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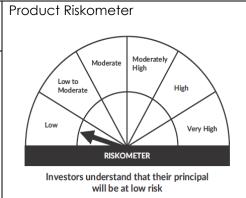
#### **AXIS ARBITRAGE FUND**

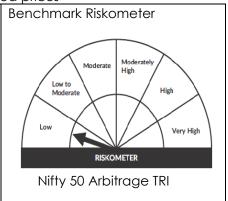
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Continuous offer for Units at NAV based prices

This product is suitable for investors who are seeking\*:

- Income over short to medium term
- Investment in arbitrage opportunities in the cash & derivatives segment of the equity market





\*Investors should consult their financial advisers if in doubt about whether the product is suitable for them.

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#### HIGHLIGHTS/SUMMARY OF THE SCHEME

Scheme Code: AXIS/O/H/ARB/14/05/0018

# Investment objective

To generate income through low volatility absolute return strategies that take advantage of opportunities in the cash and the derivative segments of the equity markets including the arbitrage opportunities available within the derivative segment, by using other derivative based strategies and by investing the balance in debt and money market instruments.

However, there is no assurance or guarantee that the investment objective of the Scheme will be achieved. The Scheme does not assure or guarantee any returns.

#### Liquidity

The Scheme offers Units for Subscription and Redemption at NAV based prices on all Business Days. Under normal circumstances, the AMC shall dispatch the redemption proceeds within 3 working days from the date of receipt of request from the Unit holder. The AMC shall adhere to guidelines published by AMFI /SEBI for exceptional circumstances under which the scheme is unable to transfer redemption or repurchase proceeds within prescribed timelines

# **Benchmark**

Nifty 50 Arbitrage TRI

# Transparency/NAV Disclosure

The AMC will calculate and disclose the NAVs on all Business 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.

The AMC will disclose the portfolio of the Scheme (alongwith ISIN) as on the last day of the month/ half year on the website of the Mutual Fund and AMFI within 10 days from the close of each month/ 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 its website.

The AMC will make available the Annual Report of the Scheme within four months of the end of the financial year on its website and on the website of AMFI along with a link.

# **Minimum Application Amount**

Rs. 500 and in multiples of Re. 1/- thereafter

# **Minimum Additional Purchase Amount**

Rs.500 and in multiples of Re. 1/- thereafter

Minimum application amount is applicable at the time of creation of new folio and at the time of first investment in a plan.



# Plans and Options under the Plan(s) of the Scheme Plans

Regular Plan Direct Plan

# Options under each plans

Growth

Income Distribution cum Capital Withdrawal (IDCW) (Payout and Reinvestment Facility)

#### **Direct Plan**

Direct Plan is only for investors who purchase /subscribe Units in a Scheme directly with the Fund and is not available for investors who route their investments through a Distributor.

#### **Regular Plan**

Regular Plan is available for Investors who purchase /subscribe Units in a Scheme through a Distributor.

# Eligible investors / modes for applying

All categories of investors (whether existing or new Unitholders) as permitted under the Scheme Information Document of the Scheme are eligible to subscribe under Direct Plan. Investments under Direct Plan can be made through various modes offered by the Fund for investing directly with the Fund {except Platform(s) where investors' applications for subscription of units are routed through Distributors}.

All the plans will have common portfolio.

# Loads

Entry Load: Not Applicable

Exit Load: If redeemed/switched out within 15 days from the date of allotment: 0.25%

If redeemed/switched out after 15 days from the date of allotment: Nil

Para 10.4 of Master Circular for Mutual Funds has decided that there shall be no Entry Load for all Mutual Fund schemes

For more details on Load Structure, please refer paragraph 'Load Structure'.



#### I. INTRODUCTION

#### A. RISK FACTORS

# i. Standard Risk Factors

- Investment in mutual fund units involves investment risks such as trading volumes, settlement risk, liquidity risk, default risk including the possible loss of principal.
- As the price / value / interest rates of the securities in which the Scheme invests fluctuates, the value of your investment in the Scheme may go up or down.
- Past performance of the Sponsor/AMC/Mutual Fund does not guarantee future performance of the Scheme.
- Axis Arbitrage Fund is the name of the Scheme and does not in any manner indicate either the quality of the Scheme or its future prospects and returns.
- The sponsor is not responsible or liable for any loss resulting from the operation of the Scheme beyond the initial contribution of Rs. 1 lakh made by it towards setting up the Fund.
- Axis Arbitrage Fund is not a guaranteed or assured return scheme.

# ii. Scheme Specific Risk Factors

- The primary objective of the Fund Manager is to identify investment opportunities and to exploit price discrepancies in various markets. Identification and exploitation of the strategies to be pursued by the Fund Manager involve uncertainty. No assurance can be given that the Fund Manager will be able to locate investment opportunities or to correctly exploit price discrepancies in the capital markets. Reduction in mis-pricing opportunities between the cash market and Future and Options market may lead to lower level of activity affecting the returns. As the Scheme proposes to execute arbitrage transactions in various markets simultaneously, this may result in high portfolio turnover and, consequently, high transaction cost.
- There may be instances, where the price spread between cash and derivative market is
  insufficient to meet the cost of carry. In such situations, the fund manager due to lack of
  opportunities in the derivative market may not be able to outperform liquid / money
  market funds.
- Under certain conditions, the fund manager may not be able to hold simultaneous positions in the cash and derivative market, due to poor liquidity in the future/ spot market. However, the fund will endeavor to take exposure in those stocks where there is sufficient liquidity in the cash and derivative market, thereby minimizing the risk to square off the transaction. This could limit the universe of stocks the fund can invest.
- In case of a large redemption, the scheme may need to reverse the spot-futures transaction before the date of futures' settlement. This eventuality may lead to the basis risk.
- While reversing the spot-futures transaction on the Futures & Options settlement day on the Stock Exchange, there could be a risk of volume-weighted-average-price of the market being different from the price at which the actual reversal is processed. This may result in basis risk.
- The Fund also intends to take advantage of opportunities arising out of corporate events like open offers, buy-back, merger, initial public offers, etc. The lack of such corporate events may lead to lack of opportunities to the Fund Manager

# Risks associated with investments in Equities

• Equity and equity related securities are volatile and prone to price fluctuations on a daily basis. The liquidity of investments made in the Scheme may be restricted by trading volumes and settlement periods. Settlement periods may be extended significantly by unforeseen circumstances. The inability of the Scheme to make intended securities purchases, due to settlement problems, could cause the Scheme to miss certain investment opportunities. Similarly, the inability to sell securities held in the Scheme portfolio would result at times, in potential losses to the Scheme, should there be a subsequent decline in the value of securities held in the Scheme portfolio. Also, the value of the Scheme investments may be affected by interest rates, currency exchange rates, changes in law/policies of the government, taxation laws and political, economic or other



- developments which may have an adverse bearing on individual Securities, a specific sector or all sectors.
- Investments in equity and equity related securities involve a degree of risk and investors should not invest in the equity Schemes unless they can afford to take the risk of losing their investment.
- Securities which are not quoted on the stock exchanges are inherently illiquid in nature and carry a larger liquidity risk in comparison with securities that are listed on the exchanges or offer other exit options to the investors, including put options.

# Risks associated with investments in Fixed Income Securities

**Interest-Rate Risk**: Fixed income securities such as government bonds, corporate bonds, and 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

# Risk associated with Securitized Debt

The Scheme may invest in domestic securitized debt such as Asset Backed Securities (ABS) or Mortgage Backed Securities (MBS). ABS are securitized debts where the underlying assets are



receivables arising from various loans including automobile loans, personal loans, loans against consumer durables, etc. MBS are securitized debts where the underlying assets are receivables arising from loans backed by mortgage of residential / commercial properties.

At present in Indian market, following types of loans are securitized:

- 1. Auto Loans (cars / commercial vehicles /two wheelers)
- 2. Residential Mortgages or Housing Loans
- 3. Consumer Durable Loans
- 4. Personal Loans
- 5. Corporate Loans

In terms of specific risks attached to securitization, each asset class would have different underlying risks. Residential Mortgages generally have lower default rates than other asset classes, but repossession becomes difficult. On the other hand, repossession and subsequent recovery of commercial vehicles and other auto assets is fairly easier and better compared to mortgages. Asset classes like personal loans, credit card receivables are unsecured and in an economic downturn may witness higher default. A corporate loan/receivable, depend upon the nature of the underlying security for the loan or the nature of the receivable and the risks correspondingly fluctuate.

The rating agencies define margins, over collateralisation and guarantees to bring risk in line with similar AAA rated securities. The factors typically analyzed for any pool are as follows:

- a. <u>Assets securitized and Size of the loan</u>: This indicates the kind of assets financed with the loan and the average ticket size of the loan. A very low ticket size might mean more costs in originating and servicing of the assets.
- b. <u>Diversification</u>: Diversification across geographical boundaries and ticket sizes might result in lower delinquency
- c. <u>Loan to Value Ratio</u>: Indicates how much % value of the asset is financed by borrower's own equity. The lower this value the better it is. This suggests that where the borrowers own contribution of the asset cost is high; the chances of default are lower.
- d. <u>Average seasoning of the pool</u>: This indicates whether borrowers have already displayed repayment discipline. The higher the number, the more superior it is.

pertaining The main risks to Securitised debt follows: other are as Prepayment Risk: This arises when the borrower pays off the loan sooner than expected. When interest rates decline, borrowers tend to pay off high interest loans with money borrowed at a lower interest rate, which shortens the average maturity of ABS. However, there is some prepayment risk even if interest rates rise, such as when an owner pays off a mortgage when the house is sold or an auto loan is paid off when the car is sold.

**Reinvestment Risk:** Since prepayment risk increases when interest rates decline, this also introduces reinvestment risk, which is the risk that the principal can only be reinvested at a lower rate.

# Risks associated with investments in Derivatives

- The Scheme may invest in derivative products in accordance with and to the extent permitted under the Regulations and by RBI. Derivative products are specialized instruments that require investment techniques and risk analysis different from those associated with stocks and bonds. The use of a derivative requires an understanding not only of the underlying instrument but of the derivative itself. Trading in derivatives carries a high degree of risk although they are traded at a relatively small amount of margin which provides the possibility of great profit or loss in comparison with the principal investment amount. Thus, derivatives are highly leveraged instruments. Even a small price movement in the underlying security could have an impact on their value and consequently, on the NAV of the Units of the Scheme.
- Investment in derivatives also requires the maintenance of adequate controls to monitor the transactions entered into, the ability to assess the risk that a derivative adds to the



portfolio and the ability to forecast price or interest rate movements correctly. Even a small price movement in the underlying security could have an impact on their value and consequently, on the NAV of the Units of the Scheme.

- The Scheme may face execution risk, whereby the rates seen on the screen may not be the rate at which the ultimate execution of the derivative transaction takes place.
- The Scheme may find it difficult or impossible to execute derivative transactions in certain circumstances. For example, when there are insufficient bids or suspension of trading due to price limit or circuit breakers, the Scheme may face a liquidity issue.
- The option buyer's risk is limited to the premium paid, while the risk of an options writer is unlimited. However the gains of an options writer are limited to the premiums earned.
- The exchange may impose restrictions on exercise of options and may also restrict the
  exercise of options at certain times in specified circumstances and this could impact the
  value of the portfolio.
- The writer of a put option bears the risk of loss if the value of the underlying asset declines below the exercise price. The writer of a call option bears a risk of loss if the value of the underlying asset increases above the exercise price, as per extant regulations.
- Investments in index futures face the same risk as the investments in a portfolio of shares representing an index. The extent of loss is the same as in the underlying stocks.
- The Scheme bear a risk that it may not be able to correctly forecast future market trends or the value of assets, indices or other financial or economic factors in establishing derivative positions for the Scheme.
- The risk of loss in trading futures contracts can be substantial, because of the low margin deposits required, the extremely high degree of leverage involved in futures pricing and the potential high volatility of the futures markets.
- There is the possibility that a loss may be sustained by the portfolio as a result of the failure of another party (usually referred to as the "counter party") to comply with the terms of the derivatives contract. The counter party may default on a transaction before settlement and therefore, the Scheme is compelled to negotiate with another counterparty at the then prevailing (possibly unfavorable) market price.
- Derivatives also carry a market liquidity risk where the derivatives cannot be sold (unwound) at prices that reflect the underlying assets, rates and indices.
- Where derivatives are used for hedging, such use may involve a basis risk where the instrument used as a hedge does not match the movement in the instrument/underlying asset being hedged. The risk may be inter-related also e.g. interest rate movements can affect equity prices, which could influence specific issuer/industry assets.
- Other risks in using derivatives include the risk of mispricing or improper valuation of derivatives and the inability of derivatives to correlate perfectly with underlying assets, rates and indices.
- Derivative products are leveraged instruments and can provide disproportionate gains as well as disproportionate losses to the investor.
- Execution of investment strategies depends upon the ability of the fund manager(s) to identify such opportunities which may not be available at all times. Identification and execution of the strategies to be pursued by the fund manager(s) involve uncertainty and decision of fund manager(s) may not always be profitable. No assurance can be given that the fund manager(s) 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.

The following are certain additional risks involved with use of fixed income derivatives: **Interest rate risk**: Derivatives carry the risk of adverse changes in the price due to change in interest rates.

**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.



**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.

**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.

# Risks 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).

# Risk Factor associated with debt instruments having credit enhancement:

The Scheme may invest in debt instruments having credit enhancement backed by equity shares/guarantees or other any assets as collateral. The profile of these issuers tend to be relatively weak and there may be a pledge of shares of a related party to enhance credit quality or guarantees provided or any other asset provided as security acceptable to lenders.

Where equity shares are provided as collateral there is the risk of sharp price volatility of underlying securities which may lead to erosion in value of collateral which may affect the ability of the fund to enforce collateral and recover capital and interest obligations. Also there is a possibility of guarantor going insolvent which also can impact the recovery value of exposure. In case of credit enhanced structures backed by equity share the liquidity of the underlying shares may be low leading to a lower recovery and a higher impact cost of liquidation. In case of other assets provided recovery value and enforce ability of asset can also be a risk factor which can lower the recovery value.

# 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 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 Non 1 Convertible Redeemable Preference Shares) Regulations, 2013 ("NCRPS Regulations"). These instruments have certain unique features which, inter-alia, grant the 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.

# B. 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 Scheme. 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.



# C. SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS, if any

- Prospective investors should study this Scheme Information Document and Statement of Additional Information carefully in its entirety and should not construe the contents hereof as advise relating to legal, taxation, financial, investment or any other matters and are advised to consult their legal, tax, financial and other professional advisors to determine possible legal, tax, financial or other considerations of subscribing to or redeeming Units, before making a decision to invest/redeem/hold Units.
- The Scheme related documents i.e. SID/ KIM/ SAI or the units of the Fund are not registered in any jurisdiction including the United States of America nor in any provincial/territorial jurisdiction in Canada. The distribution of the Scheme related document in certain jurisdictions may be restricted or subject to registration requirements and, accordingly, persons who come into possession of the Scheme related documents are required to inform themselves about, and to observe any such restrictions. No persons receiving a copy of this Scheme related documents or any accompanying application form in such jurisdiction may treat these Scheme related documents or such application form as constituting an invitation to them to subscribe for units, nor should they in any event use any such application form, unless in the relevant jurisdiction such an invitation could lawfully be made to them and such application form could lawfully be used without compliance with any registration or other legal requirements. Accordingly the Scheme related documents do not constitute an offer or solicitation by anyone in any jurisdiction in which such offer or solicitation is not lawful or in which the person making such offer or solicitation is not qualified to do so or to anyone to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation as Trustee or the Mutual Fund have not authorized any per applicable law. The AMC. person to issue any advertisement or to give any information or to make any representations, either oral or written, other than that contained in this Scheme Information Document or the Statement of Additional Information or as is provided by the AMC in connection with this offering. Prospective investors are advised not to rely upon any information or representation not incorporated in the Scheme Information Document or Statement of Additional Information or provided by the AMC as having been authorized by the Mutual Fund, the AMC or the Trustee.
- Redemption due to change in the fundamental attributes of the Scheme or due to any
  other reasons may entail tax consequences. The Trustee, AMC, Mutual Fund, their directors
  or their employees shall not be liable for any such tax consequences that may arise due to
  such redemptions.
- The Trustee, AMC, Mutual Fund, their directors or their employees shall not be liable for any of the tax consequences that may arise, in the event that the Scheme is wound up for the reasons and in the manner provided in Statement of Additional Information.
- The tax benefits described in this Scheme Information Document and Statement of Additional Information are as available under the present taxation laws and are available subject to relevant conditions. The information given is included only for general purpose and is based on advise received by the AMC regarding the law and practice currently in force in India as on the date of this Scheme Information Document and the Unit holders should be aware that the relevant fiscal rules or their interpretation may change. As is the case with any investment, there can be no guarantee that the tax position or the proposed tax position prevailing at the time of an investment in the Scheme will endure indefinitely. In view of the individual nature of tax consequences, each Unit holder is advised to consult his / her own professional tax advisor.
- The Mutual Fund may disclose details of the investor's account and transactions thereunder to those intermediaries whose stamp appears on the application form or who have been designated as such by the investor. In addition, the Mutual Fund may disclose such details to the bankers, as may be necessary for the purpose of effecting payments to the investor. The Fund may also disclose such details to regulatory and statutory authorities/bodies as may be required or necessary.
- In case the AMC or its Sponsor or its Shareholders or their associates or group companies make substantial investment, either directly or indirectly in the Scheme redemption of Units by these entities may have an adverse impact on the performance of the Scheme. This may also affect the ability of the other Unit holders to redeem their Units.



- As the liquidity of the Scheme investments may sometimes be restricted by trading volumes and settlement periods, the time taken by the Fund for Redemption of Units may be significant in the event of an inordinately large number of Redemption Requests or of a restructuring of the Scheme portfolio. In view of this, the AMC / Trustee has the right to limit redemptions under certain circumstances please refer to the paragraph "Suspension/Restriction on Redemption of Units of the Scheme".
- Pursuant to the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002, if after due diligence, the AMC believes that any transaction is suspicious in nature as regards money laundering, on failure to provide required documentation, information, etc. by the Unit holder the AMC shall have absolute discretion to report such suspicious transactions to FIU-IND and / or to freeze the folios of the investor(s), reject any application(s) / allotment of Units.

# D. DEFINITIONS

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"AMC" / "Asset Management Company" /"Investment Manager"	Axis Asset Management Company Ltd., incorporated under the provisions of the Companies Act, 1956 and approved by Securities and Exchange Board of India to act as the Asset Management Company for the scheme(s) of Axis Mutual Fund.
"Applicable NAV"	The NAV applicable for purchase or redemption or switching of Units based on the time of the Business Day on which the application is time stamped.
"Business Day"	<ul> <li>A day other than:</li> <li>(i) Saturday and Sunday;</li> <li>(ii) A day on which the banks in Mumbai and/or RBI are closed for business /clearing;</li> <li>(iii) A day on which the National Stock Exchange of India Ltd. and / or BSE Ltd., Mumbai are closed;</li> <li>(iv) A day which is a public and /or bank Holiday at an Investor Service Centre/Official Point of Acceptance where the application is received;</li> <li>(v) A day on which Sale / Redemption / Switching of Units is suspended by the AMC;</li> <li>(vi) A day on which normal business cannot be transacted due to storms, floods, bandhs, strikes or such other events as the AMC may specify from time to time.</li> <li>The AMC reserves the right to declare any day as a Business Day or</li> </ul>
	otherwise at any or all Investor Service Centres/ Official Points of Acceptance.
"Business Hours"	Presently 9.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. on any Business Day or such other time as may be applicable from time to time.
"Custodian"	A person who has been granted a certificate of registration to carry on the business of custodian of securities under the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Custodian of Securities) Regulations 1996, which for the time being is Deutsche Bank AG.
"Depository"	Depository as defined in the Depositories Act, 1996 (22 of 1996).
"IDCW"	Income distributed by the Mutual Fund on the Units
"IDCW Sweep option" / "DSO"	Facility given to the Unit holders to automatically invest the IDCW by eligible source scheme into eligible target scheme of the Mutual Fund
"Derivative"	Derivative includes (i) a security derived from a debt instrument, share, loan whether secured or unsecured, risk instrument or contract for differences or any other form of security; (ii) a contract which derives its value from the prices, or index of prices, or underlying securities.
"Equity Related Instruments"	Includes convertible bonds and debentures, convertible preference shares, warrants carrying the right to obtain equity shares, equity derivatives and such other instrument as may be specified by the Board



,, <u> </u>	from time to time.
"Foreign Portfolio	A person who satisfies the eligibility criteria prescribed under regulation
Investor" / "FPI"	4 of SEBI (Foreign Portfolio Investors) Regulations, 2014 and has been
	registered under Chapter II of these regulations, which shall be deemed
	to be an intermediary in terms of the provisions of the Act.
"Floating Rate	Floating rate debt instruments are debt securities issued by Central and
Debt Instruments"	/ or State Government, corporates or PSUs with interest rates that are
	reset periodically. The periodicity of the interest reset could be daily,
	monthly, quarterly, half-yearly, annually or any other periodicity that
	may be mutually agreed with the issuer and the Fund. The interest on
	the instruments could also be in the nature of fixed basis points over the
	benchmark gilt yields.
"Foreign	ADRs / GDRs/ equity / debt securities of overseas companies listed on
Securities"	the recognized stock exchanges overseas or other securities as may be
	specified and permitted by SEBI and/or RBI from time to time.
"Gilts" /	Securities created and issued by the Central Government and/or a
"Government	State Government (including Treasury Bills) or Government Securities as
Securities"	defined in Government Securities Act, 2006, as amended or re-enacted
	from time to time.
"GOI"	Government of India
"Holiday"	Holiday means the day(s) on which the banks (including the Reserve
	Bank of India) are closed for business or clearing in Mumbai or their
	functioning is affected due to a strike / bandh call made at any part of
	the country or due to any other reason.
"Investment	The agreement dated June 27, 2009 entered into between Axis Mutual
Management	Fund Trustee Ltd. and Axis Asset Management Company Ltd., as
Agreement"	amended from time to time.
"Investor Service	Offices of Axis Asset Management Company Ltd. or such other centres
Centres" / "ISCs"	/ offices as may be designated by the AMC from time to time.
"Load"	In the case of Redemption / Switch out of a Unit, the sum of money
	deducted from the Applicable NAV on the Redemption / Switch out
	(Exit Load) and in the case of Sale / Switch in of a Unit, a sum of money
	to be paid by the prospective investor on the Sale / Switch in of a Unit
	(Entry Load) in addition to the Applicable NAV.
	Presently, entry load cannot be charged by mutual fund schemes.
"Money Market	Includes commercial papers, commercial bills, treasury bills,
Instruments"	Government securities having an unexpired maturity upto one year, call
	or notice money, certificate of deposit, usance bills and any other like
	instruments as specified by the Reserve Bank of India from time to time.
"Mutual Fund" /	Axis Mutual Fund, a trust set up under the provisions of the Indian Trusts
"the Fund"	Act, 1882.
"Net Asset Value" /	Net Asset Value per Unit of the Scheme, calculated in the manner
"NAV"	described in this Scheme Information Document or as may be
	prescribed by the SEBI (MF) Regulations from time to time.
"NRI"	A Non-Resident Indian or a Person of Indian Origin residing outside India.
"Overseas Citizen	Means a person registered as an Overseas Citizen of India Cardholder
of India" / "OCI"	by the Central Government under section 7A of The Citizenship Act,
W0.00 1 1 - 1 1	1955.
"Official Points of	Places, as specified by AMC from time to time where application for
Acceptance"	Subscription / Redemption / Switch will be accepted on ongoing basis.
	A citizen of any country other than Bangladesh or Pakistan, if (a) he at
"Person of Indian	, , ,
"Person of Indian Origin"	any time held an Indian passport; or (b) he or either of his parents or any
	any time held an Indian passport; or (b) he or either of his parents or any of his grandparents was a citizen of India by virtue of Constitution of
	any time held an Indian passport; or (b) he or either of his parents or any of his grandparents was a citizen of India by virtue of Constitution of India or the Citizenship Act, 1955 (57 of 1955); or (c) the person is a
	any time held an Indian passport; or (b) he or either of his parents or any of his grandparents was a citizen of India by virtue of Constitution of



	standard symbols or in any other standardized manner, assigned by a credit rating agency and used by the issuer of such securities, to comply with any requirement of the
	SEBI (Credit Rating Agencies) Regulations, 1999 as may be amended from time to time.
"RBI"	Reserve Bank of India, established under the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, (2 of 1934)
"Registrar and Transfer Agent" / "Registrar"	Kfin Technologies Ltd., Hyderabad, currently acting as registrar to the Scheme, or any other Registrar appointed by the AMC from time to time.
"Redemption" / "Repurchase"	Redemption of Units of the Scheme as permitted.
"Regulatory Agency"	GOI, SEBI, RBI or any other authority or agency entitled to issue or give any directions, instructions or guidelines to the Mutual Fund
"Repo"	Sale/Purchase of Securities with simultaneous agreement to repurchase / resell them at a later date.
"Statement of Additional Information" / "SAI"	The document issued by Axis Mutual Fund containing details of Axis Mutual Fund, its constitution, and certain tax, legal and general information. SAI is legally a part of the Scheme Information Document.
"Sale" / "Subscription"	Sale or allotment of Units to the Unit holder upon subscription by the Investor / applicant under the Scheme.
"Scheme"	Axis Arbitrage Fund
"Scheme Information Document"	This document issued by Axis Mutual Fund, offering for Subscription of Units of Axis Arbitrage Fund (including Options thereunder)
"SEBI"	Securities and Exchange Board of India, established under the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992.
"SEBI (MF) Regulations" / "Regulations"	Securities and Exchange Board of India (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996, as amended from time to time.
"Short Selling"	Short selling means selling a stock which the seller does not own at the time of trade.
"Sponsor"	Axis Bank Ltd.
"Switch"	Redemption of a Unit in any Scheme (including the Plans / options therein) of the Mutual Fund against purchase of a Unit in another Scheme (including the Plans /options therein) of the Mutual Fund, subject to completion of Lock-in Period, if any.
"Stock Lending"	Lending of securities to another person or entity for a fixed period of time, at a negotiated compensation in order to enhance returns of the portfolio.
"Systematic Investment Plan"/ "SIP"	A plan enabling investors to save and invest in the Scheme on a periodic basis submitting post dated cheques / payment instructions.
"Systematic Transfer Plan" / "STP"	Facility given to the Unit holders to transfer sums on periodic basis from one scheme to another scheme launched by the Mutual Fund from time to time by giving a single instruction.
"Systematic Withdrawal Plan" / "SWP"	Facility given to the Unit holders to withdraw a specified sum of money monthly/quarterly/ half yearly/ annually from his investment in the Scheme.
"Transfer of Income Distribution cum Capital	Facility given to the Unit holders to automatically invest the Income Distribution cum Capital Withdrawal by eligible source scheme into eligible target scheme of the Mutual Fund.
Withdrawal plan" / "IDCW Transfer Plan""	



"Tri Party Repos"	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.
"Trust Deed"	The Trust Deed dated June 27, 2009 made by and between Axis Bank Ltd. and Axis Mutual Fund Trustee Ltd. thereby establishing an irrevocable trust, called Axis Mutual Fund.
"Trustee" /	Axis Mutual Fund Trustee Ltd., incorporated under the provisions of the
"Trustee	Companies Act, 1956 and approved by SEBI to act as the trustee to
Company"	the Scheme of the Axis Mutual Fund.
"Unit"	The interest of the Unit holder which consists of each Unit representing
	one undivided share in the assets of the Scheme.
"Unit holder" / "Investor"	A person holding Units in Axis Arbitrage Fund.

#### INTERPRETATION

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

- 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".
- all references to timings relate to Indian Standard Time (IST).
- references to a day are to a calendar day including a non Business Day.



# E. DUE DILIGENCE BY THE ASSET MANAGEMENT COMPANY

#### It is confirmed that:

- (i) The Scheme Information Document forwarded 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.

