme enters into an OIS transaction wherein it receives a fixed interest rate on a specified notional amount for a specified time period and pays a floating interest rate on the same notional amount. The floating interest payments that the Scheme receives on its floating rate securities and the floating interest payments that the Scheme has to pay on account of the OIS transaction offset each other and the Scheme benefits on the fixed interest payments that it receives in such a scenario.

#### Swap

Assume that the Scheme has a Rs. 20 crore floating rate investment linked to MIBOR (Mumbai Inter Bank Offered Rate). Hence, the Scheme is currently running an interest rate risk and stands to lose if the interest rate moves down. To hedge this interest rate risk, the Scheme can enter into a 6 month MIBOR swap. Through this swap, the Scheme will receive a fixed predetermined rate (assume 12%) and pays the "benchmark rate" (MIBOR), which is fixed by the NSE or any other agency such as Reuters. This swap would effectively lock-in the rate of 12% for the next 6 months, eliminating the daily interest rate risk. This transaction is usually routed through an intermediary who runs a book and matches deals between various counterparties.

The steps will be as follows:

Assuming the swap is for Rs. 20 Crores for June 1, 2022 to December 1, 2022. The Scheme is a fixed rate receiver at 12% and the counterparty is a floating rate receiver at the overnight rate on a compounded basis (say NSE MIBOR).

On June 1, 2022 the Scheme and the counterparty will exchange only a contract of having entered this swap. This documentation would be as per International Swap Dealers Association (ISDA) norms.

On a daily basis, the benchmark rate fixed by NSE will be tracked by them.

On December 1, 2022 they will calculate the following:

- The Scheme is entitled to receive interest on Rs. 20 Crores at 12% for 184 days i.e. Rs. 1.21 Crores, (this amount is known at the time the swap was concluded) and will pay the compounded benchmark rate.
- The counterparty is entitled to receive daily compounded call rate for 184 days & pay 12% fixed.
- On December 1, 2022, if the total interest on the daily overnight compounded benchmark rate is higher than Rs. 1.21 Crores, the Scheme will pay the difference to the counterparty. If the daily compounded benchmark rate is lower, then the counterparty will pay the Scheme the difference.
- Effectively the Scheme earns interest at the rate of 12% p.a. for six months without lending money for 6 months fixed, while the counterparty pays interest @ 12% p.a. for 6 months on Rs. 20 Crores, without borrowing for 6 months fixed.

The above example illustrates the use of Derivatives for hedging and optimizing the investment portfolio. Swaps have their own drawbacks like credit risk, settlement risk. However, these risks are substantially reduced as the amount involved is interest streams and not principal.

#### **Forward Rate Agreement**

Assume that on June 30, 2022, the 30 day Commercial Paper (CP) rate is 4% and the Scheme has an investment in a CP of face value Rs. 50 Crores, which is going to mature on July 31, 2022. If the interest rates are likely to remain stable or decline after July 31, 2022, and if the fund manager, who wants to re-deploy the maturity proceeds for 1 more month does not want to take the risk of interest rates going down, he can then enter into a following Forward Rate Agreement (FRA) say as on June 30, 2022:

He can receive 1 X 2 FRA on June 30, 2022 at 4.00% (FRA rate for 1 months lending in 1 months time) on the notional amount of Rs. 50 Crores, with a reference rate of 30 day CP benchmark. If the CP benchmark on the settlement date i.e. July 30, 2022 falls to 3.75%, then the Scheme receives the difference 4.00 - 3.75 i.e. 25 basis points on the notional amount Rs. 50 Crores.

#### **Interest Rate Futures**

Assume that the Scheme holds an Indian ten year benchmark and the fund manager has a view that the yields will go up in the near future leading to decrease in value of the investment and subsequent decrease in Net Asset Value of the Scheme. The fund manager decides to use Interest Rate Futures to mitigate the risk of decline of Net Asset Value of the Scheme.

#### 12th October 2020

- A government security 6.88% 2020, is trading at INR 98.00 at a yield of 7.19%.
- December 2020 futures contract on the ten year notional 7% coupon bearing Government paper is trading at a yield of 7.29% at a price of INR 98.50.
- The mutual fund decides to hedge the exposure by taking a short position in December 2009 interest rate futures contract.

#### 25th November 2020

- As expected by the fund manager the yield of the benchmark ten year paper has increased to 8% and the price has decreased to 92.70.
- The December 2020 futures contract is trading at a price of INR 93.17 indicating a yield of 8.05%
- The mutual fund unwinds the short position by buying the December 2020 futures contract. The transaction results in profit from the futures position, against the corresponding loss from the Government of India security position.

Certain risks are inherent to Derivative strategies viz. lack of opportunities, inability of Derivatives to correlate perfectly with the underlying and execution risks, whereby the rate seen on the screen may not be the rate at which the transaction is executed.

For details of risk factors relating to use of Derivatives, the investors are advised to refer to Scheme Specific Risk Factors.

## **Portfolio Turnover:**

The Scheme being an open-ended Scheme, it is expected that there would be a number of Subscriptions and Redemptions on a daily basis. Further, in the debt market, trading opportunities may arise due to changes in system liquidity, interest rate policy announced by RBI, shifts in the yield curve, credit rating changes or any other factors. In the opinion of the fund manager these opportunities can be played out to enhance the total return of the portfolio, which will result in increase in portfolio turnover. There may be an increase in transaction cost such as brokerage paid, if trading is done frequently. However, the cost would be negligible as compared to the total expenses of the Scheme. Frequent trading may increase the profits which will offset the increase in costs. The fund manager will endeavour to optimize portfolio turnover to maximize gains and minimize risks keeping in mind the cost associated with it. However, it is difficult to estimate with reasonable measure accuracy, the likely turnover in the portfolio of the Scheme. The Scheme has no specific target relating to portfolio turnover.

For details pertaining to Risk Controls and Risk Mitigation refer Point no. C Part I of Section II of the Scheme Information Document.

# D. HOW WILL THE SCHEME BENCHMARK ITS PERFORMANCE?

For details refer Point no. VII – Part I - Section I of the Scheme Information Document.

# E. WHO MANAGES THE SCHEME?

Name of Fund Manager	Age and Education Qualification	Experience of the Fund Manager	Names of other schemes under their management
Mr. Devang Shah  (managin g scheme since 5th Novembe r 2012)	Age: 43 years  B. Com, ACA	Total number of years of experience: 22 years, his last 10 years' experience are as follows:  • Fund Manager - Fixed Income, Axis Asset Management Company Ltd. (October 16, 2012 till date)  • Fund Manager, ICICI Prudential Asset Management Company Ltd. (April 2008 – October 2012)  • Analyst, Deutsche Asset Management (India) Pvt. Ltd. (2006-2008)  • Assistant Manager, Pricewaterhouse Coopers (2004-2006)	Axis Short Duration Fund Axis Treasury Advantage Fund Axis Arbitrage Fund Axis Corporate Bond Fund Axis Money Market Fund Axis Balanced Advantage Fund Axis Aggressive Hybrid Fund Axis Multi Asset Allocation Fund Axis Dynamic Bond Fund Axis Strategic Bond Fund Axis Strategic Bond Fund Axis Children's Fund Axis Retirement Fund - Aggressive Plan Axis Conservative Hybrid Fund Axis Retirement Fund - Dynamic Plan Axis Income Plus Arbitrage Active FOF Axis Gilt Fund Axis Retirement Fund - Conservative Plan Axis Cong Duration Fund
Mr. Aditya Pagaria (managin g scheme since 13th August 2016)	Age: 41 years,  Bachelor in Manageme nt Studies, Post Graduate Diploma in	Total number of years of experience: 18 years, his last 10 years' experience are as follows:  • Axis Asset Management	Axis Liquid Fund Axis Banking & PSU Debt Fund Axis Short Duration Fund Axis Treasury Advantage Fund Axis Money Market Fund Axis Aggressive Hybrid Fund Axis Multi Asset Allocation Fund

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	Business	Company Ltd.	Axis CRISIL IBX SDL May 2027 Index Fund
	Manageme nt	(Fund Manager - Fixed Income) -	Axis Nifty AAA Bond Plus SDL Apr 2026 50:50 ETF
	111	(August 1, 2016 till	Axis Gold ETF
		date)	Axis Floater Fund
		,	Axis Gold Fund
		ICICI Prudential	Axis Nifty AAA Bond Plus SDL Apr 2026 50:50 ETF FOF
		Asset	Axis Silver ETF
		Management Company Ltd.	Axis Silver Fund of Fund
		(Fund Manager -	Axis Nifty SDL September 2026 Debt Index Fund
		Fixed Income) -	Axis CRISIL IBX50:50 Gilt Plus SDL Sep 2027 Index Fund
		(Nov. 30, 2011 -	Axis Fixed Term Plan - Series 113 (1228 Days)
		July 26, 2016)	Axis CRISIL IBX AAA Bond NBFC Jun 2027 Index Fund
		• (Operations)- (May 03, 2007 -	Axis CRISIL-IBX AAA Bond Financial Services – Sep
		Nov. 29, 2011)	2027 Index Fund
		1101. 27, 2011	Axis CRISIL-IBX Financial Services 3-6 Months Debt
			Index Fund
			Axis CRISIL-IBX AAA Bond NBFC-HFC – Jun 2027 Index
Mr. Sachin	Age: 39	"Total number of	Fund
Jain	years	years of	Axis Liquid Fund
	yours	experience: 16	Axis Overnight Fund
(managin	e B.TECH d	years, his last 10	Axis Ultra Short Duration Fund
g scheme		years' experience	Axis Arbitrage Fund
since 3rd July 2023)		are as follows:  • Dealer - Fixed	Axis Money Market Fund
301y 2020j			Axis Strategic Bond Fund
		Income, Axis Asset	Axis Nifty AAA Bond Plus SDL Apr 2026 50:50 ETF
		Management	Axis Conservative Hybrid Fund
		Company Ltd.	Axis Gilt Fund
		(July 11, 2017 - till date)	Axis Nifty SDL September 2026 Debt Index Fund
		• Trader – Fixed	Axis CRISIL IBX50:50 Gilt Plus SDL Sep 2027 Index Fund
		Income,	Axis Fixed Term Plan - Series 112 (1143 Days)
		Sundaram Asset	Axis Fixed Term Plan - Series 113 (1228 Days)
		Management	Axis Fixed Terrificit - Series 113 (1226 Days)
		Company Ltd. (June 3, 2013 –	
		July 10, 2017)	
		• Dealer – Fixed	
		Income, ICAP Ltd. (November 9,	
		2010 - May 31,	
		2013) Dealer – Fixed	
		Income, Sundhi	
		Securities and	
		Finance Ltd.	
		(November 2,	
		2009 – October 29, 2010)"	
		27, ZUTUJ	

# F. HOW IS THE SCHEME DIFFERENT FROM EXISTING SCHEMES OF THE MUTUAL FUND?

Axis Liquid Fund, an open-ended Liquid Scheme, A relatively low interest rate risk and moderate credit risk is a different scheme offered by the Fund and is not a minor modification of any other existing scheme/product of the Fund.

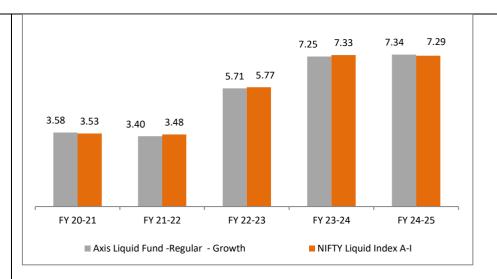
a. Reference list of existing open debt schemes of Axis Mutual Fund are as follows:

Sr. No.	Name of the scheme(s)
1	Axis Treasury Advantage Fund
2	Axis Banking & PSU Debt Fund
3	Axis Liquid Fund
4	Axis Gilt Fund
5	Axis Corporate Bond Fund
6	Axis Dynamic Bond Fund
7	Axis Strategic Bond Fund
8	Axis Credit Risk Fund
9	Axis Money Market Fund
10	Axis Overnight Fund
11	Axis Floater Fund
12	Axis Short Duration Fund
13	Axis Ultra Short Duration Fund
14	Axis Long Duration Fund

b. For detailed comparative table on 'How the Scheme is different from existing schemes of Axis Mutual Fund', please refer our website: <a href="https://www.axismf.com/statutory-disclosures">https://www.axismf.com/statutory-disclosures</a>

#### G. HOW HAS THE SCHEME PERFORMED?

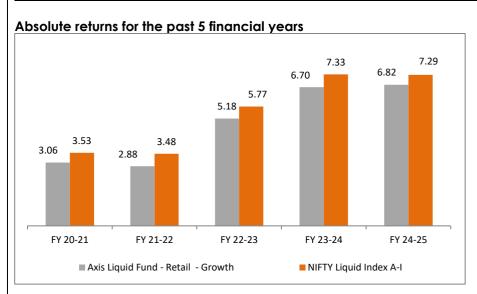
Performance of Axis Liquid			
Fund – Regular Plan – Growth Option as on September 30, 2025 is as follows:	Period	Axis Liquid Fund - Regular Plan - Growth Option^	NIFTY Liquid Index A-I
	1 Year returns	6.86%	6.82%
	3 Year returns	7.04%	7.08%
	5 Year returns	5.67%	5.72%
	Returns since Inception (October 09, 2009)	7.00%	7.00%
	Absolute Returns for Last 5	Financial Years	



W.e.f. January 1, 2013 Axis Liquid Fund - Institutional Plan has been renamed as Axis Liquid Fund. Further, w.e.f. November 29, 2019, Axis Liquid Fund has been renamed to Axis Liquid Fund – Regular Plan.

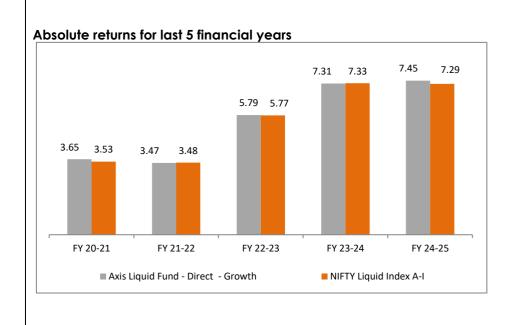
Performance of Axis Liquid Fund – Retail Plan – Growth Option as at September 30, 2025 is as follows:

Period	Axis Liquid Fund - Retail Plan - Growth Option^	NIFTY Liquid Index A-I
1 Year returns	6.32%	6.82%
3 Year returns	6.51%	7.08%
5 Year returns	5.15%	5.72%
Returns since Inception (March 01, 2010)	6.57%	7.09%



Performance of Axis Liquid Fund - Direct Plan – Growth Option as at September 30, 2025 is as follows:

Period	Axis Liquid Fund - Direct Plan - Growth Option^	NIFTY Liquid Index A-I
1 Year returns	6.95%	6.82%
3 Year returns	7.13%	7.08%
5 Year returns	5.75%	5.72%
Returns since Inception (December 31, 2012)	6.88%	6.77%



For risk-o-meter and benchmark risk-o-meter of the scheme refer cover page.

**APast performance may or may not be sustained in future.** Returns are compounded annualized for period more than or equal to 1 year. Calculations are based on Growth Option NAVs. The performance of Scheme is benchmarked to the Total Return Variant (TRI) of the Benchmark Index in terms of Para 1.9 and Para 6.14 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds as amended from time to time.

