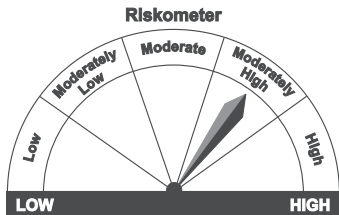


## Nippon India Small Cap Fund

(formerly Reliance Small Cap Fund)

(An open-ended equity scheme predominantly investing in small cap stocks)

## Scheme Information Document

Product Label	
<p><b>This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• long term capital growth</li> <li>• investment in equity and equity related securities of small cap companies</li> </ul> <p>*Investors should consult their financial advisers if in doubt about whether the product is suitable for them.</p>	 <p><b>Investors understand that their principal will be at Moderately High risk</b></p>

### Continuous offer of the Units of the face value of Rs. 10 each for cash at NAV based prices (subject to applicable load)

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

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

The investors are advised to refer to the Statement of Additional Information (SAI) for details of Nippon India Mutual Fund, Tax and Legal issues and general information on [www.nipponindiamf.com](http://www.nipponindiamf.com).

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

**The Scheme Information Document should be read in conjunction with the SAI and not in isolation.**

#### NAME OF MUTUAL FUND

Nippon India Mutual Fund (NIMF)

#### NAME OF ASSET MANAGEMENT COMPANY

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(formerly known as Reliance Nippon Life Asset Management Limited)

CIN : L65910MH1995PLC220793

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## HIGHLIGHTS/SUMMARY OF THE SCHEME

**(i) Investment objective**

The primary investment objective of the scheme is to generate long term capital appreciation by investing predominantly in equity and equity related instruments of small cap companies and the secondary objective is to generate consistent returns by investing in debt and money market securities.

**(ii) Liquidity**

The repurchase/redemption proceeds will be dispatched within 10 working days from the date of receipt of valid requests for repurchase/redemption. The AMC will pay interest @15% per annum for the period of delay in the event of failure to Dispatch the redemption or repurchase proceeds within 10 working days.

**(iii) Benchmark**

NIFTY Small Cap TRI

**(iv) Transparency/NAV Disclosure**

- a) The AMC will calculate and disclose the first NAV within 5 working days from the date of allotment. Subsequently, the NAV will be calculated and disclosed at the close of every Business Day and uploaded on the AMFI website [www.amfiindia.com](http://www.amfiindia.com) and Nippon India Mutual Fund website i.e. [www.nipponindiamf.com](http://www.nipponindiamf.com) by 11.00 p.m. on the day of the declaration of the NAV. Further, AMC shall extend facility of sending latest available NAVs to unitholders through SMS, upon receiving a specific request in this regard. If the NAVs are not available before commencement of business hours on the following day due to any reason, the Fund shall issue a press release providing reasons and explaining when the Fund would be able to publish the NAVs.
- b) The NAV of the Scheme will be calculated and declared by the Fund on every Working Day. The information on NAV may be obtained by the Unitholders, on any business day from the office of the AMC / the office of the Registrar in Hyderabad or any of the other Designated Investor Service Centres. Investors may also obtain information on the purchase /sale price for a given day on any Working Day from the office of the AMC / the office of the Registrar in Hyderabad/ any of the other Designated Investor Service Centres. Investors may also note that Nippon India Mutual Fund shall service its customers through the call center from Monday to Saturday between 8.00 am to 9.00 pm. However, 24x7 facility shall be available for addressing the queries through interactive voice response (IVR) and for hot listing the Nippon India Any Time Money Card. Investor may also call Customer Service Centre at 1860-266-0111 (charges applicable), and Investors outside India can call at 91-22-68334800 (charges applicable)
- c) The AMC will disclose the Half-yearly Unaudited Financial Results in the prescribed format on the NIMF website i.e. [www.nipponindiamf.com](http://www.nipponindiamf.com) and communicate to the Unit holders within such timelines as may be prescribed under the Regulations from time to time.
- d) Providing of the Annual Reports of the respective Schemes within the stipulated period as required under the Regulations.
- e) The AMC shall disclose the scheme's portfolio in the prescribed format as on the last day of the month/Half year for all the Schemes of NIMF on or before the tenth day of the succeeding month or within such timelines and manner as prescribed by SEBI from time to time on the NIMF Website i.e. [www.nipponindiamf.com](http://www.nipponindiamf.com) and AMFI website [www.amfiindia.com](http://www.amfiindia.com)  
The AMC shall communicate disclosure of Portfolio on a half-yearly basis to the Unit holders as may be prescribed under the Regulations from time to time.
- f) In case of unitholders whose e-mail addresses are registered, the Mutual Funds/ AMCs shall send via email the monthly and half-yearly statement of scheme portfolio within 10 days from the close of each month/ half-year respectively.

**(v) Loads**

**Entry Load - Nil**

In accordance with the requirements specified by the SEBI circular no. SEBI/IMD/CIR No.4/168230/09 dated June 30, 2009 no entry load will be charged for purchase / additional purchase / switch-in accepted by the Fund with effect from August 01, 2009. Similarly, no entry load will be charged with respect to applications for registrations under systematic investment plans/ systematic transfer plans accepted by the Fund with effect from August 01, 2009.

With reference to SEBI circular No. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/2019/42 dated March 25, 2019, there shall be no entry load for investments under SIPs registered before August 01, 2009 with effect from April 15, 2019.

The upfront commission on investment made by the investor, if any, will be paid to the ARN Holder (AMFI registered Distributor) directly by the investor, based on the investor's assessment of various factors including service rendered by the ARN Holder.

**Exit Load**

10% of the units allotted shall be redeemed without any exit load, on or before completion of 12 months from the date of allotment of units. Any redemption in excess of such limit in the first 12 months from the date of allotment shall be subject to the following exit load, Redemption of units would be done on First in First out Basis (FIFO):

- 1% if redeemed or switched out on or before completion of 12 months from the date of allotment of units.
- Nil, thereafter.

W.E.F. October 01, 2012, Exit Load If charged to the scheme shall be credited to the scheme immediately net of goods and service tax, if any.

Pursuant to SEBI circular No. SEBI/IMD/CIR No. 14/120784/08 dated March 18, 2008, with effect from April 1, 2008, no entry load or exit load shall be charged in respect of units allotted on reinvestment of dividend

**Switchover Facility**

Available, subject to minimum Rs. 5,000/- & any amount thereafter in switch in scheme (for opening a new folio/account) and minimum Rs 1,000 & any amount thereafter for additional switch in.

**Inter scheme Switch:** At the applicable exit loads in the respective schemes.

**Inter Plan/Inter Option Switch/ Systematic Transfer Plan (STP):**

- a) Switch/Systematic Transfer of investments made with ARN code, from Other than Direct Plan to Direct Plan of a Scheme shall be subject to applicable exit load, if any.
- b) No Exit Load shall be levied for switch/Systematic Transfer of investments made without ARN code, from Other than Direct Plan to Direct Plan of the Scheme or vice versa.

Further, the Trustees shall have a right to prescribe or modify the load structure with prospective effect subject to a maximum prescribed under the Regulations. For any change in load structure NAM India will issue an addendum and display it on the website/ Investor Service Centres.

Unitholders will have the flexibility to change the allocation of their investments among the various scheme(s) offered by the Mutual Fund, in order to suit their changing investment needs, by easily switching between the scheme(s) / plans/options of the Mutual Fund.

**(vi) TRANSACTION CHARGES:**

In accordance with SEBI Circular No. IMD/ DF/13/ 2011 dated August 22, 2011, with effect from November 1, 2011, Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited (NAM India)/ NIMF shall deduct a Transaction Charge on per purchase / subscription of Rs. 10,000/- and above, as may be received from new investors (an investor who invests for the first time in any mutual fund schemes) and existing investors. The distributors shall have an option to either "Opt-in / Opt-out" from levying transaction charge based on the type of product. Therefore, the "Opt-in / Opt-out" status shall be at distributor level, basis the product selected by the distributor at the Mutual Fund industry level.

Such charges shall be deducted if the investments are being made through the distributor/agent and that distributor / agent has opted to receive the transaction charges as mentioned below:

- **For the new investor a transaction charge of Rs 150/- shall be levied for per purchase / subscription of Rs 10,000 and above; and**
- **For the existing investor a transaction charge of Rs 100/- shall be levied for per purchase / subscription of Rs 10,000 and above.**

The transaction charge shall be deducted from the subscription amount and paid to the distributor/agent, as the case may be and the balance shall be invested. 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.

In case of investments through Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) the transaction charges shall be deducted only if the total commitment through SIP (i.e. amount per SIP installment x No. of installments) amounts to Rs. 10,000/- and above. In such cases, the transaction charges shall be deducted in 3-4 installments.

**Transaction charges shall not be deducted if:**

- (a) The amount per purchases /subscriptions is less than Rs. 10,000/-;
- (b) The transaction pertains to other than purchases/ subscriptions relating to new inflows such as Switch/STP/ DTP, etc.
- (c) Purchases/Subscriptions made directly with the Fund through any mode (i.e. not through any distributor/agent).
- (d) Subscription made through Exchange Platform irrespective of investment amount.

**(vii) Minimum Application Amount**

Rs. 5,000 and in multiples of Re. 1

**Additional Purchase Amount**

Rs 1000 (plus in the multiple of Re.1)

**Note :**

Fresh/ additional subscriptions/switch-in (in lumpsum) will not be allowed/ accepted at any point of time till further notice with effect from March 26, 2018.

Fresh registrations through Systematic Investment Plan ("SIP") or Systematic Transfer Plan ("STP") or such other special product shall continue with each installment being less than or equal to Rs. 5 lakhs till further notice.

The aforesaid restriction will not affect SIP or STP or such other special product registered prior to the effective date and the unitholders under Dividend Reinvestment and Payout Option of Direct Plan and other than Direct Plan.

Investors are requested to ensure that amount mentioned in the first SIP cheque is same as SIP installment amount mentioned in the application form. Else the first SIP cheque shall be liable for rejection and subsequent SIP installments shall be registered, subject to other conditions for SIP registration are fulfilled.

Switch within the Nippon India Small Cap Fund (Growth Plan to Dividend Plan and vice versa, Direct plan to other than Direct Plan and vice versa etc.) shall be permitted without any limit on the transaction amount.

Limit of Rs.5 lakhs shall not be applicable for DTP from any other scheme to Nippon India Small Cap Fund.

**(viii) Plans & Options**

The Scheme will have following plans & options:

- (a) Growth Plan
  - (1) Growth Option
- (b) Dividend Plan
  - (1) Dividend Payout Option      (2) Dividend Reinvestment Option
- (c) Direct Plan - Growth Plan
  - (1) Growth Option

(d) Direct Plan - Dividend Plan

(1) Dividend Payout Option      (2) Dividend Reinvestment Option

For default Plans/Option, please refer the para titled "Plans / Options offered" covered under Section III- "UNITS AND OFFER".

Direct Plan is only for investors who purchase /subscribe Units in a Scheme directly with the Fund (i.e. investments not routed through an AMFI Registration Number (ARN) Holder).

The AMC, in consultation with the Trustees reserves the right to discontinue/ add more plans/ options at a later date subject to complying with the prevailing SEBI guidelines and Regulations.

**(ix) PHYSICAL / DEMATERIALIZATION:**

The Unit holders are given an Option to hold the units by way of an Account Statement (Physical form) or in Dematerialized ('Demat') form. Mode of holding shall be clearly specified in the KIM cum application form. Unit holders holding the units in physical form will not be able to trade or transfer their units till such units are dematerialized.

Unit holders opting to hold the units in demat form must provide their Demat Account details in the specified section of the application form. The Unit holder intending to hold the units in Demat form are required to have a beneficiary account with the Depository Participant (DP) (registered with NSDL / CDSL as may be indicated by the Fund at the time of launch of the Plan) and will be required to indicate in the application the DP's name, DP ID Number and the beneficiary account number of the applicant with the DP.

In case of subscription is through SIP the units will be allotted based on the applicable NAV as per the SID and will be credited to investors Demat account on weekly basis upon realization of funds. For e.g. Units will be credited to investors Demat account every Monday for realization status received in last week from Monday to Friday. This Option shall be available in accordance with the provision laid down in the respective schemes and in terms of guidelines/ procedural requirements as laid by the Depositories (NSDL/CDSL) / Stock Exchanges (NSE / BSE) from time to time

In case, the Unit holder desires to hold the Units in a Dematerialized /Rematerialized form at a later date, the request for conversion of units held in non-demat form into Demat (electronic) form or vice-versa should be submitted alongwith a Demat/Remat Request Form to their Depository Participants.

Units held in demat form will be transferable (except in case of Equity Linked Savings Schemes)

Demat option will not be available for Daily, Weekly & Fortnightly Dividend plans/ options and for subscription through Micro SIP.

**(X) TRANSFER OF UNITS**

Units held by way of an Account Statement can be transferred. Units held in non demat form / by way of an Account Statement can be transferred. For units held in non - demat form, unit holders intending to transfer units will have to get the units Certified by submitting designated form. On receipt of the said request, RTA will mark the underlying units as Certified Units and will issue a Certified SOA for those units. The AMC / RTA, on production of Designated Transfer Form together with relevant Certified SOA and requisite documents, register the transfer and provide the Certified SOA to the transferee within 10 business days from the date of such production. Investors may note that stamp duty and other statutory levies, if any, as applicable from time to time shall be borne by the transferee.

If a person becomes a holder of the Units consequent to operation of law, or upon enforcement of a pledge, the Fund will, subject to production of satisfactory evidence, effect the transfer, if the transferee is otherwise eligible to hold the Units. Similarly, in cases of transfers taking place consequent to death, insolvency etc., the transferee's name will be recorded by the Fund subject to production of satisfactory evidence.

Units held in Demat form are 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 favor of transferees who are eligible of holding units and having a Demat Account.

The delivery instructions for transfer of units will have to be lodged with the DP in requisite form as may be required from time to time and transfer will be effected in accordance with such rules / regulations as may be in force governing transfer of securities in dematerialized mode.

## I. INTRODUCTION

### A. RISK FACTORS

#### STANDARD RISK FACTORS

- (i) Mutual Funds and securities investments are subject to market risks such as trading volumes, settlement risk, liquidity risk and default risk including the possible loss of principal and there is no assurance or guarantee that the objectives of the Scheme will be achieved.
- (ii) 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.
- (iii) Past performance of the Sponsor/AMC/Mutual Fund does not guarantee future performance of the scheme.
- (iv) Nippon India Small Cap Fund is only the name of the Scheme and does not in any manner indicate either the quality of the scheme or its future prospects and returns.
- (v) The Sponsor is not responsible or liable for any loss resulting from the operation of the Scheme beyond initial contribution of Rs.1 lakh towards the setting up of the Mutual Fund and such other accretions and additions to the corpus.
- (vi) The present scheme is not a guaranteed or assured return scheme.
- (vii) The Mutual Fund is not guaranteeing or assuring any dividend. The Mutual Fund is also not assuring that it will make periodical Dividend distributions, though it has every intention of doing so. All Dividend distributions are subject to the availability of distributable surplus of the Scheme.
- (viii) The Sponsor, their affiliates, associates, subsidiaries, the Mutual Fund and the AMC may invest directly or indirectly in the Scheme, over a period of time; subject to the SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations. These entities may acquire a substantial portion of the Scheme's Units and collectively constitute a major investor in the Scheme. Accordingly, Redemption of Units held by such entities may have an adverse impact on the Scheme because the timing of such Redemption may impact the ability of other Unit holders to Redeem their Units.
- (ix) Different types of Securities in which the Scheme would invest as given in this Scheme Information Document carry different levels and types of risks. Accordingly, the Scheme's risk may increase or decrease depending upon its investment pattern. For example, equity and equity related securities carry a higher amount of risk than debt securities. Investment decisions made by the AMC may not always be profitable.

#### SCHEME SPECIFIC RISK FACTORS

##### (i) Risks associated with investing in Equities

Equity and Equity related instruments on account of its volatile nature are subject to price fluctuations on daily basis. The volatility in the value of the equity and equity related instruments is due to various micro and macro economic factors affecting the securities markets. This may have adverse impact on individual securities /sector and consequently on the NAV of Scheme.

The inability of the Scheme to make intended securities purchases due to settlement problems, could cause the Scheme to miss certain investment opportunities as in certain cases, settlement periods may be extended significantly by unforeseen circumstances. Similarly, the inability to sell securities held in the schemes portfolio may result, at times, in potential losses to the scheme, should there be a subsequent decline in the value of the securities held in the schemes portfolio.

Trading volumes, settlement periods and transfer procedures may restrict the liquidity of the investments. This may impact the ability of the unit holders to redeem their units. In view of this, the Trustee has the right, in its sole discretion to limit redemptions (including suspending redemptions) under certain circumstances.

The AMC may invest in unlisted securities that offer attractive yields within the regulatory limit. This may however increase the risk of the portfolio as these unlisted securities are inherently illiquid in nature and carry larger liquidity risk as compared to the listed securities or those that offer other exit options to the investors.

Investments in equity and equity related securities involve high degree of risks and investors should not invest in the Scheme unless they can afford to take the risk of losing their investment.

##### (ii) Risks associated with investing in Bonds

Investment in Debt is subject to price, credit, and interest rate risk.

The NAV of the Scheme may be affected, inter alia, by changes in the market conditions, interest rates, trading volumes, settlement periods and transfer procedures.

Investing in Bonds and Fixed Income securities are subject to the risk of an Issuer's inability to meet principal and interest payments obligation (credit risk) and may also be subject to price volatility due to such factors as interest rate sensitivity, market perception of the creditworthiness of the issuer and general market liquidity (market risk).

The timing of transactions in debt obligations, which will often depend on the timing of the Purchases and Redemptions in the Scheme, may result in capital appreciation or depreciation because the value of debt obligations generally varies inversely with the prevailing interest rates.

**Interest Rate Risk:** As with all debt securities, changes in interest rates will 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. Prices of longer-term securities generally fluctuate more in response to interest rate changes than do shorter-term securities. Interest rate movements in the Indian debt markets can be volatile leading to the possibility of large price movements up or down in debt and money market securities and thereby to possibly large movements in the NAV.

**Liquidity or Marketability Risk:** This refers to the ease at which a security can be sold at or near its true value. The primary measure

of liquidity risk is the spread between the bid price and the offer price quoted by a dealer. Liquidity risk is characteristic of the Indian fixed income market.

**Credit Risk:** Credit risk or default risk refers to the risk which may arise due to default on the part of the issuer of the fixed income security (i.e. will be unable to make timely principal and interest payments on the security). Because of this risk debentures are sold at a yield spread above those offered on Treasury securities, which are sovereign obligations and generally considered to be free of credit risk. Normally, the value of a fixed income security will fluctuate depending upon the actual changes in the perceived level of credit risk as well as the actual event of default.

**Reinvestment Risk:** This risk refers to the interest rate levels at which cash flows received from the securities in the Scheme or from maturities in the Scheme are reinvested. The additional income from reinvestment is the “interest on interest” component. The risk refers to the fall in the rate for reinvestment of interim cashflows.

**Risks associated with various types of securities**

	<b>CREDIT RISK</b>	<b>LIQUIDITY RISK</b>	<b>PRICE RISK</b>
Listed	Depends on credit quality	Relatively Low	Depends on duration of instrument
Unlisted	Depends on credit quality	Relatively High	Depends on duration of instrument
Secured	Relatively low	Relatively Low	Depends on duration of instrument
Unsecured	Relatively high	Relatively High	Depends on duration of instrument
Rated	Relatively low and depends on the rating	Relatively Low	Depends on duration of instrument
Unrated	Relatively high	Relatively High	Depends on duration of instrument

Different types of securities in which the scheme would invest as given in the Scheme Information Document carry different levels and types of risk. Accordingly, the scheme’s risk may increase or decrease depending upon its investment pattern e.g. corporate bonds, carry a higher level of risk than Government securities. Further even among corporate bonds, bonds which are AAA rated are comparatively less risky than bonds which are AA rated.