Place: Mumbai Signed: Sd/-

Date: October 31, 2023 Name : Darshan Kapadia

**Designation: Compliance Officer** 



#### II. INFORMATION ABOUT THE SCHEME

#### A. TYPE OF THE SCHEME

An Open-ended Scheme investing in arbitrage opportunities.

#### B. WHAT IS THE INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE OF THE SCHEME?

To generate income through low volatility absolute return strategies that take advantage of opportunities in the cash and the derivative segments of the equity markets including the arbitrage opportunities available within the derivative segment, by using other derivative based strategies and by investing the balance in debt and money market instruments.

However, there is no assurance or guarantee that the investment objective of the Scheme will be achieved. The Scheme does not assure or guarantee any returns.

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

Under normal circumstances, the asset allocation pattern will be:

	Indicative (% of net a	Allocation ssets)	Risk Profile
Instruments	Minimum	Maximum	Low/ Moderate/ High
Equities, equity related instruments (unhedged)*	0	10	High
Equities, equity related instruments and derivatives including index futures, stock futures, index options, & stock options, etc. as part of hedged / arbitrage exposure*	65	90	Moderate to High
Debt and Money market instruments** (including investments in securitized debt)	10	35	Low to moderate

<sup>\*</sup>Equity allocation is measured as the Gross exposure to equities, equity related instruments and derivatives. The Scheme will enter into derivatives transactions for hedging. The derivative positions will be hedged against corresponding positions in either equity or derivative markets depending on the strategies involved and execution costs. On the total portfolio level the Scheme does not intend to take a net short exposure to equity markets. Unhedged positions in the portfolio (investments in equity shares without corresponding exposure to equity derivative) shall not exceed 10% of the net assets.

The margin money deployed on derivative positions would be included in the debt and money market instruments category.

In accordance with Para 12.9 of Master Circular for Mutual Funds , the total exposure in a particular sector (excluding investments in Bank CDs, CBLO, 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 25% of the net assets of the Scheme. Provided that an additional exposure to financial services sector (over and above the limit of 25%) not exceeding 5% 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 25% of the net assets of the Scheme.

The option premium shall be for the purpose of exposure to derivative instruments which shall be restricted to long call options. In such cases, the total exposure related to option premium paid shall not exceed 20% of the net assets of the Scheme. Moreover, this upper limit of 20%, for investments in options premium, if any, shall be applicable only at the time of investment. If

<sup>\*\*</sup> including securitized debt up to 35%. The Scheme will not invest in foreign securitized debt.



due to market actions the value of options appreciates/ depreciates resulting in breach of the limit of 20%, the fund manager may or may not rebalance the portfolio and may run with the ongoing exposure. However, if the fund manager sells the option before expiry of the contract, the reinvestment, if any, would be subject to the maximum 20% limit on options premium.

The Scheme may also use fixed income derivative instruments subject to the guidelines as maybe issued by SEBI and RBI and for such purposes as maybe permitted from time to time.

The Scheme shall not carry out Short Selling and securities lending and borrowing.

The Scheme retains the flexibility to invest across all the securities in the equity, debt and Money Markets Instruments and mutual fund units. The portfolio may hold cash depending on the market condition.

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 which may include substantial subscription/redemption, adverse market conditions etc. 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 in Para 2.9 of SEBI Master circular for Mutual Fund Scheme and as amended from time to time. Defensive considerations may be determined by the fund manager and. In case of deviations on account of exogenous factors, the fund manager will endeavor 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.

In case of passive deviation from the asset allocation pattern, the AMC shall follow process specified in in Para 2.9 of SEBI Master circular for Mutual Fund Scheme and as amended from time to time as amended from time to time. In line with the circular, in the event of deviation from the mandated asset allocation mentioned in the SID due to passive breaches, 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.

# <u>Differentiation with existing equity schemes</u>

Axis Arbitrage Fund, an open ended scheme investing in arbitrage opportunities is a different scheme offered by Axis Mutual Fund and is not a minor modification of any other existing scheme/product of Axis Mutual Fund.



Differentiation with existing open ended equity schemes of Axis Mutual Fund are as follows:

Data as on September 30, 2023 (in INR crores)

Name of the existing scheme	Asset Allocation Pa (Under normal circ		es)		Primary Investment Objective & Investment Strategy	Differentiatio n	AUM	No. of Folios
Axis Balanced Advantage Fund	Instruments	Norr Alloco (% of asse	ation net ets)	Risk Profil e	Primary Investment Objective  To achieve the dual objective of capital appreciation by investing in a portfolio of equity or equity linked securities and generating	An open ended dynamic asset	1,965.46	64,354
		Min	Max		income through investments in debt and	allocation		
	Equity and Equity related securities	0% 100%	0% 100%	High	money market instruments. It also aims to manage risk through active asset allocation. However, there is no assurance or guarantee	fund		
	Debt & Money Market Instruments*	0% 100%	0% 100%	Low to Mod erat	that the investment objective of the Scheme will be achieved. The Scheme does not assure or guarantee any returns			
	Units issued by REITs & InvITs	0	10	e Mod erat e to High				



					allocation to debt will be arrived at after deciding the equity allocation. The asset allocation decision is reviewed on an ongoing basis and is dynamically linked to movements in market variables. Equity: Within equity allocation the portfolio will be built utilising a bottom-up stock selection process, focusing on appreciation potential of individual stocks from a fundamental perspective. The AMC employs a "Fair value" based research process to analyse the appreciation potential of each stock in its universe (Fair value is a measure of the intrinsic worth of a company). The universe of stocks is carefully selected to include companies having a robust business models and enjoying sustainable competitive advantages as compared to their competitors. Debt: The scheme will invest in a diversified range of debt and money market instruments. The Fund manager will allocate the assets of the scheme after taking into consideration the prevailing interest rate scenario, yield curve, yield spread & liquidity of the different instruments. The portfolio duration and credit exposure will be based on a thorough research of the general macro-economic conditions, political and fiscal environment, inflationary expectations and other economic considerations. The scheme intends to use derivative strategies actively to manage the portfolio.			
Axis Arbitrage	Instruments	Norr	-	Risk Profil	Primary Investment Objective: To generate income through low volatility	An open ended	2,681.62	18,259
Fund			Allocation (% of net		absolute return strategies that take advantage	scheme		
1.0110		assets)	=		of opportunities in the cash and the derivative	investing in		
		Min	Max		segments of the equity markets including the	arbitrage		
	Equities, equity	0	10	High	arbitrage opportunities available within the	opportunities		
	related				derivative segment, by using other derivative			
	instruments				based strategies and by investing the balance			
1	(unhedged)				in debt and money market instruments.			



	Equities, equity related instruments and derivatives including index futures, stock futures, index options, & stock options, etc. as part of hedged / arbitrage exposure  Debt and Money market instruments (including investments in securitized debt)	10	35	Mod erat e to High  Low to Mod erat e	However, there is no assurance or guarantee that the investment objective of the Scheme will be achieved. The Scheme does not assure or guarantee any returns.  Investment Strategy: The Scheme will seek to achieve its investment objective primarily by employing various strategies which seek to exploit absolute returns opportunities in equity and derivative markets. In case such opportunities are not available, the scheme will invest the corpus in debt and money market instruments.  The equity and derivative markets have experienced enormous growth in India in the last few years. The market provides the investor the ability to derive returns from the various strategies enumerated below. The market is not always efficient to the extent of mispricing in the derivative market and the underlying cash market. These techniques differ in that each method attempts to exploit a different form of imperfection in the underlying equity, debt and derivatives market and thus expose the investor to different forms of risk.  The strategies the Fund may adopt could be as under. The list is not exhaustive and the Fund could use similar strategies and any other			
Axis Equity Saver Fund	Instruments	Norr Alloce (% of assets)	ation f net	Risk Profil e	strategies as available in the markets.  Primary Investment Objective:  The investment objective of the scheme is to provide capital appreciation and income distribution to the investors by using equity and	An Open Ended Scheme investing in	882.16	22,270
	Equity and Equity related securities Of which  i) Equities &	<b>Min</b> 65	80 80	High High	equity related instruments, arbitrage opportunities, and investments in debt and money market instruments. However, there is no assurance or guarantee that the investment objective of the Scheme will be achieved. The	equity, arbitrage and debt		



	equity related instruments (unhedged)  ii) Equities, equity related instruments and derivatives including index futures, stock futures, index options, & stock options, etc. as part of hedged / arbitrage exposure  Debt & Money Market Instruments  Units issued by REITs & InvITs	20	35	Low to Mod erat e Mod erat e to High	Investment Strategy: The Scheme has a dual objective of providing capital appreciation and income distribution to the investors by using equity and equity related instruments, arbitrage opportunities, and investments in debt and money market instruments.  The scheme seeks to benefit from the concept of asset allocation. The aim of asset allocation is to provide superior risk adjusted returns through diversification across various asset classes like equity, fixed income & arbitrage which have historically had low correlation with each other.			
Axis Multi Asset Allocation Fund	Instruments	Normal Allocation (% of neassets)		Risk Profil e	Primary Investment Objective:  The Scheme seeks to generate long term capital appreciation by investing in a diversified portfolio of equity and equity related	An open ended scheme investing in	1,156.04	73,565
(Formerly		Min	Max		instruments, debt and money market	Equity, Debt,		
known as Axis Triple Advantage	Equity and Equity Related Instruments	65	80	High	instruments, Exchange Traded Commodity Derivatives / Units of Gold ETFs, Silver ETF & units of REITs/InvITs	Exchange Traded Commodity		
Fund)	Debt and Money Market Instruments	10	30	tow to Mod erat e	However, there can be no assurance or guarantee that the investment objective of the Scheme would be achieved Investment Strategy:	Derivatives / Units of Gold ETFs / Silver ETFs & units of REITs/InvITs		
	Gold Exchange Traded Funds	10	30	Mod erat e	The Scheme seeks to generate long term capital appreciation by investing in a diversified			



	Units issued by REITs & InvITs		10	Mod erat e to High	portfolio of equity, fixed income & gold exchange traded funds.  The scheme seeks to benefit from the concept of asset allocation. The aim of asset allocation is to provide superior risk adjusted returns through diversification across various asset classes like equity, fixed income & gold which have historically had low correlation with each other.			
Axis Regular Saver Fund	Instruments	Norma Alloca (% of r assets)	tion et	Risk Profil e	Primary Investment Objective: The Scheme seeks to generate regular income through investments in debt & money market instruments, along with capital appreciation through limited exposure to equity and equity	An open ended hybrid scheme investing	434.10	9,370
	Debt* and Money Market Instruments#	75	90	Low to Mod erat e	related instruments.  Investment Strategy: The Scheme seeks to generate regular income through investments in debt & money market	predominantl y in debt instruments		
	Equity and Equity related instruments#	10	25	High	instruments, along with capital appreciation through equity and equity related instruments. Within equities and fixed income, the portfolio			
	Units issued by REITs & InvITs	0	10	Mod erat e to High	would be actively managed to optimize returns within the respective asset class.  Fixed Income Strategy:			
				i iigi i	The Scheme proposes to invest in a diversified portfolio of high quality debt and money market instruments to generate regular income. The fund manager will allocate the assets of the scheme taking into consideration the prevailing interest rate scenario & the liquidity of the different instruments.			



					The portfolio duration and credit exposures will be decided based on a thorough research of the general macroeconomic condition, political and fiscal environment, systemic liquidity, inflationary expectations, corporate performance and other economic considerations. The fund manager will keep in mind the yield structure of different asset classes (e.g. the sovereign yield curve and the corporate bond yield curve) as well as the kinks within a particular yield curve (e.g. the different points of the sovereign yield curve) while making investment decisions.			
					Equity related Strategy: The equity allocation will be managed actively. The focus would be to build a diversified portfolio of strong growth companies, reflecting our most attractive investment ideas, at all points of time.			
					The portfolios will be built utilising a bottom-up stock selection process, focusing on appreciation potential of individual stocks from a fundamental perspective. The AMC employs a "Fair value" based research process to analyse the appreciation potential of each stock in its universe (Fair value is a measure of the intrinsic worth of a company). The universe of stocks is carefully selected to include companies having a robust business models and enjoying sustainable competitive advantages as compared to their competitors. The Scheme will have the flexibility to invest across the market capitalisation spectrum.			
Axis Equity Hybrid Fund	Instruments	Norma Alloca (% of n assets)	tion let	Risk Profil e	Primary Investment Objective:  To generate long term capital appreciation along with current income by investing in a mix of Equity and Equity related instruments, debt instruments and money market instruments.	An open ended hybrid scheme investing	1,672.87	57,311



Equity and Equity related	65	80	High	Investment Strategy:	predominantly in equity	
instruments#  Debt* and  Money Market  Instruments#	20	35	Low to Mod erat e	The scheme aims to generate long term capital appreciation along with current income by investing in a mix of Equity and Equity related securities, debt securities and money market instruments.	and equity related instruments	
Units issued by REITs & InvITs	0	10	Mod erat e to High	Fixed Income Strategy: The scheme proposes to invest in a diversified portfolio of debt & money market instruments to generate income. The portfolio duration and credit exposures will be decided based on a thorough research of the general macroeconomic condition, political and fiscal environment, systematic liquidity, inflationary expectations, corporate performance and other economic		
				considerations. The fund manager will keep in mind the yield structure of different asset classes as well as the kinks within a particular yield curve while making investment decisions.  Equity and Equity Related Strategy:		
				The equity allocation will be managed actively. The focus would be to build a diversified portfolio of strong growth companies, reflecting our most attractive investment ideas, at all points of time. The portfolio will be built utilizing a bottom-up stock selection process, focusing on appreciation potential of individual stocks from a fundamental perspective. The AMC		
				employs a "Fair value" based research process to analyze the appreciation potential of each stock in its universe (Fair value is a measure of the intrinsic worth of a company). The universe of stocks is carefully selected to include companies having a robust business models and enjoying sustainable competitive advantages as compared to their competitors. The scheme by utilizing a holistic risk		



management strategy will endeavor to manage risks associated with investing in equity markets. The scheme has identified the following risks and designed risk management strategies, which are embedded in the investment process to manage these risks:	
i. Quality Risk - Risk of investing in unsustainable / weak companies. ii. Price Risk - Risk of overpaying for a company iii. Liquidity Risk - High Impact cost of entry and exit iv. Concentration risk - Invest across the market capitalization spectrum and industries/ sectors v. Volatility Risk - Volatility in price due to company or portfolio specific factors vi. Event Risk - Price risk due to a company / sector specific or market event	



#### D. WHERE WILL THE SCHEME INVEST?

The corpus of the Scheme will be invested in Equity & Equity Related Instruments, Debt Instruments, Money Market Instruments and other permitted securities which will include but not limited to:

# **Equity and Equity Related Instruments:**

- 1. Equity share is a security that represents ownership interest in a company.
- 2. Equity Related Instruments are securities which give the -holder of the security right to receive Equity Shares on pre agreed terms. It includes convertible bonds, convertible debentures, equity warrants, convertible preference shares, etc.
- 3. Equity Derivatives are financial instruments, generally traded on an exchange, the price of which is directly dependent upon (i.e., "derived from") the value of equity shares or equity indices. Derivatives involve the trading of rights or obligations based on the underlying, but do not directly transfer property.

# **Equity Derivatives:**

Derivatives are financial contracts of pre-determined fixed duration, like stock futures/options and index futures and options, whose values are derived from the value of an underlying primary financial instrument such as: interest rates, exchange rates, commodities, and equities.

Derivatives can be either exchange traded or can be over the counter (OTC). Exchange traded derivatives are listed and traded on stock exchanges whereas OTC derivative transactions are generally structured between two counterparties.

#### **Futures:**

Futures are exchange-traded contracts to sell or buy financial instruments for future delivery at an agreed price. There is an agreement to buy or sell a specified quantity of financial instrument on a designated future date at a price agreed upon by the buyer and seller at the time of entering into a contract. To make trading possible, the exchange specifies certain standardized features of the contract. A futures contract involves an obligation on both the parties to fulfill the terms of the contract.

SEBI has permitted futures contracts on indices and individual stocks with maturity of 1 month, 2 months and 3 months on a rolling basis. The futures contracts are settled on last Thursday (or immediately preceding trading day if Thursday is a trading holiday) of each month. Currently, the futures are settled in cash. The final settlement price is the closing price of the underlying stock(s)/index.

# Options:

Option is a contract which provides the buyer of the option (also called holder) the right, without the obligation, to buy or sell a specified asset at the agreed price on or upto a particular date. For acquiring this privilege, the buyer pays premium (fee) to the seller. The seller on the other hand has the obligation to buy or sell specified asset at the agreed price and for this obligation he receives premium. The premium is determined considering number of factors such as the market price of the underlying asset/security, number of days to expiry, risk free rate of return, strike price of the option and the volatility of the underlying asset.

# Option contracts are of two types viz:

<u>Call Option</u> - The option that gives the buyer the right but not the obligation to buy specified quantity of the underlying asset at the strike price is a call option. The buyer of the call option (known as the holder of call option) can call upon the seller of the option (writer of the option) and buy from him the underlying asset at the agreed price at any time on or before the expiry of the option.

The seller (writer of the option) on the other hand has the obligation to sell the underlying asset if the buyer of the call option decides to exercise his option to buy.



<u>Put Option</u> - The option that gives the buyer the right but not the obligation to sell is called put option. A Put option gives the holder (buyer) the right to sell specified quantity of the underlying asset at the strike price.

There are two kind of options based on the date of exercise of right. The first is the European Option which can be exercised only on the maturity date. The second is the American Option which can be exercised on or before the maturity date.

# 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) / Cash Management Bill (CMB)

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.

# Repos

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 or reverse repo transactions 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 be secured or unsecured against the assets of the Company and generally issued to meet the short term and long term fund requirements. These instruments may have fixed or floating rate coupon.

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

# **Securitized Assets**

Securitization is a structured finance process which involves pooling and repackaging of cash flow producing financial assets into securities that are then sold to investors. They are termed as Asset Backed Securities (ABS) or Mortgage Backed Securities (MBS). ABS are backed by other assets such as credit card, automobile or consumer loan receivables, retail installment loans or participations in pools of leases. Credit support for these securities may be based on the underlying assets and/or provided through credit enhancements by a third party. MBS is an asset backed security whose cash flows are backed by the principal and interest payments of a set of mortgage loans. Such Mortgage could be either residential or commercial properties. ABS/MBS instrument reflect the undivided interest in the underlying assets and do not represent the obligation of the issuer of ABS/MBS or the originator of underlying receivables. Securitization often utilizes the services of SPV.

# Pass through Certificate (PTC)

Pay through or other Participation Certificates represents beneficial interest in an underlying pool of cash flows. These cash flows represent dues against single or multiple loans originated by the sellers of these loans. These loans are given by banks or financial institutions to corporates. PTCs may be backed, but not exclusively, by receivables of personal loans, car loans, two wheeler loans and other assets subject to applicable regulations.

The following are certain additional disclosures w.r.t. investment in securitized debt:

#### 1. How the risk profile of securitized debt fits into the risk appetite of the Scheme

Securitized debt is a form of conversion of normally non-tradable loans to transferable securities. This is done by assigning the loans to a special purpose vehicle (a trust), which in turn issues Pass-Through-Certificates (PTCs). These PTCs are transferable securities with fixed income characteristics. The risk of investing in securitized debt is similar to investing in debt securities. However, it differs in two respects.

Typically, the liquidity of securitized debt is less than similar debt securities. For certain types of securitized debt (backed by mortgages, personal loans, credit card debt, etc.), there is an additional pre-payment risk. Pre-payment risk refers to the possibility that loans are repaid before they are due, which may reduce returns if the re-investment rates are lower than initially envisaged.

Because of these additional risks, securitized debt typically offers higher yields than debt securities of similar credit rating and maturity. If the fund manager judges that the additional risks are suitably compensated by the higher returns, he may invest in securitized debt up to the limits specified in the asset allocation table above.

# 2. Policy relating to originators based on nature of originator, track record, NPAs, losses in earlier securitized debt, etc.

The originator is the person who has initially given the loan. The originator is also usually responsible for servicing the loan (i.e. collecting the interest and principal payments). An analysis of the originator is especially important in case of retail loans as this affects the credit quality and servicing of the PTC. The key risk is that of the underlying assets and not of the originator. For example, losses or performance of earlier issuances does not indicate quality of current series. However, such past performance may be used as a guide to evaluate the loan standards, servicing capability and performance of the originator.



Originators may be: Banks, Non-Banking Finance Companies, Housing Finance Companies, etc. The fund manager / credit analyst evaluates originators based on the following parameters

- Track record
- Willingness to pay, through credit enhancement facilities etc.
- Ability to pay
- Business risk assessment, wherein following factors are considered:
  - Outlook for the economy (domestic and global)
  - Outlook for the industry
  - Company specific factors

In addition, a detailed review and assessment of rating rationale is done including interactions with the originator as well as the credit rating agency.

The following additional evaluation parameters are used as applicable for the originator / underlying issuer for pool loan and single loan securitization transactions:

- Default track record/ frequent alteration of redemption conditions / covenants
- High leverage ratios of the ultimate borrower (for single-sell downs) both on a standalone basis as well on a consolidated level/ group level
- Higher proportion of reschedulement of underlying assets of the pool or loan, as the case may be
- Higher proportion of overdue assets of the pool or the underlying loan, as the case may be
- Poor reputation in market
- Insufficient track record of servicing of the pool or the loan, as the case may be.

# 3. Risk mitigation strategies for investments with each kind of originator

An analysis of the originator is especially important in case of retail loans as the size and reach affects the credit quality and servicing of the PTC. In addition, the quality of the collection process, infrastructure and follow-up mechanism; quality of MIS; and credit enhancement mechanism are key risk mitigants for the better originators / servicers.

In case of securitization involving single loans or a small pool of loans, the credit risk of the underlying borrower is analyzed. In case of diversified pools of loans, the overall characteristic of the loans is analyzed to determine the credit risk. The credit analyst looks at ageing (i.e. how long the loan has been with the originator before securitization) as one way of evaluating the performance potential of the PTC. Securitization transactions may include some risk mitigants (to reduce credit risk). These may include interest subvention (difference in interest rates on the underlying loans and the PTC serving as margin against defaults), overcollateralization (issue of PTCs of lesser value than the underlying loans, thus even if some loans default, the PTC continues to remain protected), presence of an equity / subordinate tranche (issue of PTCs of differing seniority when it comes to repayment - the senior tranches get paid before the junior tranche) and / or guarantees.

# 4. The level of diversification with respect to the underlying assets, and risk mitigation measures for less diversified investments

In case of securitization involving single loans or a small pool of loans, the credit risk of the borrower is analyzed. In case of diversified pools of loans, the overall characteristic of the loans is analyzed to determine the credit risk.

The credit analyst looks at ageing (i.e. how long the loan has been with the originator before securitization) as one way of judging the performance potential of the PTC. Additional risk mitigants may include interest subvention, over collateralization, presence of an equity / subordinate tranche and / or guarantees. The credit analyst also uses analyses by credit rating agencies on the risk profile of the securitized debt.



Currently, the following parameters are used while evaluating investment decision relating to a pool securitization transaction. The Investment Review Committee may revise the parameters from time to time.

Characteristics/T ype of Pool	Mortg age Loan	Commercial Vehicle and Construction Equipment	CAR	2 wheele rs	Micro Financ e Pools *	Perso nal Loans *	Single Sell Downs	Othe rs
Approximate Average maturity (in Months)	Up to 10 years	Up to 3 years	Up to 3 years	Up to 3 years	NA	NA	Refer Note 1	Refer Note 2
Collateral margin (including cash, guarantees, excess interest spread, subordinate tranche)	>10%	>10%	>10%	>10%	NA	NA	ıı	tt
Average Loan to Value Ratio	<90%	<80%	<80%	<80%	NA	NA	11	"
Average seasoning of the Pool	>3 month s	>3 months	>3 mont hs	>3 months	NA	NA	11	11
Maximum single exposure range	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	NA	NA	11	"
Average single exposure range %	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	NA	NA	11	11

<sup>\*</sup> Currently, the Scheme will not invest in these types of securitized debt

Note 1: In case of securitization involving single loans or a small pool of loans, the credit risk of the borrower is analyzed. The investment limits applicable to the underlying borrower are applied to the single loan sell-down.

Note 2: Other investments will be decided on a case-to-case basis

The credit analyst may consider the following risk mitigating measures in his analysis of the securitized debt:

- Size of the loan
- Average original maturity of the pool
- Loan to Value Ratio
- Average seasoning of the pool
- Default rate distribution
- Geographical Distribution
- Credit enhancement facility
- Liquid facility
- Structure of the pool

# 5. Minimum retention period of the debt by originator prior to securitization

Issuance of securitized debt is governed by the Reserve Bank of India. RBI norms cover the "true sale" criteria including credit enhancement and liquidity enhancements. In addition, RBI has proposed minimum holding period of between nine and twelve months for assets before they can be securitized. The minimum holding period depends on the tenor of the securitization transaction. The Scheme will invest in securitized debts that are compliant with the laws and regulations.

# 6. Minimum retention percentage by originator of debts to be securitized



Issuance of securitized debt is governed by the Reserve Bank of India. RBI norms cover the "true sale" criteria including credit enhancement and liquidity enhancements, including maximum exposure by the originator in the PTCs. In addition, RBI has proposed minimum retention requirement of between five and ten percent of the book value of the loans by the originator. The minimum retention requirement depends on the tenor and structure of the securitization transaction. The Fund will invest in securitized debts that are compliant with the laws and regulations.

# The mechanism to tackle conflict of interest when the mutual fund invests in securitized debt of an originator and the originator in turn makes investments in that particular scheme of the fund

The key risk is securitized debt relates to the underlying borrowers and not the originator. In a securitization transaction, the originator is the seller of the debt(s) and the fund is the buyer. However, the originator is also usually responsible for servicing the loan (i.e. collecting the interest and principal payments). As the originators may also invest in the scheme, the fund manager shall ensure that the investment decision is based on parameters as set by the Investment Review Committee (IRC) of the Asset Management Company and IRC shall review the same at regular interval.

# 8. The resources and mechanism of individual risk assessment with the AMC for monitoring investment in securitized debt

The fund management team including the credit analyst has the experience to analyze securitized debt. In addition, credit research agencies provide analysis of individual instruments and pools. On an on-going basis (typically monthly) the servicer provides reports regarding the performance of the pool. These reports would form the base for ongoing evaluation where applicable. In addition, rating reports indicating rating changes would be monitored for changes in rating agency opinion of the credit risk.

# 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.

# **Characteristics of Interest Rate Futures**

- 1. Obligation to buy or sell a bond at a future date
- 2. Standardized contract.
- 3. Exchange traded
- 4. Physical settlement
- 5. Daily mark to market



#### 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.

# **Short Term Deposits**

Pending deployment of funds as per the investment objective of the Scheme/where adequate arbitrage opportunities are not available, the funds may be parked in short term deposits of the Scheduled Commercial Banks, subject to guidelines and limits specified by SEBI 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 instruments along with derivative strategies have been provided under the paragraph "Derivatives Strategy".

The Fund Manager may invest in any other security as may be permitted from time to time and which are in line with the investment objectives of the Scheme.

# E. WHAT ARE THE INVESTMENT STRATEGIES

The Scheme will seek to achieve its investment objective primarily by employing various strategies which seek to exploit absolute returns opportunities in equity and derivative markets. In case such opportunities are not available, the scheme will invest the corpus in debt and money market instruments.

The equity and derivative markets have experienced enormous growth in India in the last few years. The market provides the investor the ability to derive returns from the various strategies enumerated below. The market is not always efficient to the extent of mispricing in the derivative market and the underlying cash market. These techniques differ in that each method attempts to exploit a different form of imperfection in the underlying equity, debt and derivatives market and thus expose the investor to different forms of risk.

The strategies the Fund may adopt could be as under. The list is not exhaustive and the Fund could use similar strategies and any other strategies as available in the markets.