# H. ADDITIONAL SCHEME RELATED DISCLOSURES

- i. Scheme's portfolio holdings (top 10 holdings by issuer and fund allocation towards various sectors) Please refer the AMC website https://www.axismf.com/statutory-disclosures for said details
- ii. Disclosure of name and exposure to Top 7 issuers, stocks, groups and sectors as a percentage of NAV of the scheme in case of debt and equity ETFs/index funds through a functional website link that contains detailed description Not Applicable
- iii. Functional website link for Portfolio Disclosure Fortnightly / Monthly/ Half Yearly Please refer the AMC website <a href="https://www.axismf.com/statutory-disclosures">(https://www.axismf.com/statutory-disclosures)</a> for said details
- iv. Portfolio turnover ratio for the half-year period ended September 30, 2025: Not Applicable
- v. Aggregate investment in the Scheme by:

Sr.	Category of Persons	Net Value*		Market Value* (In Rs.)
No.	(Axis Liquid Fund – Fund Manager(s))	Units	NAV (Rs. per unit)	
1.	AXIS LIQUID FUND- Direct Growth	3,175.27	2,975.14	94,46,882.86

<sup>\*</sup>as on September 30, 2025

For any other disclosure w.r.t investments by key personnel and AMC directors including regulatory provisions in this regard kindly refer SAI.

#### vi. Investments of AMC in the Scheme -

Subject to the applicable Regulations, the AMC may invest either directly or indirectly, in the Scheme during Ongoing Offer Period. However, the AMC shall not charge any investment management fee on such investments in the Scheme.

# Investment by the AMC in the in units of Corporate Debt Market Development Fund

Pursuant to regulation 43A of SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 and chapter 16A of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds on Investment by Mutual Fund Schemes and AMCs in units of Corporate Debt Market Development Fund, AMC shall make a one-time contribution equivalent to 2bps of the AUM of the specified debt oriented schemes as on December 31, 2022 in the units of the Corporate Debt Market Development Fund ('CDMDF') within 10 working days of request from CDMDF. Contribution made to CDMDF, including the appreciations on the same, if any, shall be locked-in till winding up of the CDMDF.

In case of delay in contribution by the Scheme and AMC, the AMC shall be liable to pay interest at fifteen percent (15%) per annum for the period of delay.

Further, in terms of requirement of the Regulations, the AMC shall invest such amounts in Scheme, based on the risks associated with the Scheme, as may be specified by the SEBI from time to time.

Please refer the AMC website <u>(https://www.axismf.com/statutory-disclosures)</u> for detailed AMC Investments in Scheme(s) of Axis Mutual Fund.

#### **PART III- OTHER DETAILS**

#### A. COMPUTATION OF NAV

The Net Asset Value (NAV) per Unit of the respective Options under the Scheme will be computed by dividing the net assets of the Scheme by the number of Units outstanding on the valuation day. The Mutual Fund will value its investments according to the valuation norms, as specified in Schedule VIII of the SEBI (MF) Regulations, or such norms as may be specified by SEBI from time to time.

Valuation of Foreign Currency / Securities: On the valuation day, all the assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currency will be valued in Indian Rupees. The valuation price of the security will be converted to INR based on FBIL/any other designated agency, reference rate at the close of banking hours in India. If required, the AMC may change the source of determining the exchange rate. The Fund shall value its investments according to the valuation norms (Valuation Policy includes computation of NAV in case of investment in foreign securities), as specified in the Eighth Schedule of the Regulations, or such guidelines / recommendations as may be specified by SEBI from time to time. The broad valuation norms are detailed in the Statement of Additional Information.

The Net Assets Value (NAV) of the Units under the Scheme shall be calculated as shown below:

The NAV shall be calculated up to four decimal places. Separate NAV will be calculated and disclosed for each Option.

The AMC will calculate the NAV of the Scheme for all the Calendar Days.

Illustration of Computation of NAV:

The computation of NAV per unit using various components is explained as follows:

Particulars	Amount in Rs
Market or Fair Value of Scheme's Investments (A)	10,00,00,000
Add: Current Assets including Accrued Income. (B)	75,34,345.00
Less: Current Liabilities and Provisions(C)	(30,00,000.00)
Net Assets (A+B-C)	10,45,34,345.00

No. of Units outstanding under Scheme on the Valuation Day: 100,00,000

The NAV per unit will be computed as follows: 10,45,34,345.34 / 100,00,000 = Rs. 10.4534 per unit (rounded off to four decimals)

The Mutual Fund will ensure that the Redemption Price will not be lower than 97% of the Applicable NAV.

For other details such as policies w.r.t computation of NAV, rounding off, investment in foreign securities, procedure in case of delay in disclosure of NAV etc. refer to SAI

## B. NEW FUND OFFER (NFO) EXPENSES

These expenses are incurred for the purpose of various activities related to the NFO like sales and distribution fees paid marketing and advertising, registrar expenses, printing and stationery, bank charges etc.

#### C. ANNUAL SCHEME RECURRING EXPENSES

These are the fees and expenses for operating the scheme. These expenses include to Investment Management and Advisory Fee charged by the AMC, Registrar and Transfer Agents' fee, marketing and selling costs etc. as given in the table below:

The AMC has estimated that following expenses will be charged to the Scheme as expenses as permitted under Regulation 52 of SEBI (MF) Regulations. For the actual current expenses being charged, the investor should refer to the website of the AMC.

Expense Head	% of daily Net Assets
Investment Management and Advisory fees	Upto 2.00%
Trustee fees	
Audit fees	
Custodian fees	
RTA fees	
Marketing & selling expense incl. agent commission	
Cost related to investor communications	
Cost of fund transfer from location to location	
Cost of providing account statements and IDCW redemption cheques and warrants	
Costs of statutory advertisements	
Cost towards investor education & awareness (at least 2 bps)	
Brokerage & transaction cost over and above 12 bps and 5 bps for cash and derivative market trades resp.	
Goods & Services Tax (GST) on expenses other than investment and advisory fees	
GST on brokerage and transaction cost (over & above 12bps and 5bps limit mentioned above)	
Other Expenses*	
Maximum total expense ratio (TER) permissible under Regulation 52 (6)(c)	Upto 2.00%
Additional expenses under regulation 52(6A)(c)^	Upto 0.05%

^The AMC shall not charge additional expenses under Regulation 52(6A)(c) in case exit load is not levied/ not applicable.

All fees and expenses charged in a Direct Plan (in percentage terms) under various heads including the investment and advisory fee shall not exceed the fees and expenses charged under such heads in other than Direct Plan.

Note: With effect from October 1, 2012, Retail Plan has been discontinued for fresh subscriptions received on or after October 1, 2012. Existing investors will continue to remain invested in the Retail Plans (including IDCW reinvestment) till the existing investments are redeemed and no fresh subscription shall be accepted in Retail Plan.

Direct Plan shall have a lower expense ratio excluding distribution expenses, commission, etc. and no commission for distribution of Units will be paid/ charged under Direct Plan.

Fungibility of expenses: The expenses towards Investment Management and Advisory Fees under Regulation 52(2) and the various sub-heads of recurring expenses mentioned under Regulation 52(4) of SEBI (MF) Regulations are fungible in nature. Thus, there shall be no internal sub-limits within the expense ratio for expense heads mentioned under Regulation 52(2) and (4) respectively. Further, the additional expenses under Regulation 52(6A)(c) may be incurred either towards investment & advisory fees and/or towards other expense heads as stated above.

These estimates have been made in good faith as per the information available to and estimates made by the Investment Manager and are subject to change inter-se or in total subject to prevailing Regulation

The recurring expenses of the Scheme (including the Investment Management and Advisory Fees) shall be as per the limits prescribed under the SEBI (MF) Regulations. These are as follows:

Assets under management Slab (In Rs. crore)	Total expense ratio limits
On the first Rs. 500 crores of the daily net assets	2.00%
On the next Rs. 250 crores of the daily net assets	1.75%
On the next Rs. 1250 crores of the daily net assets	1.50%
On the next Rs. 3000 crores of the daily net assets	1.35%
On the next Rs. 5000 crores of the daily net assets	1.25%
On the next Rs. 40,000 crores of the daily net assets	Total expense ratio reduction of 0.05% for every increase of Rs. 5,000 crores of daily net assets or part thereof.
On the balance of the assets	0.80%

The total expenses of the Scheme(s) including the investment management and advisory fee shall not exceed the limit stated in Regulation 52(6) of the SEBI (MF) Regulations and amendments thereto.

A. In addition to the limits as specified in Regulation 52(6) of SEBI (MF) Regulations or the Total Recurring Expenses (Total Expense Limit) as specified above, the following costs or expenses may be charged to the Scheme namely-

# Additional expenses under regulation 52(6A)(c)

- (a) additional expenses, incurred towards different heads mentioned under Regulations 52(2) and 52(4), not exceeding 0.05 per cent of daily net assets of the Scheme;
- (b) GST payable on investment and advisory service fees ('AMC fees') charged by Axis Asset Management Company Ltd.;
- (c) Brokerage and transaction cost incurred for the purpose of execution shall be charged to the schemes as provided under Regulation 52 (6A) (a) upto 12 bps and 5 bps for cash market transactions and derivatives transactions respectively. Any payment towards brokerage & transaction costs, over and above the said 12 bps and 5 bps for cash market transactions and derivatives transactions respectively will be charged within the maximum limit of Total Expense Ratio (TER) as prescribed under Regulation 52 of the Regulations.
- B. Within the Total Expense Limit chargeable to the Scheme, following will be charged to the Scheme:
- (a) GST on other than investment and advisory fees, if any, shall be borne by the Scheme
- (b) Investor education and awareness initiative fees of at least 2 basis points on daily net assets of Scheme.
- C. AMC fees charged by Axis AMC to the Scheme will be within the Total Expense Limit as prescribed by SEBI Regulations, as amended from time to time.

Expenses over and above the prescribed limit shall be charged / borne in accordance with the Regulations prevailing from time to time.

The mutual fund would update notice of change in base TER on its website (<a href="www.axismf.com">www.axismf.com</a>) at least three working days prior to the effective date of the change. Investors can refer 'Total Expense Ratio of Mutual Fund Schemes' section on <a href="https://www.axismf.com/total-expense-ratio">https://www.axismf.com/total-expense-ratio</a> for Total Expense Ratio (TER) details.

#### Illustration: Impact of Expense Ratio on Scheme's return:

Expense ratio, normally expressed as a percentage of Average Assets under Management, is calculated by dividing the permissible expenses under the Regulations by the average net assets.

To further illustrate in rupee terms the above, for the Scheme under reference, suppose an Investor invested Rs. 10,000/- (after deduction of stamp duty and transaction charges, if any) under the Growth Option, the impact of expenses charged will be as under:

Sr.	Particulars	Regular	Direct
No.1		Plan	Plan
A.	Amount invested at the beginning of the year (Rs.)	10,000	10,000
В.	Returns before expenses (Rs.)	1,500	1,500
C.	Expenses other than the expenses mentioned in 'D' below (Rs.)	50	50
D.	Marketing & Selling expense incl. agent commission (Rs.)	150	0
E.	Returns after expenses at the end of the year (Rs.) $[B - (C + D)]$	1300	1450
	Returns after expenses at the end of the year (in $\%$ ) [(E/A) – 1]	13%	14.5%

#### Note(s):

- The purpose of the above illustration is purely to explain the impact of expense ratio charged to the Plan(s) under the Scheme and should not be construed as providing any kind of investment advice or guarantee of returns on investments.
- It is assumed that the expenses charged are evenly distributed throughout the year.
- The expenses of the Direct Plan of the Scheme will be lower to the extent of the distribution expenses/ commission
- Any tax impact has not been considered in the above example, in view of the individual nature of the tax implications. Each investor is advised to seek appropriate advice.

#### D. LOAD STRUCTURE

Load is an amount which is paid by the Investor to redeem the Units from the Scheme. This amount is used by the AMC to pay commission to the distributors and to take care of other marketing and selling expenses. Load amounts are variable and are subject to change from time to time. For the current applicable structure, investors may refer to the website of the AMC (<a href="www.axismf.com">www.axismf.com</a>) or may call at contact number 8108622211 (Chargeable) from 9.00 am to 6.00 pm (Monday to Saturday) or can contact his distributor. Para 10.4 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds as amended from time to time has decided that there shall be no entry Load for all Mutual Fund Schemes.

Type of Load	Load chargeable (as %age of NAV)
Exit Load	For details refer Point no. XI of Part – I of Section I of the Scheme Information
	Document.

For switches within the Scheme from Regular to Direct Plan or vice versa, no exit load shall be charged The aforesaid exit load shall be applicable on a prospective basis to all fresh investments made in the Scheme on or after October 20, 2019 including registered Systematic Transfer Plans (STPs), Systematic Withdrawal Plans (SWPs) etc. falling due on or after October 20, 2019.

Units issued on reinvestment of IDCW shall not be subject to any Load, if any. No load shall be levied on switches between options of the Scheme.

Exit load charged to the investors will be credited back to the Scheme net of GST.

The Investor is requested to check the prevailing Load structure of the Scheme before investing.

For any change in Load structure AMC will issue an addendum and display it on the website/Investor Service Centres.

Under the Scheme, the AMC/Trustee reserves the right to change / modify the Load structure if it so deems fit in the interest of smooth and efficient functioning of the Mutual Fund. The AMC/Trustee reserves the right to introduce / modify the Load depending upon the circumstances prevailing at that time subject to maximum limits as prescribed under the Regulations.

The Redemption Price however, will not be lower than 97% of the NAV. Any imposition or enhancement of Load in future shall be applicable on prospective investments only.

At the time of changing the Load Structure:

- 1. The AMC shall be required to issue an addendum and display the same on its website immediately;
- 2. The addendum shall be circulated to all the distributors / brokers so that the same can be attached to all Scheme Information Document and Key Information Memorandum already in stock.
- 3. Latest applicable addendum shall be a part of KIM and SID of the respective Scheme(s).
- 4. Further, the account statements shall continue to include applicable load structure.

The Trustee/AMC reserves the right to change the load structure subject to the limits prescribed under the Regulations. Any change in load structure shall be only on a prospective basis i.e. Any such changes would be chargeable only for Redemptions from prospective purchases (applying first in first out basis).

#### E. REQUIREMENT OF MINIMUM INVESTORS IN THE SCHEME

The Scheme shall have a minimum of 20 Investors and no single Investor shall account for more than 25% of the corpus of the Schemes). The aforesaid conditions should be complied with in each calendar quarter on an average basis. In case the Scheme does not have a minimum of 20 Investors on an ongoing basis for each calendar quarter, the provisions of Regulation 39(2)(c) of the SEBI (MF) Regulations would become applicable automatically without any reference from SEBI and accordingly the Scheme shall be wound up and the units would be redeemed at Applicable NAV. If there is a breach of the 25% limit by any Investor over the quarter, a rebalancing period of one month would be allowed and thereafter the Investor who is in breach of the rule shall be given 15 days' notice to redeem his exposure over the 25% limit. Failure on the part of the said investor to redeem his exposure over the 25% limit within the aforesaid 15 days would lead to automatic Redemption by the Mutual Fund at the Applicable NAV on the 15th day of the notice period. The Fund shall adhere to the requirements prescribed by SEBI from time to time in this regard.