**(iii) Risks associated with investing in foreign Securities**

The Fund may invest in overseas equities / ADR’s / GDR’s with the approval of RBI/SEBI, subject to such guidelines as may be issued by RBI/SEBI. The net assets, distributions and income of the scheme may be affected adversely by fluctuations in the value of certain foreign currencies relative to the Indian Rupee to the extent of investments in these securities. Repatriation of such investment may also be affected by changes in the regulatory and political environments. The scheme’s NAV may also be affected by a fluctuation in the general and specific level of interest rates internationally, or the change in the credit profiles of the issuers.

**(iv) Risk associated with investing in Derivatives**

**Valuation Risk:** The risk in valuing the Debt & Equity derivative products due to inadequate trading data with good volumes. Derivatives with longer duration would have higher risk viz a viz the shorter duration derivatives.

**Mark to Market Risk:** The day-to-day potential for an investor to experience losses from fluctuations in underlying stock prices and derivatives prices.

**Systematic Risk:** The risk inherent in the capital market due to macro economic factors like Inflation, GDP, Global events.

**Liquidity Risk:** The risk stemming from the lack of availability of derivatives products across different maturities and with different risk appetite.

**Implied Volatility:** The estimated volatility of an underlying security’s price and derivatives price.

**Interest Rate Risk:** The risk stemming from the movement of Interest rates in adverse direction. As with all the debt securities, changes in the interest rates will affect the valuation of the portfolios.

**Counterparty Risk (Default Risk):** Default risk is the risk that losses will be incurred due to the default by the counterparty for over the counter derivatives.

**System Risk:** The risk arising due to failure of operational processes followed by the exchanges and OTC participants for the derivatives trading.

**Risk attached with the use of derivatives**

- a. As and when the Scheme trades in the derivatives market there are risk factors and issues concerning the use of derivatives that investors should understand. 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. Derivatives require 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. There is a possibility that a loss may be sustained by the portfolio as a result of the failure of another party (usually referred to as the “counterparty”) to comply with the terms of the derivatives contract. 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.
- b. Derivative products are leveraged instruments and can provide disproportionate gains as well as disproportionate losses to the investor. Execution of such strategies depends upon the ability of the fund manager to identify such opportunities. Identification and execution of the strategies to be pursued by the fund manager involve uncertainty and decision of fund manager may not always be profitable. No assurance can be given that the fund manager will be able to identify or execute such strategies.
- c. 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.

**(v) Risk Associated with Securitised Debt**

As with any other debt instrument, the following risk factors have to be taken into consideration while investing in PTCs:

**Credit Risk :** Since most of the PTCs are drawn from a cherry picked pool of underlying assets, the risk of delay / default due to poor credit quality is low. Further more most of the PTCs enjoy additional cashflow coverage in terms of subordination by another lower class of PTCs or in terms of excess cash collateralisation.

**Liquidity Risk:** Since the maturity of the PTCs will be in line with the maturity of the FMP, the risk arising from low secondary market liquidity of such instruments is low.

**Price Risk / Interest Rate Risk :** The price risk of these instruments shall be in line with the maturity / duration of such instruments. However given the fact that these instruments will have a maturity profile upto 2 years, the duration risk is relatively less.

Domestic Securitised debt can have different underlying assets and these assets have different risk characteristics. These may be as given in the following example:

Security 1 -Backed by receivables of personal loans originated by XYZ Bank

Security2 - Senior Series Pass Through Certificates backed by commercial vehicles and two-wheeler loan and loan receivables from ABC Bank Limited

Specific Risk Factors: Loss due to default and/or payment delay on Receivables, Premature Termination of Facility Agreements,Limitedloss cover, Delinquency and Credit Risk, Limited Liquidity and Price Risk, Originator/Collection Agent Risk, Bankruptcy of the Originator, Co-mingling of funds

**(vi) Risk associated with Short Selling & Securities Lending**

Securities Lending is a lending of securities through an approved intermediary to a borrower under an agreement for a specified period with the condition that the borrower will return equivalent securities of the same type or class at the end of the specified period along with the corporate benefits accruing on the securities borrowed. In case the Scheme undertakes stock lending under the Regulations, it may, at times be exposed to counter party risk and other risks associated with the securities lending. Unitholders of the Scheme should note that there are risks inherent to securities lending, including the risk of failure of the other party, in this case the approved intermediary, to comply with the terms of the agreement entered into between the lender of securities i.e. the Scheme and the approved intermediary. Such failure can result in the possible loss of rights to the collateral put up by the borrower of the securities, the inability of the approved intermediary to return the securities deposited by the lender and the possible loss of any corporate benefits accruing to the lender from the securities deposited with the approved intermediary.

The risks in lending portfolio securities, as with other extensions of credit, consist of the failure of another party, in this case the approved intermediary, to comply with the terms of agreement entered into between the lender of securities i.e. the Scheme and the approved intermediary. Such failure to comply can result in the possible loss of rights in the collateral put up by the borrower of the securities, the inability of the approved intermediary to return the securities deposited by the lender and the possible loss of any corporate benefits accruing to the lender from the securities deposited with the approved intermediary. The Mutual Fund may not be able to sell such lent securities and this can lead to temporary illiquidity

Short-selling is the sale of shares that the seller does not own at the time of trading. Instead, he borrows it from someone who already owns it. Later, the short seller buys back the stock he shorted and returns the stock to close out the loan. If the price of the stock has fallen, he can buy the stock back for less than he received for selling it and profits from it (the difference between higher short sale price and the lower purchase price). However, Short positions carry the risk of losing money and these losses may grow theoretically unlimited if the price increases without limit and shall result into major losses in the portfolio.

**(vii) Risk factors associated with repo transactions in corporate bonds -**

In Repo transactions, also known as a repo or sale repurchase agreement, securities are sold with the seller agreeing to buy them back at later date. The repurchase price should be greater than the original sale price, the difference effectively representing interest. A repo is economically similar to a secured loan, with the buyer receiving corporate debt securities as collateral to protect against default. The Scheme may invest in repo of corporate debt securities which are subject to the following risks:

- a. **Counterparty Risk:** This refers to the inability of the seller to meet the obligation to buy back securities at the contracted price. The Investment Manager will endeavor to manage counterparty risk by dealing only with counterparties having strong credit profiles assessed through in-house credit analysis or with entities regulated by SEBI/RBI/IRDA.
- b. **Collateral Risk:** In the event of default by the repo counterparty, the schemes have recourse to the corporate debt securities. Collateral risk arises when the market value of the securities is inadequate to meet the repo obligations. This risk is mitigated by restricting participation in repo transactions only in AA and above rated money market and corporate debt securities. In addition, appropriate haircuts are applied on the market value of the underlying securities to adjust for the illiquidity and interest rate risk on the underlying instrument

**(viii) Risk Factors Associated with Investments in REITs and InvITs:**

**Market Risk:** REITs and InvITs Investments are volatile and subject to price fluctuations on a daily basis owing to factors impacting the underlying assets. AMC/Fund Manager's will do the necessary due diligence but actual market movements may be at variance with the anticipated trends.

**Liquidity Risk:** As the liquidity of the investments made by the Scheme(s) could, at times, be restricted by trading volumes, settlement periods, dissolution of the trust, potential delisting of units on the exchange etc, the time taken by the Mutual Fund for liquidating the investments in the scheme may be high in the event of immediate redemption requirement. Investment in such securities may lead to increase in the scheme portfolio 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.

**Regulatory/Legal Risk:** REITs and InvITs being new asset classes, rights of unit holders such as right to information etc may differ from existing capital market asset classes under Indian Law.

The above are some of the common risks associated with investments in REITs & InvITs. There can be no assurance that a Scheme's investment objectives will be achieved, or that there will be no loss of capital. Investment results may vary substantially on a monthly, quarterly or annual basis



The above changes will be applicable to all the relevant sections of SID and KIM and the respective sections shall stand modified accordingly. All other terms and conditions as mentioned in the SID / KIM of Scheme shall remain unchanged. The above proposal is change in the Fundamental Attributes of the scheme as per Regulation 18(15A) of the SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 and pursuant to provision of SEBI Circular no. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF3/CIR/P/2017/114 and SEBI/HO/IMD/DF3/CIR/P/2017/126 dated October 6, 2017 and December 4, 2017 respectively.

**(ix) Risk associated with Imperfect Hedging using Interest Rate Futures**

**1) Basis Risk**

Each security would be hedged with an Interest rate future. Hypothetically creating an imperfect hedge, **IGB 7.17% 2028** on which we are **long**, and **short** on an **(interest rate future) IRF 6.79% 2027** for which the underlying is 10 year bond, if the **spot yield are 7% and future yield is 7.3%** the **basis** would be of **0.3%**. There is an inherent risk of this basis (spread) narrowing, widening or remaining stable/flat.

**Spread widening** means that the spot becomes 6.9% and future becomes 7.25% - the **basis increases** in total by 0.5% and new basis is 0.35%. Due to this there would be a profit of 5bps on the IGB 8.15% 2026 long bond and there would be a loss of 5bps on IRF short future position. This would result in an **overall profit** as the price of a bond would increase more compared to the increase in the price of IRF due to the duration and convexity effect.

**Spread narrowing** means that the spot becomes 7.2% and future becomes 7.35% - the **basis decreases** in total by 0.15% and the new basis is 0.15%. This would result in a **loss** as the price of IGB 8.15% 2026 bond would decrease more compared to the decrease in the price of IRF due to the duration and convexity effect.

**Spread remaining flat or stable** means that the spread does not move or is a **negligible change** in the basis i.e. in our example is of 0.3%.

**2) Mispricing Risk, or improper valuation –**

Market circumstances may necessitate unwinding the derivative positions at sub-optimal prices during periods of market dislocation triggered by contagion or turmoil e.g. if the expected upward trajectory of yields reverses course and begins to spiral downward, most participants with short Interest Rate Futures positions are likely to seek an unwinding, leading to a potential amplification in the adverse price movement, and impact there from.

**3) Liquidity Risk :**

This refers to the ease at which a security can be sold at or near its true value. The primary measure of liquidity risk is the spread between the bid price and the offer price quoted by a dealer. Liquidity risk is characteristic of the Indian fixed income market.

**4) Correlation weakening, and consequent risk of regulatory breach –**

SEBI regulation mandates minimum correlation criteria of 0.9 (calculated on a 90 day basis) between the portfolio being hedged and the derivative serving as the hedge; in cases where this limit is breached (i.e. when the 90-day correlation falls below 0.9), a rebalancing period of 5 working days has been permitted. Inability to satisfy this requirement within the stipulated period due to difficulties in re-balancing would lead to a lapse of the exemption in gross exposure computation. The entire derivative exposure would then need to be included in gross exposure, which may result in gross exposure in excess of 100% of net asset value; leverage is not permitted as per SEBI guidelines.

**Numerical Example Explaining Imperfect Hedging With Investments In IRF's**

**Perfect hedging:**

Spot price of Govt. security (6.79% 2027) = 94.42, Yield – 7.68%

Price of IRF - November Contract (expiry on 23-November-2017) = Rs 94.45

On 5th November, 2017, the fund bought Rs 100 crores worth of government security from the spot market at Rs 94.42. Subsequently, it is anticipated that yields may rise in the near future. Thus, to hedge the underlying position taken, the fund sells November 2017 IRF 6.79% 2027. The price of the Futures contract is Rs 94.45.

On 11th November, 2017, assuming due to increase in yields:

Spot price of the security (6.79% 2027) = 94.00

Price of IRF - November Contract (expiry on 23-November-2017) = 94.03

Thus, due to hedging the portfolio:

Loss in the underlying security:  $(94.00 - 94.42) * 100$  crores =  $(0.42)$  crores

Profit in the futures market:  $(94.45 - 94.03) * 100$  crores =  $0.42$  crores.

Thus due to the effective use of Interest Rate Futures, the notional loss in the underlying security was is getting offset by the IRF future position.

**Imperfect hedging:**

$D_P$  = Duration of the portfolio (measure of the interest rate sensitivity of the portfolio) = 7

$D_F$  = Duration of the underlying security of the futures contract = 6

P = Portfolio's market value = 100 crores

Y = underlying interest rate or portfolio yield = 8.00%

The portfolio can be a mix of:

- 1) Corporate Bonds and Government securities
- 2) Only Corporate Bonds (i.e. no Government securities)

Subsequently, if it is anticipated that yields may rise in the future, the fund manager can hedge the underlying duration risk in the IRF by selling the futures contract.

Imperfect hedge allowed as per the SEBI limit = 20% of the Net asset of the portfolio

Assuming the interest rates rise by 50 bps point, post the imperfect hedging

Change in the market value of the portfolio = (P\*DP\*Change in interest rate) = 100 crores \* 7 \* (0.50%) = (3.50 crores)

Duration risk managed due to hedge in IRF = % of portfolio hedged \* P \* D<sub>F</sub> \* Change in the interest rates

= 20% \* 100 \* 6 \* (0.50%) = 0.60 crores

Thus net change in the market value of the portfolio = Rs 100 – Rs 3.50 + Rs 0.60 = Rs 97.10

As can be seen from the above, in case yields move higher by 50 bps, there is a loss in the portfolio for Rs 3.5 crores, but due to the active hedging, IRFs position helps in reducing the loss in the portfolio by 0.60 crores.

**(x) Other Scheme Specific Risk factors**

- a. The liquidity of the Scheme's investments may be inherently restricted by trading volumes, settlement periods and transfer procedures. In the event of an inordinately large number of redemption requests, or of a re-structuring of the Scheme's investment portfolio, these periods may become significant. Please read the Sections of this Scheme Information Document entitled "Special Considerations" and "Right to Limit Redemptions" thereunder.
- b. Although, the objective of the Fund is to generate optimal returns, the objective may or may not be achieved. The investors may note that if the AMC/Investment Manager is not able to make right decision regarding the timing of increasing exposure in debt securities in times of falling equity market, it may result in negative returns. Given the nature of scheme, the portfolio turnover ratio may be on the higher side commensurate with the investment decisions and Asset Allocation of the Scheme. At times, such churning of portfolio may lead to losses due to subsequent negative or unfavorable market movements.
- c. Other Specific Risk Factors are Credit And Rating Downgrade Risk, Prepayment And Foreclosures Risk for Senior PTC Series, Prepayment And Foreclosures Risk for Senior PTC Series, Servicing Agent Risk, Co-mingling Risk, Bankruptcy of the Seller.
- d. The NAV of the scheme to the extent invested in Debt and Money market securities are likely to be affected by changes in the prevailing rates of interest and are likely to affect the value of the Scheme's holdings and thus the value of the Scheme's Units.
- e. The AMC may, considering the overall level of risk of the portfolio, invest in lower rated/ unrated securities offering higher yields. This may increase the risk of the portfolio.
- f. Securities which are not quoted on the stock exchanges are inherently illiquid in nature and carry a larger amount of liquidity risk, in comparison to securities that are listed on the exchanges or offer other exit options to the investor, including a put option. The AMC may choose to invest in unlisted securities that offer attractive yields. This may increase the risk of the portfolio.
- g. While securities that are listed on the stock exchange carry lower liquidity risk, the ability to sell these investments is limited by the overall trading volume on the stock exchanges. Money market securities, while fairly liquid, lack a well-developed secondary market, which may restrict the selling ability of the Scheme and may lead to the Scheme incurring losses till the security is finally sold.
- h. Investment decisions made by the AMC may not always be profitable, even though it is intended to generate capital appreciation and maximize the returns by actively investing in equity and equity related securities.
- i. The tax benefits available under the scheme are as available under the present taxation laws and are available only to certain specified categories of investors and that is subject to fulfillment of the relevant conditions. The information given is included for general purposes only and is based on advise that the AMC has received regarding the law and the practice that is currently in force in India and the investors and the Unitholders should be aware that the relevant fiscal rules and 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 investment in the Scheme will endure indefinitely. In view of the individual nature of tax consequences, each Investor/Unitholder is advised to consult his/her own professional tax advisor.
- j. The AMC carries out valuation of investments made by the Scheme. The AMC values Securities and assets in the Scheme according to the valuation policies described in the Statement of Additional Information.

**B. REQUIREMENT OF MINIMUM INVESTORS IN THE SCHEME**

The Scheme/Plan shall have a minimum of 20 investors and no single investor shall account for more than 25% of the corpus of the Scheme/Plan(s). However, if such limit is breached during the NFO of the Scheme, the Fund will endeavor to ensure that within a period of three months or the end of the succeeding calendar quarter from the close of the NFO of the Scheme, whichever is earlier, the Scheme complies with these two conditions. In case the Scheme / Plan(s) does not have a minimum of 20 investors in the stipulated period, 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 / Plan(s) shall be wound up and the units would be redeemed at applicable NAV. The two conditions mentioned above shall also be complied within each subsequent calendar quarter thereafter, on an average basis, as specified by SEBI. 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 on the applicable Net Asset Value 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**

The Mutual Fund is not assuring or guaranteeing that it will be able to make regular periodical distributions units to its Unit holders though it has every intention to manage the portfolio so as to make periodical income distributions to Unit holders. Periodical distributions will be dependent on the returns achieved by the Asset Management Company through the active management of the portfolio. Periodical distributions may therefore vary from period to period, based on investment results of the portfolio.

**Right to limit Purchase of units and/or Right to limit Redemption of units**

The Trustee and AMC may, in the general interest of the Unit holders of the Scheme under this Scheme Information Document and keeping in view the unforeseen circumstances / unusual market conditions, limit the total number of Units which may be redeemed on any Working Day for redemption requests of more than Rs. 2 Lakhs per folio at a scheme level. In line with the SEBI Circular dated May 31, 2016 the following conditions would be applicable.

- a. Restriction may be imposed when there are circumstances leading to a systemic crisis or event that severely constricts market liquidity or the efficient functioning of markets such as:
  - i. Liquidity issues - when market at large becomes illiquid and affecting almost all securities. .

- ii. 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.
  - iii. Operational issues – when exceptional circumstances are caused by force majeure, unpredictable operational problems and technical failures (e.g. a black out).
- b. Restriction on redemption may be imposed for a specified period of time not exceeding 10 working days in any 90 days period.
- c. When restriction on redemption is imposed, the following procedure shall be applied:
- i. No redemption requests upto INR 2 lakh shall be subject to such restriction.
  - ii. Where redemption requests are above INR 2 lakh, AMCs shall redeem the first INR 2 lakh without such restriction and remaining part over and above INR 2 lakh shall be subject to such restriction.

However, suspension or restriction of redemption under any scheme of the Mutual Fund shall be made applicable only after the approval from the Board of Directors of the Asset Management Company and the Trustee Company. The approval from the AMC Board and the Trustees giving details of circumstances and justification for the proposed action shall also be informed to SEBI immediately.