# Index / Stock spot - Index / Stock Futures:

The pricing of the futures is derived from underlying Nifty spot or the underlying stock. It is the cost of carry that binds the value of the futures to the underlying portfolio. When the two go out of sync, there are opportunities. The cost of carry binds the futures price to the price of the underlying asset. The price of the futures at any given instance should typically be more than the level of Nifty at that point. Theoretically, the fair value of the futures is equal to the price of the underlying plus the cost of carry i.e. the interest rate prevailing for an equivalent credit risk, in this case is the Clearing Corporation of the Exchange. Cash and carry trades at times provide higher than the prevailing interest rates. There is an opportunity to exploit by selling the



overpriced futures and buying the underlying portfolio. It may also happen that the Index / Stock Future may be at a discount. In such cases, the Scheme may buy the future and sell the stock after borrowing the same. The Scheme shall enter into a combination of the transactions simultaneously. If the Scheme has to unwind the positions prior to the expiry on account of redemptions or any other reason, the returns would depend on the spread between the spot and futures price at which the position is unwound. If the price differential between the spot and futures position of the subsequent month maturity is attractive near the expiry date, then the scheme may rollover\* the futures position and continue with the position in the spot market.

\*Rollover means unwinding the short position in the futures of the near month and simultaneously shorting the futures of the subsequent month.

The Scheme shall endeavor to deploy its assets through transactions in the above pattern, which may involve Index Futures with Stock Futures or Futures of the same stock with different expiry months.

# Cash Futures Arbitrage Strategy:

The fund would look for market opportunities between the spot and the futures market. The cash futures arbitrage strategy can be employed when the price of the futures exceeds the price of the underlying stock. The fund would first buy the stocks in cash market and then sell in the futures market to lock the spread known as arbitrage return.

Buying the stock in cash market and selling the futures results into a hedge where the fund has locked in a spread and is not affected by the price movement of cash market and futures market. The arbitrage position can be continued till expiry of the future contracts. The future contracts are settled based on the last half an hour's weighted average trade of the cash market. Thus there is a convergence between the cash market and the futures market on expiry. This convergence helps the fund to generate the arbitrage return locked in earlier. However, the position could even be closed earlier in case the price differential is realized before expiry or better opportunities are available in other stocks. The strategy is attractive if this price differential (post all costs) is higher than the investor's cost-of capital.

The fund may also enter into reverse arbitrage strategies, i.e., if futures were quoting at a discount, futures would be bought and shares would be sold to lock in an arbitrage profit.

The allocation to cash-futures arbitrage will be defined by the returns available in the arbitrage spreads as compared to prevailing money market rates. In case, arbitrage market provides better returns adjusted for all transaction costs, the scheme will maintain its allocation to cash-future arbitrage of upto 65% of the scheme's AuM. In case the returns available in the arbitrage market are not attractive compared to either money market rates or other strategies as mentioned below, the allocation will be lower.

In an extreme scenario, where no arbitrage opportunities exist relative to money market rates, the scheme can reduce its allocation to cash-futures arbitrage to zero.

# Other Derivative Strategies:

As allowed under the SEBI guidelines on derivatives, the fund manager will employ various other stock and index derivative strategies by buying or selling stock/index futures and/or options.

# Corporate Action / Event Driven Strategies:

<u>Dividend Arbitrage:</u> Around dividend declaration time, the stock futures / options market can provide a profitable opportunity. Generally, the stock price decline by the dividend amount when the stock goes ex-dividend.

<u>Buy-Back/ Open offers Arbitrage:</u> Companies that are targets for buy-backs/ open offers, provide opportunities depending on the difference between the traded price and the buy-

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back open offer price. The scheme will take a long position in a stock for which the buy-back/ open offer price is expected to be higher than the traded price. Depending on the probability of the open offer and acceptance of shares, the scheme may take a certain short position in the future of the same stock.

Since the position is related to a stock-specific event, it is expected to be uncorrelated with the overall direction of the equity markets.

Merger/ Risk Arbitrage: When the Company announces any merger, amalgamation, hive off, de-merger, etc., there could be opportunities due to price differential in the cash and the derivative market. In case the merger is between 2 listed companies, the arbitrage can be based on the differential between the announced swap ratio and the actual traded prices for the 2 stocks.

Delisting Arbitrage: When a company intends to delist from the stock exchanges, it goes for a Reverse Book Building process and offers an exit price to all existing shareholders. The scheme can take a long position in a stock in case the traded price is below the expected exit price.

<u>Convertible Securities Arbitrage (when available):</u> This strategy attempts to extract value from options embedded in convertible securities. Typically, the strategy involves purchasing a convertible security and then hedging the underlying equity security.

<u>Investment in IPOs/FPO/QIBs</u>: This strategy attempts to make investments in companies through Initial Public offers or secondary offers through Follow-on Public Offers or Qualified Institutional Buyers route.

Though every endeavor will be made to achieve the objectives of the Scheme, the AMC/Sponsors/Trustees do not guarantee that the investment objectives of the Scheme will be achieved. No guaranteed returns are being offered under the Scheme.

# **DERIVATIVES STRATEGY**

The Scheme may invest in various derivative instruments which are permissible under the applicable regulations. Such investments shall be subject to the investment objective and strategy of the Scheme and the internal limits if any, as laid down from time to time. These include but are not limited to futures (both stock and index) and options (stock and index).

The objectives of the various strategies include earning option premium/ hedge stock / portfolio against market gyrations.

The risks associated with derivatives are similar to those associated with underlying investments. The additional risks of using derivative strategies could be on account of:

- Illiquidity;
- Potential mis pricing of the Futures/Options;
- Lack of opportunity;
- Inability of derivatives to correlate perfectly with the underlying (Indices, Assets, Exchange Rates):
- Cost of hedge can be higher than adverse impact of market movements;
- An exposure to derivatives in excess of the hedging requirements can lead to losses;
- An exposure to derivatives can also limit the profits from a genuine investment transaction;
- The prices which are seen on the screen need not be the same at which execution will take place.

For detailed risks associated with use of derivatives, please refer paragraph "Scheme Specific Risk Factors". Exchange traded derivatives Contracts in stocks and indices in India are currently cash settled at the time of maturity.

Derivatives allowed for mutual funds are only exchange traded and not OTC.



Concepts and Examples of derivatives which may be used by the fund manager:

#### **Futures**

Futures (Index & Stocks) are forward contracts traded on the exchanges & have been introduced both by BSE and NSE. Generally futures of 1 month (near month), 2 months (next month) and 3 months (far month) are presently traded on these exchanges. These futures expire on the last working Thursday of the respective months.

# <u>Illustration with Index Futures</u>

In case the Nifty 50 near month future contract is trading at say, Rs. 17,500, and the fund manager has a view that it will depreciate going forward; the Scheme can initiate a sale transaction of Nifty futures at Rs. 17,500 without holding a portfolio of equity stocks or any other underlying long equity position. Once the price falls to Rs. 17,000 after say, 20 days, the Scheme can initiate a square-up transaction by buying the said futures and book a profit of Rs. 500.

Correspondingly, if the fund manager has a positive view he can initiate a long position in the index / stock futures without an underlying cash/ cash equivalent subject to the extant regulations.

There are futures based on stock indices as mentioned above as also futures based on individual stocks. The profitability of index /stock future as compared to an individual security will inter-alia depends upon:

- The carrying cost,
- The interest available on surplus funds, and
- The transaction cost.

Example of a typical future trade and the associated costs

Particulars	Index Future	Actual Purchase of Stocks
Index at the beginning of the month	17,500	17,500
Price of 1 month future	17,650	
A. Execution cost: Carry and other index future costs	150	
B. Brokerage cost: Assumed at	35.30	43.75
0.2% of Index Future		
0.25% for spot Stocks		
C. Gains on surplus fund: (Assumed 8% p.a. return on 85% of the money left after paying 15% margin) (8%*17650*85%*30 days/365)	98.65	0
Total Cost (A+B-C)	87	38.75

Some strategies that employ stock /index futures and their objectives:

# (a) Arbitrage

(1) Selling spot and buying future: In case the Scheme holds the stock of a company "A" at say Rs. 100 while in the futures market it trades at a discount to the spot price say at Rs. 98, then the Scheme may sell the stock and buy the futures.

On the date of expiry of the stock future, the Scheme may reverse the transactions (i.e. buying at spot & selling futures) and earn a risk-free Rs. 2 (2% absolute) on its holdings without any dilution of the view of the fund manager on the underlying stock.

Further, the Scheme can still benefit from any movement of the price in the upward direction, i.e. if on the date of expiry of the futures, the stock trades at Rs. 110 which would be the price of the futures too, the Scheme will have a benefit of Rs 10 whereby the Scheme gets the 10% upside movement together with the 2% benefit on the arbitrage and thus getting a total return of 12%. The corresponding return in case of holding the stock would have been 10%.



Note: The same strategy can be replicated with a basket of Nifty- 50 stocks (Synthetic Nifty) and the Nifty future index.

(2) Buying spot and selling future: Where the stock of a company "A" is trading in the spot market at Rs. 100 while it trades at Rs. 102 in the futures market, then the Scheme may buy the stock at spot and sell in the futures market thereby earning Rs. 2.

Buying the stock in cash market and selling the futures results into a hedge where the Scheme has locked in a spread and is not affected by the price movement of cash market and futures market. The arbitrage position can be continued till expiry of the future contracts when there is a convergence between the cash market and the futures market. This convergence enables the Scheme to generate the arbitrage return locked in earlier.

Risk: On the date of expiry, when the arbitrage is to be unwound, it is not necessary for the stock price and its future contract to coincide. There could be a discrepancy in their prices even a minute before the market closes. Thus, there is a possibility that the arbitrage strategy gets unwound at different prices.

# (b) Buying/ Selling Stock future:

When the Scheme wants to initiate a long position in a stock whose spot price is at say, Rs.100 and futures is at 98, then the Scheme may just buy the futures contract instead of the spot thereby benefiting from a lower cost.

In case the Scheme has a bearish view on a stock which is trading in the spot market at Rs.98 and the futures market at say Rs. 100, the Scheme may subject to regulations, initiate a short position in the futures contract. In case the prices align with the view and the price depreciates to say Rs. 90, the Scheme can square up the short position thereby earning a profit of Rs.10 visavis a fall in stock price of Rs. 8.

Risk: There is risk of not being able to correctly forecast future market trends or the value of assets, indices or other financial or economic factors in establishing derivative positions for the Scheme. 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. The risk of loss in trading futures contracts can be substantial, because of the low margin deposits required, the extremely high degree of leverage involved in futures pricing and the potential high volatility of the futures markets. Investments in index futures face the same risk as the investments in a portfolio of shares representing an index. The extent of loss is the same as in the underlying stocks.

# (c) Hedging:

The Scheme may use exchange-traded derivatives to hedge the equity portfolio. Both index and stock futures and options may be used to hedge the stocks in the portfolio.

Risk: This may involve a basic risk where the instrument used as a hedge does not match the movement in the instrument/underlying asset being hedged. The risk may be inter-related also e.g. interest rate movements can affect equity prices, which could influence specific issuer/industry assets.

# (d) Alpha Strategy:

The Scheme will seek to generate alpha by superior stock selection and removing market risks by selling appropriate index. For example, one can seek to generate positive alpha by buying a bank stock and selling Bank Nifty future.

Risk: Execution of these strategies depends upon the ability of the fund manager to identify and execute based on such opportunities. These involve significant uncertainties 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.

#### Option Contracts (Stock and Index)

An Option gives the buyer the right, but not the obligation, to buy (call) or sell (put) a stock at an agreed-upon price during a certain period of time or on a specific date.

Options are used to manage risk or as an investment to generate income. The price at which underlying security is contracted to be purchased or sold is called the Strike Price. Options that can be exercised on or before the expiration date are called American Options while, Options that can be exercised only on the expiration date are called European Options.

Options Risk / Return Pay-off Table

	Stock / Index Options	Buy Call	Sell Call	Buy Put	Sell Put
1	View on underlying	Positive	Negative	Negative	Positive
2	Premium	Pay	Receive	Pay	Receive
3	Risk Potential	Limited to premium paid	Unlimited	Limited to premium paid	Unlimited
4	Return Potential	Unlimited	Premium Received	Unlimited	Premium Received

Option contracts are of following two types - Call and Put:

**Call Option:** A call option gives the buyer, the right to buy specified quantity of the underlying asset at the set strike price on or before expiration date and the seller (writer) of call option however, has the obligation to sell the underlying asset if the buyer of the call option decides to exercise the option to buy.

**Put Option:** A put option gives the buyer the right to sell specified quantity of the underlying asset at the set strike price on or before expiration date and the seller (writer) of put option however, has the obligation to buy the underlying asset if the buyer of the put option decides to exercise his option to sell.

Risk: The options buyer's risk is limited to the premium paid. However the gains of an options writer are limited to the premiums earned. The exchange may impose restrictions on exercise of options and may also restrict the exercise of options at certain times in specified circumstances and this could impact the value of the portfolio. The writer of a call option bears a risk of loss if the value of the underlying asset increases above the exercise price. The Scheme bears a risk that it may not be able to correctly forecast future market trends or the value of assets, indices or other financial or economic factors in establishing derivative positions for the Scheme.

# **Index Options / Stock Options**

Index options / Stock options are termed to be an efficient way of buying / selling an index/stock compared to buying / selling a portfolio of physical shares representing an index for ease of execution and settlement. The participation can be done by buying / selling either Index futures or by buying a call/put option.

The risk are also different when index /stock futures are bought/sold visa- a- vis index/ stocks options as in case of an index future there is a mark to market variation and the risk is much higher as compared to buying an option, where the risk is limited to the extent of premium paid.

The illustration below explains how one can gain using Index call / put option. These same principles of profit / loss in an Index option apply in totality to that for a stock option.

#### Call Option

Suppose an investor buys a Call option on 1 lot of Nifty 50 (Lot Size: 50 units)

• Nifty index (European option).



Nifty 1 Lot Size: 50 unitsSpot Price (S): 17,500

• Strike Price (x): 17,550 (Out-of-Money Call Option)

• Premium: 100

Total Amount paid by the investor as premium [50\*100] =5,000

There are two possibilities i.e. either the index moves up over the strike price or remains below the strike price.

# Case 1- The index goes up

• An investor sells the Nifty Option described above before expiry:

Suppose the Nifty 50 Index moves up to 17,600 in the spot market and the premium has moved to Rs 200 and there are 15 days more left for the expiry. The investor decides to reverse his position in the market by selling his 1 Nifty call option as the option now is In the Money.

His gains are as follows:

• Nifty Spot: 17,600

Current Premium: Rs.200Premium paid: Rs.100

• Net Gain: Rs.200- Rs.100 = Rs.100 per unit

• Total gain on 1 lot of Nifty (50 units) = Rs. 5,000 (50\*100)

In this case the premium of Rs.200 has an intrinsic value of Rs.100 per unit and the remaining Rs.100 is the time value of the option.

• An investor exercises the Nifty Option at expiry

Suppose the Nifty index moves up to 17,700 in the spot market on the expiry day and the investor decides to reverse his position in the market by exercising the Nifty call option as the option now is 'in The Money'.

His gains are as follows:

Nifty Spot: 17,700Premium paid: Rs.100Exercise Price: 17.550

• Receivable on exercise: 17,700-17,550 = 150

• Total Gain: Rs. 2,500 {(150-100) \*50}

In this case the realised gain is only the intrinsic value, which is Rs.50, and there is no time value.

### Case 2 - The Nifty index moves to any level below 17,550

Then the investor does not gain anything but on the other hand his loss is limited to the premium paid:

Net Loss is Rs. 5,000 (Loss is capped to the extent of Premium Paid)

(Rs 100 Premium paid\*Lot Size: 50 units).

### **Put Option**

Suppose an investor buys a Put option on 1 lot of Nifty 50.

Nifty 1 Lot Size: 50 unitsSpot Price (S): 17,500

• Strike Price (x): 17,450 (Out-of-Money Put Option)

• Premium: 30

• Total Amount paid by the investor as premium [50\*30] = Rs. 1,500

There are two possibilities i.e. either the index moves over the strike price or moves below the strike price.

Let us analyze these scenarios.

#### Case 1 - The index goes down

• An investor sells the Nifty Option before expiry:



Suppose the Nifty 50 Index moves down to 17,400 in the spot market and the premium has moved to Rs. 80 and there are 15 days more left for the expiry. The investor decides to reverse his position in the market by selling his 1 Nifty Put Option as the option now is In The Money.

His gains are as follows:

Nifty Spot: 17,400Premium paid: Rs.30

• Net Gain: Rs.80 - Rs.30 = Rs.50 per unit

• Total gain on 1 lot of Nifty (50 units) = Rs. 2,500 (50\*50)

In this case the premium of Rs.80 has an intrinsic value of Rs.50 per unit and the remaining Rs.30 is the time value of the option.

An investor exercises the Nifty Option at expiry (It is an European Option)

Suppose the Nifty index moves down to 17,400 in the spot market on the expiry day and the investor decides to reverse his position in the market by exercising the Nifty Put Option as the option now is In The Money.

His gains are as follows:

Nifty Spot: 17,400Premium paid: Rs.30Exercise Price: 17,450

Gain on exercise: 17,450-17,400 = 50
Total Gain: Rs. 1,000 {(50-30)\*50}

In this case the realised amount is only the intrinsic value, which is Rs.50, and there is no time value in this case.

<u>Case 2</u> - If the Nifty 50 index stays over the strike price which is 17,450, in the spot market then the investor does not gain anything but on the other hand his loss is limited to the premium paid.

• Nifty Spot: >17,450

• Net Loss Rs.1,500 (Loss is caped to the extent of Premium Paid)

(Rs 30 Premium paid\*Lot Size: 50 units).

#### **Covered Call Strategy**

The covered call strategy is a strategy where a fund manager writes call options against an equivalent long position in an underlying stock thereby giving up a part of the upside from the long position. The strategy allows the fund manager to earn premium income from the option writing in addition being able to capture the remaining part of the upside.

# Assumptions:

Current price of stock A: Rs. 27.87 per share

1 contract = 100 shares Total no of contracts: 10 Strike price: Rs. 30/- per share Premium: Rs. 0.35 per share

Suppose, on May 6, 2022, the writer of the call owns 1,000 shares of Company A, which is currently trading at Rs. 27.87 per share. The writer of the call writes 10 call option contracts for company A with a strike price of Rs. 30 per share that expires in January 2023. The writer receives premium of 0.35 per share for the calls, which equals Rs. 35.00 per contract for a total of Rs. 350.00.

Total premium = (Rs. 0.35 per share) \* (100 shares per contract) \* (10 contracts) = Rs. 350.

The following can be the scenarios reflecting risks and benefits at the end of the option expiry:



Case 1 - Stock falls below current price of Rs. 27.87 per share: The option expires worthless. Hence the loss from the stock position gets reduced to the extent of the premium income.

Case 2 - Stock goes up above current price but remains below Rs. 30 per share (strike price): The option expires worthless. Hence the income from the gains in the stock price gets further boosted to the extent of the premium income.

Case 3 - Stock goes above Rs. 30 per share: Option position goes out of the money for the writer but the losses from the option position are matched by the gains from the underlying stock position above Rs. 30 per share. Hence the return from the position is equal to the return from stock upto the strike price of Rs. 30 per share and the premium income from the option.

#### Benefits of using Covered Call Strategy in Mutual Funds:

The covered call strategy can be followed by the Fund Manager in order to hedge risk thereby resulting in better risk adjusted returns of the Scheme. The strategy offers the following benefits:

- a) Hedge against market risk Since the fund manager sells a call option on a stock already owned by the mutual fund scheme, the downside from fall in the stock price would be lower to the extent of the premium earned from the call option.
- b) Generating additional returns in the form of option premium in a range bound market. Thus, a covered call strategy involves gains for unit holders in case the strategy plays out in the right direction.

Risk associated with covered calls

The risk associated with covered calls is the loss of upside, i.e. if the shares are assigned (called away), the option seller forgoes any share price appreciation above the option strike price. Please refer risk factors section on detail derivatives risk factors.

#### Fixed Income Derivative Instruments:

The Scheme may use Derivative instruments like interest rate swaps like overnight indexed swaps (OIS), forward rate agreements, interest rate futures (as and when permitted) 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 Fund 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 FRAs 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 SEBI 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 Scheme 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.

#### 25<sup>th</sup> 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.

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

# 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, 2023 on some of the instruments and further illustrates this point.

Instrument	Current Yield range (%)
Tri-party Repo	6.75
Repo	6.75
3M T-bill	6.85-90
1Y T-bill	7.08-7.13
10Y G-sec	7.35-40
3m PSU Bank CD	7.10-15



3m Manufacturing co. CP	7.15-20
1Y PSU Bank CD	7.45-50
1Y NBFC CP	7.85-95
1Y Manufacturing co. CP	7-7.75
5Y AAA Institutional Bond	7.75
10Y AAA Institutional Bond	7.65

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.

# **PORTFOLIO TURNOVER**

The Scheme is an open-ended scheme. It is expected that there would be a number of subscriptions and redemptions on a daily basis. Portfolio turnover in the scheme will be a function of market opportunities. Consequently, it is difficult to estimate with any reasonable measure of accuracy, the likely turnover in the portfolio.

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 endeavor 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 accuracy, the likely turnover in the portfolio of the Scheme. The Scheme has no specific target relating to portfolio turnover.

# **RISK CONTROL**

Risk is an inherent part of the investment function. Effective Risk Management is critical to Fund Management for achieving financial soundness. Investments by the Scheme shall be made as per the investment objectives of the Scheme and provisions of the Regulations.

Risk control would include managing risk in order to keep it in line with the investment objective of the Scheme. The AMC has incorporated adequate safeguards to manage risk in the portfolio construction process. The risk control process involves identifying & measuring the risk through various Risk Measurement Tools. Further, the AMC has implemented the Bloomberg Portfolio Management System as Front Office System (FOS) for tracking risk. The system has inbuilt feature which enables the Fund Manager calculate various risk ratios and analyze the same.

The AMC has experienced investment professionals to help limit investment universe to carefully selected high quality businesses.

#### Risk control measures with respect to investment Equity and Equity related instruments

**Concentration Risk:** Concentration risk represents the probability of loss arising from heavy exposure to a particular group of sectors or securities.

Mitigation: The scheme will try to mitigate this risk by diversifying the investment into the large number of companies and keep stock-specific concentration risk relatively low.

**Market Risk**: Equity and Equity related securities by nature are volatile and prone to price fluctuations on a daily basis due to both macro and micro factors.



Mitigation - Market risk is a risk which is inherent to an equity scheme. The scheme will try to reduce the market risk by undertaking active portfolio management as per the investment objective.

**Liquidity risk:** The liquidity of investments made in the Scheme may be restricted by trading volumes and settlement periods

Mitigation- As such the liquidity of stocks that the scheme invests into could be relatively low. The scheme will try to maintain a proper asset-liability match to ensure redemption / Maturity payments are made on time.

#### Risk control measures with respect to Debt & Money Market Instruments

**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. In case of securitized debt instruments, the Scheme will ensure that these instruments are sufficiently backed by assets.

# Risk control with respect to investment in REITs & InvITs

**Market Risk:** REITs and InvITs are volatile and prone to price fluctuations on a daily basis owing to market movements. Investors may note that AMC/Fund Manager's investment decisions may not always be profitable, as actual market movements may be at variance with the anticipated trends. The NAV of the Scheme is vulnerable to movements in the prices of securities invested by the scheme, due to various market related factors like changes in the general market conditions, factors and forces affecting capital market, level of interest rates,



trading volumes, Real Estate and Infrastructure sectors, settlement periods and transfer procedures.

Mitigation: The scheme will undertake active portfolio management as per the investment objective to reduce the market risk.

**Reinvestment Risk:** Investments in REITs & InvITs may carry reinvestment risk as there could be repatriation of funds by the Trusts in form of buyback of units or dividend pay-outs, etc. Consequently, the proceeds may get invested in assets providing lower returns.

Mitigation: The reinvestment risk will be limited as the proceeds are not expected to be a large portion of the portfolio value. The Investment Manager also relies on their own research as well as third party research. The analysis will focus, amongst others, on the predictability and strength of cash flows, value of assets, capital structure, business prospects, policy environment, strength of management, responsiveness to business conditions, etc.

**Concentration Risk:** Securities / Instruments of REITs and InvITs run concentration risk as currently there are only 3 issuers in India for investment in REITs and InvITs.

Mitigation- The scheme will undertake to diversify its allocation in REITs and InvITs which are held as a part of the overall diversified portfolio.

**Interest Rate Risk**: Securities / Instruments of REITs and InvITs run interest rate risk. Generally, when interest rates rise, prices of units fall and when interest rates drop, such prices increase.

Mitigation - In a rising interest rates scenario the Fund Manager may choose to invest in money market securities / debt securities with shorter maturity / floating rate bonds instead of REITs and INvITs thereby mitigating risk to that extent.

#### 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. All equity derivatives trade will be done only on the exchange with guaranteed settlement.

# Risk control with respect to investment in Foreign Securities

Since the assets may be invested in securities denominated in foreign currency, the INR equivalent of the net assets, distributions and income may be adversely affected by changes / fluctuations in the value of the foreign currencies relative to the INR.

Mitigation - The scheme shall have the option to enter into permissible instruments (subject to applicable regulations by SEBI/RBI) for the purposes of hedging against the foreign exchange fluctuations.

#### F. FUNDAMENTAL ATTRIBUTES

Following are the Fundamental Attributes of the Scheme, in terms of Regulation 18 (15A) of the SEBI (MF) Regulations:



- (i) Type of a Scheme An open ended scheme investing in arbitrage opportunities
- (ii) Investment Objective To generate income through low volatility absolute return strategies that take advantage of opportunities in the cash and the derivative segments of the equity markets including the arbitrage opportunities available within the derivative segment, by using other derivative based strategies and by investing the balance in debt and money market instruments. However, there is no assurance or guarantee that the investment objective of the Scheme will be achieved. The Scheme does not assure or guarantee any returns

#### (iii) Terms of Issue

- o Liquidity provisions such as listing, Repurchase, Redemption.
- o Aggregate fees and expenses charged to the Scheme.
- o Any safety net or guarantee net provided (Not applicable for the scheme).

In accordance with Regulation 18(15A) of the SEBI (MF) Regulations and Para 1.14 of Master circular for Mutual funds as amended from time to time, the Trustees 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 comment 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 to exit at the prevailing Net Asset Value without any exit load for a period of atleast 30 days

In addition to the conditions specified above, for effecting any change in the fundamental attributes of the scheme, trustees shall take comments of the SEBI and any change suggested by SEBI would be incorporated before carrying such proposed change(s).

#### G. HOW WILL THE SCHEME BENCHMARK ITS PERFORMANCE?

Nifty 50 Arbitrage Index

The Scheme performance would be benchmarked against Nifty 50 Arbitrage index which measure the performance of arbitrage strategies. The index measures performance of portfolio involving investment in equity and equivalent short position equity futures, etc. It is the most popular and widely followed benchmark to track the performance of the equity market in India.

The Trustee reserves the right to change the benchmark for the evaluation of the performance of the Scheme from time to time, keeping in mind the investment objective of the Scheme and the appropriateness of the benchmark, subject to the Regulations and other prevalent guidelines.