#### **SECTION II**

#### I. INTRODUCTION

#### A. DEFINITIONS/INTERPRETATION

For details refer website of Axis Mutual Fund: https://www.axismf.com/statutory-disclosures

#### B. RISK FACTORS

#### Scheme specific risk factors

#### Risks associated with investments in Fixed Income Securities

**Interest-Rate Risk**: Fixed income securities such as government bonds, corporate bonds, Money Market Instruments and Derivatives run price-risk or interest-rate risk. Generally, when interest rates rise, prices of existing fixed income securities fall and when interest rates drop, such prices increase. The extent of fall or rise in the prices depends upon the coupon and maturity of the security. It also depends upon the yield level at which the security is being traded.

**Re-investment Risk:** Investments in fixed income securities carry re-investment risk as interest rates prevailing on the coupon payment or maturity dates may differ from the original coupon of the bond.

**Basis Risk**: The underlying benchmark of a floating rate security or a swap might become less active or may cease to exist and thus may not be able to capture the exact interest rate movements, leading to loss of value of the portfolio.

**Spread Risk:** In a floating rate security the coupon is expressed in terms of a spread or mark up over the benchmark rate. In the life of the security this spread may move adversely leading to loss in value of the portfolio. The yield of the underlying benchmark might not change, but the spread of the security over the underlying benchmark might increase leading to loss in value of the security.

**Liquidity Risk:** The liquidity of a bond may change, depending on market conditions leading to changes in the liquidity premium attached to the price of the bond. At the time of selling the security, the security can become illiquid, leading to loss in value of the portfolio.

**Credit Risk:** This is the risk associated with the issuer of a debenture/bond or a Money Market Instrument defaulting on coupon payments or in paying back the principal amount on maturity. Even when there is no default, the price of a security may change with expected changes in the credit rating of the issuer. It is to be noted here that a Government Security is a sovereign security and is the safest. Corporate bonds carry a higher amount of credit risk than Government Securities. Within corporate bonds also there are different levels of safety and a bond rated higher by a particular rating agency is safer than a bond rated lower by the same rating agency.

**Liquidity Risk on account of unlisted securities:** The liquidity and valuation of the Scheme investments due to their holdings of unlisted securities may be affected if they have to be sold prior to their target date of divestment. The unlisted security can go down in value before the divestment date and selling of these securities before the divestment date can lead to losses in the portfolio.

**Settlement Risk:** Fixed income securities run the risk of settlement which can adversely affect the ability of the fund house to swiftly execute trading strategies which can lead to adverse movements in NAV.

#### Risks associated with investments in Derivatives Transactions

**Credit Risk:** The credit risk is the risk that the counter party will default in its obligations and is generally small as in a Derivative transaction there is generally no exchange of the principal amount.

Interest rate risk: Derivatives carry the risk of adverse changes in the price due to change in interest rates.

**Basis Risk:** Basis Risk associated with imperfect hedging using Interest Rate Futures (IRF): The imperfect correlation between the prices of securities in the portfolio and the IRF contract used to hedge part of the portfolio leads to basis risk. Thus, the loss on the portfolio may not exactly match the gain from the hedge position entered using the IRF.

**Liquidity risk:** This occurs where the derivatives cannot be transacted due to limited trading volumes and/or the transaction is completed with a severe price impact. **Model Risk:** The risk of mis–pricing or improper valuation of Derivatives.

**Trade Execution:** Risk where the final execution price is different from the screen price leading to dilution in the spreads and hence impacting the profitability of the reverse arbitrage strategy.

**Systemic Risk:** For Derivatives, especially OTC ones the failure of one Counter Party can put the whole system at risk and the whole system can come to a halt.

**Counter party Risk:** This occurs when a counterparty fails to abide by its contractual obligations and therefore, the Scheme are compelled to negotiate with another counter party, at the then prevailing (possibly unfavourable) market price. For exchange traded derivatives, the risk is mitigated as the exchange provides the guaranteed settlement but one takes the performance risk on the exchange.

Derivative products are leveraged instruments and can provide disproportionate gains as well as disproportionate losses to the investor. Execution of strategies depends upon the ability of the fund manager to identify such opportunities. Identification and execution of the strategies to be pursued by the fund manager involve uncertainty and decision of fund manager may not always be profitable. No assurance can be given that the fund manager will be able to identify or execute such strategies.

The risks associated with the use of Derivatives are different from or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities and other traditional investments.

## Risk associated with Short Selling & Securities Lending

Securities Lending is a lending of securities through an approved intermediary to a borrower under an agreement for a specified period with the condition that the borrower will return equivalent securities of the same type or class at the end of the specified period along with the corporate benefits accruing on the securities borrowed. There are risks inherent in securities lending, including the risk of failure of the other party, in this case the approved intermediary to comply with the terms of the agreement. Such failure can result in a possible loss of rights to the collateral, the inability of the approved intermediary to return the securities deposited by the lender and the possible loss of corporate benefits accruing thereon.

Short-selling is the sale of shares or securities that the seller does not own at the time of trading. Instead, he borrows it from someone who already owns it. Later, the short seller buys back the stock/security he shorted and returns the stock/security to the lender to close out the loan. The inherent risks are Counterparty risk and liquidity risk of the stock/security being borrowed. The security being short sold might be illiquid or become illiquid and covering of the security might occur at a much higher price level than anticipated, leading to losses.

#### Risk factors associated with repo transactions in Corporate Bonds

The Scheme may be exposed to counter party risk in case of repo lending transactions in the event of the counterparty failing to honour the repurchase agreement. However in repo transactions, the collateral

may be sold and a loss is realized only if the sale price is less than the repo amount. The risk is further mitigated through over-collateralization (the value of the collateral being more than the repo amount).

#### Risks associated with Creation of Segregated portfolio

- 1. Investor holding units of segregated portfolio may not able to liquidate their holding till the time recovery of money from the issuer.
- 2. Security comprises of segregated portfolio may not realise any value.
- 3. Listing of units of segregated portfolio on recognised stock exchange does not necessarily guarantee their liquidity. There may not be active trading of units in the stock market. Further trading price of units on the stock market may be significantly lower than the prevailing NAV.

# Risks associated with transaction in Units through stock exchange(s)

In respect of transaction in Units of the Scheme through BSE and / or NSE, allotment and redemption of Units on any Business Day will depend upon the order processing / settlement by BSE and / or NSE and their respective clearing corporations on which the Fund has no control."

#### Risk Associated with investment in Foreign Securities

Subject to necessary approvals, the Scheme may also invest in overseas financial assets as permitted under the applicable regulations. The value of an investment in a foreign issuer's securities may depend on general global economic factors or specific economic and political factors relating to the country or countries in which the foreign issuer operates. To the extent the assets of the Scheme are invested in overseas financial assets, there may be risk associated with fluctuation in foreign exchange rates, restriction on repatriation of capital and earnings under the exchange control regulations and transaction procedure in overseas market. The repatriation of capital to India may also be hampered by changes in regulations concerning exchange controls, political circumstances, bi-lateral conflicts or prevalent tax laws. Since the Scheme would invest only partially in foreign securities, there may not be readily available and widely accepted benchmarks to measure performance of such Scheme. To manage risks associated with foreign currency and interest rate exposure, the Scheme may use derivatives for efficient portfolio management and hedging and portfolio rebalancing and in accordance with conditions as may be stipulated under the Regulations and by RBI from time to time.

Investment in foreign securities carries currency risk. Currency risk is a form of risk that arises from the change in price of one currency against other. The exchange risk associated with a foreign denominated instrument is a key element in foreign investment. This risk flows from differential monetary policy and growth in real productivity, which results in differential inflation rates. The risk arises because currencies may move in relation to each other.

#### Backstop facility in form of investment in Corporate Debt Market Development Fund (CDMDF):

CDMDF is set up as a scheme of the Trust registered as an Alternative Investment Fund ('AIF') in accordance with the SEBI (Alternative Investment Funds) Regulations, 2012 ("AIF Regulations"). The objective of the CDMDF is to help to develop the corporate debt market by providing backstop facility to instill confidence amongst the market participants in the corporate debt/bond market during times of market dislocation and to enhance the secondary market liquidity. In times of market dislocation, CDMDF shall purchase and hold eligible corporate debt securities from the participating investors (i.e., specified debt-oriented MF schemes to begin with) and sell as markets recover. The CDMDF will thus act as a key enabler for facilitating liquidity in the corporate debt market and to respond quickly in times of market dislocation. The trigger and period for which the backstop facility will be open shall be as decided by SEBI. Thus this backstop facility will help fund managers of the aforementioned Schemes to better generate liquidity during market dislocation to help the schemes fulfill liquidity obligations under stress situation.

In accordance with the requirement of regulation 43A of SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 read with chapter 16A of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds on Investment by Mutual Fund Schemes in units of Corporate Debt Market Development Fund, the aforementioned schemes shall invest 25 bps of its AUM as on December 31, 2022 in the units of the Corporate Debt Market Development Fund ('CDMDF'). An

incremental contribution to CDMDF shall be made every six months to ensure 25 bps of scheme AUM is invested in units of CDMDF. However, if AUM decreases there shall be no return or redemption from CDMDF. Contribution made to CDMDF, including the appreciations on the same, if any, shall be locked-in till winding up of the CDMDF.

We would further like to bring to the notice of the investors that investments in CDMDF units shall not be considered as violation while considering maturity restriction as applicable for various purposes (including applicable Investment limits) and the calculations of Potential Risk Class (PRC) Matrix, Risk-o-meter, Stress testing and Duration for various purposes shall be done after excluding investments in units of CDMDF. Investors are requested to read details disclosure on investment of the schemes in the CDMDF as listed in section "How will the Scheme allocate its assets?" And Section "Where will the Scheme Invest".

# Risk Factor associated with investing in Tier I and Tier II Bonds:

# Tier I and Tier II Bonds are unsecured and the RBI prescribes certain restrictions in relation to the terms of these Bonds:

Tier I and Tier II bonds are unsecured in nature. The claims of the Bondholders shall (i) be subordinated to the claims of all depositors and general creditors of the Bank; (ii) neither be secured nor covered by any guarantee of the Issuer or its related entity or other arrangement that legally or economically enhances the seniority of the claim vis-a-vis creditors of the Bank; (iii) Unless the terms of any subsequent issuance of bonds/debentures by the Bank specifies that the claims of such subsequent bond holders are senior or subordinate to the Bonds issued under the Disclosure Document or unless the RBI specifies otherwise in its guidelines, the claims of the Bondholders shall be pari passu with claims of holders of such subsequent debentures/bond issuances of the Bank; (iv) rank pari passu without preference amongst themselves and other subordinated debt eligible for inclusion in Tier 1 / Tier 2 Capital as the case may be. The Bonds are not redeemable at the option of the Bondholders or without the prior consent of RBI.

The Bonds (including all claims, demands on the Bonds and interest thereon, whether accrued or contingent) are issued subject to loss absorbency features applicable for non-equity capital instruments issued in terms of Basel III Guidelines including in compliance with the requirements of Annex 5 thereof and are subject to certain loss absorbency features as described in bond prospectus and required of Tier 1 / Tier 2 instruments at the Point of Non Viability as provided for in Annex 16 of the aforesaid Basel III Guidelines as amended from time to time.

The Bonds are essentially non-equity regulatory instruments, forming part of a Bank's capital, governed by Reserve Bank of India (RBI) guidelines and issued under the issuance and listing framework given under Chapter VI of the SEBI (Issue and Listing of NonConvertible Redeemable Preference Shares) Regulations, 2013 ("NCRPS Regulations"). These instruments have certain unique features which, inter-alia, grantthe issuer (i.e. banks, in consultation with RBI) a discretion in terms of writing down the principal/interest, to skip interest payments, to make an early recall etc. without commensurate rightfor investors to legal recourse, even if such actions of the issuer might resultin potential loss to investors. Payment of coupon on the Bonds is subject to the terms of Information Memorandum, including Coupon Discretion, Dividend Stopper Clause, Loss Absorption as contained in the Information Memorandum. The Bonds are subject to loss absorption features as per the guidelines prescribed by RBI.

There may be no active market for the Bonds on the platform of the Stock Exchanges. As a result, the liquidity and market prices of the Bonds may fail to develop and may accordingly be adversely affected: There is no assurance that a trading market for the Bonds will exist and no assurance as to the liquidity of any trading market. Although an application will be made to list the Bonds on the NSE and/or BSE, there can be no assurance that an active market for the Bonds will develop, and if such a market were to develop, there is no obligation on the issuer to maintain such a market. The liquidity and market prices of the Bonds can be expected to vary with changes in market and economic conditions, financial condition and prospects and other factors that generally influence market price of such instruments. Such fluctuations may significantly affect the liquidity and market price of the Bonds, which may trade at a discount to the price at which one purchases these Bonds.

# Issuer is not required to and will not create or maintain a Debenture Redemption Reserve (DRR) for the Bonds issued under this Disclosure Document:

As per the Companies (Share Capital and Debentures) Rules, 2014, as amended, no Debenture Redemption Reserve is required to be created by Banking Companies issuing debentures.

#### There is no assurance that the Tier I / Tier II bonds will not be downgraded:

The Rating agencies, which rate the Bonds, have a slightly different rating methodology for Tier I and Tier II bonds. In the event of deterioration of the financial health of the Issuer or due to other reasons, the rating of the Bonds may be downgraded whilst the ratings of other bonds issued by the issuer may remain constant. In such a scenario, for Tier I and Tier II Bond holders may incur losses on their investment.

#### **C. RISK MITIGATION STRATEGIES**

#### **Risk Control:**

Risk is an inherent part of the investment function. Effective risk management is critical to fund management for achieving financial soundness. Since investing requires disciplined risk management, the AMC would incorporate adequate safeguards for controlling risks in the portfolio construction process. The risk control process involves reducing risks through portfolio diversification; The AMC believes that this diversification would help achieve the desired level of consistency in returns. The AMC aims to identify securities, which offer superior levels of yield at lower levels of risks. With the aim of controlling risks, rigorous in-depth credit evaluation of the securities proposed to be invested in will be carried out by the investment team of the AMC. Risk control would involve managing risk in order to keep it in line with the investment objective of the Scheme. AMC has implemented the Bloomberg Portfolio Order Management System as Front Office System (FOS) for this purpose the system has incorporated all the investment restrictions as per SEBI guidelines and "soft" warning alerts at appropriate levels for preemptive monitoring. The system enables identifying & measuring the risk through various risk measurement tools like various risk ratios, average duration and analyzes the same and acts in a preventive manner.

## <u>Risk control measures with respect to Debt & Money Market Instruments</u>

Market Risk / Interest Rate Risk: Changes in interest rates may affect the Scheme's Net Asset Value as the prices of securities generally increase as interest rates decline and generally decrease as interest rates rise. The price movement up and down in fixed income securities will lead to possible movements in the NAV.

Mitigation - In a rising interest rates scenario the scheme may increase its investment in money market securities whereas if the interest rates are expected to fall the allocation to debt securities with longer maturity may be increased thereby mitigating risk to that extent.

**Liquidity or Marketability Risk:** This refers to the ease with which a security can be sold at or near to its valuation yield-to-maturity (YTM).

Mitigation- The scheme may invest in government securities, corporate bonds and money market instruments. While the liquidity risk for government securities, money market instruments and short maturity corporate bonds may be low, it may be high in case of medium to long maturity corporate bonds.

**Credit risk or default risk:** It refers to the risk that an issuer of a fixed income security may default (i.e., will be unable to make timely principal and interest payments on the security). Normally, the value of a fixed income security will fluctuate depending upon the changes in the perceived level of credit risk as well as

any actual event of default. The greater the credit risk, the greater the yield required for someone to be compensated for the increased risk.