#### D. DEFINITIONS & ABBREVIATIONS

In this Scheme Information Document, the following words and expressions shall have the meaning specified below, unless the context otherwise requires:

<b>Aadhaar</b>	:	Aadhaar number issued by the Unique identification Authority of India (UIDAI)
<b>Applicable Net Asset Value (NAV)</b>	:	Applicable NAV is the Net Asset Value per Unit at the close of the Business Day on which the application for purchase or redemption/switch is received at the designated investor service centre and is considered accepted on that day. An application is considered accepted on that day, subject to it being complete in all respects and received prior to the cut-off time on that Business Day.
<b>AMFI</b>	:	Association of Mutual Funds in India, the apex body of all the registered AMCs incorporated on August 22, 1995 as a non-profit organisation.
<b>Asset Management Company (AMC/NAM India)/ Investment Manager</b>	:	Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited (formerly known as Reliance Nippon Life Asset Management Limited), the Asset Management Company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, and authorized by SEBI to act as the Investment Manager to the Schemes of Nippon India Mutual Fund (NIMF).
<b>Business Day / Working Day</b>	:	A Business Day / Working Day means any day other than : <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Saturday or</li> <li>2. Sunday or</li> <li>3. a day on which The Bombay Stock Exchange, Mumbai or National Stock Exchange Limited or Reserve Bank of India or Banks in Mumbai are closed or</li> <li>4. a day on which there is no RBI clearing/settlement of securities or</li> <li>5. a day on which the sale and/or redemption and /or switches of Units is suspended by the Trustees or AMC or</li> <li>7. a book closure period as may be announced by the Trustees / Asset Management Company or</li> <li>8. a day on which normal business could not be transacted due to storms, floods, or</li> <li>9. bandhs, strikes or any other events as the AMC may specify from time to time.</li> </ol> The AMC reserves the right to declare any day as a Business Day or otherwise at any or all DISC.
<b>Collecting Bank</b>	:	Branches of Banks for the time being authorized to receive application(s) for units, as mentioned in this document.
<b>Continuous Offer</b>	:	Offer of the Units when the scheme becomes open-ended after the closure of the New Fund Offer.
<b>Custodian</b>	:	Custodian means 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.  Presently, Deutsche Bank A.G., registered vide registration number IN/CUS/003 is appointed as Custodian of securities for all the schemes of NIMF, or any other custodian as may be appointed by the Trustees.
<b>Designated Investor Service Centres (DISC / Official point of acceptance for transaction)</b>	:	Any location as may be defined by the Asset Management Company from time to time, where investors can tender the request for subscription, redemption or switching of units, etc.
<b>Dividend</b>	:	Income distributed by the Scheme on the Units
<b>DP</b>	:	Depository Participant means a person registered as such under sub regulation (1A) of section 12 of SEBI Act, 1992 (15 of 1992)
<b>Entry Load</b>	:	Load on subscriptions / switch in.
<b>Exit Load</b>	:	Load on redemptions / switch out.

<b>Equity related instruments</b>	:	Such instruments like Convertible bonds and debentures and warrants carrying the right to obtain equity shares and derivative instruments.
<b>FPI</b>	:	Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPI) as defined in Regulation 2(1) (h) of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Foreign Portfolio Investors) Regulations, 2014.
<b>Investment Management Agreement (IMA)</b>	:	The Agreement entered into between Nippon Life India Trustee Limited and Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited by which NAM India has been appointed the Investment Manager for managing the funds raised by NIMF under the various Schemes and all amendments thereof.
<b>InvIT</b>	:	"InvIT" or "Infrastructure Investment Trust" shall have the meaning assigned in clause (za) of sub-regulation (1) of regulation 2 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Infrastructure Investment Trusts) Regulations, 2014;"
<b>KIM</b>	:	Key Information Memorandum as required in terms of SEBI (MF) Regulation 29(4)
<b>Load</b>	:	A charge that may be levied as a percentage of NAV at the time of entry into the scheme/plans or at the time of exiting from the scheme/ plans.
<b>Local Cheque</b>	:	A Cheque handled locally and drawn on any bank, which is a member of the banker's clearing house located at the place where the application form is submitted.
<b>Money Market Instruments</b>	:	Money market instruments include Tri-party Repo/ Reverse Repo (including corporate bond Repo), certificate of deposit, commercial papers, commercial bills, treasury bills, Government securities issued by Central & State Government/ corporate bonds having an unexpired maturity up to one year, call or notice money, Term Deposits, usance bills (BRDS) and any other similar instruments as specified by the RBI/SEBI from time to time.
<b>Net Asset Value (NAV)</b>	:	Net Asset Value / NAV of the Units in each plan of the Scheme is calculated in the manner provided in this Scheme Information Document or as may be prescribed by Regulations from time to time. The NAV will be computed upto four decimal places.
<b>NRI</b>	:	Non-Resident Indian. Person resident outside India who is either a citizen of India or a Person of Indian Origin.
<b>PIO</b>	:	Person of Indian Origin.  A citizen of any country other than Bangladesh or Pakistan, if (a) he at 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 spouse of an Indian citizen or person referred to in sub-clause (a) or (b).
<b>Plans/Options</b>	:	The Scheme will have following plans & options: (a) Growth Plan (1) Growth Option (b) Dividend Plan (1) Dividend Payout Option (2) Dividend Reinvestment Option (c) Direct Plan - Growth Plan (1) Growth Option (d) Direct Plan - Dividend Plan (1) Dividend Payout Option (2) Dividend Reinvestment Option  Direct Plan is only for investors who purchase /subscribe Units in a Scheme directly with the Fund (i.e. investments not routed through an AMFI Registration Number (ARN) Holder).
<b>Purchase Price</b>	:	Purchase Price to the investor of Units of any of the plans computed in the manner indicated in this Scheme Information Document .
<b>Reserve Bank of India (RBI)</b>	:	Reserve Bank of India, established under the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934.
<b>Nippon India Mutual Fund (NIMF) /Mutual Fund/the Fund</b>	:	Nippon India Mutual Fund, a Trust under Indian Trust Act, 1882 and registered with SEBI vide registration number MF/022/95/1 dated June 30, 1995.
<b>NLITL /Trustee /Trustee Company</b>	:	Nippon Life India Trustee Limited (formerly known as Reliance Capital Trustee Co. Limited), a Company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, and authorized by SEBI and by the Trust Deed to act as the Trustee of Nippon India Mutual Fund.
<b>Redemption Price</b>	:	Redemption Price to the investor of Units of any of the plans computed in the manner indicated in this Scheme Information Document.
<b>Registrar /KFintech</b>	:	KFin Technologies Private Limited (formerly Known as Karvy Fintech Private Limited), who have been appointed as the Registrar or any other Registrar who is appointed by NAM India.
<b>REIT</b>	:	"REIT" or "Real Estate Investment Trust" shall have the meaning assigned in clause (zm) of sub-regulation 1 of regulation 2 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Real Estate Investment Trusts) Regulations, 2014;"
<b>Statement of Additional Information (SAI)</b>	:	Statement of Additional Information.

<b>Scheme</b>	:	Nippon India Small Cap Fund, An open-ended equity scheme predominantly investing in small cap stocks.
<b>Scheme Information Document (SID)</b>	:	Scheme Information Document issued by Nippon India Mutual Fund , offering units of Nippon India Small Cap Fund for Subscription.
<b>SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations/ SEBI (MF) Regulations/ Regulations</b>	:	Securities and Exchange Board of India (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 as amended from time to time and such other regulations (including the Rules, Guidelines or Circulars) as may be in force from time to time to regulate the activities of Mutual Funds.
<b>Sponsor</b>	:	Sponsor of Nippon India Mutual Fund i.e., Nippon Life Insurance Company (“NLI”) which is mutual company incorporated and existing under the laws of japan
<b>The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)</b>	:	The Securities and Exchange Board of India.
<b>Tri- Party Repo</b>	:	Tri-party repo is a type of 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.
<b>Trust Deed</b>	:	Trust Deed means Trust Deed constituted in accordance with the provisions of the Indian Trusts Act, 1882 (2 of 1882) and as amended from time to time. The amended Trust Deed is in accordance with SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996. The Trust Deed has been registered under the Indian Registration Act, 1908
<b>Trust Fund</b>	:	The corpus of the Trust, unit capital and all property belonging to and/or vested in the Trustee.
<b>Unit</b>	:	The interest of the investors in any of the plans, of the scheme which consists of each Unit representing one undivided share in the assets of the corresponding plan of the scheme.
<b>Unitholder</b>	:	A person who holds Unit(s) under the scheme.
<b>Unitholders Record</b>	:	Unitholders whose names appear on the unitholders register of the concerned plan(s) on the date of determination of Dividend, subject to realisation of the cheque.
<b>Website</b>	:	Website of NIMF namely www.nipponindiamf.com

**Words and Expressions used in this Scheme Information Document and not defined shall have the same meaning as in the Regulations.**

#### **E. DUE DILIGENCE BY THE ASSET MANAGEMENT COMPANY**

**It is confirmed that:**

- (a) The Scheme Information Document of Nippon India Small Cap Fund, 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.
- (b) 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.
- (c) 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 proposed Scheme.
- (d) The intermediaries named in the Scheme Information Document and Statement of Additional Information are registered with SEBI and their registrations are valid, as on date.

**Place : Mumbai  
Date : September 30, 2020**

**Sd/-  
Muneesh Sud  
Chief Legal & Compliance Officer**

## II. INFORMATION ABOUT THE SCHEME – NIPPON INDIA SMALL CAP FUND

**A. TYPE OF THE SCHEME** – An open-ended equity scheme predominantly investing in small cap stocks

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

The primary investment objective of the scheme is to generate long term capital appreciation by investing predominantly in equity and equity related instruments of small cap companies and the secondary objective is to generate consistent returns by investing in debt and money market securities.

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

Instruments	Indicative asset allocation (% of total assets)		Risk Profile
	Minimum	Maximum	
Equities and equity related securities of small cap companies including derivatives	65%	100%	Medium to High
Equities and equity related securities of any other companies including derivatives	0%	35%	Medium to High
Debt and Money market securities (including investments in securitized debt)	0%	35%	Low to Medium
Units issued by REITs and InvITs	0%	10%	Medium to High

An overall limit of 100% of the portfolio value has been introduced for the purpose of equity derivatives in the scheme.

Market Capitalization: Market value of the listed company, which is calculated by multiplying its current market price by total number of shares.

Small Cap Stocks: Small Cap stocks are defined as stocks of companies whose market capitalization is below top 250 companies in terms of full market capitalization.

Debt instruments include securitized debts and liquid schemes launched by SEBI registered Mutual Fund or schemes that invest predominantly in money market instruments.

Investment in liquid schemes or schemes that invest predominantly in money market instruments/ securities will be made for funds pending deployment.

Investment in securitized debts shall not exceed 35% of the net assets of the Scheme.

Money market instruments include Tri-Party Repo / Reverse Repo (including corporate bond Repo), certificate of deposit, commercial papers, commercial bills, treasury bills, Government securities issued by Central & State Government/ corporate bonds having an unexpired maturity up to one year, call or notice money, Term Deposits, usance bills (BRDS) and any other similar instruments as specified by the RBI/SEBI from time to time.

Liquidity in the scheme may be provided through borrowing to meet redemptions in accordance with the SEBI Regulations.

The Fund may also enter into “Repo”, “Short Selling” or such other transactions as may be allowed to Mutual Funds from time to time.

The scheme may engage in Securities Lending not exceeding 15% of the net assets of the scheme and shall not lend more than 5% of its Net Assets to a single counterparty or such other limits as may be permitted by SEBI from time to time.

In case the Fund Manager decides to invest in Equity and Debt instruments of ADRs/ GDRs issued by Indian/ foreign companies and in foreign Securities in accordance with SEBI Regulations in the Scheme and such investments will not exceed 20% of the net assets of the Scheme. The investments in overseas securities shall be made in accordance with SEBI Circular No. SEBI/IMD/CIR No.7/104753/07 dated September 26, 2007 and such other amendments as issued by SEBI from time to time.

The above is indicative and is subject to change keeping in view the market conditions and opportunities, applicable Regulations and politico-economic factors. The investment manager in line with the investment objective may alter the above pattern for short term on defensive consideration.

The AMC reserves the right to change the above asset allocation pattern in the interest of the investors depending on the market conditions for a short term period of defensive consideration. Defensive considerations for this Scheme include maintaining an adequate float to meet anticipated levels of redemptions, expenses, and other liquidity needs.

In case any deviation from the asset allocation of the scheme, the fund manager will carry out rebalancing within 30 days. Where the portfolio is not re-balanced within 30 days, justification for the same shall be placed before the Investment Committee and reasons for the same shall be recorded in writing. The Investment Committee shall then decide on the course of action. However, at all times the portfolio will adhere to the overall investment objectives of the Scheme.

**D. HOW THE SCHEME IS DIFFERENT FROM THE EXISTING OPEN ENDED SCHEMES OF THE MUTUAL FUND**

**Nippon India Growth Fund**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Equity & Equity Related Instruments - 65%-100%, Debt Instruments & Money Market Instruments - 0%-35%,

**Primary Investment Pattern:** The primary investment objective of the Scheme is to achieve long term growth of capital by investing in equity and equity related securities through a research based investment approach. However, there can be no assurance that the investment objective of the Scheme will be realized, as actual market movements may be at variance with anticipated trends. **Investment**

**Strategy:** The portfolio shall be structured so as to keep risk at acceptable levels. This shall be done through various measures including: 1. Broad diversification of portfolio 2. Ongoing review of relevant market, industry, sector and economic parameters 3. Investing in companies which have been researched 4. Investments in debentures and bonds (where the tenure exceeds 18 months) will usually be in Investments which have been assigned investment grade ratings by any approved rating agency, **Differentiation:** The core philosophy of the fund is to focus on high quality mid cap stocks while having a small exposure to large cap stocks. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 7,018.02 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 546687

### **Nippon India Vision Fund**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Equity & Equity Related Instruments – 70%-100%, Large Cap\* Companies – 35%-65%, Mid Cap\* Companies – 35%-65%, Debt & Money Market Instruments 0%-30% & Units issued by REITs and InvITs 0%-10%. \*Market Capitalization: Market value of the listed company, which is calculated by multiplying its current market price by total number of shares. Large Cap: Large Cap stocks are defined as stocks of companies whose market capitalization is between 1st – 100th company in terms of full market capitalization. Mid Cap: Mid Cap stocks are defined as stocks of companies whose market capitalization is between 101st – 250th company in terms of full market capitalization. **Primary Investment Pattern:** The primary investment objective of the scheme is to achieve long-term growth of capital by investment in equity and equity related securities through a research based investment approach, **Investment Strategy:** The portfolio shall be structured so as to keep risk at acceptable levels. This shall be done through various measures including: 1. Broad diversification of portfolio 2. Ongoing review of relevant market, industry, sector and economic parameters 3. Investing in companies which have been researched 4. Investments in debentures and bonds (where the tenure exceeds 18 months) will usually be in instruments which have been assigned investment grade ratings by any approved rating agency, **Differentiation:** The fund aims to achieve long term capital appreciation through investment in high quality large size and mid size capitalization stocks. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 2,390.12 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 445818

### **Nippon India Large Cap Fund**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Equity & Equity Related Instruments – 80%-100%, Large Cap\* Companies – 80%-100%, Mid & Small Cap\* Companies – 0%-20%, Debt & Money Market Instruments 0%-20% & Units issued by REITs and InvITs 0%-10%. \*Market Capitalization: Market value of the listed company, which is calculated by multiplying its current market price by total number of shares. Large Cap: Large Cap stocks are defined as stocks of companies whose market capitalization is between 1st – 100th company in terms of full market capitalization. Mid Cap: Mid Cap stocks are defined as stocks of companies whose market capitalization is between 101st – 250th company in terms of full market capitalization. Small Cap: Small Cap stocks are defined as stocks of companies whose market capitalization is below first 250 companies in terms of full market capitalization. **Primary Investment Pattern:** The primary investment objective of the scheme is to seek to generate long term capital appreciation by investing predominantly into equity and equity related instruments of large cap companies. The secondary objective is to generate consistent returns by investing in debt, money market securities, REITs and InvITs. **Investment Strategy:** The scheme will invest predominantly into equity and equity related instruments of large cap companies. The Fund will invest at least 80% of its total assets in large cap stocks. Such companies which tend to be leaders in their respective fields with having strong financials, vast experience and robust management. Large Cap stocks tend to generate consistent long term returns with relatively less volatility. They also tend to generate relatively stronger performance during times of heightened risk aversion. The fund will have the flexibility to invest in a broad range of companies with an objective to maximize the returns, at the same time trying to minimize the risk by reasonable diversification. However, there can be no assurance that the investment objective of the scheme will be realized, as actual market movements may be at variance with anticipated trends. **Differentiation:** The Scheme will predominantly invest in equity and equity related instruments of large cap companies. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 10,615.83 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 822077

### **Nippon India Multi Cap Fund**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Equity & Equity Related Instruments-75%-100%, Debt Instruments & Money Market Securities (including investments in Securitised Debt\*) 0%-25%. (\*including upto 25% of the Corpus in Securitised Debt), **Primary Investment Pattern:** The primary investment objective of the scheme is to seek to generate capital appreciation & provide long-term growth opportunities by investing in a portfolio constituted of equity securities & equity related securities and the secondary objective is to generate consistent returns by investing in debt and money market securities, **Investment Strategy:** The Fund will endeavor to continuously analyze the performance of economy and industry, which would be reflected in the investment pattern of the fund. The Fund would seek both value & growth, which are likely to commence from the ongoing structural changes in the government policies, infrastructure spending and continuous global economic reforms which tries to integrate different economies across the globe. The primary approach to stock selection will be through the Top down approach i.e. Sector -- Industry-- Company, **Differentiation:** The fund has the mandate to invest across companies (belonging to different sectors) with different market caps; be it large, mid or small. The fund manager would have the flexibility to be overweight in a particular sector or market caps depending on the potential & opportunities as they arise. The investment horizon of the fund is minimum 2 yrs. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 8,053.29 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 691613

### **Nippon India Quant Fund**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Equity & Equity Related Instruments - 80%-100% & Debt & Money Market Instruments - 0%-20%, Units issued by REITs and InvITs - 0%-10%, **Primary Investment Pattern:** The investment objective of the Scheme is to generate capital appreciation through investment in equity and equity related instruments. The Scheme will seek to generate capital appreciation by investing in an active portfolio of stocks selected on the basis of a Quant model. **Investment Strategy:** The fund will invest in 30-35 stocks from a universe of S&P BSE 200 selected on the basis of a Quant Model. Quantitative methods will be used for (i) screening mechanism to choose best picks and make the stock selection universe smaller, (ii) Deciding on the portfolio weightage for better return as the investment will focus on company's size and liquidity. The quantitative model which will be used for stock selection will be based on two broad parameters viz., Stock Price movement & Financial/valuation aspects. The model will shortlist between 30-35 stocks (out of the resulting list) and the investments will be made in them on weightages defined by the fund manager. **Differentiation:** An investment fund which focuses on stocks from constituents of S&P BSE 200. The stock selection process is based on quantitative analysis, and the proprietary system-based model will shortlist between 30-35 stocks from screening mechanism at pre-determined intervals i.e. on quarterly basis based on quantitative techniques. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 22.39 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 3581

### **Nippon India Tax Saver (ELSS) Fund**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Equity and Equity related securities 80%-100% and Debt and Money Market Instrument 0%-20%, **Primary Investment Pattern:** The primary objective of the scheme is to generate long-term capital appreciation from a portfolio that is invested predominantly in equity and equity related instruments, **Investment Strategy:** The investments in the Scheme shall be in accordance with SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 and Equity Linked Saving Scheme, 2005 notified by Ministry of Finance (Department of Economic Affairs) vide Notifications dated November 3, 2005 and December 13, 2005. The fund managers will follow an active investment strategy

taking defensive / aggressive postures depending on opportunities available at various points of time, **Differentiation:** The fund is an open ended equity linked savings scheme which gives dual advantage of tax savings & growth potential. It is a diversified fund which aims to have minimum 50% exposure to top 100 companies by market capitalization. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 9,029.72 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 1232628

#### **Nippon India Banking Fund**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Equity & Equity Related Instruments-80%-100% (Companies defined in the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 & Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934 as amended from time to time 80%-100% & Financial services companies which provide non-banking financial services like housing finance, stock broking, wealth management, insurance companies and holding companies of insurance companies\* 0%-20%), Debt Instruments & Money Market Instruments: 0%-20%. In the total equity allocation, the fund will invest minimum 80% in companies defined in Banking Regulation Act, 1949 & Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934 as amended from time to time. In addition, maximum 20% of the equity allocation can be invested in financial services companies which provide non-banking financial services like housing finance, stock broking, wealth management, insurance companies and holding companies of insurance companies. The fund will not invest in securitized debt. \* The companies which will be included in financial service sector will be those companies which will provide non-banking financial services like housing finance, stock broking, wealth management, insurance and other related financial services.