#### H. WHO MANAGES THE SCHEME?

Name of Fund Manager	Age and Qualification	Experience of the Fund Manager	Names of other schemes under his management	Tenure as Fund Manager of the Scheme
Mr. Ashish Naik	39 years BE Computers	Total number of years of experience: 15 years, his	Axis Business Cycles Fund, Axis Equity	More than 1 year
	(Mumbai	last 10 years' experience	Hybrid Fund (along	•



Name of	Age and Qualification	Experience of the Fund Manager	Names of other schemes under his	Tenure as Fund
Manager	Qualification	Manager	management	Manager of the Scheme
	University), PGDBM (XLRI), FRM (GARP)	are as follows:     Equity Analyst - Axis Asset Management Company Ltd. (August 2009 to June 21, 2016)     Business Analyst - Goldman Sachs India Securities Ltd. (April 2007 to July 2009)     Software Engineer - Hexaware Technologies Ltd. (August 2003 to May 2005)	with Aditya Pagaria,R Sivakumar and Jayesh Sundar), Axis Regular Saver Fund ( along with Devang Shah,Sachin Jain and Jayesh Sundar),Axis Children's Gift Fund ( along with Hardik Shah,R Sivakumar and Jayesh Sundar), Axis NIFTY 100 Index Fund, Axis NIFTY 50 ETF, Axis NIFTY Bank ETF, Axis NIFTY India Consumption ETF and Axis S&P BSE SENSEX ETF ( along with Karthik Kumar), Axis Quant Fund ( along with ,Karthik Kumar and Vinayak Jayanath),Axis Balanced Advantage Fund (R Sivakumar,Hardik Shah and Jayesh Sundar), Axis Special Situations Fund (along with Vinayak Jayanath), Axis Arbitrage Fund ( along with Devang Shah, Sachin Jain and Karthik Kumar), Axis Multi Asset Allocation Fund ( along with R Sivakumar,Pratik Tibrewal,Jayesh Sundar), Axis Long Term Equity Fund ( along with Shreyash Devalkar),Axis Bluechip Fund ( along with Vinayak Jayanath and Shreyash Devalkar	
Mr. Devang Shah	40 years B. Com, ACA	Total number of years of experience: 18 years, his last 10 years' experience are as follows:	Axis Regular Saver Fund ( along with Ashish Naik, Sachin Jain and Jayesh Sundar), Axis	9 years



Name of Fund Manager	Age and Qualification	Experience of the Fund Manager	Names of other schemes under his management	Tenure as Fund Manager of the Scheme
		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)	Arbitrage Fund ( along with Ashish Naik,Sachin Jain and Karthik Kumar), Axis Short Term Fund and Axis Treasury Advantage Fund (along with Aditya Pagaria), Axis Liquid Fund and Axis Money Market Fund (along with Devang Shah and Sachin Jain), Axis Credit Risk Fund ( along with Akhil Thakker), Axis Strategic Bond Fund ( along with Akhil Thakker and Sachin Jain), Axis Corporate Debt Fund and Axis Long Duration Fund ( along with Devang Shah and Hardik Shah), Axis CRISIL IBX 70:30 CPSE Plus SDL Apr 2025 Index Fund ( along with ,Sachin Jain), Axis Dynamic Bond Fund and Axis All Seasons Debt Fund of Funds (along with R Sivakumar)	
Mr. Sachin Jain	36 years PGDM, B.TECH	Total number of years of experience: 10 years, his last 10 years' experience are as follows:  Dealer - Fixed Income, Axis Asset Management Company Ltd. (July 11, 2017 - till date) Trader  Fixed Income, Sundaram Asset Management Company Ltd. (June 3, 2013 - July 10, 2017)  Dealer - Fixed Income, Sundaram Asset Management Company Ltd. (June 3, 2013 - July 10, 2017)  Dealer - Fixed Income, ICAP Ltd. (November 9, 2010 - May 31, 2013)  Dealer - Fixed Income, Sundhi	Axis Fixed Term Plan - Series 112 (1143 Days) (along with Hardik Shah), Axis Fixed Term Plan - Series 113 (1228 Days)(along with Sachin Jain), Axis Overnight Fund, Axis Ultra Short Term Fund, Axis Nifty AAA Bond Plus SDL Apr 2026 50:50 ETF, Axis Nifty SDL September 2026 Debt Index Fund, Axis CRISIL IBX50:50 Gilt Plus SDL Sep 2027 Index Fund (along with Sachin Jain), Axis Multicap Fund (along with Mr. Shreyash	More than 1 year



Name of Fund	Age and Qualification	Experience of the Fund Manager	Names of other schemes under his	Tenure as Fund
Manager			management	Manager of the Scheme
		Securities and Finance Ltd. (November 2, 2009 – October 29, 2010)	Devalkar), Axis CRISIL IBX 70:30 CPSE Plus SDL Apr 2025 Index Fund and Axis Gilt Fund (along with Devang Shah), Axis Arbitrage Fund and Axis Regular Saver Fund (along with Ashish Naik and Devang Shah), Axis Liquid Fund and Axis Money Market Fund (along with Devang Shah and Aditya Pagaria) and Axis Strategic Bond Fund (along with Devang Shah and Akhil Thakkar)	
Mr. Karthik Kumar	Age: 40 years  Qualifications:  M.B.A – Krannert School of Management, Purdue University, USA  C.F.A (USA)  B.E (Mechanical)  Sardar Patel College of Engg, Mumbai University	<ul> <li>SilverTree Hong Kong</li> <li>April 2017 – May 2019</li> <li>Asiya Investment, Hong</li> <li>Kong</li> </ul>	Axis Arbitrage Fund (along with Ashish Naik, Devang Shah and Sachin Jain), Axis NIFTY 100 Index Fund, Axis NIFTY 50 ETF, Axis NIFTY Bank ETF, Axis NIFTY India Consumption ETF, Axis S&P BSE SENSEX ETF (along with Ashish Naik), Axis Quant Fund (along with Ashish Naik) Axis NIFTY 50 Index Fund, Axis NIFTY Next 50 Index Fund, Axis NIFTY Next 50 Index Fund, Axis Nifty Smallcap 50 Index Fund, Axis Nifty Midcap 50 Index Fund, Axis NIFTY IT ETF, Axis NIFTY Healthcare ETF, Axis Equity ETFs FoF (along with Shreyash Devalkar)	Less than 1 year

The Fixed Income Fund Managers of the Mutual Fund will be involved in management of the Debt Component of the Scheme. Further, presently the Trustee/AMC has not designated a dedicated Fund Manager for investment in Foreign Securities. However, it shall be ensured that there is a dedicated fund manager for investment in foreign securities as and when the fund makes investment in foreign securities.



#### I. 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 per cent of its NAV in the equity shares or equity related instruments of any company.
- 2. All investments by the Scheme in equity shares and equity related instruments shall only be made provided such securities are listed or to be listed.
- 3. The Mutual Fund under all its Scheme(s) shall not own more than ten per cent of any company's paid up capital carrying voting rights.

  Provided, investment in the asset management company or the trustee company of a

mutual fund shall be governed by clause (a), of sub-regulation (1), of regulation 7B.

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

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.

- 5. A mutual fund scheme shall not invest more than:
  - a. 10% of its NAV in debt and money market securities rated AAA; or
  - b. 8% of its NAV in debt and money market securities rated AA; or
  - c. 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.

Note: According to the Asset Allocation of the Scheme, the indicative allocation of the Scheme to Debt and Money market instruments shall be in the range of 10% to 35% of the net assets of the Scheme, subject to conditions specified.

6. 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.

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

- 7. Provided further that the norms for investments by the Scheme in unrated debt instruments shall be specified by the Board from time to time.
- 8. The investment by the Scheme in the following instruments shall not exceed 10% of the debt portfolio of the scheme and the group exposure in such instruments shall not exceed 5% of the debt portfolio of the scheme:



- a. Unsupported rating of debt instruments (i.e. without factoring-in credit enhancements) is below investment grade and
- b. Supported rating of debt instruments (i.e. after factoring-in credit enhancement) is above investment grade.

These limits shall not be applicable on investments in securitized debt instruments, as defined in SEBI (Public Offer and Listing of Securitized Debt Instruments) Regulations 2008.

- 9. Investment in debt instruments, having credit enhancements backed by equity shares directly or indirectly, shall have a minimum cover of 4 times considering the market value of such shares.
- 10. The Scheme may invest in other schemes of the Mutual Fund or any other mutual fund 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 Fund.
- 11. 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.
- 12. 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.
- 13. 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 by Para 12.30 of Master Circular for Mutual Fund as amended from time to time.

14. 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 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 Reserve Bank of India in this regard.

- 15. The Scheme shall not make any investment in any fund of funds scheme.
- 16. The Scheme will comply with the following restrictions for trading in exchange traded derivatives, as specified by SEBI vide its circulars issued from time to time:

#### i. Position limit for the Mutual Fund in equity index options contracts

- a. The Mutual Fund position limit in all index options contracts on a particular underlying index shall be Rs. 500 crores or 15% of the total open interest of the market in index options, whichever is higher, per stock exchange.
- b. This limit would be applicable on open positions in all options contracts on a particular underlying index.



# ii. Position limit for the Mutual Fund in equity index futures contracts:

- a. The Mutual Fund position limit in all index futures contracts on a particular underlying index shall be Rs.500 crores or 15% of the total open interest of the market in index futures, whichever is higher, per stock exchange.
- b. This limit would be applicable on open positions in all futures contracts on a particular underlying index.

# iii. Additional position limit for hedging

In addition to the position limits at point (i) and (ii) above, the Mutual Fund may take exposure in equity index derivatives subject to the following limits:

- a. Short positions in index derivatives (short futures, short calls and long puts) shall not exceed (in notional value) the Mutual Fund's holding of stocks.
- b. Long positions in index derivatives (long futures, long calls and short puts) shall not exceed (in notional value) the Mutual Fund's holding of cash, government securities, Treasury Bills and similar instruments.

#### iv. Position limit for Mutual Fund for stock based derivative contracts

The combined futures and options position limit shall be 20% of the applicable Market Wide Position Limit (MWPL).

#### v. Position limit for each scheme of a Mutual Fund

The scheme-wise position limit / disclosure requirements shall be:

a. For stock option and stock futures contracts, the gross open position across all derivative contracts on a particular underlying stock of a scheme of a Mutual Fund shall not exceed the higher of 1% of the free float market capitalization (in terms of number of shares)

or

- 5% of the open interest in the derivative contract on a particular underlying stock (in terms of number of contracts).
- b. This position limits shall be applicable on the combined position in all derivative contracts on an underlying stock at a Stock Exchange.
- c. For index based contracts, Mutual Funds shall disclose the total open interest held by its scheme or all schemes put together in a particular underlying index, if such open interest equals to or exceeds 15% of the open interest of all derivative contracts on that underlying index.
- 17. Pending deployment of the funds of the Scheme in securities in terms of the investment objective of the Scheme, the AMC may park the funds of the Scheme in short term deposits of scheduled commercial banks, subject to the guidelines issued by SEBI.

The Scheme will comply with the following guidelines/restrictions for parking of funds in short term deposits:

- i. "Short Term" for such parking of funds by the Scheme shall be treated as a period not exceeding 91 days. Such short-term deposits shall be held in the name of the Scheme.
- ii. The Scheme shall not park more than 15% of the net assets in short term deposit(s) of all the scheduled commercial banks put together. However, such limit may be raised to 20% with prior approval of the Trustee.
- iii. Parking of funds in short term deposits of associate and sponsor scheduled commercial banks together shall not exceed 20% of total deployment by the Mutual Fund in short term deposits.
- iv. The Scheme shall not park more than 10% of the net assets in short term deposit(s), with any one scheduled commercial bank including its subsidiaries.
- v. The Scheme shall not park funds in short term deposit (STD) of a bank which has invested in that Scheme. Further, Trustees/ AMCs shall also ensure that the bank in which the Scheme has STD do not invest in the said scheme until the Scheme has STD with such bank.



The AMC will not charge any investment management and advisory fees for funds parked in short term deposits of scheduled commercial banks

However, the above provisions will not apply to term deposits placed as margins for trading in cash and derivatives market.

- 18. The Scheme shall not advance any loans.
- 19. The Scheme shall not borrow except to meet temporary liquidity needs of the Scheme for the purpose of repurchase/redemption of Units or payment of interest and/or dividend to the Unit holders.

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.

20. The total exposure in a particular sector (excluding investments in Bank CDs, CBLO, 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 25% of the net assets of the Scheme.

Provided that an additional exposure to financial services sector (over and above the limit of 25%) not exceeding 15% 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 25% of the net assets of the scheme.

21. 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 MF Regulations and shall include an entity, its subsidiaries, fellow subsidiaries, its holding company and its associates.

The investment restrictions at group level is applicable to all fresh investments by Scheme from the date of issue of circular dated February 15, 2016 by SEBI and for the existing investments the Scheme shall comply with the investment restrictions at group level within a period of one year from the date of issue of the said circular.

22. SEBI vide its circular no. Cir/IMD/DF/11/2010 dated August 18, 2010 as amended from time to time has prescribed the following investment restrictions w.r.t. investment in derivatives:

S.	Particulars
No.	
1	The cumulative gross exposure through equity, debt, derivative positions (including commodity and fixed income derivatives), repo transactions and credit default swaps 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 except call options under a covered call strategy as specified in SEBI circular dated January 16, 2019 as amended from time to time.
3	The total exposure related to option premium paid shall not exceed 20% of the net assets of the Scheme.
4	Exposure due to hedging positions may not be included in the above



mentioned	limits su	biect to	the	following:
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- a. Hedging positions are the derivative positions that reduce possible losses on an existing position in securities and till the existing position remains.
- 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.
- c. Any derivative instrument used to hedge has the same underlying security as the existing position being hedged.
- 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.
- Exposure due to derivative positions taken for hedging purposes in excess of the underlying position against which the hedging position has been taken, shall be treated under the limits mentioned in point 1.
- 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	Exposure
Long Future	Futures Price * Lot Size * Number of Contracts
Short Future	Futures Price * Lot Size * Number of Contracts
Option bought	Option Premium Paid * Lot Size * Number of Contracts.

(a) Mutual Funds may enter into plain vanilla Interest Rate Swaps (IRS) for hedging purposes. The value of the notional principal in such cases must not exceed the value of respective existing assets being hedged by the scheme. (b) In case of participation in IRS is through over the counter transactions, the counter party has to be an entity recognized as a market maker by RBI and exposure to a single counterparty in such transactions should not exceed 10% of the net assets of the scheme. However, if mutual funds are transacting in IRS through an electronic trading platform offered by the Clearing Corporation of India Ltd. (CCIL) and CCIL is the central counterparty for such transactions guaranteeing settlement, the single counterparty limit of 10% shall not be applicable.

Necessary disclosure pertaining to derivatives position shall be made in the half yearly portfolio disclosure, annual report and / or in any other place, periodicity or manner as may be prescribed by SEBI, from time to time.

- 23. The Scheme shall participate in repos in corporate debt securities as per the guidelines issued by RBI from time to time, subject to the following conditions:
  - (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



# (vi) 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.

# (vii) 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.

# (viii) 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 (%) (annualized)	0.6	1.2	1.7	3.4
Repo Tenor	Number of standard deviations needed 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.

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

- 24. The Mutual Funds can participate in repos on following corporate debt securities:
  - 1. Listed AA and above rated corporate debt securities
  - 2. 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-ometer 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.

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

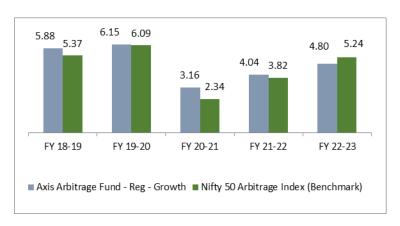
The AMC/Trustee may alter these above stated restrictions from time to time to the extent the Regulations change, so as to permit the Scheme to make its investments in the full spectrum of permitted investments for mutual funds to achieve its respective investment objective.

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

Performance of Axis Arbitrage Fund – Regular Plan – Growth as at September 30, 2023 is as follows:

Period	Axis Arbitrage Fund – Regular Plan – Growth Option^	Nifty 50 Arbitrage TRI Index
1 year returns	6.59%	7.49%
3 year returns	4.69%	5.04%
5 year returns	4.96%	4.92%
Returns Since Inception (August 14, 2014)	5.67%	5.41%

#### **Absolute Returns for Last 5 Financial Years**

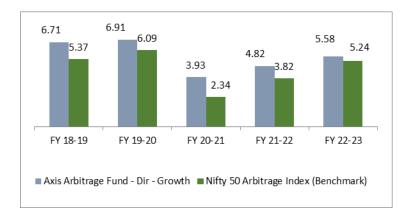


Performance of Axis Arbitrage Fund - Direct Plan - Growth as at September 30, 2023 is as follows:

Period	Axis Arbitrage Fund – Direct Plan – Growth Option^	Nifty 50 Arbitrage TRI Index
1 year returns	7.38%	7.49%
3 year returns	5.47%	5.04%
5 year returns	5.74%	4.92%
Returns Since Inception (August 14, 2014)	6.49%	5.41%

### **Absolute Returns for Last 5 Financial Years**





**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, Para 6.13 and Para 6.14 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds as amended from time to time.

# K. INVESTMENTS BY THE AMC

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.

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.

# L. ADDITIONAL SCHEME RELATED DISCLOSURES

#### a. Scheme's portfolio holdings as on September 30, 2023:

(i) Top 10 holdings by Issuer:

### **Equity Instruments**

Name of Issuer	% of Net Assets
HDFC Bank Limited	4.99%
Reliance Industries Limited	3.37%
Jindal Steel & Power Limited	3.28%
Tata Power Company Limited	2.99%
IndusInd Bank Limited	2.95%
Ambuja Cements Limited	2.83%
ICICI Bank Limited	2.68%
Indus Towers Limited	2.41%
PI Industries Limited	2.15%
United Spirits Limited	2.02%

#### **Debt Instruments**

Name of Issuer	% of Net Asset
Government of India	7.14%
Axis Ultra Short Term Fund - Direct Plan - Growth	
Option	6.52%
Axis Money Market Fund - Direct Plan - Growth	
Option	6.51%
ICICI Securities Limited	1.60%
Canara Bank	1.58%



HDFC Bank Limited	1.57%
State Government Bond	0.82%
HDFC Bank Limited	0.78%
Mahindra & Mahindra Financial Services Limited	0.77%

# (ii) Fund allocation towards various Sectors:

Sector	% of Net Assets
Financial Services	27.18%
Others	16.57%
Government Of India	8.09%
Healthcare	7.65%
Metals & Mining	6.58%
Construction Materials	6.18%
Oil Gas & Consumable Fuels	4.69%
Fast Moving Consumer Goods	4.63%
Power	3.54%
Telecommunication	3.30%
Automobile And Auto Components	3.16%
Chemicals	3.12%
Information Technology	2.24%
Media, Entertainment & Publication	2.23%
Consumer Services	0.72%
Capital Goods	0.65%
Realty	0.62%
Textiles	0.40%
Consumer Durables	0.22%
Services	0.14%

Please visit www.axismf.com to obtain Scheme's latest monthly portfolio holding statement.

#### b. Portfolio Turnover

Portfolio turnover ratio for the one year period ended September 30, 2023: 11.41\* times

\*Based on Equity, Equity derivatives and Fixed Income securities transactions only. TREPS/Repo/FD/Margin FD/MFU/SLB are not considered.

c. Aggregate investment in the Scheme of certain categories of persons:

Sr.	Category of Persons	Net Asset Value of Units held as on
No.		September 30, 2023 (in Rs.)
i	AMC's Board of Directors	2,715.25
ii	Concerned scheme's Fund Manager(s)	13,57,441.89
iii	Other key managerial personnel	31,49,759.45

#### Note:

- 1. Investment of Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer of AMC, if any, is included in investments of "Other key managerial personnel".
- 2. Investment of Fund Manager of the Scheme is not included in investments of "Other key managerial personnel".



# **UNITS AND OFFER**

This section provides details you need to know for investing in the scheme.

# A. NEW FUND OFFER (NFO)

A. NEW FUND OFFER (NFC	')
New Fund Offer Period	The New Fund Offer opened on July 25, 2014 and closed on August 8,
This is the period during	2014. The units under the Scheme were allotted on August 14, 2014.
which a new scheme	
sells its Units to the	
investors.	
New Fund Offer Price:	Not Applicable
This is the price per unit	
that the investors have	
to pay to invest during	
the NFO.	
Minimum Amount for	Not Applicable
Application / Switch in	
during the NFO	
Minimum Target amount	Not Applicable
Maximum amount to be	None
raised (if any)	
Plans / Options offered	The Scheme offers the following Plans:
	Regular Plan
	Direct Plan
	Direct Plan
	Direct Plan is only for investors who purchase /subscribe Units in a
	Scheme directly with the Fund and is not available for investors who
	route their investments through a Distributor.
	Each plan offers the following options:
	a) Growth Option
	b) Income Distribution cum Capital Withdrawal (IDCW) Option.
	1. IDCW Payout Facility
	2. IDCW Reinvestment Facility
	a) Growth Option
	Income Distribution cum Capital Withdrawal will not be undertaken
	under this Option. The income attributable to Units under this Option
	will continue to remain invested in the Scheme and will be reflected in
	the Net Asset Value of Units under this Option.
	b) IDCW Option
	Under this Option, distribution will be declared at the discretion of the
	Trustee, subject to availability of distributable surplus calculated in
	accordance with SEBI (MF) Regulations. The amounts can be
	distributed out of investors capital (Equalization Reserve), which is part
	of sale price that represents realized gains.
	On payment of IDCW, the NAV of the units under IDCW option will fall
	to the extent of the IDCW payout and applicable statutory levies, if
	any.
	It must be distinctly understood that the actual declaration of IDCW
	and frequency thereof is at the sole discretion of Board of Directors of
	the Trustee Company. There is no assurance or guarantee to the Unit
	holders as to the rate of distribution nor that it will be paid regularly.



#### **IDCW** Payout Facility

Under this facility, amount declared, if any, will be paid subject to deduction of applicable withholding tax to those Unit holders, whose names appear in the register of Unit holders on the notified record date.

#### IDCW Reinvestment Facility

Under this facility, the amount due and payable to the Unit holders will be compulsorily and without any further act by the Unit holder, reinvested in the IDCW option at a price based on the prevailing exIDCW Net Asset Value per Unit. The amount of re-investment will be net of tax deducted at source, wherever applicable. The amounts so reinvested shall constitute a constructive payment of IDCW to the Unit holders and a constructive receipt of the same amount from each Unit holder for reinvestment in Units.

On reinvestment of IDCW, the number of Units to the credit of Unit holder will increase to the extent of the amount reinvested divided by the Applicable NAV. **There shall, however, be no Load on the amount so reinvested**.

#### **Default Plan**

The investor must clearly specify his choice of plan. Investors subscribing under Direct Plan of a Scheme will have to indicate "Direct Plan" against the Scheme name in the application form. Investors should also indicate "Direct" in the ARN column of the application form. The investors may refer to the following table for applicability of Direct Plan/Regular Plan under different scenario:-

Scenario	Broker Code mentioned by the investor	Plan mentioned the investor	by Default Plan to be captured
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1	Not mentioned	Not mentioned	Direct Plan
2	Not mentioned	Direct	Direct Plan
3	Not mentioned	Regular	Direct Plan
4	Mentioned	Direct	Direct Plan
5	Direct	Not Mentioned	Direct Plan
6	Direct	Regular	Direct Plan
7	Mentioned	Regular	Regular Plan
8	Mentioned	Not Mentioned	Regular Plan

In cases of wrong/ invalid/ incomplete ARN codes mentioned on the application form, the application shall be processed under Regular Plan. The AMC shall contact and obtain the correct ARN code within 30 calendar days of the receipt of the application form from the investor/ distributor. In case, the correct code is not received within 30 calendar days, the AMC shall reprocess the transaction under Direct Plan from the date of application without any exit load.

#### **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 option / facility are:

Default Option: Growth (between Growth and IDCW)
Default Facility: IDCW Reinvestment facility (between IDCW)



	Reinvestment and IDCW Payout facility)
	Default Plan – Redemption application - Where Units under a Scheme are held under both Regular and Direct Plans and the redemption / Switch request pertains to the Direct Plan, the same must clearly be mentioned on the request (along with the folio number), failing which the request would be processed from the Regular Plan. However, where Units under the requested Option are held only under one Plan, the request would be processed under such Plan.
IDCW Policy	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.
	<ul> <li>IDCW Distribution Procedure</li> <li>In accordance with with Chapter 11 of Master Circular for Mutual Funds, the procedure for distribution would be as under:</li> <li>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.</li> <li>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</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>4. The notice will, 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).</li> <li>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.</li> <li>6. Before the issue of such notice, no communication indicating the probable date of IDCW declaration in any manner whatsoever will be issued by Mutual Fund.</li> </ul>
Allotment	Not Applicable
Refund	Not Applicable
Who can invest  This is an indicative list and you are requested	The following persons (subject to, wherever relevant, purchase of unit of mutual funds, being permitted under respective constitutions, and relevant statutory regulations) are eligible and may apply for Subscription to the Unit of the Scheme:
to consult your financial advisor to ascertain whether the scheme is suitable to your risk	<ol> <li>Resident adult individuals either singly or jointly (not exceeding three) or on an Anyone or Survivor basis;</li> <li>Hindu Undivided Family (HUF) through Karta;</li> <li>Minor (as the first and the sole holder only) through a natural</li> </ol>



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- 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 Partnerships;
- 6. Proprietorship in the name of the sole proprietor;
- 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 Unit is permitted under the respective constitutions);
- 8. Banks (including Co-operative Banks and Regional Rural Banks) and Financial Institutions:
- Religious and Charitable Trusts, Wakfs or endowments of private trusts (subject to receipt of necessary approvals as "Public Securities" as required) and Private trusts authorised to invest in mutual fund schemes under their trust deeds;
- Non-Resident Indians (NRIs) / Persons of Indian origin (PIOs) / Overseas Citizen 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 (MF) Regulations;
- 17. Schemes of Alternative Investment Funds:
- 18. 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.

Note: Following is the process for investments made in the name of a Minor through a Guardian: -

- Payment for investment by means of Cheque, Demand Draft or any other 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.
- 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'.
- 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 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

#### **Email ID & Mobile Number**

Investors should provide their own email address and mobile number to enable Axis AMC for speed and ease of communication in a convenient and cost-effective manner, and to help prevent fraudulent transactions.

# Ultimate Beneficial Ownership details:

SEBI vide its circular no. CIR/MIRSD/2/2013 dated January 24, 2013 further read with AMFI best practices guidelines circular no. 62/2015-16 dated September 18, 2015 and other applicable regulations has prescribed guidelines, for identification of Beneficial Ownership to be followed by the intermediaries. A 'Beneficial owner' is defined as a natural person or persons who ultimately owns, controls or influences a client and/or persons on whose behalf a transaction is being conducted, and includes a person who exercises ultimate effective control over a legal person or arrangement. In this regard, all categories of investors (including all new / existing investors / unitholders) (except individuals, companies listed on a stock exchange or majority-owned subsidiary of such companies) are mandatorily required to provide beneficial ownership details for all investments. Failing which, fund reserves the right to reject applications / subscription requests / additional subscription requests (including switches) / restrict further investments or seek additional information from investors who have not provided the requisite information on beneficial ownership. In the event of change in beneficial ownership, investors are requested to immediately update the details with the Fund/Registrar.

# Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act and Common Reporting Standards requirements

As a part of various ongoing tax and regulatory developments around the globe [e.g. information exchange laws such as Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act ('FATCA') and Common Reporting Standard ('CRS')], financial institutions like Axis Mutual Fund ('Axis MF' or 'the Fund') are being cast with additional investor and counterparty account related due diligence requirements.

The Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) has notified Rules 114F to 114H, as part of the Income-tax Rules, 1962, which Rules require Indian financial institutions such as the Banks, Mutual Funds, etc. to seek additional personal, tax and beneficial owner information and certain certifications and documentation from all our investors and



counterparties. According to the FATCA-CRS Rules, financial institutions in India are required to report tax information about account holders that are tax resident of U.S. and other foreign countries, to the CBDT/ Indian Government which will, in turn, relay that information to the US Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and governments of other foreign countries.

These developments have resulted in compliance and reporting obligations on Financial Institutions like Axis MF. In relevant cases, information will have to be reported to tax authorities/appointed agencies. In this respect, Axis MF would rely on the relevant information provided by its Registrar and would also use its discretion. Towards compliance, the Fund may also be required to provide information to any institutions such as withholding agents for the purpose of ensuring appropriate withholding from the account or any proceeds in relation thereto. As may be required by domestic or overseas regulators/ tax authorities, we may also be constrained to withhold and pay out any sums from your account or close or suspend your account(s). Axis MF may also have to comply with other similar laws as and when applicable.