Mitigation– Apart from the basic examination, management's past track record will also be studied. In order to assess financial risk a detailed assessment of the issuer's financial statements will be undertaken to review its ability to undergo stress on cash flows and asset quality. A detailed evaluation of accounting policies, off-balance sheet exposures, notes, auditors' comments and disclosure standards will also be made to assess the overall financial risk of the potential borrower.

# Risk control with respect to derivatives

As and when the Scheme trades in the derivatives market there are risk factors and issues concerning the use of derivatives since derivative products are specialized instruments that require investment techniques and risk analysis different from those associated with stocks and bonds. The Scheme may invest in derivative for the purpose of hedging, portfolio balancing and other purposes as may be permitted under the Regulations.

Mitigation- Exposure with respect to derivatives shall be in line with regulatory limits and the limits specified in the SID.

#### Liquidity Risk Management Framework

Potential Risk Matrix (PRC) & Risk-o-meter: Investors are requested to review this scheme's Potential Risk Matrix (PRC) to understand the maximum risk that this scheme will run as per design and & Risk-o-meter to understand periodical measurement of that risk on a regular basis. Investors are suggested to read about various disclosures under the section "PERIODIC DISCLOSURES" pertaining to "Potential Risk Class Matrix" & "Risk-o-meter" to understand in detail the disclosure frequency and remedial measures in case of breaches in the boundaries.

Liquidity risk management framework: AMC has put in place a liquidity risk management policy in accordance with SEBI circular and AMFI guidelines (issued from time to time) which monitors liquidity risk for all its open ended debt schemes (except overnight fund, gilt fund and gilt fund with 10 year constant duration). The Key objectives of the liquidity risk management is primarily to help estimate liquidity requirement by determining liquidity risk arising from the liability side under stressed market conditions in order to honor its redemption requests.

As per the prescribed guidelines, the liquidity ratios are calculated and liquid assets are maintained on a daily basis at scheme level for all mandated schemes. These ratios address the potential liquidity risk scenarios up to agreed confidence interval and has mandated remedial measures both for managing the risk on an ongoing basis (LRaR & LCRaR) as well as action plan in case there is a difference between actual outcome and projected outcome. Further, the AMC monitors asset-liability mismatch requirement which addresses potential liquidity requirement over a 90-day period and relevant asset side liquidity to be maintained as prescribed by the SEBI circular.

Investors can refer to the circular 135/BP/93/2021-22 dated July 24, 2021 and subsequent circulars for detail understanding on the Liquidity Risk Management Framework.

Stress testing the scheme portfolio: The investment manager periodically stress tests the scheme portfolio to address the asset side risk from an Interest Rate, Credit and Liquidity Risk perspective at an aggregate portfolio level and evaluate the stress in terms of its impact on the NAV of the scheme. The stress test is performed using the methodology and periodicity as mandated by AMFI in consultation to SEBI.

Swing Pricing: The AMC has a Swing Pricing policy in place to help in case of severe liquidity stress at an AMC level or a severe dysfunction at market level, the Swing Pricing offers the contingency plan in case of

extreme exigencies. Investors are suggested to read the detail disclosure pertaining to this policy in "Swing Pricing Framework".

#### II. INFORMATION ABOUT THE SCHEME:

#### A. WHERE WILL THE SCHEME INVEST -

The corpus of the Scheme will be invested in money market & debt instruments with maturity/weighted average maturity/residual maturity not greater than 91 days which will include but not limited to:

# Debt Instruments & Money Market Instruments:

#### Certificate of Deposit (CD)

Certificate of Deposit is a negotiable money market instrument issued by scheduled commercial banks and select all-India Financial Institutions that have been permitted by the RBI to raise short term resources. The maturity period of CDs issued by the Banks is between 7 days to one year, whereas, in case of Fls, maturity is one year to 3 years from the date of issue.

#### **Commercial Paper** (CP)

Commercial Paper is an unsecured negotiable money market instrument issued in the form of a promissory note, generally issued by the corporates, primary dealers and all India Financial Institutions as an alternative source of short term borrowings. CP is traded in secondary market and can be freely bought and sold before maturity.

#### Treasury Bill (T-Bills)

Treasury Bills are issued by the Government of India to meet their short term borrowing requirements. T-Bills are issued for maturities of 14 days, 91 days, 182 days and 364 days.

The Scheme may also invest in Cash Management Bill (CMB) issued by the Government of India to meet their short term borrowing requirements. CMB are generally issued for maturities of less than 91 days.

# **Commercial Usance Bills**

Bill (bills of exchange/promissory notes of public sector and private sector corporate entities) Rediscounting, usance bills and commercial bills.

#### Repo

Repo (Repurchase Agreement) or Reverse Repo is a transaction in which two parties agree to sell and purchase the same security with an agreement to purchase or sell the same security at a mutually decided future date and price. The transaction results in collateralized borrowing or lending of funds. Presently in India, corporate debt securities, Government Securities, State Government Securities and T-Bills are eligible for Repo/ Reverse Repo.

"Tri-party repo" means a repo contract where a third entity (apart from the borrower and lender), called a Tri-Party Agent, acts as an intermediary between the two parties to the repo to facilitate services like collateral selection, payment and settlement, custody and management during the life of the transaction.

The Scheme may undertake repo transactions in corporate debt securities in accordance with the directions issued by RBI and SEBI from time to time. Such investment shall be made subject to the guidelines which may be prescribed by the Board of Directors of the Asset Management Company and Trustee Company.

**Securities created and issued by the Central and State Governments** as may be permitted by RBI, securities guaranteed by the Central and State Governments (including but not limited to coupon bearing bonds,

zero coupon bonds and treasury bills). State Government securities (popularly known as State Development Loans or SDLs) are issued by the respective State Government in co-ordination with the RBI.

#### Non convertible Debentures and Bonds

Non convertible debentures as well as bonds are securities issued by companies / institutions promoted / owned by the Central or State Governments and statutory bodies which may or may not carry a Central/State Government guarantee, Public and private sector banks, all India Financial Institutions and Private Sector Companies. These instruments may have fixed or floating rate coupon. These instruments may be secured or unsecured against the assets of the Company and generally issued to meet the short term and long term fund requirements.

The Scheme may also invest in the non-convertible part of convertible debt securities.

#### Debt derivative instruments:

**Interest Rate Swap** - An Interest Rate Swap ("IRS") is a financial contract between two parties exchanging or swapping a stream of interest payments for a "notional principal" amount on multiple occasions during a specified period. Such contracts generally involve exchange of a "fixed to floating" or "floating to fixed" rate of interest. Accordingly, on each payment date that occurs during the swap period, cash payments based on fixed/ floating and floating rates are made by the parties to one another.

**Forward Rate Agreement** - A Forward Rate Agreement ("FRA") is a financial contract between two parties to exchange interest payments for a 'notional principal' amount on settlement date, for a specified period from start date to maturity date. Accordingly, on the settlement date, cash payments based on contract (fixed) and the settlement rate, are made by the parties to one another. The settlement rate is the agreed bench-mark/ reference rate prevailing on the settlement date.

#### **Interest Rate Futures:**

A futures contract is a standardized, legally binding agreement to buy or sell a commodity or a financial instrument in a designated future month at a market determined price (the futures price) by the buyer and seller. The contracts are traded on a futures exchange. An Interest Rate Future is a futures contract with an interest bearing instrument as the underlying asset.

# <u>Characteristics of Interest Rate Futures</u>

- a. Obligation to buy or sell a bond at a future date
- b. Standardized contract.
- c. Exchange traded
- d. Physical settlement
- e. Daily mark to market

# **Foreign Securities**

The Scheme may also invest in suitable investment avenues in Foreign Securities in overseas financial markets for the purpose of diversification, commensurate with the Scheme objectives and subject to necessary stipulations by SEBI / RBI. Towards this end, the Mutual Fund may also appoint overseas investment advisors and other service providers, as and when permissible under the regulations.

The Scheme may, with the approval of SEBI / RBI invest in:

- Initial and follow on public offerings for listing at recognized stock exchanges overseas
- Foreign debt securities in the countries with fully convertible currencies, short term as well as long term
  debt instruments with rating not below investment grade by accredited/registered credit rating
  agencies
- Money Market Instruments rated not below investment grade
- Repos in the form of investment, where the counterparty is rated not below investment grade, repos shall not however, involve any borrowing of funds by the mutual funds
- Government Securities where the countries are rated not below investment grade

- Derivatives traded on recognized stock exchanges overseas only for hedging and portfolio balancing with underlying as securities
- Units/securities issued by overseas mutual funds or unit trusts registered with overseas regulators and investing in (a) aforesaid securities, or (b) unlisted overseas securities (not exceeding 10% of their net assets).

Note: The Scheme will not invest in foreign securitized debt.

As per SEBI circular no. SEBI/IMD/CIR No.7/104753/07 dated September 26, 2007 as amended from time to time, mutual funds can make overseas investments subject to a maximum of US \$1 billion and in overseas ETF subject to a maximum \$300 or such limits as may be prescribed by SEBI from time to time. Subject to the approval of RBI / SEBI, where required and conditions as may be prescribed by them, the Mutual Fund may open one or more foreign currency accounts abroad either directly, or through the custodian/subcustodian, to facilitate investments and to enter into/deal in forward currency contracts, currency futures, interest rate futures / swaps, currency options for the purpose of hedging the risks of assets of a portfolio or for such purposes as maybe permitted from time to time. However, the use of such instruments shall be as permitted from time to time. All the requirement of the SEBI circular dated September 26, 2007 and any amendments thereto would be adhered to by the AMC for investment in foreign securities.

It is the Investment Manager's belief that overseas securities offer new investment and portfolio diversification opportunities into multi-market and multi-currency products. However, such investments also entail additional risks. Such investment opportunities may be pursued by the Investment Manager provided they are considered appropriate in terms of the overall investment objectives of the Scheme. Since the Scheme would invest only partially in overseas securities, there may not be readily available and widely accepted benchmarks to measure the performance of the Scheme. To manage risks associated with foreign currency and interest rate exposure, the Fund may use Derivatives for efficient portfolio management and hedging as maybe permitted from time to time and in accordance with conditions as may be stipulated by SEBI/RBI from time to time.

Offshore investments will be made subject to any/all approvals/ conditions thereof as may be stipulated by SEBI/ RBI/ other Regulatory Agency. The Fund may, where necessary, appoint other intermediaries of repute as advisors, sub-custodians, etc. for managing and administering such investments. The appointment of such intermediaries shall be in accordance with the applicable requirements of SEBI and within the permissible ceilings of expenses. The fees and expenses would illustratively include, besides the investment management fees, custody fees and costs, fees of appointed advisors and sub-managers, transaction costs, and overseas regulatory costs.

Under normal circumstances, the Scheme may invest maximum 50% of its net assets in Foreign Securities. However, the AMC with a view to protecting the interests of Investors may alter the exposure in Foreign Securities as deemed fit from time to time.

Investment in overseas securities shall be made in accordance with the requirements stipulated by SEBI and RBI from time to time.

# Units of Mutual Fund schemes

The Scheme may invest in other schemes managed by the AMC or in the schemes of any other mutual funds in conformity with the investment objective of the Scheme and in terms of the prevailing SEBI (MF) Regulations.

# **Investment in CDMDF**

In accordance with the requirement of regulation 43A of SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 read with chapter 16A of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds on Investment by Mutual Fund Schemes and AMCs in units of Corporate Debt Market Development Fund, scheme shall invest 25 bps of its AUM.

#### **CDMDF Framework**

CDMDF shall comply with the Guarantee Scheme for Corporate Debt (GSCD) as notified by Ministry of Finance vide notification no. G.S.R. 559(E) dated July 26, 2023 and chapter 16A of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds and circulars / guidelines/ Letters issued by SEBI and AMFI from time to time, which includes the framework for corporate debt market development fund. The framework will inclusive of following points-

(c	The CDMDF shall deal only in following securities during normal times:
	Low duration Government Securities
	Treasury bills
	Tri-party Repo on G-sec
	Guaranteed corporate bond repo with maturity not exceeding 7 days
o)	The fees and expenses of CDMDF shall be as follows:
	During Normal times: (0.15% + tax) of the Portfolio Value charged on daily pro-rata basis.
	During Market stress: (0.20% + tax) of the Portfolio Value charged on daily pro-rata basis.
	"Portfolio Value" means the aggregate amount of portfolio of investments including cash balance
vithou	t netting off of leverage undertaken by the CDMDF.
~ <b>)</b>	Corporate debt securities to be bought by CDMDF during market dislocation include listed money

- c) Corporate debt securities to be bought by CDMDF during market dislocation include listed money market instruments. The long term rating of issuers shall be considered for the money market instruments. However, if there is no long term rating available for the same issuer, then based on credit rating mapping of CRAs between short term and long term ratings, the most conservative long term rating shall be taken for a given short term rating.
- d) CDMDF shall follow the Fair Pricing document, while purchase of corporate debt securities during market dislocation as specified in chapter 16A of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds and circulars / guidelines/ Letters issued by SEBI and AMFI from time to time
- e) CDMDF shall follow the loss waterfall accounting and guidelines w.r.t. purchase allocation and trade settlement of corporate debt securities bought by CDMDF, specified in chapter 16A of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds and circulars / guidelines/ Letters issued by SEBI and AMFI from time to time.

The securities / instruments mentioned above and such other securities the Scheme is permitted to invest in could be listed, unlisted, privately placed, secured, unsecured, rated or unrated and of any maturity.

The securities may be acquired through initial public offering (IPOs), secondary market, private placement, rights offers, negotiated deals, etc. Further investments in debentures, bonds and other fixed income securities will be in instruments which have been assigned investment grade rating by the Credit Rating Agency.

Investment in unrated debt instruments shall be subject to complying with provisions of the Regulations and within the limit as specified in Schedule VII to the Regulations. All such investments shall be made with the prior approval of the Board of AMC and Trustees.

For applicable regulatory investment limits please refer paragraph "Investment Restrictions".

Details of various derivative strategies/examples of use of derivatives have been provided under the section "Derivatives Strategy".

The Fund Manager reserves the right to invest in such securities as maybe permitted from time to time and which are in line with the investment objectives of the Scheme.

# **Debt and Money Markets in India**

The Indian debt market is today one of the largest in Asia and includes securities issued by the Government (Central & State Governments), public sector undertakings, other government bodies, financial institutions, banks and corporates. Government and public sector enterprises are the predominant borrowers in the markets. The major players in the Indian debt markets today are banks, financial institutions, mutual funds,

insurance companies, primary dealers, trusts, pension funds and corporates. The Indian debt market is the largest segment of the Indian financial markets. The debt market comprises broadly two segments, viz. Government Securities market or G-Sec market and corporate debt market. The latter is further classified as market for PSU bonds and private sector bonds.

The Government Securities (G-Secs) market, consists of G-Sec outstanding of Rs. 80,59,921.302cr as on Feb 28, 2022 (State Govt securities - Rs 38,31,895.100 cr, (as on Feb'21) Source: CCIL), is the oldest and the largest component (50% share in market cap) of the Indian debt market in terms of market capitalization, outstanding securities and trading volumes. The G-Secs market plays a vital role in the Indian economy as it provides the benchmark for determining the level of interest rates in the country through the yields on the Government Securities which are referred to as the risk-free rate of return in any economy. Over the years, there have been new products introduced by the RBI like zero coupon bonds, floating rate bonds, inflation indexed bonds, etc.