**Primary Investment Pattern:** The primary investment objective of the Scheme is to seek to generate continuous returns by actively investing in equity and equity related securities of companies in the Banking Sector and companies engaged in allied activities related to Banking Sector. The AMC will have the discretion to completely or partially invest in any of the type of securities stated above with a view to maximize the returns or on defensive considerations. However, there can be no assurance that the investment objective of the Scheme will be realized, as actual market movements may be at variance with anticipated trends **Investment Strategy:** To achieve its primary objective, the fund could invest in equity securities of companies in Banking Sector and companies engaged in allied activities related to Banking Sector. **Differentiation:** The fund aims to generate consistent returns by investing in equity / equity related securities of Banking and companies engaged in allied activities related to Banking Sector. The fund follows an active strategy of management with endeavor to generate alpha and outperform the Banking Index. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 2,169.31 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 178732

#### **Nippon India Pharma Fund**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Equity and Equity related Instruments of companies in Pharma Sector – 80%-100%, Debt Instruments & Money Market Instruments – 0%-20% & Units issued by REITs and InvITs – 0%-10% **Primary Investment Pattern:** The primary investment objective of the scheme is to seek to generate consistent returns by investing in equity and equity related or fixed income securities of Pharma and other associated companies, **Investment Strategy:** The fund under normal circumstances shall invest at least 80% of the value of its total net assets in equity securities in the Pharma Sector and associated companies. **Differentiation:** A sector fund which aims to generate consistent returns by investing in large and mid-cap companies spread across all important segments of the pharmaceutical industry. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 3,652.59 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 287116

#### **Nippon India Power & Infra Fund**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Equity and Equity related Instruments of Power & Infrastructure Sectors - 80%-100%, Debt and Money Market Instruments – 0%-20%, Units issued by REITs and InvITs - 0%-10%, **Primary Investment Pattern:** The primary investment objective of the scheme is to generate long term capital appreciation by investing predominantly in equity and equity related securities of companies that are engaged in or allied to the power and infrastructure space, **Investment Strategy:** The Fund will invest primarily in equity & equity related instruments of companies engaged either directly or indirectly in infrastructure-related activities. Broadly defined, infrastructure-related activities include development, operations, management and maintenance of various infrastructures such as Transportation, Energy, Resources, Communication and other infrastructure. The fund will have the flexibility to invest in a broad range of companies with an objective to maximize the returns, at the same time trying to minimize the risk by reasonable diversification. The Fund would identify companies for investment, based on the following criteria amongst others: 1. Sound Management, 2. Good track record of the company, 3. Potential for future growth 4. Industry economic scenario, 5. Strong Cashflows. Risk will be managed through adequate diversification by spreading investments over a wide range of companies. This shall be done through various measures including: 1. Broad diversification of portfolio, 2. Ongoing review of relevant market, industry, sector and economic parameters 3. Investing in companies which have been researched NAM India may, from time to time, review and modify the Scheme's investment strategy if such changes are considered to be in the best interests of the unit holders and if market conditions warrant it. **Differentiation:** The fund focuses on companies related to power and infrastructure space. It provides opportunity to diversify within the sector, with focused approach and flexibility to invest in Power generation, Distribution, Transportation, Energy, Resources, Communication and other infrastructure-related activities. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 1,131.54 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 296830

#### **Nippon India Consumption Fund**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Equity & Equity related securities of companies in the domestic consumption sector – 80%-100%, Debt Securities & Money Market instruments – 0%-20% & Units issued by REITs and InvITs – 0%-10%, **Primary Investment Pattern:** The primary investment objective of the scheme is to seek long term capital appreciation by investing at least 80% of its net assets in equity/ equity related instruments of the companies that are likely to benefit directly or indirectly from the domestic consumption led demand. **Investment Strategy:** The scheme seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing at least 80% of its net assets in equity/equity related instruments of the companies that are likely to benefit directly or indirectly from domestic consumption led demand. **Differentiation:** A thematic fund which focuses on investing in companies that are likely to benefit directly or indirectly from domestic consumption led demand. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 93.90 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 11873

#### **Nippon India Value Fund**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Equity and Equity related securities 65%-100%, Debt and Money Market Instruments 0%-20% and Units issued by REITs and InvITs – 0-10% **Primary Investment Pattern:** The primary investment objective of this scheme is to seek capital appreciation and/or to generate consistent returns by actively investing in equity/ equity related securities predominantly into value stocks. **Investment Strategy:** The Fund Managers would aim to identify undervalued stocks having the potential to deliver long term superior risk-adjusted returns. Undervalued stocks would include stocks which the Fund Managers believe are trading at less than their assessed values. The



identification of undervalued stocks would involve fundamental analysis. It will be based on the evaluation of various factors including but not limited to stock valuation, financial strength, cash flows, company's competitive advantage, business prospects and earnings potential. The Fund would identify companies for investment, based on the following criteria amongst others: 1. Sound Management 2. Good track record of the company 3. Potential for future growth 4. Industry economic scenario, **Differentiation:** The Fund follows a value investment strategy and seeks to identify undervalued stocks having the potential to deliver long term superior risk-adjusted returns. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 2,903.24 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 276179

#### **Nippon India Equity Hybrid Fund (Number of Segregated Portfolios- 2)**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Equity and Equity related Instruments - 65%-80%, Debt & Money Market instruments - 20%-35% & Units issued by REITs and InvITs – 0%-10%, **Primary Investment Pattern:** The primary investment objective of this option is to generate consistent return and appreciation of capital by investing in a mix of securities comprising of equity, equity related instruments and fixed income instruments., **Investment Strategy:** The Scheme will, under normal market conditions, invest its net assets primarily in Equity and equity related instruments and balance in fixed income securities, money market instruments and cash equivalents. For investments in equity and equity related securities, the Fund would identify companies for investment, based on the following criteria amongst others: a. Sound Management b. Good track record of the company c. Potential for future growth. Industry economic scenario, **Differentiation:** The fund focuses on reducing volatility of returns by increasing / decreasing equity exposure based on the market outlook and using a core debt portfolio to do the rebalancing. The fund can invest 65%-80% of its corpus in equity, 20%-35% in debt related instruments & 0-10% in units issued by REITs and InvITs. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 4,947.69 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 273590

#### **Nippon India Focused Equity Fund**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Equity and equity related securities 65% -100%, Debt instruments and money market instruments 0%-35% & Units issued by REITs and InvITs – 0%-10%, **Primary Investment Pattern:** The primary investment objective of the scheme is to generate long-term capital growth by predominantly investing in an active and concentrated portfolio of equity & equity related instruments up to 30 companies across market capitalization. The secondary objective of the scheme is to generate consistent returns by investing in debt, money market securities, REITs and InvITs. **Investment Strategy:** The investment strategy of the scheme is to maintain an active and concentrated portfolio of equity & equity related instruments up to 30 companies across market capitalization. The aim will be to build a portfolio that adequately reflects a cross-section of the growth areas of the economy from time to time. **Differentiation:** The fund is an open ended diversified multi cap equity scheme investing in a concentrated portfolio of 30 stocks across market cap with long term investment horizon. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 3,923.20 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 466230

#### **Nippon India Balanced Advantage Fund**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Equity & Equity Related Instruments – 65%-100%, Debt Instruments & Money Market Instruments – 0%-35% & Units issued by REITs and InvITs – 0%-10%, **Primary Investment Pattern:** The primary investment objective of the scheme is to capitalize on the potential upside in equity markets while attempting to limit the downside by dynamically managing the portfolio through investment in equity & equity related instruments and active use of debt, money market instruments and derivatives. **Investment Strategy:** The fund will endeavor to capitalize on the potential upside in equity markets while attempting to limit the downside by dynamically managing the portfolio through investment in equity & equity related instruments and active use of debt, money market instruments and derivatives. The fund will endeavor to minimize the risks and optimize the returns for a long term investor. The percentage allocation to unhedged equity will be decided on the basis of an internal model with following key parameters: Trend Following (Moving Averages, etc.) & Valuation, **Differentiation:** The fund is an open ended dynamic asset allocation fund which seeks to capitalize on the potential upside in equity markets while attempting to limit the downside by dynamically managing the portfolio. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 2,905.35 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 103332

#### **Nippon India Small Cap Fund**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Equity & Equity Related Securities of small cap companies including derivatives - 65%-100%, Equity & Equity Related Securities of any other companies including derivatives - 0% - 35%, debt & money market securities (including investments in securitized debt upto 30%) - 0%-35%, Units issued by REITs and InvITs – 0%-10%, Market Capitalization: Market value of the listed company, which is calculated by multiplying its current market price by total number of shares. Small Cap: Small Cap stocks are defined as stocks of companies whose market capitalization is below first 250 companies in terms of full market capitalization. **Primary Investment Pattern:** The primary investment objective of the scheme is to generate long term capital appreciation by investing predominantly in equity and equity related instruments of small cap companies and the secondary objective is to generate consistent returns by investing in debt and money market securities, **Investment Strategy:** The investment strategy of the Scheme is to build and maintain a diversified portfolio of equity stocks that have the potential to appreciate. The aim will be to build a portfolio that adequately reflects a cross-section of the growth areas of the economy from time to time. The fund shall primarily focus on the small cap stocks. However depending on the views of the fund manager and market conditions in the interest of the investors, the fund manager will have the flexibility to select stocks which he feels are best suited to achieve the stated objective. The fund will have the flexibility to invest predominantly in a range of Small Cap companies/ stocks with an objective to maximize the returns, at the same time trying to minimize the risk by reasonable diversification. **Differentiation:** The fund shall predominantly invest in small cap companies/stocks with an objective to maximize the returns and at the same time trying to minimize the risk by reasonable diversification. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 9,285.32 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 1023926

#### **Nippon India Index Fund – Nifty Plan**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Equities and equity related securities covered by Nifty 50 - 95%-100%, Cash/Tri-Party Repo, Repo & Reverse Repo & Money Market instruments (CPs, CDs, Tbills, Mibor linked instruments with daily Put/Call options & overnight Interest rate Reset Linked Instruments) but excluding Subscription and Redemption Cash Flow# - 0%-5%. (# Subscription Cash Flow is the subscription money in transit before deployment and Redemption Cash Flow is the money kept aside for meeting redemptions.) **Primary Investment Pattern:** The primary investment objective of the scheme is to replicate the composition of the NIFTY 50, with a view to generate returns that are commensurate with the performance of the NIFTY 50 TRI, subject to tracking errors. **Investment Strategy:** The Scheme will be managed passively with investments in stocks in a proportion that it is as close as possible to the weightages of these stocks in the Nifty

50. The investment strategy would revolve around reducing the tracking error to the least possible through rebalancing of the portfolio, taking into account the change in weights of stocks in the index as well as the incremental collections/redemptions from the Scheme. The fund will, in general invest a significant part of its corpus in equities however pending investments in equities; the surplus amount of the fund should be invested in Cash/Tri-Party Repo, Repo & Reverse Repo & Money Market instruments. Also whenever good investment opportunity are not available, or the equity market is not likely to perform in the view of the Fund manager the Fund will reduce its exposure to equity and during that period the surplus asset of the Fund shall be invested in Cash/ Tri-Party Repo & Reverse Repo & Money Market instruments. However there is no assurance that all such buying and selling activities would necessarily result in benefit for the Fund. The allocation between money market instruments and equity will be decided based upon the prevailing market conditions, macroeconomic environment, and the performance of the corporate sector, the equity market and other considerations. At time such churning could lead to higher brokerage and transaction costs. **Differentiation:** The fund is an open ended scheme which will be passively managed with investments in stocks in a proportion that it is as close as possible to the weightages of these stocks in Nifty 50. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 226.42 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 17238

#### **Nippon India Index Fund - Sensex Plan**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Equities and equity related securities covered by S&P BSE Sensex - 95%-100%, Cash/Tri-Party Repo, Repo & Reverse Repo & Money Market instruments (CPs, CDs, Tbilis, Mibor linked instruments with daily Put/Call options & overnight Interest rate Reset Linked Instruments) but excluding Subscription and Redemption Cash Flow# - 0%-5%. (# Subscription Cash Flow is the subscription money in transit before deployment and Redemption Cash Flow is the money kept aside for meeting redemptions.) **Primary Investment Pattern:** The primary investment objective of the scheme is to replicate the composition of the S&P BSE Sensex, with a view to generate returns that are commensurate with the performance of the S&P BSE Sensex TRI, subject to tracking errors. **Investment Strategy:** The Scheme will be managed passively with investments in stocks in a proportion that it is as close as possible to the weightages of these stocks in the S&P BSE Sensex. The investment strategy would revolve around reducing the tracking error to the least possible through rebalancing of the portfolio, taking into account the change in weights of stocks in the index as well as the incremental collections/redemptions from the Scheme. It is proposed to manage the risks by placing limit orders for basket trades and other trades, proactive follow-up with the service providers for daily change in weights in the S&P BSE Sensex as well as monitor daily inflows and outflows to and from the Fund closely. While these measures are expected to mitigate the above risks to a large extent, there can be no assurance that these risks would be completely eliminated. The fund will, in general invest a significant part of its corpus in equities however pending investments in equities; the surplus amount of the fund should be invested in Cash/Tri-Party Repo, Repo & Reverse Repo & Money Market instruments. Also whenever good investment opportunity are not available, or the equity market is not likely to perform in the view of the Fund manager the Fund will reduce its exposure to equity and during that period the surplus asset of the Fund shall be invested in Cash/Tri-Party Repo, Repo & Reverse Repo & Money Market instruments. However there is no assurance that all such buying and selling activities would necessarily result in benefit for the Fund. The allocation between money market instruments and equity will be decided based upon the prevailing market conditions, macro economic environment, and the performance of the corporate sector, the equity market and other considerations. At time such churning could lead to higher brokerage and transaction costs. **Differentiation:** The fund is an open ended scheme which will be passively managed with investments in stocks in a proportion that it is as close as possible to the weightages of these stocks in the S&P BSE Sensex. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 96.94 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 12432

#### **Nippon India Arbitrage Fund**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Under normal circumstances, the anticipated asset allocation would be: Equities and equity related instruments, Derivatives including index futures, stock futures, index options, & stock options, etc. – 65%-90%, Debt and Money market instruments (including investments in securitized debt upto 30%) -10%-35%. When adequate arbitrage opportunities are not available in the Derivative and Equity markets, the anticipated alternate asset allocation on defensive considerations would be: Equities and equity related instruments, Derivatives including index futures, stock futures, index options, & stock options, etc. (Only arbitrage opportunities) - 0%-65%, Debt and Money market instruments (including investments in securitized debt upto 30%) - 35%-100%. **Primary Investment Pattern:** The investment objective of the scheme is to generate income by taking advantage of the arbitrage opportunities that potentially exists between cash and derivative market and within the derivative segment along with investments in debt securities & money market instruments, **Investment Strategy:** The scheme will seek to achieve its investment objective primarily by employing various strategies which seek to exploit available arbitrage opportunities in markets. The stock selection strategy would be a blend of top down and bottom up approach without any sector or market capitalization bias. All companies selected will be analyzed taking into account the business fundamentals like nature and stability of business, prospects of future growth and scalability, financial discipline and returns, valuations in relation to broad market and expected growth in earnings, the company's financial strength and track record. **Differentiation:** The fund is an open ended arbitrage scheme which will seek to exploit available arbitrage opportunities in the markets to achieve its investment objective. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 7,384.14 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 106730

#### **Nippon India Japan Equity Fund**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Under normal circumstances, the anticipated asset allocation would be: Equity and Equity related Instruments listed on the recognized stock exchanges of Japan\* – 80%-100%, Fixed income securities including money market instruments, cash and equivalent, Treasury bills and fixed deposits of India.- 0%-20%, \*Includes ADRs/GDRs issued by Indian companies or foreign companies, equity of overseas companies listed on recognized stock exchanges of Japan, units/securities issued by overseas mutual funds or unit trusts which are registered with Japan regulators and overseas exchange traded funds (ETFs) which invest in the securities as permitted by SEBI/RBI from time to time. The fund will also invest in initial and follow on public offerings to be listed at recognized stock exchanges of Japan. (The Scheme will not invest in securitized debt & the scheme will not participate in short selling and securities lending). **Primary Investment Pattern:** The primary investment objective of Nippon India Japan Equity Fund is to provide long term capital appreciation to investors by primarily investing in equity and equity related securities of companies listed on the recognized stock exchanges of Japan and the secondary objective is to generate consistent returns by investing in debt and money market securities of India. However, there can be no assurance or guarantee that the investment objective of the scheme will be achieved. **Investment Strategy:** The investment strategy of the fund would be to create a portfolio of companies which are leaders or potential leaders in the growth oriented sectors of Japan and are listed on recognized stock exchanges of Japan. The investment philosophy would be a blend of top down and bottom up approach without any extreme sector bias. The sectors would be mainly assessed on their growth potential in the mid and long term. On the other

hand, companies within the selected sectors would be analyzed taking into account the business fundamentals like nature and stability of business, potential for future growth and scalability, sales volume, earning performance, corporate image, company's financial strength and track record etc. The fund will endeavor to follow a disciplined investment approach and the portfolio will be reviewed & rebalanced at regular intervals, whenever deemed necessary. **Differentiation:** The fund will endeavor to invest in companies which are leaders or potential leaders in the growth oriented sectors of Japan and are listed on recognized stock exchanges of Japan. The fund will provide exposure to the growth story of Japan Economy along with the benefit of country diversification to the investor. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 52.40 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 4513

#### **Nippon India Retirement Fund - Wealth Creation Scheme**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Under normal circumstances, the anticipated asset allocation would be: Diversified Equity and equity related securities – 65%-100%, Debt and Money market securities - 0%-35%. **Primary Investment Pattern:** The scheme endeavors to provide capital appreciation and consistent income to the investors which will be in line with their retirement goals by investing in a mix of securities comprising of equity, equity related instruments and fixed income securities. **Investment Strategy:** For investments in equity and equity related securities, the Wealth Creation Scheme would identify companies for investment, based on the following criteria amongst others: a. Sound Management b. Good track record of the company c. Potential for future growth d. Industry economic scenario Besides, it is expected that a portion of the funds will also be invested in initial offerings and other primary market offerings. Risk will be managed through adequate diversification by spreading investments over a wide range of companies across sectors and market capitalization. For investments in Debt Securities, income may be generated through the receipt of coupon payments, the amortization of the discounts on debt instruments or the purchase and sale of securities in the underlying portfolio. The Fund Manager may adopt a different strategy considering the market scenario, opportunities available in different sectors and market capitalization. **Differentiation:** Wealth creation scheme is one of the plans of Nippon India Retirement Fund which aims to provide long term growth & capital appreciation by investing primarily in Diversified Equity and equity related instruments and balance in fixed income securities, money market instruments and cash equivalents, so as to help the investor in achieving the retirement goals. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 254.97 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 103512