Prospective investors and Unit holders will therefore be required to comply with the request of the Fund to furnish such information / documentation / declarations as and when deemed necessary by the Investment Manager in accordance with Applicable Laws. In case prospective investor / Unit holder fails to furnish the relevant information / documentation / declarations in accordance with Applicable Laws, the Fund reserves the right to reject the application or redeem the Units held directly or beneficially and may also require reporting of such accounts and/or levy of withholding tax on payments made to the Unit holders / investor and/or take any other action/s in accordance with Applicable Laws. FATCA-CRS provisions are relevant not only at on-boarding stage of Unit holders but also throughout the life cycle of investment with the Fund. Unit holders therefore should intimate to the Fund/the Investment Manager, any change in their status with respect to any FATCA-CRS related information / documentation / declarations provided by them previously, including but not limited to any declarations provided in respect of residency of the Unit holders for tax purposes promptly, i.e. within 30 days. Further, if the Fund and/or the Investment Manager is required by Applicable Laws, to provide information regarding the Fund and/or the unit holders / investors to any regulatory authority and/or the Fund Investments and/or income therefrom, and the Fund and/or the Investment Manager complies with such request in good faith, whether or not it was in fact enforceable, they shall not be liable to the Unit holders / investors or to any other party as a result of such compliance or in connection with such compliance.

Prospective investors / Unit holders should consult their own advisors to understand the implications of FATCA-CRS provisions/requirements. Please note that Axis MF will be unable to provide advice to any investor or counterparty about their tax status or FATCA/CRS classification relevant to their account. It is the responsibility of the investor or counterparty to ensure that they record their correct tax status / FATCA/ CRS classification. Investor/ counterparty may seek advice from their tax advisor in this regard. The onus to provide accurate, adequate and timely inputs in this regard would be that of



the investor or counterparty. Any changes in earlier information provided must be intimated within 30 days of such change.

Investors are requested to provide all the necessary information / declarations to facilitate compliance, considering India's commitment to implement CRS and FATCA under the relevant international treaties.

# Implementation of KYC requirements:

SEBI vide circular no. MIRSD/SE/Cir-21/2011 dated October 5, 2011 had mandated (i) Standard KYC form with uniform KYC guidelines and supporting documents to be used by SEBI registered intermediaries and (ii) Centralized KYC registration through KYC Registration Agencies (KRAs) registered with SEBI, w.e.f. January 1, 2012, to bring about uniform KYC process in the securities market, based on SEBI prescribed norms and the KYC details are shared with all SEBI registered intermediaries by the KRAs.

Subsequently, SEBI, vide its circular no. MIRSD/Cir-5/2012 dated April 13, 2012 advised various intermediaries to upload KYC data of its existing customers into the KRA system. While uploading KYC data into the KRA system, intermediaries were also required to highlight such 'Missing/Not Available' KYC information of a customer, which was either not required or not taken previously, but was mandatory as per uniform KYC guidelines issued by SEBI.

In accordance with AMFI best practices guidelines circular no. 62/2015-16 dated September 18, 2015, it is mandatory for all new/existing investors to provide additional KYC information such as Income details, Occupation, association with politically exposed person, net worth etc. as mentioned in the application form. Subscription requests, without providing these details, are liable to be rejected. No subscriptions (whether fresh or additional) and switches pertaining to 'KYC on-hold' cases are accepted, unless the investor / unitholder also submits relevant KYC missing / updated information, which is appropriately updated on the KRA - KYC.

Further, it is mandatory for existing customers to complete In-Person Verification process and provide the missing KYC information failing which their applications / transaction requests for additional subscription (including switches) is liable to be rejected.

### **Central KYC Process**

Central Registry of Securitisation and Asset Reconstruction and Security interest of India ('CERSAI') has been authorised by Government of India to act as Central KYC Records Registry under Prevention of Money-Laundering (Maintenance of Records) Rules, 2005 ('PMLA Rules').

SEBI vide its circular no. CIR/MIRSD/66/2016 dated July 21, 2016 and circular no. CIR/MIRSD/120/2016 dated November 10, 2016 has prescribed that the Mutual Fund/ AMC should capture KYC information for sharing with CKYCR as per the KYC template prescribed by CERSAI for uniform and smooth implementation of CKYC norms for onboarding of new investors in Mutual Funds.

In accordance with the aforesaid SEBI circulars and AMFI best



practice guidelines for implementation of CKYC:

- a) Individual investors who have never done KYC process under KRA regime i.e. a new investor who is new to KRA system and whose KYC is not registered or verified in the KRA system shall be required to provide KYC details in the CKYC Form to the Mutual Fund/ AMC.
- b) Individual investor who fills old KRA KYC Form, should provide additional / missing information using Supplementary KYC Form or fill CKYC Form. The said form is available on Axis Mutual Fund website www.axismf.com.
- c) Details of investors shall be uploaded on the system of CKYCR and a 14 digit unique KYC Identification Number ('KIN') will be generated for such customer.
- d) New investors, who have completed CKYC process & have obtained KIN may quote their KIN in the application form instead of submitting CKYC Form/ Supplementary KYC Form.
- e) AMC/ Mutual Fund shall use the KIN of the investor to download the KYC information from CKYCR system and update its records.
- f) If the PAN of investor is not updated on CKYCR system, the investor should submit self-certified copy of PAN card to the Mutual Fund/ AMC.

The AMC reserves the right to reject transaction application in case the investor(s) fails to submit information and/or documentation as mentioned above. In the event of non-compliance of KYC requirements, the Trustee / AMC reserves the right to freeze the folio of the investor(s).

#### **Submission of Aadhar Number**

Pursuant to requirement under Prevention of Money Laundering (Maintenance of Records) Rules, 2005 as amended from time to time, proof of possession of Aadhar can be accepted as a valid document for proof of address or proof of identity of investors, provided the investor redact or blackout his Aadhar number while submitting the applications for investments.

The aforesaid guidelines will be subject to change as per the directives issued by the concerned regulatory/ government authority from time to time.

### For further details refer to SAI.

#### Who cannot invest

- 1. 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 b. FPIs.
	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.
Where can you submit the filled up applications.	Not Applicable
How to Apply	Application form and Key Information Memorandum may be obtained from the Official Points of Acceptance(OPAs) of AMC or downloaded from the website of AMC viz. <a href="www.axismf.com">www.axismf.com</a> . For further details, kindly refer Statement of Additional Information.
Third Party Payment Avoidance and additional documents / declaration required	Please refer SAI for details.
Listing	The Scheme is an open ended 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 Unit as and when considered necessary in the interest of Unit holders of the Fund.
Special Products / facilities available during the NFO	Not Applicable
The policy regarding reissue of repurchased units, including the maximum extent, the manner of reissue, the entity (the scheme or the AMC) involved in the same.	Units once redeemed will be extinguished and will not be reissued.
Right to withdraw sale and repurchase of Units	The Mutual Fund at its sole discretion reserves the right to withdraw sale and repurchase or switching of Units of the Scheme, temporarily or indefinitely, if in the opinion of the AMC the general market conditions are not favorable and /or suitable investment opportunities are not available for deployment of funds. However, the suspension of sale and/or repurchase/switching either temporarily or indefinitely will be with the approval of the trustee.
Restrictions, if any, on the right to freely retain or dispose of units being offered.	Pledge of Units The Unit under the Scheme may be offered as security by way of a pledge / 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 Units. The



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

#### Lien on Units

On an ongoing basis, when existing and new Investors make Subscriptions, a lien on Units allotted will be created and such unit shall not be available for redemption until the payment proceeds are realised by the Scheme. In case a unit holder redeems units soon after making purchases, the redemption cheque will not be dispatched until sufficient time has elapsed to provide reasonable assurance that cheques or drafts for Units purchased have been cleared.

In case the cheque / draft is dishonoured by the bank, the transaction shall be reversed and the Units allotted earlier shall be cancelled, and a fresh Account Statement / Confirmation slip shall be dispatched to the Unit holder. 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 request. However, the AMC reserves the right to change operational guidelines for 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 / switch-out of Units of Scheme, may be temporarily suspended/restricted. In accordance with Para1.12 of Master Circular for Mutual Funds 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.



	<ul> <li>When restriction on / suspension of redemption of Units of the Scheme is imposed, the following procedure shall be applied <ol> <li>No redemption / switch-out requests upto Rs. 2 lakhs shall be subject to such restriction.</li> <li>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.</li> </ol> </li> <li>In addition to the above, the AMC / Trustee may restrict / suspend redemptions / switch-out of Units of the Scheme(s) pursuant to direction/approval of SEBI.</li> <li>In case of any of the above eventualities, the general time limits for processing requests for redemption of Units will not be applicable.</li> </ul>
Cash Investments in mutual funds	Also refer to the paragraph 'Suspension of Purchase and Redemption of Units' in the Statement of Additional Information.  In order to help enhance the reach of mutual fund products amongst small investors, who may not be tax payers and may not have PAN/bank accounts, such as farmers, small traders/businessmen/workers, SEBI has permitted receipt of cash transactions for fresh purchases/ additional purchases to the extent of Rs.50, 000/- per investor, per mutual fund, per financial year subject to:  i. compliance with Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 and
	Rules framed there under; the SEBI Circular(s) on Anti Money Laundering (AML) and other applicable Anti Money Laundering Rules, Regulations and Guidelines; and ii. sufficient systems and procedures in place.  However, payment towards redemptions, IDCW, etc. with respect to aforementioned investments shall be paid only through banking channel.
	The Fund/ AMC is currently in the process of setting up appropriate systems and procedures for the said purpose. Appropriate notice shall be displayed on its website as well as at the Investor Service Centres, once the facility is made available to the investors.

# **B. ONGOING OFFER DETAILS**

Default Plan/ Option	The investors may refer to the paragraph under New Fund offer Section for applicability of Direct Plan/ Regular Plan under different scenario.
Ongoing Offer Period This is the date from which the scheme will reopen for subscriptions/ redemptions after the closure of the NFO period.	The Scheme has reopened for continuous subscription and redemption from August 14, 2014.
Ongoing price for subscription	At the Applicable NAV
(purchase)/switch-in (from other schemes/plans of the mutual fund) by	Para 10.4 of Master Circular for Mutual Funds 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.
investors.	Methodology of calculating subscription price:



This is the price you need to pay for purchase/switch-in.	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* (1+NIL) = Rs. 10
Ongoing price for redemption (sale) /switch outs (to other schemes/plans of the Mutual Fund) by investors.  This is the price you will receive for redemptions/switch outs.	At the Applicable NAV subject to prevailing Exit Load.  Ongoing price for redemption /Switch out (to other Schemes/Plans of the Mutual Fund) is price which a Unit holder will receive for redemption/Switch-outs. During 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 SEBI 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 95% of the Applicable NAV.
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.	<ul> <li>Subscriptions/Purchases including Switch - ins:</li> <li>The following cut-off timings shall be observed by the Mutual Fund in respect of purchase of units of the Scheme and the following NAVs shall be applied for such purchase:</li> <li>1. where the application is received upto 3.00 pm on a Business day and funds are available for utilization before the cut-off time – the closing NAV of the Business day shall be applicable;</li> <li>2. where the application is received after 3.00 pm on a Business day and funds are available for utilization on the same day or before the cut-off time of the next Business Day - the closing NAV of the next Business Day shall be applicable;</li> <li>3. irrespective of the time of receipt of application, where the funds are not available for utilization before the cut-off time - the closing NAV of Business day on which the funds are available for utilization shall be applicable.</li> <li>For determining the applicable NAV for allotment of units in respect of purchase / switch in the Scheme, it shall be ensured that: <ol> <li>i. Application is received before the applicable cut-off time.</li> <li>ii. 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.</li> <li>iii. The funds are available for utilization before the cut-off time.</li> </ol> </li> <li>The aforesaid provisions shall also be applicable to systematic transactions like Systematic Investment Plan, Systematic Transfer Plan,</li> </ul>



## Redemptions including Switch - outs: The following cut-off timings shall be observed by the Mutual Fund in respect of Repurchase of units: a. where the application received upto 3.00 pm - closing NAV of the day of receipt of application; and b. an application received after 3.00 pm - closing NAV of the next Business Day. The above mentioned cut off timing shall also 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. Where Refer Back Cover Page the can applications for purchase/redemption switches be submitted? Minimum amount for purchase/Switch in Minimum amount purchase/redemption/s Rs. 500 and in multiples of Re 1/- thereafter witches Minimum Additional Purchase Amount Rs.500 and in multiples of Re. 1/- thereafter 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 which can be fractional units also. Depository participants of registered Depositories can 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 provision offered under the Scheme of the Fund. Minimum balance to be Currently, there is no minimum balance requirement. maintained and consequences of non-However, the AMC / Trustee may decide to introduce minimum maintenance. balance requirements later, if they so deem fit. In such case, in the

event of non-maintenance of minimum balance for any particular



situations, the Unit may be compulsorily redeemed.
In case balance in the account of the Unit holder does not cover the
amount of Redemption request, then the Mutual Fund is authorized to
redeem all the Unit in the folio and send the Redemption proceeds to

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## SYSTEMATIC INVESTMENT PLAN (SIP)

the Unit holder.

Unit holder can enroll for the SIP facility by submitting duly completed Enrolment Form at the Official Point(s) of Acceptance. An Investor shall have the option of choosing any date of the Month as his SIP date other than 29th, 30th or 31st of a month. Minimum amount and minimum installments for daily, weekly, monthly and yearly frequency under SIP Facility is as follows

Frequency under SIP Facility	Minimum Installments	Minimum SIP amount
Daily	6 Installments	Rs. 100/- and in multiple of Re. 1/-
Weekly	6 Installments	Rs. 100/- and in multiple of Re. 1/-
Monthly	6 Installments	Rs. 100/- and in multiple of Re. 1/-
Yearly	3 Installments	Rs. 12,000/- and in multiple of Re. 1/-

If the SIP period is not specified by the unit holder then the SIP enrolment will be deemed to be for perpetuity and processed accordingly.

In case of SIP investments, where the entire installment amount is not available in bank account, the SIP for that month would be rejected. Allocation to a particular scheme or pro–rata allocation to schemes will not be carried out. Postdated cheques will not be accepted.

## SIP through National Automated Clearing House (NACH)/Direct Debit facility

Investors / Unit holders may enroll for SIP Direct Debit Facility available with specified Banks / Branches. In order to enroll for SIP Direct Debit Facility, an Investor must fill-up the Application Form for SIP Direct Debit facility.

In case of SIP with payment mode as Direct Debit/Standing Instructions, Investors shall be required to submit a cancelled cheque or a photocopy of a cheque of the bank account for which the debit mandate is provided with first installment through cheque. The SIP facility will also be available through standing instructions/direct debit given by the investor (with all payment installments being made through instructions/direct debit). However, the SIP facility with direct debit will be available through selected Banks. The Asset Management Company reserves the right to add/modify/delete from the list of banks through whom such facility will be available to the investors.

The unit holders can also make payment of SIP instalments through NACH facility. NACH is a centralized system, launched by National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) with an aim to consolidate multiple NACH mandates. This facility will enable the unit holders of



the Fund to make SIP investments through NACH by filling up the SIP Registration cum mandate form. A Unique number will be allotted to every mandate registered under NACH called as Unique Mandate Reference Number ("UMRN") which can be used for SIP transactions. The NACH facility shall be available subject to terms and conditions contained in the SIP registration Mandate Form and as prescribed by NPCI from time to time

## ii. Facility of National Automated Clearing House (NACH) Platform for SIP

In addition to existing facility available for payments through Direct Debits/ Post dated cheques/ Standing Instructions for investments in SIP, the unit holders can now also make payment of SIP instalments through NACH facility. NACH is a centralized system, launched by National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) with an aim to consolidate multiple NACH mandates. This facility will enable the unit holders of the Fund to make SIP investments through NACH by filling up the SIP Registration cum mandate form. A Unique number will be allotted to every mandate registered under NACH called as Unique Mandate Reference Number ("UMRN") which can be used for SIP transactions. The NACH facility shall be available subject to terms and conditions contained in the SIP registration Mandate Form and as prescribed by NPCI from time to time.

All SIP cheques/payment instructions should be of the same amount and same date (excluding first cheque). However, there should be a gap of 30 days between first SIP Installment and the second installment in case of SIP started during ongoing offer.

Investors will have the right to discontinue the SIP facility at any time by sending a written request to any of the Official Point(s) of Acceptance. Notice of such discontinuance should be received at least 20 days prior to the due date of the next debit. On receipt of such request, the SIP facility will be terminated. It is clarified that if the Fund fails to get the proceeds from three Installments out of a continuous series of Installments submitted at the time of initiating a SIP, the SIP is deemed as discontinued.

Units will be allotted at the Applicable NAV of the respective dates on which the investments are sought to be made. In case the date falls on Non-business day, the immediate next Business Day will be considered for this purpose

An extension of an existing SIP will be treated as a new SIP on the date of such application, and all the above conditions need to be met with.

The Load structure prevailing at the time of submission of the SIP application (whether fresh or extension) will apply for all the Installments indicated in such application.

The AMC has the authority to make available SIP by way of a salary savings scheme for a group of employees through an arrangement with their employers.

For applicable Load on Purchases through SIP, please refer paragraph



'Load Structure' given in the document.

The AMC reserves the right to change / modify Load structure and other terms and conditions under the SIP prospectively at a future date. Please refer to the SIP Enrolment Form for terms & conditions before enrolment.

#### Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) Switch Facility:

Unit holders having registered SIP in the specified scheme(s) of the Fund can use SIP Switch Facility to terminate SIP in the existing scheme and initiate SIP in another specified scheme.

SIP Switch Facility shall be available to unit holders under all open ended schemes of the Fund except for Axis Liquid Fund, Axis Overnight Fund, Exchange Traded Funds and Axis Children's Gift Fund.

The terms and conditions of SIP Switch Facility are as below:

- 1. SIP Switch Facility can be availed by unit holders only after completion of minimum installments specified for SIP registration in the Switch-out (existing) scheme.
- 2. SIP Switch Facility will be considered as termination of SIP in Switchout scheme and subscription of SIP in Switch-in scheme.
- 3. SIP in Switch-in scheme will be subject to the terms of offering specified in the SID of Switch-in scheme.
- 4. SIP registration end date should ensure compliance of minimum SIP installments prescribed in Switch-in scheme.
- 5. SIP Switch Facility is available for changing SIP investment mandate from one scheme to another specified scheme. The same is also available for switch between Plans / Options offered under same scheme. Further, the amount of installment, date and frequency of SIP and SIP end date of Switch-out scheme shall remain same as under Switch-in scheme.
- 6. The allotment of units of Switch-in scheme shall be in the same folio.
- 7. SIP Switch Facility is not available for SIP subscribed with post-dated cheques.
- 8. Investors will have the option of changing the distributor code from direct to regular/ regular to direct.
- 9. Unit holder must submit request for SIP Switch at least 21 days before the SIP due date.

#### **Multiple SIPs Registration Mandate**

Unitholder can enroll multiple SIPs in different schemes by submitting one single application form/ payment instruction. All other terms and conditions applicable to SIP Facility shall be applicable for the facility.

#### Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) Top-Up Facility

The Facility enables unitholders to increase the SIP installment amount at pre-defined intervals by a fixed amount or anytime by a specified amount as per the request (in case of 'As & When frequency').

The terms and conditions of the Facility are as follows:

1. Top-Up Amount: The minimum amount of Top-Up shall be Rs. 500/and in multiple of Re. 1/-. In case of discrepancy in the Top-Up amount, SIP will be registered without Top-Up Facility.



- 2. Top-Up facility is available for SIP registered with Monthly frequency only.
- 3. Top-Up Frequency: Top-Up frequency is available only on 'Half Yearly', 'Yearly' and 'As & When frequency'. In case the Top-Up frequency is not specified / is not legible, the default frequency will be 'Yearly', provided Top-Up amount is mentioned clearly.
- 4. The Facility shall be available for SIP Investments through Electronic Debit arrangement/ NACH (National Automated Clearing House) or as may be specified by AMC.
- 5. The Facility can be availed by filling up prescribed form at time of SIP Facility enrolment. Existing SIPs cannot be converted into the Facility.
- 6. The application form for availing the Facility should be submitted 21 days before the first SIP installment date.
- 7. The gap between SIP registration and first Top-Up request under 'As & When' frequency and two instructions under 'As & When' frequency should be at least 3 months.
- 8. The Facility shall continue till the end date of the SIP. The Facility can be discontinued only by cancelling the SIP.
- 9. All other terms and conditions applicable to SIP Facility shall be applicable for the Facility.

#### SIP Pause facility:

Investors shall have an option to temporarily pause the SIP installments for a specified period of time. Upon expiry of the specified period, the SIP installments would re-start automatically.

The terms and conditions of SIP Pause facility are as follows:

- Under this Facility, investor has an option to temporarily pause their registered Monthly SIP facility for a period of six months by submitting prescribed application form at any of the Official Points of Acceptance of Axis Mutual Fund or by submitting application in other modes made available by AMC.
- 2. The SIP Pause facility can be availed by investor only two times during the entire tenure of SIP.
- The valid application to avail the Facility should be submitted to AMC at least 10 calendar days prior to the next Monthly SIP installment date (i.e. excluding the request date and the next SIP installment date). Investor cannot cancel the SIP Pause facility once requested.
- 4. The SIP Pause facility is only available under Monthly frequency. SIP pause facility is available only for investors with instalment amounts equal to or greater than SIP's greater than `Rs. 1,000/-SIP Pause facility can only be availed by investors who has completed 6 valid SIP installments.
- 5. The SIP shall restart automatically from the immediate next eligible installment after the completion of specified pause period.
- 6. This facility is not available for the SIPs sourced/registered through MF Utilities India Pvt. Ltd. ("MFUI"), Stock Exchange Platforms of NSE & BSE and Channel partner platforms, as for such SIPs, the SIP mandates are registered by respective entities or for SIPs which are registered by investors as Standing Instructions with their Banks.
- SIP Pause facility is not available for investors availing iPlus SIP Facility or Flex SIP facilities. For Top-up SIP facility, the top-up frequency would remain unchanged even if there is a pause in SIP instalment.
- 8. In case of multiple SIPs registered in a scheme, SIP Pause facility



will be made applicable only for those SIP instalments whose SIP date, frequency, amount and Plan is specified clearly in the form. AMC/Fund reserves the right to amend the terms and conditions of the SIP Pause facility and/or withdraw the said facility.

## PURCHASE/ REDEMPTION OF UNITS THROUGH STOCK EXCHANGE INFRASTRUCTURE

Investors can subscribe to the Units of Axis Mutual Fund through the mutual fund trading platforms of the Bombay Stock Exchange ("BSE"), National Stock Exchange ("NSE") – with NSDL, CDSL & as depositories for such units of the mutual fund.

NSE has introduced Mutual Fund Service System (MFSS) Platform and BSE has introduced BSE StAR MF Platform and has introduced ICEXMF platform (Stock Exchange Platform).

The following are the salient features of the MFSS / BSE StAR MF / Platform:

- 1. The facility i.e. purchase/redemption/SIP (Systematic Investment Plan) is available for both existing and new investors.
- 2. The Investors will be eligible to purchase/redeem units of the Scheme.
- 3. The facility can be availed by both, investors under Direct Plan offered by the schemes and investors investing through Distributors under the Regular Plan offered by the schemes.
- 4. List of additional Official Point of Acceptance
  The following shall be the additional Official Point of Acceptance
  of Transactions for the Scheme:

All trading members of BSE, NSE & who are registered with AMFI as Mutual Fund Distributors and also registered with BSE &/ or NSE &/or as Participants ("AMFI registered stock exchange brokers") will be eligible to offer this facility to investors and shall be treated as Official Point of Acceptance.

Units of mutual fund schemes shall be permitted to be transacted through clearing members of the registered Stock Exchanges. Further, the Depository Participants of registered Depositories are permitted to process only redemption request of units held in demat form.

Clearing members and Depository participants will be considered as Official Points of Acceptance of Axis Mutual Fund and conditions stipulated in SEBI circular no. SEBI/IMD/CIR No.11/183204/2009 dated November 13, 2009 for stock brokers viz. AMFI /NISM certification, code of conduct prescribed by SEBI for Intermediaries of Mutual Fund, shall be applicable for such Clearing members and Depository participants as well.

- 5. The units of the Scheme are not listed on BSE, NSE & and the same cannot be traded on the Stock Exchange. The window for purchase/redemption of units on MFSS/ BSE StAR MF / Platform will be available between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. or such other timings as may be decided.
- 6. Investors will be able to purchase/redeem units in the Scheme in the following manner:
  - (i) Investors shall receive redemption amount (if units are redeemed) and units (if units are purchased) through broker/



- clearing member's pool account. Axis AMC/Axis Mutual Fund (the "Mutual Fund") shall pay proceeds to the broker/clearing member (in case of redemption) and broker/clearing member in turn to the respective investor and similarly units shall be credited by the AMC/ Mutual Fund into broker/clearing member's pool account (in case of purchase) and broker/clearing member in turn shall credit the units to the respective investor's demat account.
- (ii) Payment of redemption proceeds to the broker/clearing members by AMC/Mutual Fund shall discharge AMC/Mutual Fund of its obligation of payment to individual investor. Similarly, in case of purchase of units, crediting units into broker/clearing member pool account shall discharge AMC/Mutual Fund of its obligation to allot units to individual investor.
- 7. Applications for purchase/redemption of units which are incomplete /invalid are liable to be rejected.
- 8. For all the transactions done through these platforms, separate Folio. No. shall be allotted to the existing and the new investors. The bank a/c number, address, nomination details etc. shall be the same as per the Demat account of the investor. In case of non-financial requests/applications such as change of address, change of bank details, etc. for units held in demat mode investors should approach the respective Depository Participant(s) and OPAT of AMC for units held in physical mode.
- 9. Investors will have to comply with Know Your Customer (KYC) norms as prescribed by BSE/NSE/CDSL/ NSDL/ and Axis Mutual Fund to participate in this facility.
- 10. Investors should get in touch with Investor Service Centres (ISCs) of Axis Mutual Fund for further details.

## Transaction through Stock Exchange Infrastructure using services of Distributor/ SEBI Registered Investment Advisor:

SEBI circular no. CIR/MRD/DSA/32/2013 dated October 4, 2013 and circular no. CIR/MRD/DSA/33/2014 dated December 9, 2014, has permitted Mutual Fund Distributors ("MF Distributors") and SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/MRD/DSA/CIR/P/2016/113 dated October 19, 2016 permitted SEBI Registered Investment Advisors ("RIAs") to use recognized Stock Exchange infrastructure to purchase/redeem units directly from Mutual Fund/AMC on behalf of their clients.

MF Distributor registered with AMFI or RIAs, will be eligible to use NMF-II platform of NSE (in addition to other intermediaries) and / or of BSE STAR MF of BSE and/ or platform of ICEX to purchase and redeem units of schemes of the Fund.

In addition to the guidelines specified for transacting through MFSS/BSE StAR MF / Platform above, following guidelines shall be applicable for transactions executed through MF Distributors/ RIAs on NMF-II / BSE StAR MF / Platform:

- MF distributors/RIAs shall not handle pay out/pay in of funds as well as units on behalf of investor. Pay in will be directly received by recognized clearing corporation and payout will be directly made to investor account. In the same manner, units shall be credited and debited directly from the demat account of investors.
- 2. Transactions only in physical (non-demat) transactions will be permitted through NMF-II / BSE StAR MF / Platform.



The facility of transacting in mutual fund schemes through stock exchange infrastructure is available subject to such operating guidelines, terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the respective Stock Exchanges from time to time.

## SYSTEMATIC TRANSFER PLAN (STP)

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 the 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

In case Day of Transfer has not been indicated under Daily and Weekly frequencies, Wednesday shall be treated as Default day. Further, in case of Monthly and Quarterly Frequency, if the STP date and Frequency has not been indicated, Monthly frequency shall be treated as Default frequency and 10<sup>th</sup> shall be treated as Default Date.

In case none of the frequencies have been selected then Monthly frequency shall be treated as Default frequency and 10<sup>th</sup> shall be treated as Default Date.

Investors could also opt for STP from an existing account by quoting their account / folio number.

A minimum period of 7 working days shall be required for registration under STP

Units will be allotted/redeemed at the applicable NAV of the respective dates of the Scheme in which such investments/withdrawals are sought from the Scheme.