The corporate bond market, in the sense of private corporate sector raising debt through public issuance in capital market, is only an insignificant part of the Indian Debt Market. A large part of the issuance in the non-Government debt market is currently on private placement basis.

The money markets in India essentially consist of the call money market (i.e. market for overnight and term money between banks and institutions), repo transactions (temporary sale with an agreement to buy back the securities at a future date at a specified price), commercial papers (CPs, short term unsecured promissory notes, generally issued by corporates), certificate of deposits (CDs, issued by banks) and Treasury Bills (issued by RBI). In a predominantly institutional market, the key money market players are banks, financial institutions, insurance companies, mutual funds, primary dealers and corporates. In money market, activity levels of the Government and nongovernment debt vary from time to time. Instruments that comprise a major portion of money market activity include but not limited to:

- Overnight Call
- Tri Party Repo
- Repo/Reverse Repo Agreement
- Treasury Bills
- Government securities with a residual maturity of < 1 year.
- Commercial Paper
- Certificate of Deposit

Apart from these, there are some other options available for short tenure investments that include MIBOR linked debentures with periodic exit options and other such instruments. Though not strictly classified as Money Market Instruments, PSU / DFI / Corporate paper with a residual maturity of < 1 year, are actively traded and offer a viable investment option.

The market has evolved in past 2-3 years in terms of risk premia attached to different class of issuers. Bank CDs have clearly emerged as popular asset class with increased acceptability in secondary market. PSU banks trade the tightest on the back of comfort from majority government holding. Highly rated manufacturing companies also command premium on account of limited supply. However, there has been increased activity in papers issued by private/foreign banks/NBFCs/companies in high-growth sector due to higher yields offered by them. Even though companies across these sectors might have been rated on a same scale, the difference in the yield on the papers for similar maturities reflects the perception of their respective credit profiles.

The following table gives approximate yields prevailing on September 30, 2025 on some of the instruments and further illustrates this point.

Instrument	Current Yield range (%)
Tri-party Repo	5.40/5.45

Repo	5.40/5.45
керо	3.40/3.43
3M T-bill	5.40/5.45
1Y T-bill	5.55/5.60
10Y G-sec	6.50/6.55
3m PSU Bank CD	5.85/5.90
3m Manufacturing co. CP	5.90/5.95
1Y PSU Bank CD	6.30/6.35
1Y NBFC CP	6.75/6.85
1Y Manufacturing co. CP	6.45/6.50
5Y AAA Institutional Bond	6.90/6.95
10Y AAA Institutional Bond	7.15/7.20

Source: Bloomberg

These yields are indicative and do not indicate yields that may be obtained in future as interest rates keep changing consequent to changes in macro-economic conditions and RBI policy. The price and yield on various debt instruments fluctuate from time to time depending upon the macro economic situation, inflation rate, overall liquidity position, foreign exchange scenario etc. Also, the price and yield vary according to maturity profile, credit risk etc.

#### B. WHAT ARE THE INVESTMENT RESTRICTIONS?

Pursuant to Regulations, specifically the Seventh Schedule and amendments thereto, the following investment restrictions are currently applicable to the Scheme:

1. The Scheme shall not invest more than 10% of its NAV in debt instruments comprising money market instruments and non-money market instruments issued by a single issuer, which are rated not below investment grade by a credit rating agency authorized to carry out such activity under the SEBI Act, 1992. Such investment limit may be extended to 12% of the NAV of the Scheme with the prior approval of the Trustee and the Board of Directors of AMC.

Provided further that such limit shall not be applicable for investment in Government Securities, treasury bills and triparty repo on Government securities or treasury bills.

Provided further that investments within such limit can be made in the mortgaged backed securitised debt, which are rated not below investment grade by a credit rating agency, registered with SEBI.

- 2. A mutual fund scheme shall not invest more than:
  - 10% of its NAV in debt and money market securities rated AAA; or
  - 8% of its NAV in debt and money market securities rated AA; or
  - 6% of its NAV in debt and money market securities rated A and below issued by a single issuer.

The above investment limits may be extended by up to 2% of the NAV of the scheme with prior approval of the Board of Trustees and Board of Directors of the AMC, subject to compliance with the overall 12% limit specified in clause 1 of Seventh Schedule of MF Regulation.

- 3. The Mutual Funds can participate in repos on following corporate debt securities:
  - (i) Listed AA and above rated corporate debt securities
  - (ii) Commercial Papers (CPs) and Certificate of Deposits (CDs)

For the purpose of consideration of credit rating of exposure on repo transactions for various purposes including for Potential Risk Class (PRC) matrix, liquidity ratios, Risk-o-meter etc., the same shall be as that of the underlying securities, i.e., on a look through basis.

For transactions where settlement is guaranteed by a Clearing Corporation, the exposure shall not be considered for the purpose of determination of investment limits for single issuer, group issuer and sector level limits

4. The Scheme shall not invest in unlisted debt instruments including commercial papers, except Government Securities, money market instruments and derivative products such as Interest Rate Swaps, Interest Rate Futures, etc. which are used by mutual fund for hedging.

Provided that the Scheme may invest in unlisted non-convertible debentures up to a maximum of 10% of the debt portfolio of the Scheme subject to such conditions as may be specified by the Board from time to time:

Provided further that the Scheme shall comply with the norms under this clause within the time and in the manner as may be specified by the Board:

Provided further that the norms for investments by the Scheme in unrated debt instruments shall be as specified by the Board from time to time.

Further the investments by the Scheme shall be in compliance with Para 12.3 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds as amended from time to time.

- 5. The Scheme shall not invest in debt securities having Structured Obligations (SO rating) and / or credit enhancements (CE rating). However, debt securities with government guarantee shall be excluded from such restriction.
- 6. The Scheme may invest in other schemes of the Mutual Fund or any other mutual fund (restricted to only debt and liquid funds) without charging any fees, provided the aggregate inter-scheme investment made by all the schemes under the same management or in schemes under the management of any other asset management company shall not exceed 5% of the Net Asset Value of the Mutual Fund.
- 7. The Scheme shall not make any investment in:
  - a. any unlisted security of an associate or group company of the sponsor; or
  - b. any security issued by way of private placement by an associate or group company of the sponsor; or
  - c. the listed securities of group companies of the sponsor which is in excess of 25% of the net assets.
- 8. The Mutual Fund shall get the securities purchased transferred in the name of the Fund on account of the concerned Scheme, wherever investments are intended to be of a long-term nature.
- 9. Transfer of investments from one scheme to another scheme in the same Mutual Fund is permitted provided:
  - a) such transfers are done at the prevailing market price for quoted instruments on spot basis (spot basis shall have the same meaning as specified by a Stock Exchange for spot transactions); and
  - b) the securities so transferred shall be in conformity with the investment objective of the Scheme to which such transfer has been made.

Further, inter scheme transfers shall be in accordance with the guidelines issued Para 12.30 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds as amended from time to time.

10. The Mutual Fund shall buy and sell securities on the basis of deliveries and shall in all cases of purchases, take delivery of relevant securities and in all cases of sale, deliver the securities:

Provided that the Mutual Fund may engage in Short Selling of securities in accordance with the framework relating to Short Selling and securities lending and borrowing specified by SEBI.

Provided further that the Mutual Fund may enter into Derivatives transactions in a recognized stock exchange, subject to the framework specified by SEBI.

Provided further that sale of government security already contracted for purchase shall be permitted in accordance with the guidelines issued by the RBI in this regard.

- 11. The Scheme shall not make any investment in any fund of funds scheme.
- 12. The Scheme shall hold at least 20% of its net assets in liquid assets. For this purpose, 'liquid assets' shall include Cash, Government Securities, T-bills and Repo on Government Securities.

In case, the exposure in such liquid assets falls below 20% of net assets of the Scheme, the AMC shall ensure compliance with the above requirement before making any further investments.

- 13. The Scheme shall not park funds pending deployment in short term deposits of scheduled commercial banks.
- 14. The Scheme shall not invest in debt securities having structured obligations (SO rating) and / or credit enhancement (CE rating). However, debt securities with government guarantee shall be excluded from such restriction.
- 15. The Scheme shall not advance any loans.
- 16. The Scheme shall not borrow except to meet temporary liquidity needs of the Fund for the purpose of Repurchase/Redemption of Unit or payment of interest and/or IDCW to the Unit holder.

Provided that the Scheme shall not borrow more than 20% of the net assets of the individual Scheme and the duration of the borrowing shall not exceed a period of 6 months.

17. Further, SEBI vide its circular no. Cir/ IMD/ DF/ 11/ 2010 dated August 18, 2010, SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/2017/109 dated September 27, 2017 and as amended from time to time has prescribed the following investment restrictions w.r.t. investment in derivatives:

S. No.	Particulars
1	The cumulative gross exposure through debt, derivative positions (including fixed income derivatives), repo transactions in corporate debt securities other permitted securities/assets and such other securities/assets as may be permitted by the Board from time to time should not exceed 100% of the net assets of the Scheme. Cash or cash equivalents with residual maturity of less than 91 days shall be treated as not creating any exposure.
2	The Scheme shall not write options or purchase instruments with embedded written options.
3	The total exposure related to option premium paid shall not exceed 20% of the net assets of the Scheme.
4	<ul> <li>Exposure due to hedging positions may not be included in the above mentioned limits subject to the following:</li> <li>a. Hedging positions are the derivative positions that reduce possible losses on an existing position in securities and till the existing position remains.</li> <li>b. Hedging positions cannot be taken for existing derivative positions. Exposure due to such positions shall have to be added and treated under limits mentioned in Point 1.</li> <li>c. Any derivative instrument used to hedge has the same underlying security as the existing position being hedged.</li> <li>d. The quantity of underlying associated with the derivative position taken for hedging purposes does not exceed the quantity of the existing position against which hedge has been taken.</li> </ul>

5		ative positions taken for hedging purposes in excess of the ainst which the hedging position has been taken, shall be mentioned in point 1.	
6	Exposure is the maximu derivative positions m	Each position taken in derivatives shall have an associated exposure as defined under. Exposure is the maximum possible loss that may occur on a position. However, certain derivative positions may theoretically have unlimited possible loss. Exposure in derivative positions shall be computed as follows:	
	Position Ex	posure	
	Long Future Fu	utures Price * Lot Size * Number of Contracts	
	Short Future Fu	utures Price * Lot Size * Number of Contracts	
	Option bought O	ption Premium Paid * Lot Size * Number of Contracts.	
7	purposes. The value of of respective existing as (b) In case of participar party has to be an entity counterparty in such the scheme. However, if my platform offered by the central counterparty	enter into plain vanilla Interest Rate Swaps (IRS) for hedging the notional principal in such cases must not exceed the value ssets being hedged by the scheme. Ition in IRS is through over the counter transactions, the counter y recognized as a market maker by RBI and exposure to a single ransactions should not exceed 10% of the net assets of the utual funds are transacting in IRS through an electronic trading the Clearing Corporation of India Ltd. (CCIL) and CCIL is the for such transactions guaranteeing settlement, the single shall not be applicable	

- 18. The Scheme shall participate in repos in corporate debt securities as per the guidelines issued by SEBI and/ or RBI from time to time and the guidelines framed by the Board of Directors of Trustee Company and the Asset Management Company, from time to time. At present the following conditions and norms shall apply to repo in corporate debt securities:
  - (i) The gross exposure of the Scheme to repo transactions in corporate debt securities shall not be more than 10 % of the net assets of the Scheme.
  - (ii) The cumulative gross exposure through repo transactions in corporate debt securities along with equity, debt and derivatives shall not exceed 100% of the net assets of the Scheme.
  - (iii) The Scheme shall participate in repo transactions only in AA and above rated corporate debt securities
  - (iv) The Scheme shall borrow through repo transactions only if the tenor of the transaction does not exceed a period of six months.
  - (v) The Trustee and the Asset Management Company have framed guidelines interalia considering the following aspects:
- i. Category of counterparty
- ii. Credit rating of counterparty
- iii. Tenor of collateral
- iv. Applicable haircuts

#### Counterparty selection & credit rating

The counterparty must be an acceptable counterparty for debt transactions. The Mutual Fund follows a counterparty empanelment process for fixed income transactions and the same shall be used for selection of counterparties for corporate bond repos. All repo transactions in corporate bonds will be governed by a repo agreement as specified by FIMMDA and / or other specified authorities.

# (vi) Collateral tenor & quality

The exposure limit/investment restrictions prescribed under the Seventh Schedule of the Regulations and circulars issued there under (wherever applicable) shall be applicable to repo transactions in corporate bonds. The Scheme shall further follow guidelines framed by Trustee and the AMC from time to time.

(vii) Applicable haircuts

Currently mutual funds are permitted to carry out repo transactions in government securities without any haircuts. The Reserve Bank of India has notified a minimum haircut based on rating of the corporate bond and other securities. In addition, the Fixed Income and Money Market Dealers Association (FIMMDA) would maintain a rating-haircut matrix on an ongoing basis. The Scheme shall further follow guidelines framed by Trustee and the AMC from time to time.

The haircuts seek to protect the lender of funds from the event of the counterparty failing to honor the repurchase leg of the repo. In such a circumstance, the Fund would suffer a loss if the value of the collateral depreciates by more than the haircut. The fall in the value of the collateral could be on account of higher yields and/ or deterioration of credit quality.

As the typical tenor of repos is short (typically overnight), the haircuts represent a relatively high degree of safety in relation to the interest rate risk on the collateral. The risk of collateral depreciation based on historical volatility is given in the table below:

Bond Tenor (yrs)	1	3	5	10
Price Volatility (%)	0.6	1.2	1.7	3.4
(annualized)				
Repo Tenor	Number of standa	rd deviations need	ed to lose 10%	
1 day	258	136	94	48
7 days	98	52	36	18

In the above table, the price volatility of a 10-year bond is about 3.4% annualized. That is a 10% price move represents nearly a 3-sigma event on an annualized basis. For overnight tenors, this represents a 48-sigma event (for comparison a 6-sigma event occurs about once in a million observations).

It is apparent that the haircuts stipulated by RBI are more than sufficient to mitigate interest rate risk. Credit event risk remains (the collateral could default during the tenor of the repo). This risk is to be mitigated by ensuring that the collateral is acceptable from a credit point of view.

19. The total exposure in a particular sector (excluding investments in Bank CDs, triparty repo on Government securities, Government Securities, T-Bills, short term deposits of scheduled commercial banks and AAA rated securities issued by Public Financial Institutions and Public Sector Banks) shall not exceed 20% of the net assets of the Scheme.

Provided that an additional exposure to financial services sector (over and above the limit of 20%) not exceeding 10% of the net assets of the Scheme shall be allowed by way of increase in exposure to Housing Finance Companies (HFCs) only;

Provided further that the additional exposure to such securities issued by HFCs are rated AA and above and these HFCs are registered with National Housing Bank (NBH) and the total Investment/exposure in HFCs shall not exceed 20% of the net assets of the Scheme.

20. The total exposure in a particular group (excluding investments in securities issued by Public Sector Units, Public Financial Institutions and Public Sector Banks) shall not exceed 20% of the net assets of the Scheme. Such investment limit may be extended to 25% of the net assets of the Scheme with the prior approval of the Board of Trustees.

For this purpose, a group means a group as defined under regulation 2 (mm) of SEBI (MF) Regulations and shall include an entity, its subsidiaries, fellow subsidiaries, its holding company and its associates.

Further, limit for investment in debt and money market instruments of group companies of both the sponsor and AMC shall not exceed 10% of the net assets of the Scheme. Such investment limit can be extended to 15% with the prior approval of the Board of Trustees.