#### **Nippon India Equity Savings Fund (Number of Segregated Portfolios- 2)**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Under normal circumstances, the anticipated asset allocation would be: Equities and equity related instruments: 65%–90% of which: - Derivatives including index futures, stock futures, index options, & stock options, etc. backed by underlying equity (only arbitrage opportunities)\*: 25%-70%, Unhedged Equity Position#: 20%-40%, Debt and Money market instruments\*\* (including investments in securitized debt & margin for derivatives): 10%–35% When adequate arbitrage opportunities are not available in the Derivative and Equity markets, the anticipated alternate asset allocation on defensive considerations would be: Equities and equity related instruments: 20%–65% of which: - Derivatives including index futures, stock futures, index options, & stock options, etc. backed by underlying equity (only arbitrage opportunities)\*: 0%-45%, Unhedged Equity Position#: 20%-40%, Debt and Money market instruments\*\* (including investments in securitized debt & margin for derivatives): 35%–80%. #Denote the directional equity exposure which is not hedged. \*This denotes only hedged equity positions by investing in arbitrage opportunities in the equity market. The fund manager in the above case can therefore take exposure to equivalent stock/ index futures & create completely covered positions. The margin money deployed on these positions would be included in Money Market category. \*\* including securitized debt up to 30%. **Primary Investment Pattern:** The primary investment objective of this fund is to generate income and capital appreciation by investing in arbitrage opportunities & pure equity investments along with investments in debt securities & money market instruments. However, there can be no assurance or guarantee that the investment objective of the scheme will be achieved. **Investment Strategy:** The scheme will seek to achieve its investment objective primarily by employing various strategies which seek to exploit available arbitrage opportunities in markets along with pure equity investments. The stock selection strategy would be a blend of top down and bottom up approach without any sector or market capitalization bias. All companies selected will be analyzed taking into account the business fundamentals like nature and stability of business, prospects of future growth and scalability, financial discipline and returns, valuations in relation to broad market and expected growth in earnings, the company's financial strength and track record. The percentage allocation to un-hedged equity will be done on the basis of an internal model with Price/ Book Value of Nifty 50 as the primary factor for deciding the allocation. This model will proportionately re-adjust the unhedged Equity Position weight within the asset allocation limits stated above based on over/under valuation of the equity markets. **Differentiation:** The fund invests predominantly in arbitrage opportunities along with moderate exposure to unhedged equity exposure. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 421.86 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 22049

#### **Nippon India US Equity Opportunities Fund**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Under normal circumstances, the anticipated asset allocation would be: Equity and Equity related Instruments listed on the recognized stock exchanges of US – 80%-100%, Fixed income securities of India as well as U.S including money market instruments, cash and equivalent, Treasury bills and fixed deposits- 0%-20%. **Primary Investment Pattern:** The primary investment objective of Nippon India US Equity Opportunities Fund is to provide long term capital appreciation to investors by primarily investing in equity and equity related securities of companies listed on the recognized stock exchanges of US and the secondary objective is to generate consistent returns by investing in debt and money market securities of India. **Investment Strategy:** The investment strategy of the fund would be to create a portfolio of high quality – high growth stocks listed on recognized stock exchanges of US. The investment philosophy would be a blend of top down and bottom up approach without any sector or market capitalization bias. All companies selected will be analyzed taking into account the business fundamentals like nature and stability of business, prospects of future growth and scalability, financial discipline and returns, valuations in relation to broad market and expected growth in earnings, the company's financial strength and track record. **Differentiation:** The fund will provide exposure to US securities to an investor which will provide him with country diversification. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 196.98 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 43220

#### **Nippon India Multi Asset Fund**

**Asset Allocation Pattern:** Equity & Equity related securities (including overseas securities /Overseas ETF) - 50%-80%, Debt & Money Market Instruments - 10%-20%, Commodities: 10%-30% (Includes Gold ETF and Exchange Traded Commodity Derivatives (ETCDs) where participation will be limited to derivatives contracts in Metals, Energy and Indices as permitted by SEBI from time to time). **Primary Investment Pattern:** The primary investment objective of Nippon India Multi Asset Fund is to seek long term capital growth by investing

in equity and equity related securities, debt & money market instruments and Exchange Traded Commodity Derivatives and Gold ETF as permitted by SEBI from time to time. However, there can be no assurance or guarantee that the investment objective of the Scheme will be achieved. **Investment Strategy:** To achieve the investment objective, the Scheme will invest in equity & equity related instruments, debt & money market instruments and Gold ETF and Exchange Traded Commodity Derivatives (ETCDs) as permitted by SEBI from time to time. The Scheme seeks to provide diversification across Equity, Debt and Commodity asset classes with an aim to provide superior risk adjusted returns. For investments in equity and equity related securities, the Scheme would identify companies for investment, based on the following criteria amongst others: a) Sound Management, b) Good track record of the company, c) Potential for future growth, d) Industry economic scenario. **Differentiation:** Given that asset allocation is the key to wealth creation, the fund seeks to benefit from portfolio diversification through investment into multiple asset classes. **Month-end AUM as on August 31, 2020:** Rs. 699.29 Crs, **No. of Folios as on August 31, 2020:** 60544

**Risk Mitigation Factors for all the above mentioned Schemes** - Applicable for all the above mentioned Schemes. Robust measures implemented to mitigate Risk include, adoption of internal policies on investments and valuations, rigorous procedures for monitoring investment restrictions and effective implementation of various norms prescribed by SEBI from time to time..

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

The fund shall primarily focus on the small cap stocks. However depending on the views of the fund manager and market conditions in the interest of the investors, the fund manager will have the flexibility to select stocks which he feels are best suited to achieve the stated objective.

The fund will have the flexibility to invest predominantly in a range of Small Cap companies/ stocks with an objective to maximize the returns, at the same time trying to minimize the risk by reasonable diversification. However there can be no assurance that the investment objective of the scheme will be realized, as actual market movements may be at variance with anticipated trends.

**Market Capitalization:** Market value of the listed company, which is calculated by multiplying its current market price by total number of shares.

**Small Cap Stocks:** Small Cap stocks are defined as stocks of companies whose market capitalization is below top 250 companies in terms of full market capitalization.

To achieve its primary objective as mentioned above, the Fund would invest in equity and equity related securities. To achieve its secondary objective, the fund would invest in debt, money market securities, REITs and InvITs. Subject to the Regulations, the corpus of the Scheme can be invested in any (but not exclusively) of the following securities:

- a) Equity and equity related securities are such instruments like Convertible bonds and debentures and warrants carrying the right to obtain equity shares and derivative instruments.
- b) ADRs/ GDRs issued by Indian companies, subject to guidelines issued by RBI/ SEBI.
- c) Foreign equity securities in accordance with SEBI Guidelines
- d) Commercial Paper (CP), Certificate of Deposits (CD), Treasury Bills, Bills Rediscounting, Tri-Party Repo, Repo/ Reverse Repo (including repo in corporate bonds).
- e) Corporate Bonds include all debt instruments (including securitized debt) issued by entities such as Banks, Public Sector Undertakings, Government Agencies and other Statutory Bodies, Municipal Corporations, body corporate, companies, trusts/ Special Purpose Vehicles etc and would exclude investments in Government Securities issued by Central and State Government.
- f) Investment in Government securities issued by Central and/or State Government to the extent of SEBI prescribed limits. Such securities may be:
  - (i) Supported by the ability to borrow from the Treasury or
  - (ii) Supported by Sovereign guarantee or the State Government or
  - (iii) Supported by Government of India/ State Government in some other way.
- g) Securities issued by any government agencies, quasi-government or statutory bodies, Public Sector Undertakings, which may or may not be guaranteed or supported by the Central Government or any state government (including but not limited to coupon bearing bonds, zero coupon bonds and treasury bills).
- h) Non-convertible securities as well as nonconvertible portion of convertible securities, such as debentures, coupon bearing bonds, zero coupon bonds, deep discount bonds, Mibor-linked or other floating rate instruments, premium notes and other debt securities or obligations of public sector undertakings, banks, financial institutions, corporations, companies and other bodies corporate as may be permitted by SEBI/ RBI from time to time.
- i) Securitised debt, pass through obligations, various types of securitization issuances including but not limited to Asset Backed Securitization, Mortgage Backed Securitization, single loan securitization and other domestic securitization instruments, as may be permitted by SEBI/ RBI from time to time.
- j) Derivative like Interest Rate Swaps, Forward Rate Agreements, Stock/ Index Futures, Stock/ Index Options and such other derivative instruments permitted by RBI/ SEBI.
- k) Fund may use Interest Rate Futures (IRF) to create an imperfect hedge/ proper hedge from time to time as per SEBI regulations.
- l) Deposits with banks and other bodies corporate as may be permitted by SEBI from time to time
- m) Any other debt and money market instruments that may be available from time to time.
- n) The scheme may invest in the liquid schemes launched by SEBI registered Mutual Fund or schemes that invest predominantly in money market instruments/ securities.
- o) All investments in overseas securities will be governed based on SEBI guidelines issued from time to time. The Scheme may invest in various types of Foreign Securities including, but not limited to, any of the following:

- (i) Foreign debt securities (non-convertible) in the countries with fully convertible currencies.
  - (ii) Overseas short term as well as long term debt instruments with rating not below investment grade by accredited/registered credit rating agencies.
  - (iii) Overseas Money market instruments rated not below investment grade.
- p) The Fund may also enter into “Repo” (Repos including repo in corporate bonds), hedging or such other transactions as may be allowed to Mutual Funds from time to time.

Investments in Tri-Party Repo would be as per the RBI circular dated July 24, 2018.

Investments in Repo in corporate debt securities would be in line with SEBI circular dated November 11, 2011 and RBI circular dated July 24, 2018 and shall be made basis the policy approved by the Board of NAM India and NLITL. The significant features are as follows:

- i. As specified in the SEBI Circular dated November 15, 2012, the base of eligible securities for mutual funds to participate in repo in corporate debt securities is from AAA rated to AA and above rated corporate debt securities.
- ii. Category of counterparty & Credit rating of counterparty NIMF schemes shall enter in lending via Repo only with Investment Grade counterparties.
- iii. The Gross exposure of the scheme to repo transactions in corporate debt securities shall not be more than 10% of the net asset of the scheme.

All investment restrictions stated above shall be applicable at the time of making investment. Further, any new circular issued by RBI or SEBI on Repo would be applicable from time to time.

#### **Applicable Haircut**

RBI vide its circular dated July 24, 2018 had indicated the haircut to be applied for such transactions as follows:

Haircut/ margins will be decided either by the clearing house or may be bilaterally agreed upon, in terms of the documentation governing repo transactions, subject to the following stipulations:

- i. Listed corporate bonds and debentures shall carry a minimum haircut of 2% of market value. Additional haircut may be charged based on tenor and illiquidity of the security.
- ii. CPs and CDs shall carry a minimum haircut of 1.5% of market value.
- iii. Securities issued by a local authority shall carry a minimum haircut of 2% of market value.

Additional haircut may be charged based on tenor and illiquidity of the security.

- q) The schemes may also enter into repurchase and reverse repurchase obligations in all securities (including Repos in corporate bonds) held by them as per the guidelines and regulations applicable to such transactions. It is the intention of the scheme to trade in the derivatives market as per the Regulations. The scheme may also invest into tri-party Repo as per the prescribed guidelines of RBI.
- r) Any other permitted overseas securities/ instruments that may be available from time to time. The scheme shall not invest in foreign securitized debts. Investment in Foreign Securities shall be in accordance with the guidelines issued by SEBI from time to time.
- s) Units issued by REITs and InvITs as per SEBI guidelines.

The securities mentioned above could be listed, unlisted, publicly offered, privately placed, secured, unsecured, rated or unrated and of varying maturity. The securities may be acquired through public offerings (IPOs), secondary market operations, private placement, rights offers or negotiated deals.

An overall limit of 100% of the portfolio value has been introduced for the purpose of equity derivatives in the scheme.

#### **Securities Lending by the Fund:**

The scheme shall engage in securities lending for equity investments, in line with the SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996, Securities Lending Scheme, 1997, SEBI Circular No MFD/CIR/01/047/99 dated February 10, 1999, SEBI Circular no. SEBI/IMD/CIR/14/187175/2009 dated December 15, 2009, SEBI circular No MRD/DoP/SE/Dep/Cir/14/2007 dated December 20, 2007 notifying framework 13 for lending of securities and such other applicable guidelines as may be amended from time to time.

The scheme may engage in Securities Lending not exceeding 15% of the net assets of the scheme and shall not lend more than 5% of its Net Assets to a single counterparty or such other limits as may be permitted by SEBI from time to time.

In accordance with the Regulations and applicable guidelines, the Fund may engage in stock lending activities. The Securities will be lent by the Approved Intermediary against collateral received from borrower, for a fixed period of time, on expiry of which the securities lent will be returned by the borrower.

It may be noted that this activity would have the inherent probability of collateral value drastically falling in times of strong downward market trends, resulting in inadequate value of collateral until such time as that diminution in value is replenished by additional security. It is also possible that the borrowing party and/or the approved intermediary may suddenly suffer severe business setback and become unable to honor its commitments. This along with a simultaneous fall in value of collateral would render potential loss to the Scheme. Besides, there can also be temporary illiquidity of the securities that are lent out and the scheme may not be able to sell such lent out securities.

#### **F. WHAT ARE THE INVESTMENT STRATEGIES?**

The investment strategy of the Scheme is to build and maintain a diversified portfolio of equity stocks primarily focused on the small stocks that have the potential to appreciate. The aim will be to build a portfolio that adequately reflects a cross-section of the growth areas of the economy from time to time.

While the portfolio focuses primarily on a buy and hold strategy at most times, it will balance the same with a rational approach to selling

when the valuations become too demanding even in the face of reasonable growth prospects in the long run. 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. However the aforesaid limits are only indicative. The Fund Manager in his endeavors to protect the interest of the investors and to maximize the returns, after taking into consideration the dynamism of the markets and market requirements, may change the above limits, in line with the investment objective, for a short term period (not exceeding 30 days) on defensive considerations.

The fund will, in general invest a significant part of its corpus in equities however pending investments in equities; the surplus amount of the fund should be invested in debt and money market instruments. Also whenever good investment opportunity are not available, or the equity market is not likely to perform in the view of the Fund manager the Fund will reduce its exposure to equity and during that period the surplus asset of the Fund shall be invested in debt and money market instruments. However there is no assurance that all such buying and selling activities would necessarily result in benefit for the Fund. The allocation between debt and equity will be decided based upon the prevailing market conditions, macroeconomic environment, and the performance of the corporate sector, the equity market and other considerations. At time such churning could lead to higher brokerage and transaction costs.

#### **RISK CONTROL**

Since investing requires disciplined risk management, the AMC would incorporate adequate safeguards for controlling risks in the portfolio construction process. The risk control process involves reducing risks through portfolio diversification, taking care however not to dilute returns in the process. The AMC believes that this diversification would help achieve the desired level of consistency in returns.

The AMC aims to identify securities, which offer superior levels of yield at lower levels of risks. With the aim of controlling risks, rigorous in depth credit evaluation of the securities proposed to be invested in will be carried out by the investment team of the AMC.

The Scheme may also use various derivatives and hedging products from time to time, as would be available and permitted by RBI, in an attempt to protect the value of the portfolio and enhance Unitholders' interest.

**Exposure to foreign equity securities:** The scheme, subject to SEBI guidelines issued from time to time, may have an exposure in foreign equity securities. However, the exposure in such foreign equity securities would not exceed the maximum amount permitted from time to time. Boards of asset management companies (AMCs) and trustees shall exercise due diligence in making investment decisions as required under Regulation 25 (2). They shall make a detailed analysis of risks and returns of investment in foreign equity securities, comparing them with likely yields of the securities available in domestic markets and how these investments would be in the interest of investors. Investment must be made in liquid actively traded securities. Boards of AMCs and trustees may prescribe detailed parameters for making such investments, which may include identification of countries, country rating, country limits, etc. They shall satisfy themselves that the AMC has experienced key personnel, research facilities and infrastructure for making such investments. Other specialised agencies and service providers associated with such investments e.g. custodian, bank, advisors, etc should also have adequate expertise and infrastructure facilities. Their past track record of performance and regulatory compliance record, if they are registered with foreign regulators, may also be considered. Necessary agreements may be entered into with them as considered necessary. All investment decisions shall be recorded in accordance with SEBI circulars as applicable from time to time. Such investments shall be disclosed while disclosing half-yearly portfolios in the prescribed format by making a separate heading "Foreign Securities/overseas ETFs." Scheme-wise percentage of investments made in such securities shall be disclosed while publishing half-yearly results in the prescribed format, as a footnote.

**Investment in overseas financial assets:** SEBI vide its circular no. SEBI/IMD/CIR No.7/104753/07 dated September 26, 2007 has issued guidelines pertaining to investments in overseas financial assets. Accordingly all the investments in ADRs/GDRs/Foreign Securities/Overseas ETFs shall be made in compliance with the above referred circular. It is the investment manager's belief that overseas securities offer new investment and portfolio diversification opportunities into multi-market and multi-currency products. However, such investments also entail additional risks. Offshore investment will be made subject to any/ all approvals / conditions thereof as may be stipulated by SEBI/ RBI/ other regulatory authorities. Ms. Kinjal Desai has been appointed as the Fund Manager for Overseas Investments, as prescribed in the aforesaid SEBI circular. The fund may, where necessary, appoint other intermediaries of repute as advisors, sub-custodians, etc. for managing and administering such investments. The fees and expenses of such appointment would be part of the recurring expenses of the scheme. The appointment of such intermediaries shall be in accordance with the applicable requirements of SEBI and within the permissible ceilings of expenses. The fees and expenses would include, besides the investments management fees, custody fees and costs, fees of appointed advisors and sub managers, transaction costs and overseas regulatory costs. Investment in foreign securities offers more opportunities and diversification for investments.

**Advantages and Risks attached with investments in Foreign Securities:** It is AMC's belief that the investment in ADRs/GDRs/overseas securities offer new investment and portfolio diversification opportunities into multi-market and multi-currency products. However, such investments also entail additional risks. Such investment opportunities may be pursued by the AMC provided they are considered appropriate in terms of the overall investment objectives of the schemes. Since the Scheme would invest only partially in ADRs/ GDRs/ overseas securities, there may not be readily available and widely accepted benchmarks to measure performance of the Scheme.

- (a) To manage risks associated with foreign currency and interest rate exposure, the Fund may use derivatives for efficient portfolio management including hedging and in accordance with conditions as may be stipulated by SEBI/RBI from time to time.
- (b) To the extent that the assets of the Schemes will be invested in securities denominated in foreign currencies, the Indian Rupee equivalent of the net assets, distributions and income may be adversely affected by the changes in the value of certain foreign currencies relative to the Indian Rupee. The repatriation of capital also may be hampered by changes in regulations concerning exchange controls or political circumstances as well as the application to it of the other restrictions on investment.
- (c) Offshore investments will be made subject to any/all approvals, conditions thereof as may be stipulated by SEBI/RBI and provided such investments do not result in expenses to the Fund in excess of the ceiling on expenses prescribed by and consistent with costs and expenses attendant to international investing.