The requests for discontinuation of STP shall be subject to an advance notice of 15 days before the next due date for STP and it will terminate automatically if all Units are liquidated or withdrawn from the account or upon the Funds' receipt of notification of death or incapacity of the Unit holder.

The AMC reserves the right to introduce STPs at any other frequencies or on any other dates as the AMC may feel appropriate from time to time. In the event that such a day is a Holiday, the transfer would be affected on the next Business Day.

Further, in case where the balance amount in a folio is less than the STP amount, the entire amount will be transferred to the transferee scheme.

For further details/ clarifications investors may contact the distributor(s)



or the ISCs of the AMC.

#### CAPITAL APPRECIATION SYSTEMATIC TRANSFER PLAN (CAPSTP)

Under this facility, the investors can opt for the Systematic Transfer Plan by investing a lump sum amount in one scheme of the Fund and providing a standing instruction to transfer capital appreciation at regular intervals - Weekly or Monthly or Quarterly into any other scheme (as maybe permitted by the Scheme Information Document of the respective schemes) of Axis Mutual Fund.

The capital appreciation, if any, will be calculated from the enrolment date of the CapSTP under the folio, till the first transfer date. Subsequent capital appreciation, if any, will be the capital appreciation between the previous CapSTP date (where CapSTP has been processed and paid) and the next CapSTP date

There are three options available under CapSTP viz. Weekly, Monthly and Quarterly option, the details of which are given below:

Cap\$TP Frequency	Cycle Date	Minimum Amount* (in Rs.)	Minimum Installment
Weekly	Monday To Friday	500/-	6
Monthly	1st, 7th, 10th, 15th or 25th	500/-	6
Quarterly	1st, 7th, 10th, 15th or 25th	1,000/-	2

The provision of 'Minimum Redemption Amount' as specified in the Scheme Information Document of the respective designated Transferor Schemes and 'Minimum Application Amount' specified in the Scheme Information Document of the respective designated Transferee Schemes will not be applicable for CapSTP.

Unit holders are required to fill in either the number of installments or the enrolment period in the enrolment Form, failing which the Form is liable to be rejected.

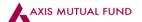
In case, the Enrolment Period has been filled, but the CapSTP Date and/or Frequency (Monthly/ Quarterly) has not been indicated, Monthly frequency shall be treated as Default frequency and 10<sup>th</sup> shall be treated as Default Date. In case of weekly frequency, Wednesday shall be treated as Default day.

In case none of the frequency is selected then Monthly frequency shall be treated as Default frequency and  $10^{th}$  shall be treated as Default Date.

The application for CapSTP enrolment - Monthly & Quarterly frequency should be submitted at least 7 working days and not more than 90 days before the desired commencement date.

In respect of CapSTP, the Load Structure prevalent at the time of enrolment shall govern the investors during the tenure of the CapSTP.

A minimum period of 7 working days shall be required for registration under CapSTP. Units will be allotted/redeemed at the applicable NAV (of the respective date(s)) of the Scheme from/to which such withdrawals/investments are being made.



The AMC reserves the right to introduce CapSTPs at any other frequencies or on any other dates as the AMC may feel appropriate from time to time. In the event that such a day is a Holiday, the transfer would be affected on the next Business Day.

The requests for discontinuation of CapSTP shall be subject to an advance notice of 15 days before the next due date for CapSTP.

CapSTP will terminate automatically if all Units are liquidated or withdrawn from the account or upon the Funds' receipt of notification of death or incapacity of the Unit holder. Further, in case where the balance amount in a folio is less than CapSTP amount, the entire amount will be transferred to the transferee scheme.

# FLEX - SYSTEMATIC INVESTMENT PLAN/ SYSTEMATIC TRANSFER PLAN ("FLEX SIP/ FLEX STP")

Terms and conditions of Flex SIP/STP are as follows:

- Flex SIP is a facility wherein an investor can opt to invest variable amount linked to the value of his investments in any of the existing open ended scheme(s) of Axis Mutual Fund ("Investee scheme"), on pre-determined date. This facility allows investors to take advantage of market movements by investing higher when the markets are low and vice-versa.
- 2. Flex STP is a facility wherein an investor under any of the existing open ended scheme(s) of Axis Mutual Fund can opt to transfer variable amount linked to value of his investments, on predetermined date from designated open-ended Scheme(s) of Axis Mutual Fund ("Transferor Scheme") to the Growth Option of designated open-ended Scheme(s) ("Transferee Scheme").
- 3. A single Flex SIP/STP Enrolment Form can be filled for investment/ transfer into one Scheme/Plan/Option only.
- 4. In case of valid enrolment forms received, indicating choice of option other than the growth option in the Investee / Transferee Scheme, it will be deemed as the growth option in the Investee / Transferee Scheme and processed accordingly.
- 5. In case of Flex STP, unit holders' details and mode of holding (single, jointly, anyone or survivor) in the Transferee Scheme will be as per the existing folio number of the Transferor Scheme. Units will be allotted under the same folio number. Unitholders' name should match with the details in the existing folio number, failing which the enrolment form is liable to be rejected.
- 6. The minimum number of installments for enrollment and Amount under Flex STP:

Frequency under Flex-STP Facility	Minimum Installments	Minimum Flex-STP amount (Rs.)
Monthly (1st, 7th,10th,15th	6	Rs. 1,000/- and in multiple of Rs. 1/-
or 25th)		multiple of Rs. 1/-
Quarterly (1st, 7th,10th,15th	2	Rs. 3,000/- and in
or 25th)		multiple of Rs. 1/-

7. The minimum number of installments for enrollment and Amount under **Flex SIP**:

Frequency under	Minimum	Minimum	Flex-SIP
Flex-SIP Facility	Installments	amount (Rs.)	



Monthly		Rs. 1,000/- and in multiple of Rs. 1/-
Yearly	3 Installments for all schemes	Rs. 12,000/- and in multiple of Rs. 1/-

There is no maximum duration for Flex SIP/STP enrolment.

#### 8. Calculation of Flex STP

Under the Flex STP – (as per the Frequency) unit holders will be eligible to transfer fixed amount to be transferred per installment **OR** the amount as determined by the following formula whichever is **higher**:

Fixed installment amount or (number of installments including the current installment X fixed amount to be transferred per installment) - market value of the investments through Flex STP in the Transferee Scheme on the date of transfer whichever is **Higher** 

In case of Flex STP, if the amount (as specified by the formula) to be transferred under STP is not available in the Transferor Scheme in the unit holder's account, the residual amount will be transferred to the Transferee Scheme and Flex STP will be closed.

#### **Calculation of Flex SIP**

Under the Flex SIP – (as per the Frequency) unit holders will be eligible to invest fixed amount to be invested per installment **OR** the amount as determined by the following formula whichever is **higher**:

Fixed installment amount or (number of installments including the current installment X fixed amount to be invested per installment) - market value of the investments through Flex SIP\* in the Investee Scheme whichever is **Higher** 

\*The installment value of FLEX SIP will be determined on the basis of NAV on 10th day (T-10) before the installment date. If T-10<sup>th</sup> day falls on a Non-Business day or falls during a book closure period, then valuation will be done on T-11<sup>th</sup> day.

In case of Flex SIP, the required amount is not available in the designated bank account and the debit instruction fails then Flex SIP will be stopped.

- 9. If the NAV falls continuously throughout the Flex STP period, number of installments may be less than those mentioned on application form.
- 10. The first Flex SIP/STP instalment will be processed for the fixed instalment amount specified by the unit holder at the time of enrolment. From the second Flex SIP/STP instalment onwards, the investment/ transfer amount shall be computed as per formula stated above.
- 11. In case the date of investment/ transfer falls on a Non-Business Day or the immediate next Business Day will be considered for the purpose of determining the applicable NAV.
- 12. Once the Flex SIP/ STP have been stopped the unit holder needs to provide a new request to start Flex SIP/ STP.
- 13. The redemption/ switch-out of units allotted in the Investee/ Transferee Scheme shall be processed on First in First out (FIFO) basis. If there are other financial transaction (purchase,



- redemption or switch) processed in the Investee/ Transferee scheme during the tenure of Flex SIP/ STP, the Flex SIP / Flex STP will be processed as normal SIP / STP for the rest of the instalments for a fixed amount.
- 14. In respect of Flex SIP / STP enrolments made in any of the existing open ended Scheme(s), the Load Structure prevalent at the time of enrolment shall be applicable to the investors during the tenure of the Flex SIP / STP. Load structure for investments through Flex SIP / STP to the Schemes eligible for this facility:
  - a. Exit Load of the Transferor Scheme(s)

    The amount transferred under the Flex STP from the Transferor Scheme to the Transferee Scheme shall be affected by switching units of Transferor Scheme at applicable NAV, after payment of exit load, if any, and subscribing to the units of the Transferee Scheme at Applicable NAV.
  - b. Exit Load of the Investee /Transferee Scheme(s) Applicable Exit Load, if any, in the Investee / Transferee Schemes Plan /Option as on the date of enrollment will also be levied. For Scheme load structure please refer to SID/ KIM or contact the nearest Investor Service Centre (ISC) of Axis Mutual Fund or visit our website www.axismf.com.
- 15. Flex STP will be automatically terminated if all units are liquidated or withdrawn from the Transferor Scheme or pledged or upon receipt of intimation of death of the unit holder.
- 16. The provision of 'Minimum Redemption Amount' as specified in the Scheme Information Document of the respective designated Transferor Scheme(s) and 'Minimum Application Amount' specified in the Scheme Information Document of the respective designated Transferee Scheme(s) will not be applicable for Flex SIP/ STP.
- 17. The request for Flex SIP/ STP should be submitted at least 25 calendar days before the first SIP and at least 7 calendar days before STP date.
- 18. Unit holders have a right to discontinue the Flex SIP/ STP facility at any time by sending a written request to the ISC. On receipt of such request, the Flex SIP / STP facility will be terminated within 20 working days.
- All other terms & conditions of Systematic Investment Plan and Systematic Transfer Plan are applicable to Flex SIP and STP respectively.

## Illustration: Calculation of Flex STP

Flex SIP/ STP that transfers Rs. 3,000/- every month from the Debt Fund to an Equity Fund.

Transferor Scheme:	Axis Credit Risk		
Transferee Scheme:	Axis Bluechip Fund-Growth		
	Option		
Date & Frequency of Flex STP: 10th date - Monthly Interval			
Amount of Transfer per Installment	Rs 3,000/-		
Number of Installments: 12			
Enrolment Period:	January - December 2013		

Calculation of Flex STP instalment amount on the date of the fourth instalment i.e. April 10, 2013

- i. Total units allotted up to the date of last installment i.e. March 10, 2013 is assumed as 822.73;
- ii. NAV of AXIS Bluechip Fund Growth Option on April 10, 2013 is



assumed as Rs. 9/- per unit;

iii. Hence the market value of the investment in the Investee / Transferee Scheme on the date of investment/ transfer is Rs. 7, 404.55[822.73X 9].

The installment amount will be calculated as follows:

a) Fixed amount specified at the time of enrolment: Rs.3,000/-

Or

b) As determined by the formula: (3,000 X 4) – 7,404.55= Rs. 4,595/-

a) or b) whichever is Higher.

Hence, on April 10, 2013, **the installment amount to be transferred** to the Transferee Scheme will be Rs. **4,595/-**

Illustration: Calculation of Flex SIP

Investee Scheme: Axis Bluechip Fund - Gro			
	Option		
Date & Frequency of Flex SIP:	x SIP: 10th date - Monthly Interval		
Amount per Installment Rs 3,000/-			
Number of Installments: 12			
<b>Enrolment Period:</b> January - December 2013			

Calculation of Flex SIP instalment amount for the  $4^{\text{th}}$  instalment i.e. April 10, 2013

- i. Total units allotted up to the date of last installment i.e. March 10, 2013 is assumed as 822.73;
- ii. NAV of Axis Bluechip Fund Growth Option on T-10th day\* is assumed as Rs. 9/- per unit;
- iii. Hence the market value of the investment in the Investee Scheme on T-10<sup>th</sup> day is Rs. 7,404.55[822.73X 9].

The installment amount will be calculated as follows:

a. Fixed amount specified at the time of enrolment: Rs. 3,000/-

Or

b. As determined by the formula:  $(3,000 \times 4) - 7,404.55 = Rs. 4,595/-$ 

a) or b) Whichever is Higher.

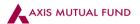
Hence, on April 10, 2013, **the installment amount to be invested** to the Investee Scheme will be Rs. **4,595/-.** 

\*The installment value of Flex SIP will be determined on the basis of NAV on 10th day (T-10) before the installment date. In the above example  $T-10^{th}$  day will be  $31^{st}$  March 2013

Investors are advised to read the SID/ KIM of the Transferee Scheme(s) and Statement of Additional Information (SAI) carefully before investing. The SID/ KIM of the respective Scheme(s) are available with the ISCs of Axis Mutual Fund, brokers/distributors and also displayed on the Axis Mutual Fund website i.e. www.axismf.com

#### SYSTEMATIC WITHDRAWAL PLAN (SWP)

Existing Unitholders have the benefit of availing the choice of SWP on pre-specified dates. The SWP allows the Unitholder to withdraw a specified sum of money each month/quarter from his investments in the Scheme.



The amount thus withdrawn by redemption will be converted into Units at Applicable NAV based prices and the number of Units so arrived at will be subtracted from the Units balance to the credit of that Unitholder.

Unitholders may start the facility/change the amount of withdrawals or the period of withdrawals by giving a 15 days written intimation/notice. The SWP may be terminated by a Unitholder by giving 15 days written intimation/notice and it will terminate automatically if all the Units are liquidated or withdrawn from the account or the holdings fall below the SWP installment amount.

There are four options available under SWP viz. Monthly option, quarterly option, Half Yearly and Yearly option. The details of which are given below:	Monthly Option	Quarterl y Option	Half Yearly Option	Yearly Option
Minimum value of SWP	Rs. 1,000/-			
Additional amount in multiples of	Re. 1/-			
Dates of SWP Installment	1/5/10/15/2	25*		
Minimum No of SWP	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.

Exit Load, if any, is applicable to SWP.

The AMC reserves the right to accept SWP applications of different amounts, dates and frequency.

Unitholders can enroll themselves for the facility by submitting the duly completed Systematic Withdrawal enrolment Form at any of the Investor Service Centres (ISCs)/Official Points of Acceptance (OPAs). The AMC / Trustee reserve the right to change / modify the terms and conditions under the SWP prospectively at a future date.

#### Investments through systematic routes:

- (a) In case of Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) / Systematic Transfer Plan (STP) etc. registered prior to the Effective Date without any distributor code under the Regular Plan, installments falling on or after the Effective Dates will automatically be processed under the Direct Plan.
- (b) Investors who had registered for Systematic Investment Plan facility prior to the Effective Date with distributor code and wish to invest their future installments into the Direct Plan, shall make a written request to the Fund in this behalf. The Fund will take at least 15 days to process such requests. Intervening installments will continue in the Regular Plan.



In case of (a) and (b) above, the terms and conditions of the existing registered enrolment shall continue to apply.

In case of Systematic Transfer Facilities (registered with Distributor Code) were registered under the Regular Plan prior to the Effective Date the future installments shall continue under the Regular Plan.

In case such investors wish to invest under the Direct Plan through these facilities, they would have to cancel their existing enrolments and register afresh for such facilities.

#### **SWITCHING OPTIONS**

## (a) Inter - Scheme Switching option

Unit holders under the Scheme have the option to Switch part or all of their Unit holdings in the Scheme to any other scheme offered by the Mutual Fund from time to time. The Mutual Fund also provides the Investors the flexibility to Switch their investments from any other scheme(s) / plan (s) offered by the Mutual Fund to this Scheme. This option will be useful to Unit holders who wish to alter the allocation of their investment among the scheme(s) / plan(s) of the Mutual Fund in order to meet their changed investment needs.

The Switch will be effected by way of a Redemption of Units from the Scheme at Applicable NAV, subject to Exit Load, if any and reinvestment of the Redemption proceeds into another scheme offered by the Mutual Fund at Applicable NAV and accordingly the Switch must comply with the Redemption rules of switch out Scheme and the Subscription rules of the switch in scheme.

#### (b) Intra -Scheme Switching option

Unit holders under the Scheme have the option to Switch their Unit holdings from one plan/option to another plan/option (i.e. Regular to Direct, Growth to IDCW and vice-a-versa). The Switches would be done at the Applicable NAV based prices and the difference between the NAVs of the two options will be reflected in the number of Units allotted.

Switching shall be subject to the applicable "Cut off time and Applicable NAV" stated elsewhere in the Scheme Information Document.

In case of "Switch" transactions from one scheme to another, the allocation shall be in line with Redemption payouts.

### TRANSACTION ON FAX

In order to facilitate quick processing of transaction and / or instruction of investment of Investor the AMC/ Trustee/ Mutual Fund may (at its sole discretion and without being obliged in any manner to do so and without being responsible and/ or liable in any manner whatsoever) accept and process any application, supporting documents and / or instructions submitted by an Investor / Unit holder by facsimile (Fax Submission) and the Investor / Unit holder voluntarily and with full knowledge takes and assumes any and all risk associated therewith. The AMC / Trustee/ Mutual Fund shall have no obligation to check or verify the authenticity or accuracy of Fax Submission



purporting to have been sent by the Investor and may act thereon as if same has been duly given by the Investor. In all cases the Investor will have to immediately submit the original documents/ instruction to AMC/ Mutual Fund.

#### **ONLINE TRANSACTIONS**

Axis Mutual Fund will allow Transactions including by way of Lumpsum Purchase/ Redemption / Switch of Units by electronic mode through the AMC website / Mobile Application / Whatsapp. The Subscription proceeds, when invested through this mode, are by way of direct debits to the designated bank through payment gateway. The Redemption proceeds, (subject to deduction of tax at source, if any) through this mode, are directly credited to the bank account of the Investors who have an account at the designated banks with whom the AMC has made arrangements from time to time or through NEFT/RTGS or through cheque/Payorder/Demand draft issuance or any other mode allowed by Reserve Bank of India from time to time. The AMC will have right to modify the procedure of transaction processing without any prior intimation to the Investor.

Investment amount through this facility may be restricted by the AMC from time to time in line with prudent risk management requirements and to protect the overall interest of the Investors.

For details of the facility, investors are requested to refer to the website of the AMC.

#### TRANSACTION FACILITY ON ELECTRONIC PLATFORMS/ WHATSAPP

Investors will be allowed to transact in the Scheme using WhatsApp Facility. The facility will be available to existing Resident Individual investors.

To avail this facility, investor will have to initiate message / request through WhatsApp to "+91-7506771113" through their registered mobile number. The investor transaction / service requests will be enabled after appropriate verification of the investor.

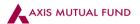
The transactions / services through this facility shall be subject to such limits, operating guidelines and terms & conditions as may be prescribed by Axis MF from time to time.

Online modes (including WhatsApp Facility) and other various digital platforms offered by Axis Mutual Fund shall be treated as Official Point of Acceptance. The uniform cut - off timing as prescribed by SEBI from time to time and mentioned in the SID and KIM of the Scheme shall be applicable for transactions received through these platforms.

## TRANSACTIONS THROUGH ELECTRONIC PLATFORM(S) OF KFIN TECHNOLOGIES LTD.

Investors will be allowed to transact through https://mfs.kfintech.com/mfs/, an electronic platform provided by M/s. Kfin Technologies Ltd., Registrar & Transfer Agent, in Schemes of Axis Mutual Fund ('Fund') (except Exchange Traded Funds). The facility will also be available through mobile application of Kfin Technologies Ltd.

The uniform cut off time as prescribed under the SEBI (Mutual Funds)



Regulations, 1996 and as mentioned in SID and KIM of the Scheme will be applicable for transactions received through the above electronic platform and the time of receipt of transaction recorded on the server(s) of Kfin Technologies Ltd. will be reckoned as the time for the purpose of determining applicability of NAV, subject to credit of funds to bank account of scheme, wherever applicable.

The facility is subject to operating guidelines, terms and conditions as may be prescribed by Kfin Technologies Ltd. or as may be specified by Axis AMC from time to time. For operating guidelines and terms and conditions, investors are requested to visit https://mfs.kfintech.com/mfs/.

Time of receipt of transaction recorded on the server(s) of Kfin Technologies Ltd.will continue to be reckoned for electronic transactions received through AMC website/ Distributor website/ applications etc subject to credit of funds to bank account of scheme, wherever applicable.

# ONLINE SCHEDULE TRANSACTION FACILITY ('THE OST FACILITY') 'THE FACILITY')

The OST facility shall enable Unitholders to schedule subscription / redemption / switch transaction(s) on specified date for specified amount/ units by giving online instruction.

The terms and conditions of the OST facility shall be as under:

- The Facility is available to the existing Unitholders of open ended schemes of Axis Mutual Fund (except Exchange Traded Funds), subject to completion of lock-in, if any.
- 2. The Facility is available only to Individual (including sole proprietor) Unitholders for units held in / subscription in physical mode.
- 3. The Facility for subscription transaction would be available to unitholders after completion of OTM Mandate / equivalent mandate registration process and as per limits specified therein.
- 4. Under the Facility the transaction can be scheduled to be executed on a specified date which shall be within 30 calendar days from the date of the instruction. Such specified date shall be a business day. In case the scheduled transaction date falls on a non-business day, the transaction will be executed on the immediately following business day.
- 5. The Facility shall be available on online transaction platform(s) viz website of Axis AMC i.e. <a href="www.axismf.com">www.axismf.com</a>. Axis AMC may extend the Facility to other transaction platforms from time to time, at its discretion.
- 6. The scheduled transaction may be cancelled by giving suitable instruction atleast one calendar day prior to the scheduled transaction date.
- 7. The triggered transaction on the scheduled date shall be considered as time stamped and will be executed on the specified date at the applicable NAV of the relevant scheme. In case the specified date happens to be a non-business day in debt schemes but is a business day in equity schemes, switch-out from equity schemes will be processed on the specified date, while the switch-in to debt/liquid schemes will be processed on the next business day.
- 8. The scheduled transaction(s) shall be subjected to exit load, minimum subscription/additional subscription application and



- other terms and conditions of the relevant scheme as per SID applicable on the specified date.
- 9. The scheduled transaction shall be liable to be rejected if sufficient amount is not available for subscription or sufficient number of units / amount is not available for redemption.
- Redemption transactions will not be executed in case units are pledged or where lien is marked on units, at the time of online instruction / on specified date.
- 11. Unitholders availing of this facility shall acquaint themselves with the features of the Scheme, including any modification / amendments carried out before the specified date.

The Facility is an additional facility provided to the Unitholders to plan their transactions in schemes using online platforms.

Axis AMC / Trustee reserves the right to change/ modify the terms and conditions or to make operational rules for operation of the Facility from time to time.

## Transfer of Income Distribution cum Capital Withdrawal plan (IDCW - TP)

The terms and conditions of Transfer of Income Distribution cum Capital Withdrawal plan (IDCW - TP) are as follows:

- IDCW TP is a facility wherein unit holder(s) of eligible scheme(s)
  [hereinafter referred to as "Source Scheme(s)"] of Axis Mutual Fund
  can opt to automatically invest the IDCW (as reduced by the
  amount of applicable statutory levy) declared by the Source
  Scheme into other eligible Scheme(s) [hereinafter referred to as
  "Target Scheme(s)"] of Axis Mutual Fund.
- 2) The facility is available under all the open ended schemes of Axis Mutual Fund except Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs).
- 3) IDCW TP facility is available to unit holder(s) only under the IDCW Plan / Option of the Source Scheme. However, the IDCW TP facility will not be available to unit holder(s) under the Daily IDCW Option in the Source Scheme(s). Unit holder's enrolment under the IDCW TP facility will automatically override any previous instructions for 'IDCW Payout' or 'IDCW Reinvestment' facility in the Source Scheme.
- 4) The enrolment for IDCW TP facility should be for all units under the respective IDCW Plan / Option of the Source Scheme. Instructions for part IDCW Transfer and part IDCW Payout / Reinvestment will not be accepted. The IDCW amount will be invested in the Target Scheme under the same folio. Accordingly, the unit holder(s) details and mode of holding in the Target Scheme will be same as in the Source Scheme.
- 5) The enrolment to avail of IDCW TP facility has to be specified for each Scheme/Plan/Option separately and not at the folio level.
- 6) Under IDCW TP, IDCW declared (as reduced by the amount of applicable statutory levy and deductions) in the Source scheme (subject to minimum of Rs.1,000/-) will be automatically invested into the Target Scheme, as opted by the unit holder, on the immediate next Business Day after the Record Date at the applicable NAV of the Target Scheme, subject to applicable load as specified under paragraph 9 below and accordingly equivalent units will be allotted in the Target Scheme, subject to the terms and conditions of the respective Target Scheme.
- 7) The provision for 'Minimum Application Amount' specified in the



respective Target Scheme's Scheme Information Document (SID) will not be applicable under IDCW - TP. E.g. the minimum application amount for new investors in Axis Bluechip Fund - Growth Plan is Rs. 5,000/-. However in case of IDCW - TP, a Unit Holder can avail of the facility irrespective of the amount of IDCW (subject to a minimum of Rs. 1,000/-).

8) The Minimum amount of IDCW eligible for transfer under IDCW - TP is Rs. 1,000/- (Rupees One Thousand Only). In case the IDCW - TP is being less than eligible amount, then the IDCW will be re-invested in source scheme/ payout as per the existing option.

#### 9) Load Structure:

The IDCW amount to be invested under the IDCW - TP from the Source Scheme to the Target Scheme shall be invested by subscribing to the units of the Target Scheme at applicable NAV, subject to payment of **Entry/Exit Load** as under:

#### Entry Load (Target Scheme)

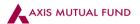
Direct Applications & Applications routed through any distributor/agent/broker: Nil

Exit Load (Source Scheme): Nil

Exit Load (Target Scheme): As per the relevant SID

The Trustee/AMC reserves the right to change the load structure under the IDCW - TP Facility at any time in future on a prospective basis.

- 10) The Account Statement will be issued by mail or by email (if opted by the unit holder) to the unit holder as per regulations. In case of specific request received from unitholders, the Mutual Fund shall endeavour to provide the account statement to the unitholders after every transaction of IDCW Transfer.
- 11) Unitholders who wish to enroll for IDCW TP facility are required to fill IDCW TP Enrolment Form available with the ISCs, distributors/agents and also displayed on the website www.axismf.com. The IDCW TP Enrolment Form should be completed in English in Block Letters only. The IDCW TP Enrolment Form complete in all aspects should be submitted at any of the Investor Services centre (ISCs) of Axis Mutual Fund.
- 12) The request for enrolment for IDCW TP must be submitted at least 10 days prior to the Record Date for the IDCW. In case of the condition not being met, the enrolment would be considered valid from the immediately succeeding Record Date of the IDCW, provided the difference between the date of receipt of a valid application for enrolment under IDCW TP and the next Record Date for IDCW is not less than 10 days.
- 13) Unitholder(s) are advised to read the SID of Target Scheme(s) carefully before investing. The SID/KIM of the respective Scheme(s) are available with the ISCs of Axis Mutual Fund, brokers / distributors and also displayed on the Axis Mutual Fund website i.e. www.axismf.com
- 14) Unit holders will have the right to discontinue the IDCW TP facility at any time by sending a written request to the ISC. Notice of such discontinuance should be received at least 10 days prior to the IDCW Record Date. On receipt of such request, the IDCW TP facility will be terminated. At the time of discontinuation of IDCW TP facility, the Unit holders should indicate their choice of option i.e. IDCW reinvestment or IDCW payout. In the event the Unitholder does not indicate his choice of IDCW option, the IDCW,



if any, will be reinvested (compulsory payout if IDCW reinvestment option is not available) in the Source Scheme. Once the request for IDCW - TP is registered, then it shall remain in force unless it is terminated as aforesaid.

The Trustee reserves the right to change/ modify the terms and conditions of the IDCW - TP at a later date on a prospective basis.