- 21. In terms of requirement of para 12.2 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds prescribing norms for investments in debt instruments with special features viz. subordination to equity (absorbs losses before equity capital) and /or convertible to equity upon trigger of a pre-specified event for loss absorption (Additional Tier I bonds and Tier 2 bonds issued under Basel III framework are some instruments which may have above referred special features), the following limit shall be applicable:
  - a) No Mutual Fund under all its schemes shall own more than 10% of such instruments issued by a single issuer.
  - b) The scheme shall not invest –

i.more than 10% of its NAV of the debt portfolio of the scheme in such instruments; and

ii.more than 5% of its NAV of the debt portfolio of the scheme in such instruments issued by a single issuer. The above investment limit for a mutual fund scheme shall be within the overall limit for debt instruments issued by a single issuer and other prudential limits with respect to the debt instruments

Fresh investments in perpetual bonds (including Additional Tier 1 bonds) can only be made in schemes that are in Class III.

22. Investment in Partly Paid Debenture, if undertaken, will be subject to a cap on maximum investment of Mutual Fund Scheme at 5% of the AUM of the scheme. However, once the Partly Paid Debentures are fully paid up, the cap on maximum investment of Mutual Fund Scheme at 5% of the AUM of the scheme will not apply.

The Scheme will comply with the other Regulations applicable to the investments of Mutual Funds from time to time.

Apart from the investment restrictions prescribed under SEBI (MF) Regulations, the fund may follow any internal norms vis-à-vis limiting exposure to a particular scrip or sector, etc.

All the investment restrictions will be applicable at the time of making investments.

The AMC/Trustee may alter these above stated restrictions from time to time to the extent the Regulations change, so as to permit the Scheme to make its investments in the full spectrum of permitted investments for mutual funds to achieve its respective investment objective.

### C. FUNDAMENTAL ATTRIBUTES

Following are the Fundamental Attributes of the scheme, in terms of Clause 1.14 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds:

# (i) Type of a scheme

o An Open-ended Liquid Scheme. A relatively low interest rate risk and moderate credit risk.

# (ii) Investment Objective

o Main Objective: To provide a high level of liquidity with reasonable returns commensurating with low risk through a portfolio of money market and debt securities.

There is no assurance that the investment objective of the Scheme will be achieved.

Investment Pattern: Please refer to Section – I Part – II A. 'How will the Scheme Allocate its Assets?'.

#### (iii) Terms of Issue

- o Liquidity provisions such as listing, Repurchase, Redemption. '(Please refer to relevant provisions on listing, repurchase, redemption in Section II Part II Point G 'Other Details').
- o Aggregate fees and expenses charged to the Scheme (please refer to Section I Part III C "Annual Scheme Recurring Expenses").
- o Any safety or guarantee net provided. Not applicable for the Scheme

In accordance with Regulation 18(15A) of the SEBI (MF) Regulations and ) and Regulation 25(26) of the SEBI (MF) Regulations, read with clause 1.14.1.4 and 17.10 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds, the Trustees and AMC shall ensure that no change in the fundamental attributes of the Scheme(s) and the Plan(s) / Option(s) thereunder or the trust or fee and expenses payable or any other change which would

modify the Scheme(s) and the Plan(s) / Option(s) thereunder and affect the interests of Unitholders is carried out unless:

- SEBI has reviewed and provided its comments on the proposal
- A written communication about the proposed change is sent to each Unitholder and an advertisement is given in one English daily newspaper having nationwide circulation as well as in a newspaper published in the language of the region where the Head Office of the Mutual Fund is situated; and
- The Unitholders are given an option for a period of atleast 30 calendar days to exit at the prevailing Net Asset Value without any exit load.
- D. Index methodology (for index funds, ETFS and Fofs having one underlying domestic ETF)- disclosures regarding the index, index eligibility criteria, methodology, index service provider, index constituents, impact cost of the constituents. Not Applicable
- E. Principles of incentive structure for market makers (for ETFS) Not Applicable
- F. Floors and ceiling within a range of 5% of the intended allocation against each sub class of asset, as per para 13.6.2 of SEBI master circular for mutual funds (only for close ended debt schemes) Not Applicable

#### G. OTHER SCHEME SPECIFIC DISCLOSURES:

Listing and transfer of units	Listing Axis Liquid Fund is an open ended Liquid Scheme under which Sale and Repurchase will be made on a continuous basis and therefore listing on stock exchanges is not envisaged. However, the Trustee reserves the right to list the Units as and when considered necessary in the interest of Unit holders of the Fund.  Transferability of units:  Units unless otherwise restricted or prohibited shall be freely transferable by act of parties or by operation of law. Transfer of units will be subject to submission of valid documents and fulfillment of the eligibility requirements by the unitholder/investor as stated under AMFI best Practice guideline No.135/BP/ 116 /2024-25 dated August 14, 2024 and AMC internal processes, if any.
	For more details refer to the SAI.
Dematerialization of units	Investors shall have an option to receive allotment of Mutual Fund units in their demat account while subscribing to the Scheme in terms of the guidelines/procedural requirements as laid by the Depositories (NSDL/CDSL) from time to time.  Investors desirous of having the Units of the Scheme in dematerialized form should contact the ISCs of the AMC/Registrar.  Where units are held by investor in dematerialized form, the demat statement issued by the Depository Participant would be deemed adequate compliance with the requirements in respect of dispatch of statements of account.  In case investors desire to convert their existing physical units (represented by statement of account) into dematerialized form or vice versa, the request for conversion of units held in physical form into Demat (electronic) form or vice versa should be submitted along with a Demat/Remat Request Form to their Depository Participants. In case the units are desired to be held by investor in dematerialized form, the KYC performed by Depository Participant shall be considered compliance of the applicable SEBI norms.

Minimum Target	The demat option is provided to all schemes and options of Axis Mutual Fund except for all daily and weekly IDCW options under all debt and liquid schemes. Units held in Demat form are freely transferable in accordance with the provisions of SEBI (Depositories and Participants) Regulations, as may be amended from time to time. Transfer can be made only in favour of transferees who are capable of holding units and having a Demat Account. The delivery instructions for transfer of units will have to be lodged with the Depository Participant in requisite form as may be required from time to time and transfer will be affected in accordance with such rules / regulations as may be in force governing transfer of securities in dematerialized mode.  For details, Investors may contact any of the Investor Service Centres of the AMC.  Not Applicable
amount	The Tripping as it
Maximum Amount to be raised (if any)	Not Applicable
be raised (if any)  Dividend Policy (IDCW)	Under the IDCW option, the Trustee will have the discretion to declare the IDCW, subject to availability of distributable surplus calculated in accordance with the Regulations. The actual declaration of IDCW and frequency will inter-alia, depend on availability of distributable surplus calculated in accordance with SEBI (MF) Regulations and the decisions of the Trustee shall be final in this regard. There is no assurance or guarantee to the Unit holders as to the rate of IDCW nor that it will be paid regularly.  The AMC/Trustee reserves the right to change the frequency of declaration of IDCW or may provide for additional frequency for declaration of IDCW.  IDCW Distribution Procedure  In accordance with Chapter 11 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds as amended from time to time, the procedure for distribution would be as under:  1. Quantum of IDCW and the record date will be fixed by the Trustee. IDCW so decided shall be paid, subject to availability of distributable surplus.  2. Within one calendar day of the decision by the Trustees, AMC shall issue notice to the public communicating the decision including the record date. The record date shall be 2 working days from the date of publication in at least one English newspaper or in a newspaper published in the language of the region where the Head Office of the mutual fund is situated, whichever is issued earlier.  3. Record date shall be the date, which will be considered for the purpose of determining the eligibility of Investors whose names appear on the register of Unit holders for receiving IDCW.  4. The notice will be, in font size 10, bold, categorically state that pursuant to payment of IDCW, the NAV of the Scheme would fall to the extent of payout and statutory levy, (if applicable).  5. The NAV will be adjusted to the extent of IDCW distribution and statutory levy, if any, at the close of Business Hours on record date.  6. Before the issue of such notice, no communication indicating the probable date of IDCW declaration in any manner whatsoever w
	Fund. 7. With respect to declaration of IDCW up to monthly frequency, the trustees can delegate to the officials of AMC to declare and fix the record date as well as decide the quantum of IDCW, subject to the following;

I. Record date is specified in the offer document and the same is adhered to.

- II. Such delegation to AMC officials shall mandatorily include CEO of AMC and making him responsible for such declaration of IDCW, subject to adhering to the policy framework as approved by Trustees.
- III. The policy shall specify appropriate parameters or factors to be considered prior to deciding the quantum.
- IV. Actual IDCW declared to be ratified by the Trustees in its immediately following Board meeting.

However, the requirement of giving notice shall not be applicable for IDCW options having frequency up to one month.

# Allotment (Detailed procedure)

- On acceptance of the application for subscription, an allotment confirmation specifying the number of units allotted by way of e-mail and/or SMS within 5 business days from the date of receipt of transaction request/allotment will be sent to the Unit Holders registered e-mail address and/or mobile number.
- In case of Unit Holders holding units in the dematerialized mode, the Fund will not send the account statement to the Unit Holders. The statement provided by the Depository Participant will be equivalent to the account statement.
- For those Unit holders who have provided an e-mail address, the AMC will send the account statement by e-mail.
- Unit holders will be required to download and print the documents after receiving e-mail from the Mutual Fund. Should the Unit holder experience any difficulty in accessing the electronically delivered documents, the Unit holder shall promptly advise the Mutual Fund to enable the Mutual Fund to make the delivery through alternate means. It is deemed that the Unit holder is aware of all security risks including possible third party interception of the documents and contents of the documents becoming known to third parties.
- The Unit holder may request for a physical account statement by writing/calling the AMC/ISC/Registrar. In case of specific request received from the Unit Holders, the AMC/Fund will provide the Account Statement to the Investors within 5 business days from the receipt of such request.
- In cases where the email does not reach the Unit holder, the Fund / its Registrar & Transfer Agents will not be responsible, but the Unit holder can request for fresh statement. The Unit holder shall from time to time intimate the Fund / its Registrar & Transfer Agent about any changes in his e-mail address.

#### Refund

The AMC will refund the subscription money to applicants whose applications are found to be incomplete, invalid or have been rejected for any other reason whatsoever in accordance with the AMFI best practice guidelines in the matter. The AMC will endeavor to refund such amounts within 5 business days from the date of purchase transactions as per the timestamp / applicable NAV, where the application form / online transaction is received along with the payment and the funds have been realized. Where the subscription amount and the application/online transaction are received separately, the period of 5 business days shall be reckoned from the later of the date of identifying the remitter details, based on the credit provided by the Bank or receipt and time stamping of application/online transaction.

In the event of delay beyond 5 business days, the AMC in line with AMFI best practice guidelines on the matter, will pay interest at 15% per annum or such other rate of interest as may be prescribed from time to time.

# Who can invest

This is an indicative list and investors shall consult their financial advisor to ascertain The following persons (subject to, wherever relevant, purchase of units of mutual funds, being permitted under respective constitutions, and relevant statutory regulations) are eligible and may apply for Subscription to the units of the Scheme:

- 1. Resident adult individuals either singly or jointly (not exceeding three) or on an Anyone or Survivor basis;
- 2. Hindu Undivided Family (HUF) through Karta;

# whether the scheme is Suitable to their risk profile.

- 3. Minor (as the first and the sole holder only) through a natural guardian (i.e. father or mother, as the case may be) or a court appointed legal guardian. There shall not be any joint holding with minor investments;
- 4. Partnership Firms;
- 5. Limited liability partnership firms;
- 6. Proprietorship in the name of the sole proprietor;
- 7. Companies, Bodies Corporate, Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs.), Association of Persons (AOP) or Bodies of Individuals (BOI) and societies registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860(so long as the purchase of Units is permitted under the respective constitutions);
- 8. Banks (including Co-operative Banks and Regional Rural Banks) and Financial Institutions;
- 9. Religious and Charitable Trusts, Wakfs or endowments of private trusts (subject to receipt of requisite approvals wherever applicable) and Private trusts authorised to invest in mutual fund schemes under their trust deeds;
- 10. Non-Resident Indians (NRIs) / Persons of Indian origin (PIOs) )/ Overseas Citizens of India (OCI)residing abroad on repatriation basis or on non-repatriation basis:
- 11. Foreign Portfolio Investor (FPI) registered with SEBI on repatriation basis. These investments shall be subject to the conditions prescribed by SEBI, RBI, Income Tax authorities and the AMC, from time to time;
- 12. Army, Air Force, Navy and other para-military units and bodies created by such institutions;
- 13. Scientific and Industrial Research Organisations;
- 14. Multilateral Funding Agencies / Bodies Corporate incorporated outside India with the permission of Government of India / RBI;
- 15. Provident/ Pension/ Gratuity Fund to the extent they are permitted;
- 16. Other schemes of Axis Mutual Fund or any other mutual fund subject to the conditions and limits prescribed by SEBI Regulations;
- 17. Schemes of Alternative Investment Funds;
- 18. The Trustee, AMC or Sponsor or their associates may subscribe to Units under the Scheme;
- 19. Such other category of person(s) permitted to make investments and as may be specified by the AMC / Trustee from time to time.

Subject to SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996, any application for subscription of units may be accepted or rejected in the sole and absolute discretion of the AMC/ Trustee company. The AMC/ Trustee company may also reject any application for subscription of units if the application is invalid, incomplete, or if the AMC/ Trustee company for any other reason does not believe that it would be in the interest of the scheme or its unitholders to accept such an application.

#### Who cannot invest

- Any individual who is a foreign national or any other entity that is not an Indian resident under the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 (FEMA Act) except where registered with SEBI as a FPI or otherwise explicitly permitted under FEMA Act/ by RBI/ by any other applicable authority.
- 2. Pursuant to RBI A.P. (DIR Series) circular no. 14 dated September 16, 2003, Overseas Corporate Bodies (OCBs) cannot invest in Mutual Funds.
- 3. NRIs residing in Non-Compliant Countries and Territories (NCCTs) as determined by the Financial Action Task Force (FATF), from time to time.
- 4. U.S. Persons and Residents of Canada as defined under the applicable laws of U.S. and Canada except the following:
  - a. subscriptions received by way of lump sum / switches / systematic transactions received from Non-resident Indians (NRIs) /Persons of Indian

origin (PIO) / Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) who at the time of such investment, are present in India and

- 5. Such other persons as may be specified by AMC from time to time.

These investors need to submit a physical transaction request along with such documents as may be prescribed by the AMC/ the Trustee/ the Fund from time to time.

The AMC reserves the right to put the transaction requests on hold/reject the transaction request/reverse allotted units, as the case may be, as and when identified by the AMC, which are not in compliance with the terms and conditions notified in this regard.

The Trustee / the AMC /the Fund reserve the right to change/ modify the above provisions at a later date.

How to Apply and other details (where can you submit the filled up applications including

switches

submitted.)

Investors can undertake transactions in the Schemes of Axis Mutual Fund either through physical, online / electronic mode or any other mode as may be prescribed from time to time.

# **Physical Transactions**

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For making application for subscription / redemption / switches, application form and Key Information Memorandum may be obtained from / submitted to the Official Points of Acceptance (OPAs) of AMC or downloaded from the website of AMC viz. www.axismf.com.

#### Online / Electronic Transactions

Investors can undertake transactions via electronic mode through various online facilities offered by Axis AMC / other platforms specified by AMC from time to time.