#### **DEBT MARKET IN INDIA**

The Indian Debt market is facing major shift in the recent times. The substantial growth in Mutual Fund collections in the past few years have provided an easy route for the investors to channelise their savings into the debt market, which otherwise is largely dominated by Banks and other Institutional investors.

At present, the Indian debt market is dominated by issues of Central Government bonds, Corporate Debentures and PSU Bonds. The

new Securitised instruments are also very attractive in the primary market. Risk associated with securitized Debt or PTCs are credit risk, liquidity risk and price risk/interest rate risk. The other instruments available for investment are Commercial Papers, Certificate of Deposits, Government guaranteed bonds, etc.

Brief details about the instruments are given below as on Sep 21, 2020.

Instruments	Listed/ Unlisted	Current Yield Range As on Sep 21, 2020.	Liquidity	Risk profile
Central Government Securities	Listed	3.43% - 6.74%	High	Low
Corporate Debentures / PSU Bonds	Listed	4.16%-6.64%	Moderate	Low
CDs (short term)	Unlisted	3.35% -4.05%	High	Low
Call Money	Unlisted	1.80%- 4.00%	High	Low
Mibor linked Papers*	Listed	90-110 bps	Low	Low

**\* Range of spread of 5 year AAA Corporate bond and OIS papers of similar maturity**

A brief description about yields presently available on Central Govt. Securities /Bonds & Debentures of various maturities is as follows: Annualised yields (as on Sep 21, 2020.) are:

Yrs	=< 1yr	1yr - 5yr	5yr - 10yrs	10yr - 30 yrs
Central Government securities	3.46%-3.74%	4.04%-5.48%	5.77%-6.47%	6.44%-6.86%
Debentures / Bonds (AAA rated)	4.16%-4.20%	4.80%-5.90%	6.10%-6.64%	-

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 VARIES ACCORDING TO MATURITY PROFILE, CREDIT RISK ETC

**Investors are requested to take note that in case the scheme invests in securitized debt, following shall be applicable:**

**Disclosures with respect to 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 following two majorly respects :-

Typically the liquidity of securitized debt is less than similar debt securities. However, this is expected to change as SEBI has issued its guidelines on listing of securitized instrument and going forward we expect more issuance of listed securitized debt.. Currently, the fund manager normally buys these with the view to hold them till maturity. For the close ended scheme, the average tenor of the securitized debt would not exceed maturity of the Scheme / Plan / Fund. For open ended scheme, average maturity of the securitized debt will be in accordance with the investment time horizon of such scheme, opportunities available in the market and interest rate views of the investment team.

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. The fund manager price the securitized debt accordingly to compensate for reinvestment risk.

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 according to the nature ( open ended / close ended ) of the scheme.

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

Originators have been broadly categorized as follows:

- i. PSU Banks;
- ii. Private Banks;
- iii. NBFC's with asset size of Rs. 1,000 crores and above; and
- iv. NBFC's with asset size of below Rs. 1,000 crores.

Before the assessment of the structure is undertaken, the originators/ underlying issuers are evaluated on the following parameters:

- Track record - good track record of the originators/ underlying issuers or its group companies.
- Willingness to pay - credible and strong management team.
- Ability to pay – good financials and business profile.
- Risk appraisal capabilities - strong and well defined risk assessment processes
- Business risk assessment of the originators based on the following factors:
  - Outlook for the economy (domestic and global)
  - Outlook for the industry
  - Company specific factors

In addition a detailed review and assessment is done including interactions with the company as well as the credit rating agency. Typically we would avoid investing in securitization transaction (without specific risk mitigant strategies / additional cash/security collaterals/ guarantees) if we have concerns on the following issues regarding the originator / underlying issuer:

- Default track record/ frequent alteration of redemption conditions / covenants;
- Very High leverage ratios of the ultimate borrower (for single-sell downs) - both on a standalone basis as well on a consolidated level;
- Very High proportion of reschedulement of underlying assets of the pool or loan, as the case may be;
- Very High 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;
- The degree of NPAs of the company being very high than the industry trends.

Further, investments in securitized debt will be done in accordance with the investment restrictions specified under the Regulations / this Scheme Information Documents which would help in mitigating certain risks. Currently, as per the Regulations, the Scheme cannot invest more than 10% of its net assets in debt instruments (irrespective of residual maturity) issued by a single issuer which are rated not below investment grade by a credit rating agency. Such investment limit may be extended to 12% of the net assets of the Scheme with the prior approval of the Board of Trustees.

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

An analysis of the originator / Issuer is especially important in case of retail loans as the size and reach affects the credit quality and servicing of the securitized instrument. 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 seasoning (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.

Investments in securitized debt will be done based on the assessment of the originator which is carried out by the Fixed Income team. In order to mitigate the risk at the issuer/originator level, the Fixed Income team will consider various factors which will include:

- size and reach of the issuer /originator
- Set up of the organization structure of the issuer /originator
- the infrastructure and follow-up mechanism of the issuer /originator
- the issuer / originator's track record in that line of business
- quality of information disseminated by the issuer/originator; and
- the Credit enhancement for different type of issuer/originator

**Table 1: illustrates the framework that will be applied while evaluating investment decision relating to a securitization transaction:**

"Characteristics/Type of Pool"	"Mortgage Loan "	Commercial Vehicle and Construction Equipment	CAR	2Wheelers	Micro Finance	Personal Loans	Single Loan Sell Downs / Others
Approximate Average maturity (in Months)	Upto 180 months or lower	Upto 60 months or lower	Upto 60 months or lower	Upto 60 months or lower	Upto 12 months or lower	Upto 36 months or lower	Any Single Loan Sell Downs/ other class of securitised debt would be evaluated on a case by case basis.
Collateral margin (including cash, guarantees, excess interest spread, subordinate tranche)	In excess of 3%	In excess of 5%	In excess of 5%	In excess of 5%	In excess of 10%	In excess of 10%	
Average Loan to Value Ratio	85% or lower	100% or lower	95% or lower	95% or lower	Unsecured	Unsecured	
Minimum Average seasoning of the Pool	3 months	3 months	3 months	3 months	1 month	1 month	
Maximum single exposure range	5%	5%	1%	1%	< 1%	< 1%	
Average single exposure range	<5%	< 5%	< 1%	< 1%	< 1%	< 1%	

**Note:** The information contained herein is based on current market conditions and may change from time to time based on changes in such conditions, regulatory changes and other relevant factors. Accordingly, our investment strategy, risk mitigation measures and other information contained herein may change in response to the same.

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

In retail securitized debt investments, we will invest majorly in asset backed pools such as Medium and Heavy Commercial Vehicles, Light Commercial Vehicles (LCV), Cars, and Construction Equipment etc. Where we invest in Single Loan Securitization, as the credit is on the underlying issuer, we focus on the credit review of the borrower. A credit analyst sets up limit for various issuers based on independent research taking into account their historical track record, prevailing rating and current financials. In addition to the



framework as per the table above, we also take into account following factors, which are analyzed to ensure diversification of risk and measures identified for less diversified investments:

- Size of the loan: In retail loans securitisation, the major risk diversification is achieved on account of granularity i.e. higher number of contracts available. However, excessive reliance on very small ticket size should be avoided as it may result in difficult and costly recoveries.
- Original maturity of the pool: Ideal original maturity of the contract varies for different retail loans. For Cars / Commercial Vehicles / Construction Equipment, it lies around 60 months while for mortgage, it lies around 240 months. For microfinance loans, it lies around 12 months. Lower original maturity for asset backed retail loans means faster buildup of borrowers' equity into the asset as well as his higher borrowing capacity.
- Loan to Value Ratio: Loan to Value ratio means value of the loan taken compared to value of the assets offered as security. In case of secured loan, higher Loan to Value ratio means higher probability of losses in case asset is repossessed and sold in case of delinquency. We prefer contracts with lower loan to value ratio than higher loan to value ratio.
- Seasoning of the pool: Higher the time period the contracts have remained with the originator / issuer, the lower is the default risk on such contracts. This is because of the higher buildup of borrower's equity into the asset as the time gradually passes. We prefer higher seasoned contracts than lower seasoned contracts.
- Current performing pools: We normally ensure that majority of the contracts in the pools are current to reduce default rate.. The rationale here being, as against current performing contract, the overdue contracts are certainly in higher risk category.
- Geographical Distribution: Regional/state/ branch distribution is preferred to avoid concentration of assets in a particular region/ state/branch.
- Default Rate Distribution: We prefer branches/ states where default rate is less than branches/ states where default rates are high to avoid concentration of assets from poor performing regions.
- Risk Tranching: Typically, we would avoid investing in mezzanine debt or equity of Securitized debt in the form of sub ordinate tranche, without specific risk mitigant strategies / additional cash / security collaterals/ guarantees, etc.
- Credit Enhancement Facility: We prefer credit enhancement which is in form of cash / bank guarantee than in the form of over-collateralization of the pool / excess interest spread available in the pool. The rationale here being, as against cash collateral, excess interest spread / overcollateralization collateral fluctuate in line with performance of the pool. When the performance of the pool deteriorates, there is lesser current collateral available on account of over- collateralization of the pool / excess interest spread available than the original envisaged one.
- Liquid Facility: In many retail asset classes like commercial vehicle, there can be some delay in payment from borrower due to pressure on its working capital. However, this delay usually does not go beyond 5-6 months as in the meantime he receives payment from his customers and clear his overdue portion of the loan. In that kind of asset classes, we prefer pool with liquid facility as it balances the intermittent liquidity requirement of the pool.
- Structure of the Pool: Structure of a transaction can either be at par or at a premium, depending on whether the pool principal is sold at par or at a premium to investors. We prefer pool where it is sold on par basis.

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

For investments in PTCs, where the assets have been pooled, the minimum retention period for each of the contract should be 1 month with a average tenor of upto 24 months and 2 months for contracts with a average tenor of more than 2 years. For overall minimum retention period, please refer to Table 1.

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

Please refer to Table 1 which illustrates additional collaterals taken against each type of asset class, which is preferred over the minimum retention percentage by the originator of the loan. The rationale is that collateral is available at all points of time and is available at all point of times in case of any fructification of any probable losses where in retention percentage keeps running down as time passes and may not be fully available in case of any fructification of any probable losses

#### **7. 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**

Investments made by the scheme in any asset are done based on the requirements of the scheme and is in accordance with the investment objectives and the asset allocation pattern of a fund. All Investments are made entirely at an arm's length basis with no consideration of any existing / consequent investments by any party related to the transaction (originator, issuer, borrower etc.). The robust credit process ensures that there is no conflict of interests when a scheme invests in securitized debt of an originator and the originator in turn makes investment in that particular scheme.

There might be instances of Originator investing in the same scheme but both the transactions are at arm's length and avoid any conflict of interest. In addition to internal controls in the fixed income investment process, there is regular monitoring by the risk management group and investment committee. Normally the issuer who is securitizing instrument is in need of money and is unlikely to have long term surplus to invest in mutual fund scheme.

Furthermore, there is clear cut segregation of duties and responsibilities with respect to Investment function and Sales function. Investment decisions are being taken independently based on the above mentioned parameters and investment by the originator in the fund is based on their own evaluation of the fund vis a vis their investment objectives .

#### **8. In general, the resources and mechanism of individual risk assessment with the AMC for monitoring investment in securitized debt.**

The risk assessment process for securitized debt, as detailed in the preceding paragraphs, is same as any other credit. The investments in securitized debt are done after appropriate research by credit analyst. The ongoing performance of the pool is monitored to highlight any deterioration in its performance.

The resources for and mechanisms of individual risk assessment with the AMC for monitoring investment in securitized debt are as follows:

- Fixed Income Team - Risk assessment and monitoring of investment in Securitized Debt is done by a team comprising of Credit Analyst, Head of Fixed Income and Head of Credit Research
- In addition to internal controls in the fixed income investment process, there is regular monitoring by the risk management group and investment committee.
- Ratings are monitored for any movement - Based on the the interaction with the credit rating agency and their performance report, ratings are being monitored accordingly.
- Wherever the funds portfolio is disclosed, the AMC may give a comprehensive disclosure of Securitized debt instruments held in line with SEBI requirement.

Note: The information contained herein is based on current market conditions and may change from time to time based on changes in such conditions, regulatory changes and other relevant factors. Accordingly, our investment strategy, risk mitigation measures and other information contained herein may change in response to the same.

## TRADING IN DERIVATIVES

The scheme intends to use derivatives for the purpose of hedging and portfolio rebalancing as may be permitted by the Regulations from time to time. Derivative transactions that can be undertaken by the Scheme include a wide range of instruments, including, but not limited to Futures, Options, Swaps or any other instrument, as may be permitted by statutory authorities from time to time. 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.

Derivative products are leveraged instruments and can provide disproportionate gains as well as disproportionate losses to the investor. Execution of such strategies depends upon the ability of the fund manager to identify such opportunities. Identification and execution of the strategies to be pursued by the fund manager involve uncertainty and decision of fund manager may not always be profitable. No assurance can be given that the fund manager will be able to identify or execute such strategies. The risks associated with the use of derivatives are different from or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities and other traditional investments. SEBI has vide its circular dated January 20, 2006 and September 22, 2006 inter alia specified the guidelines pertaining to trading by Mutual Funds in Exchange Traded derivatives.

In terms of SEBI Circular Cir/IMD/DF/11/2010 dated August 18, 2010, following shall be applicable:

1. The cumulative gross exposure through equity, debt and derivative positions should not exceed 100% of the net assets of the scheme.
2. Mutual Funds shall not write options or purchase instruments with embedded written options.
3. The total exposure related to option premium paid must not exceed 20% of the net assets of the scheme.
4. Cash or cash equivalents with residual maturity of less than 91 days may be treated as not creating any exposure.
5. Exposure due to hedging positions may not be included in the above mentioned limits subject to the following:
  - a. edging 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.
6. 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.
7. Definition of Exposure in case of Derivative Positions: 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.

### Strategies that employ Stock specific Futures

Individual stock futures are also available in the Indian Equity Markets. Stock futures trade either at a premium or at discount to the spot prices, the level of premium generally reflects the cost of carry. Stock specific issues may have a bearing on futures as speculators may find futures as a cost-effective way of executing their view on the stock. However such executions usually increase the premium/discount to the spot significantly, thereby giving rise to arbitrage opportunities for a fund.

- (a) Selling spot and buying future : In case the fund holds the stock of a company at say Rs. 1000 while in the futures market it trades at a discount to the spot price say at Rs. 980 then the fund may sell the stock and buy the futures. On the date of expiry of the stock future, the fund may reverse the transactions (i.e. Buying at Spot & Selling futures) and earn a risk-free Rs. 20/- (2% absolute) on its holdings. As this can be without any dilution of the view of the fund on the underlying stock the fund can still benefit from any movement of the price in the northward direction, i.e. if on the date of expiry of the futures, if the stock trades at 1100 which would be the price of the futures too, the fund will have a benefit of Rs. 100/- whereby the fund gets the 10% upside movement together with the 2% benefit on the arbitrage, and thus getting a total return of 12%.
- (b) Buying spot and selling future :Where the fund holds the stock of a company trading in the spot market at Rs 1000 while it trades at

Rs. 1020/- in the futures market then fund may buy the stock at spot and sell in the futures market thereby earning Rs 20. In case of adequacy of cash with the fund, this strategy may be used to enhance returns of the Scheme which was otherwise sitting on cash.

- (c) Buying stock future: Where the scheme wants to initiate a long position in a stock whose spot price is at say, Rs.1000 and futures is at 980, then the fund may just buy the futures contract instead of the spot thereby benefiting from a lower cost option.
- (d) In case the fund has a bearish view on a stock which is trading in the spot market at Rs.1000/- and the futures market at say Rs.980/-. The fund can express such a view subject to extant SEBI regulations by initiating a short position in the futures contract. In case the view is right and the futures price depreciates to say 900/- the fund can square up the short position thereby earning a profit of Rs. 80/-

### **Options**

Option contracts are of two types - Call and Put; the former being the right, but not obligation, to purchase a prescribed number of shares at a specified price before or on a specific expiration date and the latter being the right, but not obligation, to sell a prescribed number of shares at a specified price before or on a specific expiration date. The price at which the shares are 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 those that can be exercised only on the expiration date are called European Options. Option contracts are designated by the type of option, name of the underlying, expiry month and the strike price. Numerical examples of Options Call Option (Buy): The fund buys a call option at the strike price of say Rs.1000 and pays a premium of say Rs. 50, the fund would earn profits if the market price of the stock at the time of expiry of the option is more than 1050 being the total of the strike price and the premium thereon. If on the date of expiry of the option the stock price is below Rs 1000, the fund will not exercise the option while it loses the premium of Rs 50.

Put Option (Buy): The fund buys a Put Option at Rs 1000 by paying a premium of say Rs 50. If the stock price goes down to Rs. 900, the fund would protect its downside and would only have to bear the premium of Rs 50 instead of a loss of Rs 100 whereas if the stock price moves up to say Rs. 1100 the fund may let the Option expire and forego the premium thereby capturing Rs. 100 upside after bearing the premium of Rs50.

The AMC retains the right to enter into such derivative transactions as may be permitted by the applicable regulations from time to time.

### **Debt Derivatives**

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 Reserve Bank of India permitting participation by Mutual Funds in Interest Rate Swaps and Forward Rate Agreements. The Fund will use derivative instruments for the purpose of hedging and portfolio balancing or as may be permitted by Regulations from time to time.

In terms of SEBI Circular Cir/IMD/DF/11/2010 dated August 18, 2010, Mutual Funds may enter into plain vanilla interest rate swaps for hedging purposes. The counter party in such transactions has to be an entity recognized as a market maker by RBI. Further, the value of the notional principal in such cases must not exceed the value of respective existing assets being hedged by the scheme. Exposure to a single counterparty in such transactions should not exceed 10% of the net assets of the scheme.

### **Interest Rate Swaps (IRS)**

An IRS is an agreement between two parties to exchange stated interest obligations for an agreed period in respect of a notional principal amount. The most common form is a fixed to floating rate swap where one party receives a fixed (predetermined) rate of interest while the other receives a floating (variable) rate of interest.

### **Forward Rate Agreement (FRA)**

A FRA is basically a forward starting IRS. It is an agreement between two parties to pay or receive the difference between an agreed fixed rate (the FRA rate) and the interest rate (reference rate) prevailing on a stipulated future date, based on a notional principal amount for an agreed period. The only cash flow is the difference between the FRA rate and the reference rate. As is the case with IRS, the notional amounts are not exchanged in FRAs.

### **Example of Derivatives Transaction**

#### **Basic Structure of a Swap**

Bank A has a 6 month Rs 10 crores liability, currently being deployed in call. Bank B has a Rs 10 crores 6 month asset, being funded through call. Both banks are running an interest rate risk.

To hedge this interest rate risk, they can enter into a 6 month MIBOR (Mumbai Inter Bank Offered Rate) swap. Through this swap, A will receive a fixed preagreed rate (say 7%) and pay "call" on the NSE MIBOR ("the benchmark rate"). Bank A's paying at "call" on the benchmark rate will neutralize the interest rate risk of lending in call. B will pay 7% and receive interest at the benchmark rate. Bank A's receiving of "call" on the benchmark rate will neutralize his interest rate risk arising from his call borrowing.

The mechanism is as follows: Assume the swap is for Rs.10 crore from March 1, 2002 to September 1, 2002. A is a fixed rate receiver at 7% and B is a floating rate receiver at the overnight compounded rate. On March 1, 2002 A and B will exchange only an agreement of having entered this swap. This documentation would be as per International Swaps and Derivatives Association (ISDA). On a daily basis, the benchmark rate fixed by NSE will be tracked by them. On September 1, 2002 they will calculate the following:

A is entitled to receive interest on Rs.10 crore at 7% for 184 days i.e. Rs. 35.28 lakh, (this amount is known at the time the swap was concluded) and will pay the compounded benchmark rate.