#### **APPLICATION VIA ELECTRONIC MODE:**

Subject to the Investor fulfilling certain terms and conditions stipulated by the AMC as under, Axis Asset Management Company Ltd., Axis Mutual Fund or any other agent or representative of the AMC, Mutual Fund, the Registrar & Transfer Agents may accept transactions through any electronic mode including fax/web/ electronic transactions as permitted by SEBI or other regulatory authorities:

- i. The acceptance of the fax/web/electronic transactions will be solely at the risk of the transmitter of the fax/web/ electronic transactions and the Recipient shall not in any way be liable or responsible for any loss, damage caused to the transmitter directly or indirectly, as a result of the transmitter sending or purporting to send such transactions.
- ii. The recipient will also not be liable in the case where the transaction sent or purported to be sent is not processed on account of the fact that it was not received by the Recipient.
- iii. The transmitter's request to the Recipient to act on any fax/web/electronic transmission is for the transmitter's convenience and the Recipient is not obliged or bound to act on the same.
- iv. The transmitter acknowledges that fax/web/electronic transactions is not a secure means of giving instructions/ transactions requests and that the transmitter is aware of the risks involved including those arising out of such transmission.
- v. The transmitter authorizes the recipient to accept and act on any fax/web/ electronic transmission which the recipient believes in good faith to be given by the transmitter and the recipient shall be entitled to treat any such fax/web/ electronic transaction as if the same was given to the recipient under the transmitter's original signature.
- vi. The transmitter agrees that security procedures adopted by the recipient may include signature verification, telephone call backs which may be recorded by tape recording device and the transmitter consents to such recording and agrees to cooperate with the recipient to enable confirmation of such fax/web/electronic transaction requests.
- vii. The transmitter accepts that the fax/web/ electronic transactions, where applicable shall not be considered until time stamped as a valid transaction request in the Scheme in line with the Regulations.

In consideration of the recipient from time to time accepting and at its sole discretion acting on any fax/ web/electronic transaction request received / purporting to be received from the transmitter, the transmitter agrees to indemnify and keep indemnified the AMC, Directors, employees, agents, representatives of the AMC, Axis Mutual Fund and Trustee from and against all actions, claims, demands, liabilities, obligations, losses, damages, costs and expenses of whatever nature (whether actual or contingent) directly or indirectly



suffered or incurred, sustained by or threatened against the indemnified parties whatsoever arising from or in connection with or any way relating to the indemnified parties in good faith accepting and acting on fax/web/ electronic transaction requests including relying upon such fax/ electronic transaction requests purporting to come from the Transmitter even though it may not come from the Transmitter.

The AMC reserves the right to discontinue the facility at any point of time.

Distributors offer goal based financial planning (facility) to their clients. In order to encourage Investors to plan for their investments based on life goals (e.g. child's education, retirement, wealth creation, etc), the Asset Management Company would assist in providing such facilities. Since such facilities are aimed at helping Investors achieving their financial goals, certain features offered by Axis Mutual Fund may not be offered/ available under such goal based investment folios. Under a folio, no additional purchase, switch and part redemption would be allowed. Requests for changes in goals/goal details will not be accepted. Under normal circumstances, there is no restriction on the right of the investor to transact directly with the mutual fund.

Multiple goals based investments can be applied for under one application form and a single cheque in the name of 'Axis Mutual Fund First Investor name' or 'Axis Mutual Fund Permanent Account Number' would have to be provided by the Investor. Transaction charge would be charged at application form level.

In case there is a broker code change/the investor is desirous of being a direct investor with the mutual fund, the investment will cease to be a part of the facility. Investors may note that investments under such facilities would be based on advice from the Distributor and the Asset Management Company acts purely in capacity as a facilitator for such transactions. The distributor(s) may choose to modify/change or discontinue the above stated facility. In such a case the investors may continue their investment with the AMC/any other distributor.

For further details/clarifications investors may contact the distributor(s) or the ISCs of the AMC.

#### **Accounts Statements**

- a. On acceptance of the application for subscription, an allotment confirmation specifying the number of units allotted by way of email and/or SMS within 5 business days from the date of receipt of transaction request will be sent to the Unit Holders registered email address and/or mobile number.
- b. 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.
- c. For those Unit holders who have provided an e-mail address, the AMC will send the account statement by e-mail.
- d. 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.
- e. 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.

#### CONSOLIDATED ACCOUNT STATEMENT (CAS)

CAS is an account statement detailing all the transactions and holding at the end of the month including transaction charges paid to the distributor, across all schemes of all mutual funds. CAS issued to investors shall also provide the total purchase value/cost of investment in each scheme.

Further, CAS issued for the half-year (September/ March) shall also provide

- a. The amount of actual commission paid by AMC/Mutual Fund to distributors (in absolute terms) during the half-year period against the concerned investor's total investments in each scheme.
- b. The scheme's average Total Expense Ratio (in percentage terms) along with the break up between Investment and Advisory fees, Commission paid to the distributor and Other expenses for the period for each scheme's applicable plan (regular or direct or both) where the concerned investor has actually invested in.

Further, whenever distributable surplus is distributed, a clear segregation between income distribution (appreciation on NAV) and capital distribution (Equalization Reserve) shall be suitably disclosed in the CAS.

The word transaction will include purchase, redemption, switch, IDCW payout, IDCW reinvestment, systematic investment plan, systematic withdrawal plan and systematic transfer plan.

#### a) For Unitholders not holding Demat Account:

CAS for each calendar month shall be issued, on or before 15th day of succeeding month by the AMC.

The AMC shall ensure that a CAS for every half yearly (September/March) is issued, on or before 21st day of succeeding month, detailing holding at the end of the six month, across all schemes of all mutual funds, to all such investors in whose folios no transaction has taken place during that period.

The AMC shall identify common investors across fund houses by their Permanent Account Number (PAN) for the purposes of sending CAS. In the event the account has more than one registered holder, the first named Unit Holder shall receive the Account Statement.

The AMC will send statement of accounts by e-mail where the Investor has provided the e-mail id. Additionally, the AMC may at its discretion send Account Statements individually to the investors.

## b) For Unitholders holding Demat Account:

SEBI vide its circular no. CIR/MRD/DP/31/2014 dated November 12,



2014 read with other applicable circulars issued by SEBI from time to time, to enable a single consolidated view of all the investments of an investor in Mutual Fund and securities held in demat form with Depositories, has required Depositories to generate and dispatch a single CAS for investors having mutual fund investments and holding demat accounts.

In view of the aforesaid requirement, for investors who hold demat account, for transactions in the schemes of Axis Mutual Fund, a CAS, based on PAN of the holders, will be sent by Depositories to investors holding demat account, for each calendar month within  $15^{\rm th}$  day of the succeeding month to the investors in whose folios transactions have taken place during that month.

CAS will be sent by Depositories every half yearly (September/March), on or before 21st day of succeeding month, detailing holding at the end of the six month, to all such investors in whose folios and demat accounts there have been no transactions during that period.

CAS sent by Depositories is a statement containing details relating to all financial transactions made by an investor across all mutual funds viz. purchase, redemption, switch, IDCW payout, IDCW reinvestment, systematic investment plan, systematic withdrawal plan, systematic transfer plan (including transaction charges paid to the distributor) and transaction in dematerialized securities across demat accounts of the investors and holding at the end of the month.

In case of demat accounts with nil balance and no transactions in securities and in mutual fund folios, the depository shall send account statement in terms of regulations applicable to the depositories. Investors whose folio(s)/ demat account(s) are not updated with PAN shall not receive CAS.

Consolidation of account statement is done on the basis of PAN. Investors are therefore requested to ensure that their folio(s)/ demat account(s) are updated with PAN. In case of multiple holding, it shall be PAN of the first holder and pattern of holding.

For Unit Holders who have provided an e-mail address to the Mutual Fund or in KYC records, the CAS is sent by e-mail. However, where an investor does not wish to receive CAS through email, option is given to the investor to receive the CAS in physical form at the address registered in the Depository system.

Investors who do not wish to receive CAS sent by depositories have an option to indicate their negative consent. Such investors may contact the depositories to opt out. Investors who do not hold demat account continue to receive CAS sent by RTA/AMC, based on the PAN, covering transactions across all mutual funds as per the current practice.

In case an investor has multiple accounts across two depositories; the depository with whom the account has been opened earlier will be the default depository.

The dispatches of CAS by the depositories constitute compliance by the AMC/ the Fund with the requirement under Regulation 36(4) of



SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations. However, the AMC reserves the right to furnish the account statement in addition to the CAS, if deemed fit in the interest of investor(s).

Investors whose folio(s)/demat account(s) are not updated with PAN shall not receive CAS. Investors are therefore requested to ensure that their folio(s)/demat account(s) are updated with PAN.

For folios not included in the CAS (due to non-availability of PAN), the AMC shall issue monthly account statement to such Unit holder(s), for any financial transaction undertaken during the month on or before 15<sup>th</sup> of succeeding month by mail or email.

For folios not eligible to receive CAS (due to non-availability of PAN), the AMC shall issue an account statement detailing holding across all schemes at the end of every six months (i.e. September/March), on or before 21st day of succeeding month, to all such Unit holders in whose folios no transaction has taken place during that period shall be sent by mail/e-mail.

#### OPTION TO HOLD UNITS IN DEMATERIALIZED (DEMAT) FORM

Investors shall have an option to receive allotment of Mutual Fund units in their demat account while subscribing to the Units of 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.

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. Further, demat option shall also be available for SIP transactions. Units will be allotted based on the applicable NAV as per Scheme Information Document and will be credited to investors Demat Account on weekly basis on realization of funds.

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.

#### Transferability of units:

Units unless otherwise restricted or prohibited shall be freely transferable by act of parties or by operation of law. The asset management company shall on production of instrument of transfer together with the relevant unit certificates, register the transfer and return the unit certificates to the transferee within timelines prescribed by SEBI from time to time.

## Income Distribution cum Capital Withdrawal (IDCW)

The IDCW warrants/cheque/demand draft shall be dispatched to the Unit holders within 7 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.

The proceeds will be paid by way of EFT/NEFT/RTGS/Direct credits/ any other electronic manner / any other mode allowed by Reserve Bank of India from time to time if sufficient banking account details are available with Mutual Fund for Investor.

In case of specific request for IDCW by warrants/ cheques/ demand drafts or unavailability of sufficient details with the Mutual Fund, the IDCW will be paid by warrant/cheques/demand drafts and payments will be made in favour of the Unit holder (registered holder of the Units or, if there are more than one registered holder, only to the first registered holder) with bank account number furnished to the Mutual Fund (please note that it is mandatory for the Unit holders to provide the Bank account details as per the directives of SEBI).

#### Redemption

#### **How to Redeem**

A Transaction Slip can be used by the Unit Holder to request for Redemption. The requisite details should be entered in the Transaction Slip and submitted at an ISC/Official Point of Acceptance. Transaction Slips can be obtained from any of the ISCs/Official Points of Acceptance. Investor can also place redemption through Online through the AMC's website subject to the terms and conditions as maybe stipulated from time to time.

#### Procedure for payment of redemption.

#### 1. Resident Investors

Redemption proceeds will be paid to the investor through Real Time Gross Settlement (RTGS), NEFT, Direct Credit, Cheque or Demand Draft.

- a) If investor had provided IFSC code in the application form, by default redemption proceeds shall be credited to Investor's account through RTGS/NEFT etc or any other mode allowed by Reserve Bank of India from time to time.
- b) If Investor has neither provided RTGS code nor the NEFT code but have a bank account with Banks with whom the Fund would has an arrangement for Direct Credit from time to time, the proceeds will be paid through direct credit.



c) Incase if investor bank account does not fall in the above a to b categories, redemption proceeds will be paid by cheques/demand drafts, marked "Account Payee only" and drawn in the name of the sole holder / first-named holder (as determined by the records of the Registrar).

The bank name and bank account number, as specified in the Registrar's records, will be mentioned in the cheque/demand draft. The cheque will be payable at par at all bank branch or specific cities. If the Unit Holder resides in any other city, he will be paid by a demand draft payable at the city of his residence and the demand draft charges shall be borne by the AMC (please refer SAI for details).

The redemption proceeds will be sent by courier or (if the addressee city is not serviced by the courier) by registered post/UCP. The dispatch for the purpose of delivery through the courier / postal department, as the case may be, shall be treated as delivery to the investor. The AMC / Registrar are not responsible for any delayed delivery or non-delivery or any consequences thereof, if the dispatch has been made correctly as stated in this paragraph.

The AMC reserves the right to change the sequence of payment from (a) to (c) without any prior notice

For Unit holders who have given specific request for Cheque/Demand Draft Redemption proceeds will be paid by cheque/demand drafts and payments will be made in favour of the Unit holder with bank account number furnished to the Mutual Fund

(Please note that it is mandatory for the Unit holders to provide the Bank account details as per the directives of SEBI). Redemption cheques will be sent to the Unit holder's address.

The Trustee, at its discretion at a later date, may choose to alter or add other modes of payment.

#### 2. Non-Resident Investors/PIO/OCI

For NRIs, Redemption proceeds will be remitted depending upon the source of investment as follows:

### (i) Repatriation basis

When Units have been purchased through remittance in foreign exchange from abroad or by cheque / draft issued from proceeds of the Unit Holder's FCNR deposit or from funds held in the Unit Holder's Non Resident (External) account kept in India. The proceeds can also be sent to his Indian address for crediting to his NRE / FCNR / non-resident (Ordinary) account, if desired by the Unit Holder.

## (ii) Non-Repatriation basis

When Units have been purchased from funds held in the Unit Holder's non-resident (Ordinary) account, the proceeds will be sent to the Unit Holder's Indian address for crediting to the Unit Holder's non-resident (Ordinary) account.

(iii) FPI



For FPIs, the designated branch of the authorized dealer may allow remittance of net sale / maturity proceeds (after payment of taxes) or credit the amount to the Foreign Currency account or Non-resident Rupee account of the FPI maintained in accordance with the approval granted to it by the RBI. The Fund will not be liable for any delays or for any loss on account of any exchange fluctuations, while converting the rupee amount in foreign exchange in the case of transactions with NRIs/FPIs. The Fund may make other arrangements for effecting payment of redemption proceeds in future.

## **Effect of Redemptions**

The number of Units held by the Unit Holder in his / her / its folio will stand reduced by the number of Units Redeemed. Units once redeemed will be extinguished and will not be re-issued.

The normal processing time may not be applicable in situations where requisite details are not provided by investors/Unit holders. The AMC will not be responsible for any loss arising out of fraudulent encashment of cheques and/or any delay/loss in transit.

AMC reserves the right to provide the facility of redeeming Units of the Scheme through an alternative mechanism including but not limited to online transactions on the Internet, as may be decided by the AMC from time to time. The alternative mechanism may also include electronic means of communication such as redeeming Units online through the AMC Website or any other website etc. The alternative mechanisms would be applicable to only those investors who opt for the same in writing and/or subject to investor fulfilling such conditions as AMC may specify from time to time.

#### Signature mismatches

If the AMC / Registrar finds a signature mismatch, while processing the redemption/ switch out request, then the AMC/ Registrar reserves the right to process the redemption only on the basis of supporting documents confirming the identity of the investors. List of such documents would be notified by AMC from time to time on its website.

**Important Note:** All applicants for Purchase of Units /Redemption of Units must provide a bank name, bank account number, branch address, and account type in the Application Form.

#### **Unclaimed Redemptions and IDCW**

As per Para 14.3 of Master Circular for Mutual Funds issued by SEBI, the unclaimed Redemption and IDCW amounts shall be deployed by the Fund money market instruments and 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 circular no. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/ 2016/37 dated February 25, 2016 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 dividend amounts.

Delay in payment o redemption , repurchase proceeds

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 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.

Facility to transact in units of the Schemes through MF Utility portal & MFUI Points of Services pursuant to appointment of MF Utilities India Pvt. Ltd.

AMC has entered into an Agreement with MF Utilities India Pvt. Ltd. ("MFUI"), a "Category II – Registrar to an Issue" under SEBI (Registrars to an Issue and Share Transfer Agents) Regulations, 1993, for usage of MF Utility ("MFU") - a shared services initiative of various Asset Management Companies, which acts as a transaction aggregation portal for transacting in multiple Schemes of various Mutual Funds with a single form and a single payment instrument.

Accordingly, investors are requested to note that in addition to the existing Official Points of Acceptance for accepting transactions in the units of the schemes of the Axis Mutual Fund as disclosed in the SID, <a href="https://www.mfuonline.com">www.mfuonline.com</a> i.e. online transaction portal of MFU and the authorized Points of Service ("POS") designated by MUFI shall also be the OPA with effect from the dates as may be specified by MFUI on its website/ AMC by issuance of necessary communication.

All financial and non-financial transactions pertaining to Schemes of Axis Mutual Fund can be done through MFU either electronically on www.mfuonline.com or physically through the POS of MFUI with effect from the respective dates as published on MFUI website against the respective POS locations. The list of POS of MFUI is published on the website of MFUI at www.mfuindia.com. This will be updated from time to time.

The uniform cut-off time as prescribed under SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996, circulars issued by SEBI and as mentioned in the SID / KIM of Scheme shall be applicable for applications received on the portal of MFUI i.e. www.mfuonline.com. However, investors should note that transactions on the MFUI portal shall be subject to the terms & conditions (including those relating to eligibility of investors) as stipulated by MFUI / Axis Mutual Fund / the AMC from time to time and in accordance to the laws applicable.

MFUI will allot a Common Account Number ("CAN"), a single



reference number for all investments in the Mutual Fund industry, for transacting in multiple Schemes of various Mutual Funds through MFU and to map existing folios, if any. Investors can create a CAN by submitting the CAN Registration Form (CRF) and necessary documents at the MFUI POS. The AMC and / or its Registrar and Transfer Agent (RTA) shall provide necessary details to MFUI as may be needed for providing the required services to investors / distributors through MFU.

# MF Central as Official Point of Acceptance

Investors are requested to note that pursuant to SEBI circular no SEBI/HO/IMD/IMD- II DOF3/P/CIR/2021/604 dated July 26, 2021, to comply with the requirements of RTA inter-operable Platform for enhancing investors' experience in Mutual Fund transactions / service requests, the QRTA's, Kfin Technologies Limited and Computer Age Management Services Limited (CAMS) have jointly developed MFCentral – A digital platform for Mutual Fund investors.

MFCentral is created with an intent to be a one stop portal / mobile app for all Mutual fund investments and service-related needs that significantly reduces the need for submission of physical documents by enabling various digital / physical services to Mutual fund investors across fund houses subject to applicable T&Cs of the Platform. MFCentral will be enabling various features and services in a phased manner. MFCentral may be accessed using <a href="https://mfcentral.com/">https://mfcentral.com/</a> and a Mobile App in future.

With a view to comply with all provisions of the aforesaid circular and to increase digital penetration of Mutual funds, Axis Mutual Fund designates MFCentral as its Official point of acceptance (OPA) w.e.f.  $23^{rd}$  September 2021.

Any registered user of MFCentral, requiring submission of physical document as per the requirements of MFCentral, may do so at any of the designated Investor Service centres or collection centres of Kfin Technologies Ltd. or CAMS.



## C. PERIODIC DISCLOSURES

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Net Asset Value	The NAVs will be calculated and disclosed on all the Business Days. The AMC shall update the NAVs on the website of the AMC		
This is the value per unit of the scheme on a	(www.axismf.com) and of the Association of Mutual Funds in India - AMFI (www.amfiindia.com) before 11.00 p.m. on every Business Day. If		
particular day. You can	the NAVs are not available before the commencement of Business		
ascertain the value of	Hours on the following day due to any reason, the Mutual Fund shall		
your investments by	issue a press release giving reasons and explaining when the Mutual		
multiplying the NAV with your unit balance.	Fund would be able to publish the NAV.		
your offin balance.	Information regarding NAV can be obtained by the Unit holders / Investors by calling or visiting the nearest ISC.		
Monthly and Half yearly	The AMC will disclose the portfolio of the Scheme (alongwith ISIN) as		
Disclosures: Portfolio / Financial Results	on the last day of the month / half year on the website of the Mutual		
Findificial Results	Fund and AMFI within 10 days from the close of each month/ half year (i.e. 31st March and 30th September) respectively in a user-friendly		
This is a list of securities	and downloadable spreadsheet format. Further, AMC shall publish an		
where the corpus of the	advertisement in an all India edition of one national English daily		
scheme is currently	newspaper and one Hindi newspaper, every half year, disclosing the		
invested. The market value of these	hosting of the half-yearly statement of its schemes' portfolio on the website of the Mutual Fund and AMFI and the modes through which		
investments is also	unitholder(s) can submit a request for a physical or electronic copy of		
stated in portfolio	the statement of scheme portfolio.		
disclosures.			
	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.		
Half Yearly Results	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.		
Annual Report	The Scheme wise 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 AMC (www.axismf.com) and 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
Risk-o-meter		copy of the annual report or abridged summary thereof.  The AMC shall review Risk-o-meters on a monthly basis based on evaluation of risk level of Scheme's month end portfolio. Changes in Risk-o-meter, if any, shall be communicated by way of Notice cum Addendum. Investors may also refer to the website/portfolio disclosure for the latest Risk-o-meter of the Scheme.
Scheme Document	Summary	The AMC has provided on its website Scheme Summary Document which is a 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

Associate Transactions	Please refer to Statement of Additional Information (SAI).			
Taxation  Rates applicable for the FY 23-24.	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.			
	Particulars  Taxability in the hands of Individuals / No corporates / Corporates		of Individuals / Non-	
	Particulars	Resident	Non-Resident	
	Tax on distributed income	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)	
	Long Term Capital Gains: (Held for a period of more than 12 Months)	10% (plus applicable surcharge and health and education cess) without indexation (Refer Note 5)	10% (plus applicable surcharge and health and education cess) without indexation (Refer Note 5)	
	Short Term Capital Gains (Held for a period of 12 months or less)	15% (plus applicable surcharge and health and education cess)	15% (plus applicable surcharge and health and education cess)	



#### Notes -

- 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.
- 2. Surcharge at the following rate to be levied in case of individual / HUF / non-corporate non-firm unit holders for equity oriented mutual fund:

Income	Individual /HUF / non- corporate non-firm unit holders
(a) Above Rs 50 lakh upto 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 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 section 111A, 112 and 112A of the Act)] but not covered in point (c) and (d) above	15%

3. Surcharge rates for Companies/ firm

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 of the Act on any income earned.



	In case of firm with total income exceeding Rs 1 crore, surcharge rate shall be 12%.		
	4. Health and Education cess at 4% on aggregate of base tax and surcharge.		
	5. As per section 112A of the Act, long-term capital gains, exceeding Rs 1,00,000, arising from transfer of equity oriented mutual funds, shall be chargeable at the rate of 10% (plus applicable surcharge and health and education cess).		
	6. The Scheme will attract securities transaction tax (STT) at 0.001% on the redemption value.		
	7. Withholding of Taxation by Mutual Fund will as per applicable withholding tax rate.		
	8. 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		
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.		
Investor services	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 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.		
	Any complaints should be addressed to Mr. C P Shivkumar Nair who has been appointed as the Investor Relations Officer and can be contacted at:  Address: Axis Asset Management Company Ltd.  "Axis House", 1st Floor, C-2, Wadia International Centre, Pandurang Budhkar Marg, Worli, Mumbai – 400025  Phone no.: 022 - 4325 4123  Email: customerservice@axismf.com		
	For any grievances with respect to transactions through BSE StAR and / or NSE MFSS, the investors / Unit Holders should approach either the stock broker or the investor grievance cell of the respective stock exchange.		

## D. COMPUTATION OF NAV



The Net Asset Value (NAV) per Unit 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.

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

Market or Fair + Current Assets including - Current Liabilities

Value of Scheme's Accrued Income and Provisions

NAV (Rs.) = Investments

No. of Units outstanding under Scheme on the Valuation Day

The NAV shall be calculated up to 4 decimal places. However the AMC reserves the right to declare the NAVs up to additional decimal places as it deems appropriate. Separate NAV will be calculated and disclosed for each Plan/Option. The NAVs of the Growth Option and the IDCW Option under each of the plans will be different after the declaration of the first IDCW.

The NAVs will be calculated and disclosed on all the Business Days.



#### III. FEES AND EXPENSES

This section outlines the expenses that will be charged to the Scheme.

#### A. 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 & Transfer Agent expenses, printing and stationary, bank charges etc.

In accordance with the provisions of SEBI circular no. SEBI/ IMD/CIR No. 1/64057/06 dated April 04, 2006 and SEBI/IMD/CIR No. 4/ 168230/09 dated June 30, 2009, the Scheme, being an openended scheme, the NFO expenses has been borne by the AMC/Sponsor.

#### **B. ANNUAL SCHEME RECURRING EXPENSES**

These are the fees and expenses for operating the Scheme. These expenses include 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 the following expenses will be charged to the Scheme 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 2.25%
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	
Other Expenses	
Maximum total expense ratio (TER) permissible under Regulation 52(6)(c)	Upto 2.25%
Additional expenses under Regulation 52(6A)(c)	Upto 0.05%
Additional expenses for gross new inflows from specified cities under Regulation 52(6A)(b)\$	Upto 0.30%

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 Regular 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.

<sup>\*</sup>Any other expenses which are directly attributable to the Scheme, maybe charged with the approval of the Trustee within the overall limits as specified in the Regulations except those expenses which are specifically prohibited.



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 the Investment Manager and are subject to change inter-se or in total subject to prevailing Regulations.

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	2.25%	
On the next Rs. 250 crores of the daily net assets	2.00%	
On the next Rs. 1250 crores of the daily net assets	1.75%	
On the next Rs. 3000 crores of the daily net assets	1.60%	
On the next Rs. 5000 crores of the daily net assets	1.50%	
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	1.05%	

The total expenses of each Plan 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.

#### Expenses charged to the Scheme:

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 for gross new inflows from specified cities

- (a) expenses not exceeding of 0.30 per cent of daily net assets, if the new inflows from such cities as specified by SEBI/AMFI from time to time are at least -
  - (i) 30 per cent of gross new inflows in the Scheme, or;
  - (ii) 15 per cent of the average assets under management (year to date) of the Scheme, whichever is higher:

**^Note:** Pursuant to SEBI letter dated February 24, 2023 read with AMFI communication dated March 02, 2023, w.e.f March 01, 2023 no additional expense shall be charged on the new inflows received on or after March 01, 2023 from specified cities as per Regulation 52 (6A) (b) till any further guidance is received from SEBI in this regard.

Provided that if inflows from such cities is less than the higher of sub-clause (i) or sub- clause (ii), such expenses on daily net assets of the Scheme shall be charged on proportionate basis.

Provided further that, expenses charged under this clause shall be utilised for distribution expenses incurred for bringing inflows from such cities.

Provided further that, amount incurred as expense on account of inflows from specified cities so charged shall be credited back to the Scheme, in case the said inflows are redeemed within a period of 1 year from the date of investment.



Provided further that, additional TER can be charged based on inflows only from retail investors in terms of Para 10.1 of SEBI master circular for Mutual Fund dated May 19, 2023 and amended from time to time For this purpose inflows of amount upto Rs 2,00,000/- per transaction, by individual investors shall be considered as inflows from "retail investor".

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

- (b) 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;
- (c) GST payable on investment and advisory service fees ('AMC fees') charged by Axis Asset Management Company Ltd.;

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 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 anyshall be borne by the Scheme
  - b) Investor education and awareness initiative fees of at least 2 basis points on daily net assets of the 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.
- 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 the current expense ratios on its website (www.axismf.com) atleast 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 of impact of expense ratio on scheme's returns.

For any scheme, NAV is computed on a daily basis factoring in all the assets as well as liabilities of the Scheme (including expenses charged). Expenses charged to the Scheme bring down its NAV and hence the investor's net returns on a corresponding basis.