For name, address and contact no. of Registrar and Transfer Agent (R&T), email id of R&T, website address of R&T, official points of acceptance, collecting banker details etc. refer back cover page.

Please note it is mandatory for unitholders to mention their bank account numbers in their applications/requests for redemption.

Please refer to the SAI and Application form for the instructions.

The policy regarding reissue of repurchased units, including the maximum extent, the manner of reissue, the entity (the scheme or the AMCI involved in the same.

Units once redeemed will be extinguished and will not be reissued.

#### Restrictions, if any, on the right to freely retain dispose of units being offered.

# Pledge/Lien of Units

The Unit under the Scheme may be offered as security by way of a pledge / lien/charge in favour of scheduled banks, financial institutions, non-banking finance companies (NBFCs), or any other person. The AMC and / or the ISC will note and record such Pledged/liened Units. The AMC shall mark a pledge/lien only upon receiving the duly completed form and documents as it may require. Disbursement of such loans will be at the entire discretion of the bank / financial

institution / NBFC or any other person concerned and the Mutual Fund assumes no responsibility thereof.

The Pledger/ lienor will not be able to redeem/Switch-out Units that are pledged/liened until the entity to which the Units are pledged/liened provides written authorisation to the Mutual Fund that the pledge / lien charge may be removed. As long as Units are pledged/liened, the Pledgee/lienee will have complete authority to redeem / Switch-out such Units. IDCW declared on Units under lien/pledge will be paid / re-invested to the credit of the Unit Holder and not the lien holder unless specified otherwise in the lien letter.

If there are subsisting credit facilities secured by a duly created pledge/lien, I, the nominee(s) or legal heirs / legal representative(s) shall be required to obtain a due discharge certificate from the creditors at the time of transmission of units.

For NRIs, the Scheme may mark a lien on Units in case documents which need to be submitted are not given in addition to the application form and before the submission of the redemption / Switch-out request.

The Units held in demat mode can be pledged/ liened as per the provisions of Depositories Act and Depositories Rules and Regulations.

However, the AMC reserves the right to change operational guidelines for pledge/lien on Units from time to time.

# Suspension/Restriction on Redemption of Units of the Scheme

Subject to the approval of the Boards of the AMC and of the Trustee and subject also to necessary communication of the same to SEBI, the redemption of / switchout of Units of Scheme, may be temporarily suspended/restricted. In accordance with Para 1.12 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds as amended from time to time and subject to prevailing regulations, restriction on/suspension of redemptions / switch-out of Units of the Scheme, may be imposed when there are circumstances leading to systemic crisis or event that severely constricts market liquidity or the efficient functioning of markets such as:

- a) **Liquidity issues:** when market at large becomes illiquid affecting almost all securities rather than any issuer specific security;
- b) Market failures, exchange closures: when markets are affected by unexpected events which impact the functioning of exchanges or the regular course of transactions. Such unexpected events could also be related to political, economic, military, monetary or other emergencies;
- c) **Operational issues:** when exceptional circumstances are caused by force majeure, unpredictable operational problems and technical failures (e.g. a black out).

Restriction on / suspension of redemption of Units of the Scheme may be imposed for a specified period of time not exceeding 10 working days in any 90 days period.

When restriction on / suspension of redemption of Units of the Scheme is imposed, the following procedure shall be applied:

i. No redemption / switch-out requests upto Rs. 2 lakhs shall be subject to such restriction.

ii. Where redemption / switch-out requests are above Rs. 2 lakhs, the AMC shall redeem the first Rs. 2 lakhs without such restriction and remaining part over and above Rs. 2 lakhs shall be subject to such restriction.

In addition to the above, the AMC / Trustee may restrict / suspend redemptions / switch-out of Units of the Scheme pursuant to direction/ approval of SEBI.

In case of any of the above eventualities, the general time limits for processing requests for redemption of Units will not be applicable.

Cut off timing for subscriptions/ redemptions/ switches

This is the time before which your application (complete in all respects) should reach the official points of acceptance.

#### Subscriptions/Purchases including Switch - ins:

- where the application is received upto 1.30 p.m. on a day and funds are available for utilization before the cut-off time without availing any credit facility, whether, intra-day or otherwise – the closing NAV of the day immediately preceding the day of receipt of application;
- where the application is received after 1.30 p.m. on a day and funds are available for utilization on the same day without availing any credit facility, whether, intra-day or otherwise the closing NAV of the day immediately preceding the next business day; and
- irrespective of the time of receipt of application, where the funds are not available for utilization before the cut-off time without availing any credit facility, whether, intra-day or otherwise the closing NAV of the day immediately preceding the day on which the funds are available for utilization.

For allotment of units in respect of purchase in to the Scheme, it shall be ensured that:

- Application is received before the applicable cut-off time.
- Funds for the entire amount of subscription/purchase as per the application are credited to the bank account of the Scheme before the cut-off time.
- The funds are available for utilization before the cut-off time without availing any credit facility whether intra-day or otherwise, by the Scheme.

For allotment of units in respect of switch-in to the Scheme from other schemes, it shall be ensured that:

- Application for switch-in is received before the applicable cut-off time.
- Funds for the entire amount of subscription/purchase as per the switch-in request are credited to the bank account of the Scheme before the cut-off time.
- The funds are available for utilization before the cut-off time without availing any credit facility whether intra-day or otherwise, by the respective switch-in schemes.
- The aforesaid provisions shall also be applicable to systematic transactions like Systematic Investment Plan, Systematic Transfer Plan, etc offered by scheme.

# ii) Redemptions including Switch - outs:

- a) In respect of valid applications received upto 3.00 p.m. the closing NAV of the day immediately preceding the next Business Day; and
- b) In respect of valid applications received after 3 p.m. by the Mutual Fund, the closing NAV of the next Business Day shall be applicable.

It may be noted that for all the valid requests for redemptions received after 3.00 p.m.the NAV applicability shall be same as for requests up to 3.00 p.m. on the next business day.

The above mentioned cut off timing shall be applicable to transactions through the online trading platform.

In case of Transaction through Stock Exchange Infrastructure, the Date of Acceptance will be reckoned as per the date & time; the transaction is entered in stock exchange's infrastructure for which a system generated confirmation slip will be issued to the investor.

#### **INSTA REDEMPTION FACILITY**

Cut-off timings and Applicable NAV

- For application received up to 3.00 pm the lower of:
- (i) NAV of previous calendar day and (ii) NAV of calendar day on which application is received;
- For application received after 3.00 pm the lower of:
- (i) NAV of calendar day on which such application is received, and (ii) NAV of the next calendar day.

Ongoing price for Subscription (purchase)/Switch-in (from other Schemes/Plans of the Mutual Fund) by investors.

This is the price you

need to pay for = Rs. 10\* (1+NIL)purchase/Switch-in.

Ongoing price for Redemption schemes/plans the Mutual Fund) by Investors.

This is the price you will receive redemptions/Switch outs.

At the Applicable NAV

Para 10.4 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds as amended from time to time has decided that there shall be no entry Load for all Mutual Fund Schemes. Hence, no entry load is levied for subscription transactions by the Scheme.

Methodology of calculating subscription price:

Subscription Price = Applicable NAV\*(1+Entry Load, if any)

Example: If the Applicable NAV is Rs. 10, Entry Load is NIL then the subscription price will be:

= Rs. 10

At the Applicable NAV subject to prevailing exit load.

(sale) Ongoing price for redemption /Switch out (to other Schemes/Plans of the Mutual /Switch outs (to other Fund) is price which a Unit holder will receive for redemption/Switch-outs. During of the continuous offer of the Scheme, the Unit holder can redeem the Units at Applicable NAV, subject to payment of Exit Load, if any. It will be calculated as follows:

Methodology of calculating repurchase price:

Redemption Price = Applicable NAV\*(1-Exit Load, if any)

Example: If the Applicable NAV is Rs. 10, Exit Load is 2% then redemption price will be:

= Rs. 10\* (1-0.02)

= Rs. 9.80

Investors/Unit holders should note that the AMC/Trustee has right to modify existing Load structure and to introduce Loads subject to a maximum limits prescribed under the Regulations.

Any change in Load structure will be effective on prospective basis and will not affect the existing Unit holder in any manner.

However, the Mutual Fund will ensure that the Redemption Price will not be lower than 97% of the Applicable NAV. The Purchase Price shall be at applicable NAV.

# Minimum amount for purchase redemption switches

Refer Section I – Part I for Minimum amount for purchase/redemption/switches. Minimum Redemption Amount/Switch Out

There will be no minimum redemption criterion. The Redemption / Switch-out would be permitted to the extent of credit balance in the Unit holder's account of the Plan(s) / Option(s) of the Scheme (subject to completion of Lock-in period or release of pledge / lien or other encumbrances). The Redemption / Switch-out

request can be made by specifying the rupee amount or by specifying the number of Units of the respective Plan(s) / Option(s) to be redeemed. In case a Redemption / Switch-out request received is for both, a specified rupee amount and a specified number of Units of the respective Plan(s)/ Option(s), the specified number of Units will be considered the definitive request. In case the value / number of available units held in the Unit holder's folio / account under the Plan / Option of the Scheme is less than the amount / number of units specified in the redemption / switch-out request, then the transaction shall be treated as an all units redemption and the entire balance of available Units in the folio / account of the Unit holder shall be redeemed.

In case of Units held in dematerialized mode, the Unit Holder can give a request for Redemption only in number of Units and in fractional units also. Depository participants of registered Depositories to process only redemption request of units held in demat form.

The AMC/ Trustee reserves the right to change/ modify the terms of minimum redemption amount/switch-out

#### **Accounts Statements**

The AMC shall send an allotment confirmation specifying the units allotted by way of email and/or SMS within 5 working days of receipt of valid application/transaction to the Unit holders registered e-mail address and/or mobile number (whether units are held in demat mode or in account statement form).

The AMC/RTA shall dispatch a Consolidated Account Statement (CAS) detailing all the transactions across all mutual funds and holding at the end of the month shall be sent to the Unit holders in whose folio(s) transaction(s) have taken place during the month by mail or email on or before 15th of the succeeding month.

For investor having demat account, the depositories shall dispatch a monthly consolidated statement with details across all schemes of mutual funds and securities held in dematerialized form across demat accounts and dispatch the same to investors who have opted for delivery via electronic mode (e-CAS) by the 12th day from the month end and to investors who have opted for delivery via physical mode by the 15th day from the month end.

For folios where there are no transactions during the half – year, the AMC/RTA shall dispatch a half – yearly CAS at the end of every six months (i.e. September/March) on or before the 21st day of the succeeding month for holdings across all mutual funds at the end of the half-year.

For folios where there are no transactions during the half – year, the depositories shall dispatch a consolidated statement (for investors having a demat account) i.e. half-yearly CAS at the end of every six months (i.e. September/ March) to investors that have opted for e-CAS on or before the 18th day of April and October and to investors who have opted for delivery via physical mode by the 21st day of April and October to all investors providing the prescribed details across all schemes of mutual funds and securities held in dematerialized form across demat accounts, if applicable.

# For further details, refer SAI.

# Dividend/ IDCW

The payment of dividend/IDCW to the unitholders shall be made within seven working days from the record date.

The AMC shall be liable to pay interest to the Unit holders at 15% p.a. or such other rate as may be prescribed by SEBI from time to time, in the event of failure of despatch of dividend payments within the stipulated time period calculated from the record date.

#### **Axis Liquid Fund**

Redemption	The redemption or repurchase proceeds shall be dispatched to the unitholders within three working days from the date of redemption or repurchase.  For list of exceptional circumstances refer para 14.1.3 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds.  For detailed procedure on how to redeem, kindly refer SAI.
Bank Mandate	It is mandatory for investors to mention bank account details on the form as per directives issued by SEBI. Applications without this information are liable to be rejected. The Mutual Fund / AMC reserve the right to hold redemption proceeds in case requisite bank details are not submitted.
Delay in payment of redemption / repurchase proceeds / dividend	The Asset Management Company shall be liable to pay interest to the unitholders at rate as specified vide clause 14.2 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds by SEBI for the period of such delay.
	The AMC shall be liable to pay interest to the Unit holders at 15% or such other rate as may be prescribed by SEBI from time to time, in case the Redemption / Repurchase proceeds are not made within three (3) working days of the date of Redemption / Repurchase.
	However, the AMC will not be liable to pay any interest or compensation or any amount otherwise, in case the AMC / Trustee is required to obtain from the Investor / Unit holders verification of identity or such other details relating to Subscription for Units under any applicable law or as may be requested by a Regulatory Agency or any government authority, which may result in delay in processing the application.
Unclaimed Redemption and Income Distribution cum Capital Withdrawal Amount	Fund in money market instruments and such other instruments/securities as maybe permitted from time to time. The investment management fee charged by the AMC for managing such unclaimed amounts shall not exceed 50 basis points. The circular also specifies that investors who claim these amounts during a period of three years from the due date shall be paid at the prevailing NAV. Thus, after a period of three years, this amount can be transferred to a pool account and the investors can claim the said amounts at the NAV prevailing at the end of the third year. In terms of the circular, the onus is on the AMC to make a continuous effort to remind investors through letters to take their unclaimed amounts. The details of such unclaimed amounts shall be disclosed in the annual report sent to the Unit Holders.
	Further, according to Para 14.3 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds as amended from time to time the unclaimed Redemption and IDCW amounts may be deployed in separate plan of Overnight scheme/Liquid scheme/Money market mutual fund scheme floated by Mutual Funds specifically for deployment of the unclaimed Redemption and IDCW amounts.
Disclosure w.r.t investment by minors	Following is the process for investments made in the name of a Minor through a Guardian: -  • Payment for investment by any mode shall be accepted from the bank account of the minor, parent or legal guardian of the minor, or from a joint account of the minor with parent or legal guardian.
	<ul> <li>Mutual Fund will send an intimation to Unit holders advising the minor (on attaining majority) to submit an application form along with prescribed documents to change the status of the account from 'minor' to 'major'.</li> <li>All transactions / standing instructions / systematic transactions etc. will be suspended i.e. the Folio will be frozen for operation by the guardian from the date of beneficiary child completing 18 years of age, till the status of the minor is changed to major. Upon the minor attaining the status of major, the minor</li> </ul>

	in whose name the investment was made, shall be required to provide all the
	KYC details, updated bank account details including cancelled original
	cheque leaf of the new bank account.
	No investments (lumpsum/SIP/ switch in/ STP in etc.) in the scheme would be
	allowed once the minor attains majority i.e. 18 years of age till the status of
	folio is changed to major.
Any other disclosure	NIL
in terms of	
Consolidated	
Checklist on	
Standard	
Observations	

# III. OTHER DETAILS

A. IN CASE OF FUND OF FUNDS SCHEME, DETAILS OF BENCHMARK, INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE, INVESTMENT STRATEGY, TER, AUM, YEAR WISE PERFORMANCE, TOP 10 HOLDING/ LINK TO TOP 10 HOLDING OF THE UNDERLYING FUND SHOULD BE PROVIDED - NOT APPLICABLE