B is entitled to receive daily compounded call rate for 184 days & pay 7% fixed. On September 1, 2002, if the total interest on the daily overnight compounded benchmark rate is higher than Rs. 35.28 lakhs, A will pay B the difference. If the daily compounded benchmark rate is lower, then B will pay A the difference. Effectively Bank A earns interest at the rate of 7% p.a. for six months without lending money for 6 months fixed, while Bank B pays interest @ 7% p.a. for 6 months on Rs. 10 crore, without borrowing for 6 months fixed.

The AMC retains the right to enter into such derivative transactions as may be permitted by the SEBI regulations from time to time. For risks associated with investments in derivatives investors are requested to refer to page no. 6 of this Scheme Information Document .

## INTEREST RATE FUTURES:

An Interest Rate Futures ('IRF') contract is "an agreement to buy or sell a debt instrument at a specified future date at a price that is fixed today." The underlying security for Interest Rate Futures is either Government Bond or T-Bill. Interest Rate Futures are Exchange traded and standardized contracts based on 6 year, 10 year and 13 year Government of India Security and 91-day Government of India Treasury Bill (91DTB). These future contracts are cash settled. These instruments can be used for hedging the underlying cash positions. The overall gross exposure for a fund is computed as sum of exposure to equity, cash, debt instruments and derivatives (other than for hedging purposes) and it should not be more than 100%. Derivative position is considered to be for hedging purposes only if the following conditions are met:

- 1) **Perfect Hedging** - We hedge the underlying using IRF contract of same underlying.
- 2) **Imperfect hedging** - the Underlying being hedged and the IRF contract has correlation of more than 90% of closing prices for past 90 days. In case of correlation is below 90% at any time the same may be rebalanced within 5 working days and if not rebalanced within the timeline, the derivative position created for hedging would be counted as an exposure. SEBI allows maximum of 20% imperfect hedging, subject to applicable conditions mentioned in SEBI circular SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/2017/109 dated September 27, 2017.

### Illustration of Hedge using Interest Rate Futures (IRF)

Security name	Amount (in Crs)	Price	MV (in Crs)	Modified duration	Weights	Weighted Modified duration
IGB 6.79% 2027	100	94.42	97.457	6.4147	0.40	2.5658
IGB 7.17% 2028	50	97.95	49.931	6.7562	0.20	1.3512
IGB 8.15% 2026	25	102.95	26.436	5.9738	0.10	0.5973
IGB 6.68% 2031	25	91.39	22.937	8.4743	0.10	0.8474
Cash	50		50			
IRF 6.79 2027		94.38		6.4147		
Total	250		246.80			5.3619

Assuming the Fund manager intends to hedge the portfolio using IRF and uses contracts on IGB 6.79% 2027 as it is most liquid. The maximum short position that can be taken = (Portfolio modified duration\* Market Value (MV) of portfolio)/Futures Modified duration\* Future price/PAR)

The maximum short future position that can be taken based on the above portfolio using IRF (IGB 6.79% 2027) is 211.67 crores.

### Illustration of Perfect & Imperfect Hedge Positions:

#### Case 1

Security name	Amount (in Crs)	Price	MV (in Crs)	90 day historical correlation to IRF 6.79% 2027	Comments
IGB 6.79% 2027	100	94.42	97.457	1	Perfect hedge
IGB 7.17% 2028	50	97.95	49.931	0.95	Imperfect hedge
IGB 8.15% 2026	25	102.95	26.436	0.85	Unhedge
IGB 6.68% 2031	25	91.39	22.937	0.75	Unhedge
Cash	50		50	-	Unhedge
IRF 6.79 2027	120	94.38	117.457		
Total	250		246.80		

- In the above example, IGB 7.17% 2028 is the only security which qualifies for the 'Imperfect Hedge' as the correlation is more than 90% for the past 90 days. This would be exempted from the 'Gross Exposure'.
- **Total Amount of Imperfect Hedge Allowed:** 20% of Net Assets of the scheme i.e. 20% \* 250 crs = 50 crs.
- **Total Hedge allowed in the above indicative portfolio (Exempted from Gross Exposure):** Total 150 crs  
Perfect Hedge – 100 crs against 6.79 2027 underlying  
Imperfect Hedge – 50 crs against 7.17 2028 underlying
- **Total Hedge allowed in the above indicative portfolio (Subject to Gross Exposure):** Total 50 crs  
Imperfect Hedge – 50 crs against Cash & Cash Equivalents

#### Case 2

Security name	Amount (in Crs)	Price	MV (in Crs)	90 day historical correlation to IRF 6.79% 2027	Comments
IGB 6.79% 2027	100	94.42	97.457	1	Perfect hedge
IGB 7.17% 2028	30	97.95	29.235	0.95	Imperfect hedge
IGB 8.15% 2026	45	102.95	46.327	0.91	Imperfect hedge
IGB 6.68% 2031	25	91.39	22.937	0.85	Unhedge
Cash	50		50		Unhedge

IRF 6.79 2027	120	94.38	117.457		
Total	250		245.95		

- In the above example, IGB 7.17% 2028 & IGB 8.15% 2026 are the securities which qualifies for the 'Imperfect Hedge' as the correlation is more than 90% for the past 90 days. This would be exempted from the 'Gross Exposure'.
- Total Amount of Imperfect Hedge Allowed:** 20% of Net Assets of the scheme i.e. 20% \* 250 crs = 50 crs.
- Total Hedge allowed in the above indicative portfolio (Exempted from Gross Exposure):** Total 150 crs  
Perfect Hedge – 100 crs against 6.79 2027 underlying  
Imperfect Hedge – 30 crs against 7.17 2028 underlying  
Imperfect Hedge – 20 Crs against 8.15% 2026 underlying
- Total Hedge allowed in the above indicative portfolio (Subject to Gross Exposure) :** Total 50 crs  
Imperfect Hedge – 50 crs against Cash & Cash Equivalents

### Case 3

Security name	Amount (in Crs)	Price	MV (in Crs)	90 day historical correlation to IRF 6.79% 2027	Comments
IGB 6.79% 2027	100	94.42	97.457	1	Perfect hedge
IGB 7.17% 2028	30	97.95	29.235	0.95	Imperfect hedge
IGB 8.15% 2026	45	102.95	46.327	0.85	Unhedge
IGB 6.68% 2031	25	91.39	22.937	0.75	Unhedge
Cash	50		50		Unhedge
IRF 6.79 2027	120	94.38	117.457		
Total	250		245.95		

- In the above example, IGB 7.17% 2028 is the security which qualifies for the 'Imperfect Hedge' as the correlation is more than 90% for the past 90 days. This would be exempted from the 'Gross Exposure'.
- Total Amount of Imperfect Hedge Allowed:** 20% of Net Assets of the scheme i.e. 20% \* 250 crs = 50 crs.
- Total Hedge allowed in the above indicative portfolio (Exempted from Gross Exposure) :** Total 150 crs  
Perfect Hedge – 100 crs against 6.79 2027 underlying  
Imperfect Hedge – 30 crs against 7.17 2028 underlying  
(Here instead of taking 50 crs of IRF position towards imperfect hedge one can take only 30 crs worth of IRF position since the exposure in underlying security is worth 30 crs.)
- Total Hedge allowed in the above indicative portfolio (Subject to Gross Exposure) :** Total 50 crs  
Imperfect Hedge – 50 crs against Cash & Cash Equivalents

### Portfolio Turnover Policy

Given the nature of the scheme, the portfolio turnover ratio may be very high and AMC may change the portfolio according to Asset Allocation, commensurate with the investment objectives of the scheme. The effect of higher portfolio turnover could be higher brokerage and transaction costs.

## G. FUNDAMENTAL ATTRIBUTES

### (i) Type of scheme

An open-ended equity scheme predominantly investing in small cap stocks

### (ii) Investment Objectives

**Main Objective: Refer to Section II - B : What is the Investment Objective of the Scheme?**

**Investment Pattern: Refer to Section II - C : How will the Scheme allocate its assets?**

### (iii) Terms of Issue

**Liquidity provisions such as repurchase/redemption of units:** Being an open-ended scheme, the units are not proposed to be listed on any stock exchange. However, the Trustee reserves the right to list the units as and when open-end Schemes are permitted to be listed under the Regulations, and if the Trustee considers it necessary in the interest of unitholders of the Scheme.

The Scheme will offer for Subscription/ Switch-in and Redemption / Switch-out of Units on every Business Day on an ongoing basis, within five business days of allotment. The redemption or repurchase proceeds shall be dispatched to the unitholders within 10 Business Days from the date of redemption or repurchase.

### Aggregate fees and expenses charged to the scheme

**New Fund Offer (NFO) Expenses : Refer to Section IV - A : New Fund Offer (NFO) Expenses**

**Annual Scheme Recurring Expenses : Refer to Section IV - B : Annual Scheme Recurring Expenses**

**Any safety net or guarantee provided – Not Applicable**

In accordance with Regulation 18(15A) of the SEBI (MF) Regulations, 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:

- (a) 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
- (b) The Unitholders are given an option for a period of 30 days to exit at the prevailing Net Asset Value without any exit load.

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

##### NIFTY Small Cap TRI

Since majority of the equity investments in this fund are identified by the market cap composition of NIFTY Small Cap TRI, it is proposed to have NIFTY Small Cap TRI as the benchmark of the Scheme.

#### I. WHO MANAGES THE SCHEME?

Name	Age	Educational Qualification	Type and Nature of past experience including assignments held during the past 10 years	Name of the Other Scheme managed
<b>Samir Rachh</b> Fund Manager (Managing the Scheme - Since January 2017)	51	B. Com	<p><b>Over 28 years of experience</b> <b>September 2010 onwards</b> NAM India, Fund Manager of - Equity <b>October -2007 to August 2010</b> NAM India, Senior Analyst involved in research on Select Companies and tracking Few Industries. <b>April 2004 to October 2007</b> Emkay Global Financial Services Ltd, Head of Research and Portfolio Manager, Heading Research Team and Generating Reports and Ideas, managing PMS Products. <b>April 2003 to March 2004</b> IndusInd Bank Ltd, Investment Manager, Assisting in fund management and Generating investment ideas. <b>October 1998 to March 2003</b> Hinduja Finance Ltd, Investment Manager Managing Portion of Company's Investment Book and generating investment ideas</p>	Nippon India Capital Builder Fund IV- Series C & Series D
<b>Ms. Kinjal Desai,</b> Fund Manager - Overseas Investment (Managing the Scheme - Since May, 2018)	31	MSc (Economics)	<p><b>7 years of experience</b> <b>From May 25, 2018 onwards</b> Fund Manager - Overseas Investment, NAM India <b>December 2012 to May 24, 2018</b> Associate Equity Investments at NAM India Assisting Lead Analyst in Equity Research, idea generation and sector Monitoring., assisting Fund Managers in stock selection and monitoring of overseas investments</p>	Dedicated Fund Manager for Overseas Investments Nippon India Japan Equity Fund Nippon India US Equity Opportunities Fund Nippon India ETF Hang Seng BeES Nippon India Multi Asset Fund

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

The investment policy of the scheme comply with the rules, regulations and guidelines laid out in SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996. As per the Regulations, specifically the Seventh Schedule, the following investment limitations are currently applicable:

1. Mutual fund 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 Act. Such investment limit may be extended to 12% of the NAV of the scheme with the prior approval of the Board of Trustees and the Board of directors of the asset management company:  
Provided that such limit shall not be applicable for investments in Government Securities, treasury bills and Tri-Party Repo: Provided further that investment within such limit can be made in mortgaged backed securitised debt which are rated not below investment grade by a credit rating agency registered with the Board:  
Provided further that the schemes already in existence shall within an appropriate time and in the manner, as may be specified by the Board, conform to such limits.
2. Mutual Funds/AMCs shall ensure that total exposure of debt schemes of mutual funds in a 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.
3. Investment in unrated debt and money market instruments, other than government securities, treasury bills, derivative products such

- as Interest Rate Swaps (IRS), Interest Rate Futures (IRF), etc. by mutual fund schemes shall be subject to the following:
- a. Investments should only be made in such instruments, including bills re-discounting, usance bills, etc., that are generally not rated and for which separate investment norms or limits are not provided in SEBI (Mutual Fund) Regulations, 1996 and various circulars issued thereunder.
  - b. Exposure of mutual fund schemes in such instruments, shall not exceed 5% of the net assets of the schemes.
  - c. All such investments shall be made with the prior approval of the Board of AMC and the Board of trustees.
4. The Mutual Fund under all its schemes taken together will not own more than 10% of any companies 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.
  5. Transfers of investments from one scheme to another scheme in the Mutual Fund shall be allowed only if:
    - i) Such transfers are done at the prevailing market price for quoted instruments on spot basis;
    - ii) The securities so transferred shall be in conformity with the investment objectives & policies of the Scheme to which such transfer has been made.
  6. The Scheme may invest in another scheme under the same asset management company or in any other mutual fund without charging any fees, provided the aggregate inter scheme investments made by all Schemes under the same management company or in schemes under the management of any other AMC shall not exceed 5% of NAV of the Mutual Fund. [Provided that this clause shall not apply to any fund of funds scheme.]
  7. The Mutual Fund shall buy and sell securities on the basis of deliveries and shall in all cases of purchases, take delivery of relative securities and in all cases of sale, deliver the securities:
 

**Provided** that a mutual fund may engage in short selling of securities in accordance with the framework relating to short selling and securities lending and borrowing specified by the Board:

**Provided further** that a mutual fund may enter into derivatives transactions in a recognized stock exchange, subject to the framework specified by the Board.

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.
  8. The Fund shall get the securities purchased or transferred in the name of the Fund on account of the concerned scheme, wherever investments are intended to be of a long-term nature.
  9. The fund's schemes shall not make any investment in:
    - iii) Any unlisted security of an associate or group company of the sponsor
    - iv) Any security issued by way of private placement by an associate or group company of the sponsor
    - v) The listed securities of group companies of the sponsor which is in excess of 25% of the net assets of the scheme.
    - iv) The investments by debt mutual fund schemes in debt and money market instruments of group companies of both the sponsor and the asset management company shall not exceed 10% of the net assets of the scheme. Such investment limit may be extended to 15% of the net assets of the scheme with the prior approval of the Board of Trustees
  10. The Scheme shall not invest in a fund of funds scheme.
  11. Pending deployment of funds of the scheme in securities in terms of the investment objectives and policies of the scheme, the Mutual Fund can invest the fund of the scheme in short term deposits of scheduled commercial banks subject to the guidelines as applicable from time to time.
 

Pursuant to the SEBI Circular No. SEBI/IMD/CIR No. 1/91171/07 dated April 16, 2007 read with SEBI Circular No. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF4/CIR/P/2019/093 dated August 16, 2019, where the cash in the scheme is parked in short term deposits of Scheduled Commercial Banks pending deployment, the respective Plan(s) shall abide by the following guidelines::

    - "Short Term" for parking of funds shall be treated as a period not exceeding 91 days.
    - Such short-term deposits shall be held in the name of the Scheme.
    - 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.
    - 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.
    - 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.
    - The scheme shall not park funds in short term deposit of a bank, which has invested in the Scheme. Further, the bank in which a scheme has short term deposit will not invest in the said scheme until the scheme has short term deposit with the bank

Asset Management Company (AMC) shall not be permitted to charge investment management and advisory fees for parking of funds in short term deposits of scheduled commercial banks.
  12. No term loans for any purpose will be advanced by the Scheme.
  13. The Fund shall not invest more than 5% of its NAV in the unlisted equity shares or equity related instruments.
  14. The AMC may invest in the Scheme in the new fund offer. However, it shall not charge any investment management fee on such amounts invested by it.
  15. The Scheme shall not invest more than 10% of its NAV in equity shares/equity related instruments of any company.
 

Provided that, the limit of 10% shall not be applicable for investments in index fund or sector/industry specific scheme. However, the Scheme at any point of time will not invest more than 10% of the NAV of the Scheme in a single company.
  16. In case any company has invested more than 5% of the net asset value of a scheme, the investment made by that scheme or by

any other scheme of the same Mutual Fund in that company or its subsidiaries, if any, shall be brought to the notice of the Trustees by NAM India and be disclosed in the half-yearly and annual accounts with justification for such investment provided that the latter investment has been made within one year of the date of the former investment calculated on either side.

17. The Scheme may invest in Overseas securities in accordance with the regulations as applicable from time to time.
18. The Scheme will comply with any other regulations applicable to the investments of mutual funds from time to time.
19. The Fund shall not borrow except to meet temporary liquidity needs of the Fund for the purpose of repurchase / Redemption of Units or payment of interest and Dividend to the Unitholders.

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

In case of borrowing through repo transactions the tenor of such transaction shall not exceed a period of six months.

20. Total exposure of the scheme in a particular sector (excluding investments in Bank CDs, Tri-Party Repo, G-Secs, T-Bills and AAA rated securities issued by Public Financial Institutions and Public Sector Banks and such other instruments if any, as may be specified by SEBI from time to time) shall not exceed 20% or such other percentage of the net assets of the scheme, as prescribed by SEBI from time to time, unless the scheme has specifically been exempted from the requirement by SEBI.

If the total exposure in a particular sector is above 20%, it will be ensured that the total exposure in those sectors shall comply with the aforesaid requirement within a period of one year from the date of issuance of the SEBI Circular dated September 13, 2012. During this one year, total exposure of existing schemes in a particular sector shall not increase from the levels existing (if above 20%) as on the date of issuance of the aforesaid circular.

An additional exposure to financial services sector (over and above the limit of 20%) not exceeding 10% of the net assets of the scheme shall be allowed by way of increase in exposure to Housing Finance Companies (HFCs) rated AA and above and registered with National Housing Bank (NHB). Further, an additional exposure of 5% of the net assets of the scheme has been allowed for investments in securitized debt instruments based on retail housing loan portfolio and/or affordable housing loan portfolio

However, such total investment/ exposure in HFCs shall not exceed 20% of the net assets of the scheme or such other percentage of the net assets of the scheme, as prescribed by SEBI from time to time.

Note : The sector classification shall be basis the data provided by Association of Mutual Fund in India

21. Applicable Investment Limits for Real Estate Investment Trust (REITs) and Infrastructure Investment Trust (InvITs):

- a. At the Mutual Fund level:- Not more than 10% of units issued by a single issuer of REIT and InvIT;
- b. At a single Mutual Fund scheme level: -
  - i. not more than 10% of its NAV in the units of REIT and InvIT;  
and
  - ii. not more than 5% of its NAV in the units of REIT and InvIT issued by a single issuer.

The limits mentioned in sub- clauses (i) and (ii) above will not be applicable for investments in case of index fund or sector or industry specific scheme pertaining to REIT and InvIT.

22. The investment of mutual fund schemes in debt instruments having Structured Obligations / Credit Enhancements shall not exceed 10% of the debt portfolio of the schemes and the group exposure in such instruments shall not exceed 5% of the debt portfolio of the schemes:

- 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

23. Mutual fund scheme shall not invest in unlisted debt instruments including commercial papers (CPs), other than (a) government securities, (b) other money market instruments and (c) derivative products such as Interest Rate Swaps (IRS), Interest Rate Futures (IRF), etc. which are used by mutual funds for hedging.