Illustration:

Illustration for Regular Plan:



Particulars	Amount (in Rs.)	No o units	fNAV per unit (in Rs.)
Invested on March 31, 2022 (A)	10,000	1,000	10.00
Value of above investment as on March 31, 2023 (gross of all expenses) (B)	11,500	1,000	11.50
(assumed) (C)	200		0.20
Value of above investment as on March 31, 2023 (net of all expenses) (D) = (B-C)	11,300	1,000	11.30
Returns (%) (gross of all applicable expenses) (E) = ((B/A)-1)	15.0%		
Returns (%) (net of all applicable expenses) (F) = $((D/A)-1)$	13.0%		

<sup>\*</sup>Expenses are computed on daily average assets of the scheme.

Effect of STT on transactions in mutual funds is not factored into this illustration.

#### Illustration for Direct Plan:

Particulars	Amount (in Rs.)	No of units	NAV per unit (in Rs.)
Invested on March 31, 2022 (A)	10,000	1,000	10.00
Value of above investment as on March 31, 2023 (gross of all expenses) (B)	11,500	1,000	11.50
Total Expenses charged during the year @0.5% p.a.* (assumed) (C)	54		0.05
Value of above investment as on March 31, 2022 (net of all expenses) (D) = (B-C)	11,446	1,000	11.45
Returns (%) (gross of all applicable expenses) (E) = $((B/A)-1)$	15.0%		
Returns (%) (net of all applicable expenses) (F) = $((D/A)-1)$	14.5%		

<sup>\*</sup>Expenses are computed on daily average assets of the scheme.

Effect of STT on transactions in mutual funds is not factored into this illustration.

### Please Note:

- •The purpose of the above illustration is purely to explain the impact of expense ratio charged to the Scheme. The Total Expenses considered in the illustration is an hypothetical number and the actual expense may vary from the same. The Illustration 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 under the Scheme may vary with that of the Regular Plan under the Scheme.
- •Calculations are based on assumed NAVs, and actual returns on your investment may be more, or less.

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 consult his or her own financial advisor.

### C. 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 (www.axismf.com) or may call at contact number 8108622211 (chargeable) from 9.00 am to 6.00 pm (Monday to Saturday) or can contact his distributor.

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Para 10.4 of Master Circular for Mutual Funds has decided that there shall be no Entry Load for all Mutual Fund schemes

Type of Load	Load chargeable (as %age of NAV)
Entry Load	Not applicable
Exit Load	If redeemed/switched out within 15 days from the date of allotment: 0.25%
	If redeemed/switched out after 15 days from the date of allotment: Nil

Units issued on reinvestment of IDCW shall not be subject to Load.

The above mentioned load structure shall be equally applicable to the special products such as SIP, STP etc. offered by the AMC. Further, for switches between the Growth and IDCW Option, no load will be charged by the scheme. However, for switches between the Plans i.e. between Regular and Direct Plan or vice versa, load is being charged by the schemes.

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 95% 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. An Addendum detailing the changes will be attached to Scheme Information Document and Key Information Memorandum. The addendum may 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.
- 2. The addendum will be displayed on the website of the AMC and arrangements will be made to display the addendum in the form of a notice in all the Investor Service Centres and distributors / brokers' office.
- 3. The introduction of the Exit Load along with the details may be stamped in the acknowledgement slip issued to the Investors on submission of the application form and may also be disclosed in the statement of accounts issued after the introduction of such Load.
- 4. A public notice shall be given in respect of such changes in one English daily newspaper having nationwide circulation as well as in a newspaper published in the language of region where the Head Office of the Mutual Fund is situated.
- 5. Any other measure which the Mutual Fund may consider necessary.

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).

### **Transaction Charges**

Para 10.5 of Master Circular of Mutual Funds, as amended from time to time, transaction charge per subscription of Rs. 10,000/– and above shall be charged from the investors and shall be payable to the distributors/ brokers (who have opted in for charging the transaction



charge) in respect of applications routed through distributor/ broker relating to purchases / subscription / new inflows only (lump sum and SIP). The transaction charge (based on the type of the product), if any shall be deducted by AMC from the subscription amount and paid to the distributor; and the balance shall be invested and accordingly units allotted. The statement of account shall clearly state the net investment as gross subscription less transaction charge. The charge is, subject to the following:

- For Existing / New investors: Rs.100 / Rs.150 as applicable per subscription of Rs. 10,000/– and above
- Transaction charge for SIP shall be applicable only if the total commitment through SIP amounts to Rs. 10,000/- and above. In such cases the transaction charge would be recovered in maximum 4 successful installments.
- There shall be no transaction charge on subscription below Rs. 10,000/-.
- There shall be no transaction charges on direct investments.
- There shall be no transaction charges for transaction other than purchases/subscriptions relating to new inflows such as Switches, etc.
- Transactions carried out through the Stock Exchange platforms for mutual funds shall not be subject to transaction charges.

Para 10.4 of Master Circular for Mutual Funds has decided that there shall be no entry Load for all Mutual Fund Schemes.

The requirement of minimum application amount shall not be applicable if the investment amount falls below the minimum amount required due to deduction of transaction charges from the subscription amount.

The Transaction Charge as mentioned above shall be deducted by the AMC from the subscription amount of the Unit Holder and paid to the distributor and the balance shall be invested in the Scheme. The statement of account shall clearly state that the net investment as gross subscription less transaction charge and give the number of units allotted against the net investment.

### D. WAIVER OF LOAD FOR DIRECT APPLICATIONS

Not applicable



### IV. RIGHTS OF UNIT HOLDERS

Please refer to SAI for details.



# V. PENALTIES, PENDING LITIGATION OR PROCEEDINGS, FINDINGS OF INSPECTIONS OR INVESTIGATIONS FOR WHICH ACTION MAY HAVE BEEN TAKEN OR IS IN THE PROCESS OF BEING TAKEN BY ANY REGULATORY AUTHORITY

This section shall contain the details of penalties, pending litigation, and action taken by SEBI and other regulatory and Govt. Agencies.

 All disclosures regarding penalties and action(s) taken against foreign Sponsor(s) may be limited to the jurisdiction of the country where the principal activities (in terms of income / revenue) of the Sponsor(s) are carried out or where the headquarters of the Sponsor(s) is situated. Further, only top 10 monetary penalties during the last three years shall be disclosed.

### Not Applicable

- 2. In case of Indian Sponsor(s), details of all monetary penalties imposed and/ or action taken during the last three years or pending with any financial regulatory body or governmental authority, against Sponsor(s) and/ or the AMC and/ or the Board of Trustees /Trustee Company; for irregularities or for violations in the financial services sector, or for defaults with respect to share holders or debenture holders and depositors, or for economic offences, or for violation of securities law. Details of settlement, if any, arrived at with the aforesaid authorities during the last three years shall also be disclosed.
  - a. RBI vide letter dated January 07, 2021 issued Show Cause Notice (SCN) stating the Bank failed to put in place mandatory additional method of authentication (2 factor authentication) for the cases involving Straight Through Processing (STP) between Bank and Co-operative banks, which led to processing of 47 unauthorized transactions agaregating Rs.3.72 crores in respect of three Co-operative banks.
  - b. RBI vide letter dated 18.01.2021 issued Show Cause Notice to the Bank stating non-compliance to directions issued by Cyber Security and Information Technology Examination (CSITE) Cell of Department of Supervision, RBI in the matter of fraud perpetrated by the employees of M/s. Efkon India Pvt. Ltd. (Vendor) (developer of FASTaa application).
  - c. RBI vide letter dated 21.01.2021 issued Show Cause Notice to the Bank stating the non-compliances observed and reported in Risk Assessment Reports of FY 2017, 2018 & 2019.
  - d. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed, by an order dated July 28, 2021, a monetary penalty of ₹5.00 crore (Rupees Five crore only) on Axis Bank Limited (the bank) for contravention of / non-compliance with certain provisions of directions issued by RBI on 'Strengthening the Controls of Payment Ecosystem between Sponsor Banks and SCBs/UCBs as a Corporate Customer' dated May 9, 2019, 'Cyber Security Framework in Banks' dated June 2, 2016, 'Reserve Bank of India (Financial Services provided by Banks) Directions, 2016' dated May 26, 2016 (Updated as on September 25, 2017), 'Financial Inclusion- Access to Banking Services Basic Savings Bank Deposit Account' dated August 10, 2012 and 'Frauds Classification and Reporting' dated July 02, 2012.
  - e. The RBI has issued a show cause notice on the Bank under Section 35, 35A, 46 and 47A of Banking Regulation Act 1949, stating violation of RBI guidelines, directions etc. Scrutiny was carried out by the RBI in February and March 2020. The Bank submitted its response on 31.05.2021. RBI has imposed, by a letter dated 1.09. 2021, a monetary penalty of ₹25 lakhs (Rupees Twenty five lakh only) on Axis Bank Limited (the bank) for contravention of/non-compliance with certain provisions of directions issued by RBI contained in the Reserve Bank of India (Know Your Customer (KYC)) Direction, 2016.
  - f. RBI has issued a Show Cause Notice dated 10.08.2021 to Axis Bank for Contravention / Non-compliance with RBI directions observed during statutory



- inspection with reference to financial position as on 31.03.2021. Axis Bank has submitted response on 31.08.2021 and to the follow up queries of RBI dated 07.09.2021 vide e-mail dated 14.09.2021.
- g. SEBI vide its letter dated 24.03.2022 has imposed penalty of Rs. 5 Lakh, wherein the Bank had acted as a lead manager in 22 public issuances of debt from August 2016 to August 2019. Of these 22 issuances, the Bank had acquired securities in 9 public issues. However, the Bank did not report these 9 transactions to SEBI in accordance with the Regulation.
- h. RBI vide its letter dated 08.04.2022 has imposed, by an order dated 07.04.2022, a monetary penalty of ₹93 Lakh on the Bank ssfor non-compliance with certain directions issued by RBI on 'Loans and Advances Statutory and Other Restrictions', 'Reserve Bank of India (Financial Services provided by Banks) Directions, 2016', 'Reserve Bank of India (Know Your Customer (KYC)) Directions, 2016', and 'Levy of penal charges on non-maintenance of minimum balances in savings bank accounts'. s
- i. IRDAI vide their letter dated 02.09.2022 sent a Show Cause notice to the Bank for making undue profits/gains from purchase and sale of equity shares of Max Life Insurance Company Ltd (MLIC) with its Promoters. Bank has been advised to show cause as to why appropriate proceedings should not be initiated against Axis Bank Ltd. (a Corporate Agent Registered with IRDAI). Bank has been advised to submit response within 21 days. Bank is in the process of submitting response.
- j. Competition Commission of India (CCI) has vide letter dated August 17, 2023 imposed a penalty amounting to ₹.40 lakhs on Axis Bank Ltd. in relating to its investment in CSC e-Governance ("CSC"). The penalty imposed is on account of not notifying the CCI or taking their approval for the investment made in CSC e-Governance. The CCI had issued a show cause notice to the Bank in Sep' 2022..
- k. Axis Bank (a Corporate Agent for distribution of Mutual Funds) has received a letter from IRDAI (the Authority) dated Oct 13, 2022 levying a penalty of Rs 2 crs on the charges for not complying with the directions of the Authority in the transaction of acquisition of shares of Max Life Insurance Company Ltd (MLIC) and for making undue profits/ gains from purchase and sale of equity shares of MLIC. Bank has penalty amounting to Rs. 20000000.
- I. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) vide letter dated June 23, 2023, has imposed a monetary penalty of ₹30.00 Lakh (Rupees Thirty lakh only) on Axis Bank Ltd. (the bank) for non-compliance with certain provisions of the RBI directions on 'Prudential Norms on Income Recognition, Asset Classification and Provisioning pertaining to Advances Credit Card Accounts'. This penalty has been imposed in exercise of powers vested in RBI conferred under the provisions of section 47 A (1) (c) read with section 46 (4) (i) of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949.
- m. The RBI vide its letter dated June 12, 2023 has issued a Show Cause Notice to the Bank. This is with reference to non-compliance with the Reserve Bank directions observed during the statutory inspection with reference to financial position as on March 31, 2022, review of opening of current accounts of M/S. Sintex Industries Ltd. and a Complaint related to freezing of customer accounts.
- 3. Details of all enforcement actions taken by SEBI in the last three years and/ or pending with SEBI for the violation of SEBI Act, 1992 and Rules and Regulations framed there under including debarment and/ or suspension and/ or cancellation and/ or imposition of monetary penalty/adjudication/enquiry proceedings, if any, to which the Sponsor(s) and/ or the AMC and/ or the Board of Trustees /Trustee Company and/ or any of the directors and/ or key personnel (especially the fund managers) of the AMC and Trustee Company were/ are a party. The details of the violation shall also be disclosed.
  SEBI has issued an ad interim ex parte order-cum-show-cause notice dated February 28, 2023 ("Interim Order") against Viresh Joshi, former chief dealer and fund manager at Axis Asset Management Company Limited ("Company") and 20 other noticees (collectively "Noticees"). Vide the Interim Order, SEBI has held that the Noticees had prima facie indulged in front running of the trades of Axis Mutual Fund during the period from



September 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022 in violation of sections 12A(a), 12A(b), 12A(c) and 12A(e) of SEBI Act, 1992 ("**SEBI Act**") and regulations 3(a), 3(b), 3(c), 3(d), 4(1) and 4(2)(q) of SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices relating to Securities Market) Regulations, 2003.

Pursuant to sections 11, 11(4) and 11B(1) of SEBI Act read with section 19 of SEBI Act, SEBI vide its Interim Order has inter alia (i) barred the Noticees from buying, selling, dealing or associating themselves with the securities market, either directly or indirectly, in any manner whatsoever; and (ii) ordered for impoundment of INR 30,55,89,668.96 jointly and severally from the Noticees, being the prima facie total wrongful gain made from the front running activities by the Noticees.

It is pertinent to note that none of Axis Mutual Fund, Axis Mutual Fund Trustee Limited, the Company and their existing officers/ employees have been named as noticees in the Interim Order, nor any directions have been passed against them by SEBI in such Interim Order.

4. Any pending material civil or criminal litigation incidental to the business of the Mutual Fund to which the Sponsor(s) and/ or the AMC and/ or the Board of Trustees /Trustee Company and/ or any of the directors and/ or key personnel are a party should also be disclosed separately.

Nil

5. Any deficiency in the systems and operations of the Sponsor(s) and/ or the AMC and/ or the Board of Trustees/Trustee Company which SEBI has specifically advised to be disclosed in the SID, or which has been notified by any other regulatory agency, shall be disclosed.

Nil

The Scheme under this Scheme Information Document was approved by the Trustee Company on November 20, 2009. The Trustee has ensured that the Scheme is a new product offered by Axis Mutual Fund and is not a minor modification of its existing schemes.

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.

for and on behalf of Axis Asset Management Company Ltd. Sd/-Gop Kumar Bhaskaran Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer Date: October 31, 2023



### OFFICIAL POINTS OF ACCEPTANCE FOR ONGOING TRANSACTION

### **AXIS AMC OFFICE ADDRESSES**

AHMEDABAD Axis Asset Management Company Limited, Mithakali Law Garden Road, Ellisbridge, 3rd Floor, 302, Megha House, Opp. Kotak Bank, Ahmedabad - 380 006. AGRA: Axis Asset Management Company Limited, Shop No. G-7, Ground Floor, Block-19/4, Sanjay Place, Agra - 282 002. Aurangabad - Axis Asset Management Company Limited. Shop no. C-30, 2nd Floor, Motiwala trade center, Nirala Bazaar, Auranaabad – 431001, **Anand** – Axis Asset Management Company Limited. 203, 2nd Floor, K Rose Building, Next to Dena Parivar Society, Anand Vidhyanagar Road, Anand-388001. BANGALORE Axis Asset Management Co.Ltd. Ground F loor, G-03 & G-03A, Prestige Meridian-1, No. 29, M.G. Road, Bangalore - 560 001 Jayanagar - Bangalore Axis Asset Management Company Limited. Door No.8, Old No.152, First floor, 27th Cross,6th Block, Opposite Ayyappa Swamy Temple, Jayanagar, Bangalore – 560082. Belgaum: Axis Asset Management Company Limited. 2nd Floor, Shree Krishna Tower, Above ICICI Bank, RPD Cross, Belgaum – 590006. Bharuch Axis Asset Management Company Limited 201, 2nd Floor, Nexus Business Hub, Above Dhirai & Sons, Maktampur Road, Bharuch, Guiarat – 392001. BHOPAL Axis Asset Management Co FM-8 Mansarovar Complex, Khasra No. 27/1/2, NH-12, Bhopal, MP. Bhavnagar - Axis Asset Management Company Limited. S-3, 2nd Floor, Ganaotri Plaza, Opp. Dakshinamurti School, Waahawadi Road, Bhavnaaar, 364002 BHUBANESHWAR - Axis Asset Management Company Limited. Premises No- 5, Ground Floor, Narula Complex, Janpath, Kharavela Nagar, Bhubaneswar, Odisha, Pin - 751001. Bhuj - Axis Asset Management Company Limited, Turning Point, 206, 2nd Floor, Near Laxmi Bakery, Opp. V D High School, Bhuj-Kutch, Gujarat - 370001. Bilaspur Axis Asset Management Company Limited. 1st Floor, Shriji Plaza, Sonchhatra Compound, Near Shiv Talkies Square, Bilaspur, Chhattisaarh - 495001, India, BORIVALI Axis Asset Management Co. Ltd. Office No. 201, 2 Floor, REIS Magos, Ramdas Sutrale Marg, Off. Chandavarkar Road, Borivali (West), Mumbai, Maharashtra - 400092. CHANDIGARH Axis Asset Management Co.Ltd. 2nd Floor, SCO No 2471, Sector 22C, Chandigarh - 160022. Chhattisgarh Axis Asset Management Company Limited, 36/5 1st Block, Ground Floor, Nehru Nagar East, Bhilai, Chhattisgarh-490 020. CHENNAI Axis Asset Management Co. Ltd. 1st Floor, Door no. 168 Anna Salai, Opp. To Spencer Plaza, Chennai, Tamil Nadu - 600 002. COIMBATORE Axis Asset Management Company Limited, 1st Floor, Shylaja Complex, 575 DB Road, R. S. Puram, Near Head Post Office, Coimbatore - 641 002. **DEHRADUN** Axis Asset Management Co. Ltd., 59/3 First Floor, Rajpur Road, Above IDBI Bank, Dehradun - 248001. Durgapur - Axis Asset Management Company Limited 2/2 2nd Floor, Suhatta Mall, City Center, Durgapur-713216 FORT Axis Asset Management Company Limited, 1st Floor, City Ice Building, 298, Perin Nariman Street, Fort, Mumbai - 400 001. Gandhinagar - Axis Asset Management Company Limited, Office No. 102, 1st Floor, Shalin Centrum, Plot No. 2, Sector 11, Gandhinagar, Gujarat - 382011. Gwalior - Axis Asset Management Company Limited 3rd Floor, Orion Tower, Plot No. 11, City Centre, Gwalior – 474008 GUWAHATI Axis Asset Management Co. Itd 2C 2nd Floor, "Dihang Arcade", ABC, G.S. Road Opp Dona Planet Guwahati 781005. HYDERABAD Axis Asset Management Company Ltd, 2nd Floor, Nerella House, Panjagutta, Hyderabad - 500 082. HUBLI Axis Asset Management Company Limited. CTS No 479/1 CTS Ward no 1, Ground Floor, SVB City Centre, Club Road, Hubli-580020. INDORE Axis Asset Management Company Limited. 104/104A/105, 1st Floor, Mangalam Pearl, 633/B, New Palasia, Indore- 452010 M.P JAIPUR Axis Asset Management Company Ltd, 305, 3 Floor, Green House, Near Ahinsa Circle, Ashok Marg, C Scheme, Jaipur - 302001. Rajasthan. JAMNAGAR -Axis Asset Management Company Limited. Shop no 114-B, 1st floor Madhav square Building, Lal Bunglow, Limda Lane Corner, Jamnagar 361005. JAMMU - Axis Asset Management Company Limited Hall No. 112A, 1st Floor, North Block, Bahu Plaza, Jammu-180011. JALANDHAR Axis Asset Management Co. Ltd., SCO 5-6, 1st Floor, Puda Complex, Opp Suvidha Center, Ladowali Road, Jalandhar - 144 001 Jamshedpur - Axis Asset Management Company Limited 1 G, Shanti Hari Abasan, Ground Floor, Inner Circle Road, Bistupur, Jamshedpur-831001 Jodhpur -Axis Asset Management Company Limited. Office No. 201, 2nd Floor PRM Plaza, Plot No. 947 10th D Road, Sardarpura. Jodhpur - 342003 KANPUR Axis Asset Management August Company Limited, 305-306, 3rd Floor, Civil Lines, Kan Chamber, Kanpur - 208001. KOCHI Axis Asset Management Company Limited, 1st Floor, Nappady Building, Opp: Kerala Water Authority,



Pump House, Kathrikadav-Kaloor-Kadavantra Road, Kaloor P.O, Ernakulam - 682017 KOLKATA Axis Asset Management Company Ltd, Ground Floor, Kanak Building, 41, Chowringhee Road Kolkata - 700071. Kolhapur - Axis Asset Management Company Limited. Office No. S-4, 2nd Floor, Omkar Plaza, Rajarampuri, Kolhapur – 416008. LUCKNOW Axis Asset Management Co. Ltd, Unit No 5, 6 & 7, Halwasiya's Commerce House, 2nd Floor, Habibullah Estate, 11, M.G.Marg, Hazratgani, Lucknow - 226001. LUDHIANA Axis Asset Management Co. Limited, SCO 29, Ground Floor, Feroze Gandhi Market, Ludhiana-141001 Madurai - Axis Asset Management Company Limited SEV Towers, 2 nd floor, 280, Good Shed Street, Madurai – 625001 Mangalore - Axis Asset Management Company Limited C-5, 1st Floor, Essel Towers, Bunts hostel Circle, Managlore – 575003 MYSORE - Axis Asset Management Company Limited, CH-16 4th Main 5th Cross Prashanth Plaza, Saraswathi Puram, Land Mark - Safe Wheels and Spice Trip Near JSS Women's, College, Mysore -570009. Meerut – Axis Asset Management Company Limited. 143/1 & 145/1, Ground Floor, Ganpati Plaza Mangal Pandey Nagar, Meerut, Uttar Pradesh-250004 Moradabad - Axis Asset Management Company Limited. 2nd Floor, Krishna Complex Near Hotel Rajmahal, Civil Lines Moradabad-Uttar Pradesh -244001 MUMBAI Axis Asset Management Company Limited Axis House, First Floor, C-2, Wadia International Centre, Pandurang Budhkar Marg, Worli, Mumbai - 400025. Mehsana Axis Asset Management Company Limited, Shop No.3, 1st Floor, Sigma Oasis, Mehsana-Ahmedabad Highway, Near Raikamal Petrol Pump, Mehsana, Gujarat-384 002. NAGPUR Axis Asset Management Company Ltd. 1st Floor, "The Edge", 12, Shankar Nagar, WHC Road, Nagpur-440010 NASIK Axis Asset Management Company Limited, 1st Floor, Sharada Niketan, Tilakwadi, Opp. Hotel City Pride, Sharanpur Road, Nasik – 422002 NEW DELHI Axis Asset Management Company Ltd. 702-705, 7th Floor, Narain Manzil, Barakhamba Road, Connaught Place, New Delhi - 110001. PANAJI Axis Asset Management Company Limited Ground Floor, Shop No. G-7, Edcon Towers, Menezes Braganza Road, Panjim, Goa - 403001. PUNE Axis Asset Management Company Ltd. Unit No. 102 & 102-A/B, 1st Floor, Signature Building, Bhandarkar Road, CTS No. 853, Plot No. 195, Bhamburda, Shiyajinagar, Pune - 411005. PANIPAT Axis Asset Management Company Limited, Shop- 20, Ground Floor, BMK Market, Behind Hotel HIVE, G.T. Road, Panipat- 132113, Haryana. Pimpri-Pune Axis Asset Management Company Limited. Shop No. D-6, Ground Floor, Empire Estate, Chinchwad, Pimpri, Pune, Maharashtra – 411019 PATNA Axis Asset Management Company Limited, 2nd Floor, Panchsheel House, 23 Telegraph Colony, Near Income Tax Golambar, Kidwaipuri, Patna-800001, Bihar Ranchi - Axis Asset Management Company Limited Office No 201 (A),2nd Floor, Satya Ganga Arcade, Lalji Hirji Road, Ranchi-834001 RAIPUR Axis Asset Management Company Ltd ,Office No. T -10, 3rd Floor, Raheja Towers, Fafadih , Chowk Jail Road, Raipur, Chhattisgarh - 492001. RAJKOT Axis Asset Management Company Limited, 202, 2nd Floor, Orbit Enclave, Beside Ramkrishna Ashram, Dr. Yagnik Road, Rajkot, Gujarat - 360001. Siliguri - Axis Asset Management Company Limited Office No B-1/1-2-3, Upper Ground Floor, Shelcon Plaza, Sevoke Road, Siliguri-734001 **Solapur** – Axis Asset Management Company Limited. Office No S-2, 2nd Floor, Kanale Plaza, 82 Railway Lines, Dufferin Chowk, Solapur -413001. SURAT Axis Asset Management Co. Limited. Office No. HG-28, Higher Ground Floor, International Trade Centre, Majura Gate Crossing, Ring Road, Surat – 395002. Thane Axis Asset Management Company Ltd, Manjula Arcade, 2nd Floor, Gokhale Road, Naupada, Thane (West) - 400 602. Tirupati Axis Asset Management Company Limited PRS Chowdary Towers, 1st Floor, No. 18-2-299/A, Korlagunta Road, Ashok Nagar, Leela Mahal Centre, Tirupati – 517501. Udaipur Axis Asset Management Company Limited 2nd Floor, 2B, 2C & 2D, Near Lake City, Ward No. 51, Mahavir Colony, Ashok Nagar, Main Road, Udaipur, Rajasthan – 313001. Vadodara Axis Asset Management Company Limited 3rd Floor, 306, Emerald Complex, Race Course, Near Bird Circle, Old Padra Road, Vadodara - 390 007. Amritsar Axis Asset Management Co. Ltd SCO-25, First floor, District shopping Centre, B-Block, Ranjit Avenue, Amritsar – 143001. Varanasi Axis Asset Management Company Ltd. 7th Floor, Arihant Complex, D-64/127 C-H, Sigra, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh - 221010. Vapi – Axis Asset Management Company Limited F-110 1st Floor Saga Casa Building, Daman Road, Chala Vapi-396191 Vijayawada Axis Asset Management Company Limited. 40-1-129,2nd Floor, Centurion Plaza, M.G. Road, Near Benz Circle, Vijayawada-520010 Visakhapatnam Axis Asset Management Company Limited, Navaratna Jewel Square, 2nd Floor, S-7, Beside Jyothi Book Depot, Dwaraka Nagar, Visakhapatnam - 530016. Trivandrum Axis Asset Management Company Limited. TC-



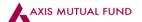
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### KFIN TECHNOLOGIES LIMITED INVESTOR SERVICE CENTERS

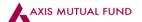
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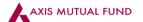
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### Corrigendum

Investors are requested to take note of the revised information with respect to data / information updated in the Scheme Information Document (SID) of Axis Arbitrage Fund dated October 31, 2023 given below:

## 1. Fund allocation towards various Sectors to be read as (as on September 30, 2023) (Page no. 60)

Sector Classifications	% of Net Assets		
Financial Services	27.18%		
Others^	16.57%		
Government Of India	8.09%		
Healthcare	7.65%		
Metals & Mining	6.58%		
Construction Materials	6.18%		
Oil Gas & Consumable Fuels	4.69%		
Fast Moving Consumer Goods	4.63%		
Power	3.54%		
Telecommunication	3.30%		
Automobile And Auto Components	3.16%		
Chemicals	3.12%		
Information Technology	2.24%		
Media, Entertainment & Publication	2.23%		
Consumer Services	0.72%		
Capital Goods	0.65%		
Realty	0.62%		
Textiles	0.40%		
Consumer Durables	0.22%		
Services	0.14%		
Cash & Cash Equivalent	-1.91%		
Total	100.00%		

^Triparty Repos / Mutual Fund units / Repo

The relevant sections of SID shall stand modified in accordance with the above changes. All other terms and conditions of the said SID of the Fund will remain unchanged.

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