#### **B. PERIODIC DISCLOSURES**

B. PERIODIC DISCLOSURE	S control of the second of the
Fortnightly, Monthly and Half yearly Disclosures: Portfolio / Financial Results  This is a list of securities where the corpus of the scheme is currently invested. The market value of these investments is also stated in portfolio disclosures.	The AMC will disclose the portfolio of the Scheme (alongwith ISIN) on fortnightly, monthly and half yearly basis on the website of the Mutual Fund and AMFI within 5 days of every fortnight and within 10 days from the close of each month and half year (i.e. 31st March and 30th September) respectively in a user-friendly and downloadable spreadsheet format. Further, AMC shall publish an advertisement, in an all - India edition of one national English daily newspaper and in one Hindi newspaper, every half year disclosing the hosting of the half-yearly statement of its schemes portfolio on the website of the Mutual Fund and AMFI and the modes through which unitholder can submit a request for a physical or electronic copy of the statement of scheme portfolios.  The AMC will also provide a dashboard, in a comparable, downloadable (spreadsheet) and machine readable format, providing performance and key disclosures like Scheme's AUM, investment objective, expense ratios, portfolio details, scheme's past performance etc. on website.  For details, please refer our website: <a href="https://www.axismf.com/statutory-">https://www.axismf.com/statutory-</a>
Half Yearly Results	disclosures  The Mutual Fund shall within one month from the close of each half year, that is on 31st March and on 30th September, host a soft copy of its unaudited financial results on the website of the AMC and AMFI.  The mutual fund shall publish an advertisement disclosing the hosting of such financial results on their website, in atleast one English daily newspaper having nationwide circulation and in a newspaper having wide circulation published in the language of the region where the Head Office of the Mutual Fund is situated.  The unaudited financial results will also be displayed on the website of the AMC and AMFI.  For details, please refer our website: <a href="https://www.axismf.com/statutory-disclosures">https://www.axismf.com/statutory-disclosures</a>
Annual Report	The Scheme annual report or an abridged summary thereof shall be mailed (emailed, where e mail id is provided unless otherwise required)) to all Unit holders not later than four months (or such other period as may be specified

by SEBI from time to time) from the date of closure of the relevant accounting year (i.e. 31st March each year) and full annual report shall be available for inspection at the Head Office of the Mutual Fund and a copy shall be made available to the Unit holders on request on payment of nominal fees, if any. Scheme wise annual report shall also be displayed on the website of the Mutual Fund (<u>www.axismf.com</u>) and on the website of Association of Mutual Funds in India (www.amfiindia.com). Unitholders whose email addresses are not registered with the Mutual Fund may 'opt-in' to receive a physical copy of the annual report or an abridged summary thereof. Further, AMC shall provide a physical copy of the abridged summary of the Annual Report, without charging any cost, on a specific request received from a unitholder. AMC shall also publish an advertisement every year, in an all India edition of one national English daily newspaper and in one Hindi newspaper, disclosing the hosting of the scheme wise annual report on the website of the Mutual Fund and AMFI and the modes through which a unitholder can submit a request for a physical or electronic copy of the annual report or abridged summary thereof. For details, please refer our website: https://www.axismf.com/statutorydisclosures The AMC shall review Risk-o-meters on a monthly basis based on evaluation of risk level of Scheme's month end portfolio. Any change in risk-o-meter of and the scheme or its benchmark shall be communicated by way of Notice cum Benchmark Riskometer Addendum and by way of an e-mail or SMS to unitholders of that particular scheme. Investors may also refer to the website/portfolio disclosure for the latest Risk-o-meter of the Scheme. The AMC has provided on its website Scheme Summary Document which is a Summary standalone scheme document for all the Schemes which contains all the details of the Scheme viz. Scheme features, Fund Manager details, investment details, investment objective, expense ratios, portfolio details, etc. For details, please refer our website: <a href="https://www.axismf.com/statutory-">https://www.axismf.com/statutory-</a> disclosures Disclosure of Potential Pursuant to the para 17.5 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual funds, all debt Risk Class (PRC) Matrix schemes are required to be classified in terms of a Potential Risk Class matrix consisting of parameters based on maximum interest rate risk (measured by Macaulay Duration (MD) of the scheme) and maximum credit risk (measured by Credit Risk Value (CRV) of the scheme). Mutual Funds are required to disclose the PRC matrix (i.e. maximum risk that a fund manager can take in a Scheme) along with the mark for the cell in which the Scheme resides on the front page of initial offering application form, SID, KIM, common application form and scheme advertisements in the manner as prescribed in the said circular. The scheme would have the flexibility to take interest rate risk and credit risk below the maximum risk as stated in the PRC matrix. Subsequently, once a PRC cell selection is done by the Scheme, any change in the positioning of the Scheme into a cell resulting in a risk (in terms of credit risk or duration risk) which is higher than the maximum risk specified

Risk-o-meter

Scheme

Document

Regulations, 1996.

for the chosen PRC cell, shall be considered as a fundamental attribute change of the Scheme in terms of Regulation 18(15A) of SEBI (Mutual Fund)

The Mutual Funds shall be required to inform the unitholders about the PRC classification and subsequent changes, if any, through SMS and by providing a link on their website referring to the said change.
The Mutual Fund/ AMC shall also publish the PRC Matrix in the scheme wise Annual Reports and Abridged summary.

# C. TRANSPARENCY/NAV DISCLOSURE

The AMC will calculate the NAVs on all Calendar Days. The AMC shall update the NAVs on its website (<a href="www.axismf.com">www.axismf.com</a>) and of the Association of Mutual Funds in India - AMFI (<a href="www.amfiindia.com">www.amfiindia.com</a>) before 11.00 p.m. on every Business Day.

If the NAVs are not available before the commencement of Business Hours on the following day due to any reason, the Mutual Fund shall issue a press release giving reasons and explaining when the Mutual Fund would be able to publish the NAV.

In case NAV of Corporate Debt Market Development Fund ('CDMDF') units is not available by 9:30 p.m. of same Business Day, NAV declaration timing for Mutual Fund Schemes holding units of CDMDF shall be 10 a.m. on next business day instead of 11 p.m. on same Business Day.

Information regarding NAV can be obtained by the Unit holders / Investors by calling or visiting the nearest ISC.

#### D. TRANSACTION CHARGES AND STAMP DUTY-

# Transaction charge – Not Applicable

#### Stamp Duty

Pursuant to Notification No. S.O. 1226(E) and G.S.R. 226(E) dated March 30, 2020 issued by Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance, Government of India, read with Part I of Chapter IV of Notification dated February 21, 2019 issued by Legislative Department, Ministry of Law and Justice, Government of India on the Finance Act, 2019, stamp duty @0.005% of the transaction value would be levied on applicable mutual fund transactions.

Accordingly, pursuant to levy of stamp duty, the number of units allotted on purchase transactions (including IDCW reinvestment) to the unitholders would be reduced to that extent.

#### E. ASSOCIATE TRANSACTIONS - PLEASE REFER TO STATEMENT OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (SAI)

# F. TAXATION-

The information is provided for general information only. However, in view of the individual nature of the implications, each investor is advised to consult his or her own tax advisors / authorised dealers with respect to the specific amount of tax and other implications arising out of his or her participation in the schemes.

Taxation of Specified Mutual Fund	cified Particulars	Taxability in the hands of Individuals / Non-corporates Corporates		
other than		Resident	Non-Resident	

Equity- Oriented Mutual Funds (Rates applicable for the Financial	Tax on distributed income (dividend income)  Acquired before 1 April 2023	Taxed in the hands of unitholders at applicable rate under the provisions of the Income-tax Act, 1961 (Act)	Taxed in the hands of unitholders at the rate of 20% u/s 115A/ 115AD of the Act (plus applicable surcharge and health and education cess)
Year 2025- 26)  The information	Listed units (Holding period > 12 months)	12.5% (plus applicable surcharge and health and education cess) without	12.5% (plus applicable surcharge and health and education cess) without
is provided for general information only. However, in view of the		indexation benefit	foreign currency benefit and indexation benefit  12.5% (plus applicable
individual nature of the implications , each investor is advised to consult his or her own tax advisors / authorised dealers with	Unlisted units (Holding period > 24 months)	12.5% (plus applicable surcharge and health and education cess) without indexation benefit	surcharge and health and education cess) without foreign currency benefit and indexation benefit
respect to the specific amount of tax and	Short term capital gains	Will be taxed at the applicable rates depending upon the slab of each	Will be taxed at the applicable rates depending upon the slab of each individual
other implications arising out of his or her participation in the	Listed (Holding period <= 12 months)/ Unlisted units (Holding period <= 24 months)	individual (plus applicable surcharge and health and education cess)	(plus applicable surcharge and health and education cess)
schemes.	Acquired on or after 1 April 20	23	
	Capital Gains on Specified Mutual Funds irrespective of period of holding (Refer Note 2)	Will be taxed at the applicable rates depending upon the slab of each individual	Will be taxed at the applicable rates depending upon the slab of each individual
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	(plus applicable surcharge and health and education	T .	
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#### Note -

1. Axis Mutual Fund is a Mutual Fund registered with the Securities & Exchange Board of India and hence the entire income of the Mutual Fund will be exempt from income tax in accordance with the provisions of section 10(23D) of the Act.

Finance Act (No.2) 2024 has amended the definition of 'specified mutual fund' under section 50AA of the Act with effect from financial year 2025-26 to mean:

- (i) a mutual fund scheme which invest more than sixty five percent of its total proceeds in debt and money market instruments; or
- (ii) a fund which invests sixty-five per cent or more of its total proceeds in units of fund referred above.

Provided that the percentage of investment in debt and money market instruments or in units of a fund, as the case may be, in respect of the Specified Mutual Fund, shall be computed with reference to the annual average of the daily closing figures.

The aforesaid definition will be applicable to units which will be sold from 1 April 2025.

2. Applicable rates for individual, corporates and non-corporates are as under:

Particulars	Income slab	Rate of tax
Individual/ Hindu Undivided Family (HUF)/ AOP/BOI#	Where total income for a tax year (April to March) is less than or equal to Rs 2,50,000* (the basic exemption limit)	Nil
	Where such total income is more than Rs 2,50,000* but is less than or equal to Rs 5,00,000	5% of the amount by which the total income exceeds Rs 2,50,000*
	Where such total income is more than Rs 5,00,000* but is less than or equal to Rs 10,00,000	Rs 12,500 plus 20% of the amount by which the total income exceeds Rs 5,00,000*

	Where such total income is more than Rs 10,00,000	Rs 1,12,500 plus 30% of the amount by which the total income exceeds Rs 10,00,000
Co-operative society	Where total income for a tax year (April to March) is less than or equal to Rs 10,000	10% of the total income
	Where such total income is more than Rs 10,000 but is less than or equal to Rs 20,000	Rs 1,000 plus 20% of the amount by which the total income exceeds Rs 10,000
	Where the total income exceeds Rs 20,000	Rs 3,000 plus 30% of the amount by which the total income exceeds Rs 20,000
Co-operative society availing concessional tax rate benefit (subject to prescribed conditions) under section 115BAD of the Act	22%	
Co-operative society availing concessional tax rate benefit (subject to prescribed conditions) under section 115BAE of the Act	15%	
Domestic Corporate (where the total turnover or gross receipts of such company for financial year 2023-24 exceeds Rs 400 crores)/ Partnership firm/ LLP/ Local authority/ FPIs	30%	
Domestic company, where the total turnover or gross receipts of such company for financial year 2023-24 does not exceed Rs 400 crores	25%	

Domestic company availing concessional tax rate benefit (subject to prescribed conditions) under section 115BAA of the Act	22%
Domestic company engaged solely in the business of manufacture/ production and availing concessional tax rate benefit (subject to prescribed conditions) under section 115BAB of the Act	15%
AOP/ BOI	30% or such higher rate of tax applicable to the individual members of the AOP/BOI
Foreign Corporates	35%
FPIs	30%

\*In case of resident individuals of age 60 years or more, but less than 80 years, the basic exemption limit is Rs 3,00,000. Income between Rs 3,00,000 and Rs 500,000 will be taxable at the rate of 5%.

In case of resident individuals of age 80 years or more, the basic exemption limit is Rs 5.00,000. Income exceeding Rs 5,00,000 but less than or equal to Rs 10,00,000 will be taxable at the rate of 20%.

\*Section 115BAC of the Act provides individuals and HUFs to pay tax in respect of their total income at the following rates (default regime):

Income slab	Tax rate
Where total income for a tax year (April to March) is less than or equal to Rs 4,00,000 (the basic exemption limit)	Nil
Where such total income is more than Rs 4,00,000 but is less than or equal to Rs 8,00,000	5% of the amount by which the total income exceeds Rs 4,00,000
Where such total income is more than Rs 8,00,000 but is less than or equal to Rs 12,00,000	Rs 20,000 plus 10% of the amount by which the total income exceeds Rs 8,00,000

Where such total income is more than Rs 12,00,000 but is less than or equal to Rs 16,00,000	Rs 60,000 plus 15% of the amount by which the total income exceeds Rs 12,00,000
Where such total income is more than Rs 16,00,000 but is less than or equal to Rs 20,00,000	Rs 1,20,000 plus 20% of the amount by which the total income exceeds Rs 16,00,000
Where such total income is more than Rs 20,00,000 but is less than or equal to Rs 24,00,000	Rs 2,00,000 plus 25% of the amount by which the total income exceeds Rs 20,00,000
Where such total income is more than Rs 24,00,000	Rs 3,00,000 plus 30% of the amount by which the total income exceeds Rs 24,00,000

Further, Finance Bill 2025 has proposed to enhance the threshold of total income for claiming the rebate under concessional tax regime (i.e. default regime) in case of resident individual from Rs 7,00,000 to Rs 12,00,000 and increased the limit of rebate from Rs 25,000 to Rs 60,000. However, the said rebate is not available on incomes chargeable to tax at special rates (for eg. capital gains under section 111A, 112 etc.).

3. Surcharge at the following rate to be levied in case of individual / HUF/ non-corporate non-firm unit holders:

Income	Individual/ HUF / non- corporate non-firm unit holders
(a) Above Rs 50 lakh upto Rs 1 crore (including dividend income and capital gains income under section 111A, 112 and 112A of the Act)	10%
(b) Above Rs 1 crore upto Rs 2 crores (including dividend income and capital gains income under section 111A, 112 and 112A of the Act)	15%
(c) Above Rs 2 crores upto Rs 5 crores [excluding dividend income (dividend received from domestic companies only) and capital gains income under section 111A, 112 and 112A of the Act]	25%
(d) Above Rs 5 crores [excluding dividend income (dividend received from domestic companies only) and capital gains income under section 111A, 112 and 112A of the Act)	37%*
(e) Above Rs 2 crores [including dividend income (dividend received from domestic companies only) and capital gains income under	15%

section 111A, 112 and 112A of the Act)] but not covered in point (c) and (d) above

\*Surcharge rate shall not exceed 25% in case of individual and HUF opting for new tax regime under section 115BAC of the Act.

4. Surcharge rates for Companies

Total Income	Rate of Surcharge for Domestic companies*	Rate of Surcharge for Foreign Companies
Above Rs 1 crore upto Rs 10 crores	7%	2%
Above Rs 10 crores	12%	5%

\*Surcharge rate shall be 10% in case resident companies opting taxation under section 115BAA and section 115BAB on any income earned.

In case of firm with total income exceeding Rs.1 crore, surcharge rate shall be 12%.

- 5. Health and Education cess @ 4% on aggregate of base tax and surcharge.
- 6. Withholding of Taxation by Mutual Fund will be as per applicable withholding tax rate.
- 7. All the above non-resident investors may also claim the tax treaty benefits available, if any.

For further details on taxation please refer to the clause on Taxation in the SAI.

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Notwithstanding anything contained in this Scheme Information Document, the provisions of the SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 and the guidelines there under shall be applicable.

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