However, mutual fund schemes may invest in unlisted Non-Convertible Debentures (NCDs) not exceeding 10% of the debt portfolio of the scheme subject to the condition that such unlisted NCDs have a simple structure (i.e. with fixed and uniform coupon, fixed maturity period, without any options, fully paid up upfront, without any credit enhancements or structured obligations) and are rated and secured with coupon payment frequency on monthly basis.

24. The scheme may engage in Securities Lending not exceeding 15% of the net assets of the scheme and shall not lend more than 5% of its Net Assets to a single counterparty or such other limits as may be permitted by SEBI from time to time.
25. The scheme shall participate Repo in corporate debt securities in accordance with SEBI Circular CIR / IMD / DF / 19 / 2011 dated November 11, 2011 and such other directions issued by RBI and SEBI from time to time.

The Gross exposure of the scheme to repo transactions in corporate debt securities shall not be more than 10% of the net asset of the scheme.

The cumulative gross exposure through repo transactions in Corporate debt securities along with Equity, debt, Money Market instruments and derivative positions shall not exceed 100% of the net assets of the scheme or guidelines as may be specified by SEBI from time to time

The scheme shall participate Repo in corporate debt securities in accordance with directions issued by RBI and SEBI from time to time

All the Schemes securities investment will be in transferable securities.

All investment restrictions stated above shall be applicable at the time of making investment.

The Scheme will not enter into any transaction, which exposes it to unlimited liabilities or results in the encumbering of its assets in any way so as to expose them to unlimited liability.

These investment limitations / parameters as expressed / linked to the net asset / net asset value / capital, shall in the ordinary course, apply as at the date of the most recent transaction or commitment to invest. Changes do not have to be effected merely because of appreciation or depreciation in value or by reason of the receipt of any rights, bonuses or benefits in the nature of capital or of any



scheme of arrangement or for amalgamation, reconstruction or exchange, or at any repayment or redemption or other reason outside the control of the Fund, any such limits would thereby be breached. If these limits are exceeded for reasons beyond its control, AMC shall adopt as a priority objective the remedying of that situation, taking due account of the interests of the Unitholders.

The Trustee Company in consultation with AMC may alter these above stated limitations from time to time, and also to the extent the Regulations change, so as to permit the Scheme to make its investments in the full spectrum of permitted investments in order to achieve its investment objectives & policies. As such, all investments of the Scheme will be made in accordance with the Regulations including Schedule VII thereof and the Fundamental Attributes of this Scheme.

At NIMF, to ensure robust risk management and adequate portfolio diversification internal Investment policy for various debt schemes has been framed. The investment policy at NIMF specifies limits both on overall basis (across all schemes) as well as on individual scheme level. Guidelines for following parameters for liquid as well as non liquid schemes has been specified in the policy:

1. Eligible Instruments: Defines the eligible instruments where the scheme can invest
2. Minimum Liquidity: Defines the instruments considered as liquid instruments and the minimum investments in these instruments as a percentage of total net assets
3. Maximum Illiquid component: Defines the instruments considered as illiquid and the maximum investment that can be made in these instruments as a percentage of net assets.
4. Rating: Defines minimum and/ or maximum investment in a particular rating as a percentage of total portfolio.
5. Maturity: Defined the weighted average maturity of a portfolio. Also defines the weighted average maturity, maximum and maturity for certain asset types like corporate bond, PTCs, Gilts etc

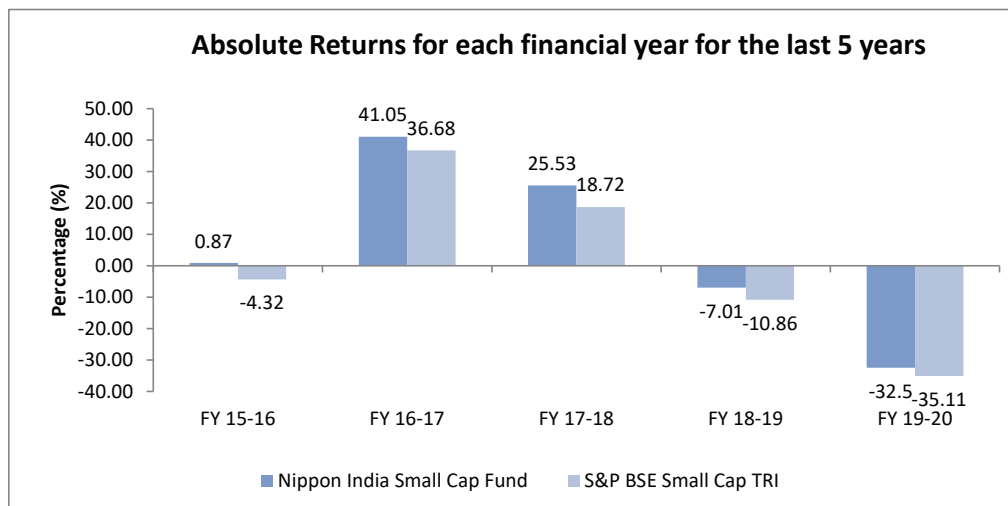
**Investment by the AMC in the Scheme:** In line with SEBI Regulations and circulars issued by SEBI from time to time, the AMC may invest its own funds in the scheme(s). Further, the AMwC shall not charge any fees on its investment in the Scheme (s), unless allowed to do so under SEBI Regulations in the future.

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

The Performance of the scheme is as on August 31, 2020

Compounded Annualised Returns	Scheme Returns %	Benchmark Returns %
Returns for the last 1 year	15.77	15.62
Returns for the last 3 years	1.44	-2.66
Returns for the last 5 years	10.44	6.45
Returns since inception (Allotment date September 16, 2010)	15.09	4.74

Absolute Returns for each financial year for the last 5 years



#### Past performance may or may not be sustained in future

Fundamental Attributes of Nippon India Small Cap Fund has been changed w.e.f. April 28, 2018. Kindly refer notice cum addendum no.200 dated March 23, 2018 available on website ([www.nipponindiamf.com](http://www.nipponindiamf.com))

TRI - Total Returns Index reflects the returns on the index arising from (a) constituent stock price movements and (b) dividend receipts from constituent index stocks, thereby showing a true picture of returns.

In line with SEBI Circular no. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF3/CIR/P/2018/04 d jan 4, 2018, w.e.f. Feb 1, 2018 the performance of the Equity Scheme is Benchmarked to the Total Return Variant of the Index

Calculation assume that all payouts during the period have been re-invested in the units of the scheme at the then prevailing NAV.

All the returns are of Growth Plan - Growth Option. Face Value of the Scheme is Rs. 10/- Per unit

**L. ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES****a. Top 10 holdings by issuer and sectors (As on August 31, 2020)**

Holding	Weightage(%)
Deepak Nitrite Limited	4.51%
Navin Fluorine International Limited	3.58%
CreditAccess Grameen Limited	2.74%
Tube Investments of India Limited	2.73%
Affle (India) Limited	2.72%
Orient Electric Limited	2.38%
Tata Consumer Products Limited	2.29%
Dixon Technologies (India) Limited	2.09%
Indian Energy Exchange Limited	2.01%
Fine Organic Industries Limited	1.91%

Sector	Allocation (%)
Consumer Goods	18.51%
Financial Services	13.58%
Chemicals	12.49%
Industrial Manufacturing	11.80%
IT	8.24%
Automobile	5.46%
Pharma	4.58%
Construction	3.77%
Fertilisers & Pesticides	3.74%
Services	2.76%

Link to obtain schemes latest monthly portfolio holding - <https://www.nipponindiamf.com/investor-services/downloads/factsheets/>

**b. Portfolio Turnover Ratio : 0.49****C. Aggregate Investments in the scheme by Board of Directors / Fund Managers / Other Key Managerial Persons as on September 15, 2020**

Particulars	Aggregate Investments (Rs. in lakhs)
Board of Directors	NIL
Fund Managers	8.26
Other Key Managerial Persons	345.26

**Note: Investment by Executive Director-cum-CEO is included in the aggregate investments by Other Key Managerial Persons.**

### III. UNITS AND OFFER

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

#### A. NEW FUND OFFER (NFO)

This section is not applicable, as the ongoing offer of the Scheme has commenced after the NFO, and the Units are available for continuous subscription and redemption.

However details of the NFO relevant during the ongoing offer are provided below:

<b>Plans / Options offered</b>	<p>The Scheme offers the following Plans/Options:</p> <p><b>(a) Growth Plan / Direct Plan - Growth Plan :</b> The Growth Plan is designed for investors interested in capital appreciation on their investment and not in regular income. Accordingly, the Fund will not declare dividends under the Growth Plan. The income earned on the Growth Plan's corpus will remain invested in the Growth Plan.</p> <p>The Growth Plan has two options:</p> <p><b>(i) Growth Option:</b> Under this Option, there will be no distribution of income and the returns to the investor is only by way of capital gains/ appreciation, if any, through redemption at applicable NAV of the units held by them.</p> <p><b>(b) Dividend Plan / Direct Plan - Dividend Plan :</b> The Dividend Plan has been designed for investors who require regular income in the form of dividends. Under the Dividend Plan, the Fund will endeavor to make regular dividend payments to the unit holders. Dividend will be distributed from the available distributable surplus after the deduction of TDS and applicable surcharge, if any.</p> <p>Dividend Plan has two options:</p> <p><b>(i) Dividend Payout Option:</b> Under this option dividend warrants under this option will be Dispatched to the unit holders within 30 days from date of declaration of the dividend.</p> <p><b>(ii) Dividend Re-investment Option:</b> The Dividend Plan has a Dividend Re-investment Option whereby the dividend distributed under the plan will be automatically reinvested at the ex-dividend NAV on the transaction day following the record date of dividend and additional units will be allotted accordingly. Investors desirous of opting for the same should indicate the same in the space provided in the application form.</p> <p>The Trustees reserve the right to declare a dividend during the interim period depending on the availability of the distributable surplus under the scheme. There is no assurance or guarantee as to the rate and frequency of dividend distribution. The actual date of declaration of dividend will be notified by display at the designated investor service centres.</p> <p>Please note that if no Plan/Option is mentioned / indicated in the Application form, the units will, by default, be allotted under Growth Option. Similarly, Growth Option of the Growth Plan and Dividend Reinvestment Option of the Dividend Plan shall be the default sub-options.</p> <p>Investor may note that following shall be applicable for default plan</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Scenario</th> <th>Broker Code mentioned by the investor</th> <th>Plan mentioned by the investor</th> <th>Default Plan to be captured</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>Not mentioned</td> <td>Not mentioned</td> <td>Direct Plan</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2</td> <td>Not mentioned</td> <td>Direct Plan</td> <td>Direct Plan</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3</td> <td>Not mentioned</td> <td>Regular Plan/Other than Direct Plan</td> <td>Direct Plan</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4</td> <td>Mentioned</td> <td>Direct Plan</td> <td>Direct Plan</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5</td> <td>Direct</td> <td>Not Mentioned</td> <td>Direct Plan</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6</td> <td>Direct</td> <td>Regular Plan/Other than Direct Plan</td> <td>Direct Plan</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7</td> <td>Mentioned</td> <td>Regular Plan/Other than Direct Plan</td> <td>Regular Plan/Other than Direct Plan</td> </tr> <tr> <td>8</td> <td>Mentioned</td> <td>Not Mentioned</td> <td>Regular Plan/Other than Direct Plan</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>In cases of wrong/ invalid/ incomplete ARN codes mentioned on the application form, the application shall be processed under Regular Plan/Other than Direct 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. barring under the following circumstances.</p> <p>a) Units applied under Daily Dividend Plan</p> <p>b) If the aforesaid units are Redeemed / Switched, fully / partially into another scheme / plan.</p>	Scenario	Broker Code mentioned by the investor	Plan mentioned by the investor	Default Plan to be captured	1	Not mentioned	Not mentioned	Direct Plan	2	Not mentioned	Direct Plan	Direct Plan	3	Not mentioned	Regular Plan/Other than Direct Plan	Direct Plan	4	Mentioned	Direct Plan	Direct Plan	5	Direct	Not Mentioned	Direct Plan	6	Direct	Regular Plan/Other than Direct Plan	Direct Plan	7	Mentioned	Regular Plan/Other than Direct Plan	Regular Plan/Other than Direct Plan	8	Mentioned	Not Mentioned	Regular Plan/Other than Direct Plan
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	<p><b>Reinvestment of Dividend Payout for Dividend amount less than ₹ 100 (w.e.f. June 10, 2019)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In case a unitholder has opted for dividend payout option, the minimum amount for dividend payout shall be ₹ 100 (net of withholding tax or any other statutory levy), else dividend would be mandatorily reinvested. The dividend would be reinvested in the same scheme / plan by issuing additional units of the scheme at the prevailing ex-dividend Net Asset Value per unit on the record date. There shall be no exit load on the redemption of units allotted as a result of such reinvestment of dividend.</li> <li>Mandatory reinvestment of dividend would not be applicable to Unit holders holding units in Demat form, and if dividend is declared in any applicable scheme, the amount will be paid out or reinvested as per the option selected by the unit holders.</li> <li>Dividend declared will be compulsorily paid out under the “dividend payout” option of all schemes, for which fresh subscriptions are discontinued with effect from October 01, 2012 as per notice-cum-Addendum no. 63 dated September 28, 2012.</li> </ul> <p><b>Effect of Dividends:</b> As with the redemption of Units, when dividends are declared and paid with respect to the Scheme, the net assets attributable to Unitholders Dividend Plan will stand reduced by an amount equivalent to the product of the number of units outstanding and the dividend amount per unit declared on the record date. The NAV of the Unitholders in the Growth Plan will remain unaffected by the payment of dividends.</p>
<p><b>Dividend Policy</b></p>	<p>When dividends are declared with respect to the Scheme, the net assets attributable to Unitholders in the respective Plan/option will stand reduced by an amount equivalent to the product of the number of units eligible for dividend and the gross amount of dividend per unit declared on the record date. The NAV of the Unitholders in the Growth option will remain unaffected by the payment of dividends.</p> <p>NAM India, in consultation with the Trustees reserves the right to discontinue/ add more plans/options at a later date subject to complying with the prevailing SEBI guidelines and Regulations.</p> <p><b>Process for declaration of dividend in Unlisted Schemes/Plans</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quantum of dividend and the record date shall be fixed by the trustees in their meeting. Dividend so decided shall be paid, subject to availability of distributable surplus.</li> <li>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 dividends. Further, the NAV shall be adjusted to the extent of dividend distribution and statutory levy, if any, at the close of business hours on record date.</li> <li>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 5 calendar days from the issue of notice.</li> <li>Such notice shall be 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.</li> <li>Before the issue of such notice, no communication indicating the probable date of dividend declaration in any manner whatsoever may be issued by any mutual fund or distributors of its products.</li> </ol> <p>The dividend warrants shall be dispatched to the unitholders within 30 days of the date of declaration of the dividend. In the event of failure of dispatch of Dividend warrants within 30 days, the AMC shall pay an interest @ 15 per cent per annum of the relevant Dividend amount to the applicable Unit holders.</p>
<p><b>Policy on Unclaimed Redemption and Dividend Amounts</b></p>	<p>As per SEBI guidelines, the unclaimed redemption and dividend amounts shall be deployed in call money market or money market instruments or in a separate plan of Liquid scheme / Money Market Mutual Fund scheme floated by Mutual Funds specifically for deployment of the unclaimed amounts or such other instruments, as permitted under Regulations. The investors who claim such amounts during the period of three years from the due date shall be paid at the prevailing Net Asset Value. After a period of three years, this amount will be transferred to a pool account and the investors can claim the amount at NAV prevailing at the end of the third year. The income earned on such funds shall be used for the purpose of investor education.</p> <p>The details of such unclaimed redemption/dividend amounts are made available to investors upon them providing proper credentials, on website of Mutual Funds and AMFI along with the information on the process of claiming the unclaimed amount and the necessary forms / documents required for the same. Further, the information on unclaimed amount along-with its prevailing value (based on income earned on deployment of such unclaimed amount), will be separately disclosed to investors through the periodic statement of accounts / Consolidated Account Statement sent to the investors. Further, the investment management fee charged by AMC for managing unclaimed amounts shall not exceed 50 basis points.</p>

<p><b>WHO CAN INVEST</b></p> <p>This is an indicative list.</p> <p>Prospective investors are advised to satisfy themselves that they are not prohibited by any law governing such entity and any Indian law from investing in the Scheme and are authorized to purchase units of mutual funds as per their respective constitutions, charter documents, corporate / other authorizations and relevant statutory provisions.</p>	<p>The units of the scheme are being offered to the public for subscription.</p> <p>The following persons (subject, wherever relevant, to purchase of units being permitted under their respective constitutions and relevant State Regulations) are eligible to subscribe to the units:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Resident Adult Individuals, either single or jointly (not exceeding three).</li> <li>(2) Non – resident Indians and persons of Indian origin residing abroad, on a full repatriation basis</li> <li>(3) Parents / Lawful guardians on behalf of Minors*</li> <li>(4) Hindu Undivided Families (HUFs) in the name of HUF or Karta</li> <li>(5) Companies (including Public Sector Undertakings), Bodies Corporate, Trusts (through Trustees) and Co-operative Societies</li> <li>(6) Banks (including Regional Rural Banks) and Financial Institutions</li> <li>(7) Religious and Charitable Trusts (through Trustees), Private Trusts authorised to invest in Mutual Fund schemes under their Trust Deeds</li> <li>(8) Special Purpose Vehicles (SPVs) approved by appropriate authority (subject to RBI approval)</li> <li>(9) International Multilateral Agencies approved by the Government of India</li> <li>(10) Army/Navy/Air Force / Para Military Units and other eligible institutions</li> <li>(11) Unincorporated body of persons as may be accepted by Nippon Life India Trustee Limited</li> <li>(12) Partnership Firms</li> <li>(13) Scientific and Industrial Research Organisations</li> <li>(14) Trustee, AMC or Sponsor or their associates may subscribe to Units under the Schemes.</li> <li>(15) Qualified Foreign Investors (please refer SAI for further details.)</li> <li>(16) Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPI) as defined in Regulation 2(1) (h) of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Foreign Portfolio Investors) Regulations, 2014.</li> <li>(17) Such other individuals/institutions/body corporate etc., as may be decided by the AMC from time to time, so long as wherever applicable they are in conformity with SEBI Regulations.</li> </ol> <p>* Process for Investments made in the name of a Minor through a Guardian:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Payment for investment by means of Cheque, Demand Draft or any other mode shall be accepted from the bank account of the minor / Minor with guardian or from a joint account of the minor with the guardian only. For existing folios, in case the pay-out bank mandate is not held solely by minor or jointly by minor and guardian, the investors are requested to provide a change of Pay-out Bank mandate request before providing redemption request.</li> <li>• 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 / FATCA details, updated bank account details including cancelled original cheque leaf of the new account and his/her specimen signature duly authenticated by banker/guardian. Investors shall additionally note that, upon the minor attaining the status of major, no further transactions shall be allowed till the status of the minor is changed to major.</li> <li>• Investors are also requested to note that the process of transmission of units shall be in line with SEBI circular SEBI/HO/IMD/DF3/CIR/P/2019/166 dated December 24, 2019 and guidelines issued by SEBI in this regard from time to time.</li> </ul> <p>Note :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Non Resident Indians (NRIs) and Persons of Indian Origin (PIOs) residing abroad / Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPI) have been granted a general permission by Reserve Bank of India Schedule 5 of the Foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or Issue of Security by a Person Resident Outside India) Regulations, 2000 for investing in / redeeming units of the mutual funds subject to conditions set out in the aforesaid regulations.</li> <li>2. In case of application under a Power of Attorney or by a limited company or a corporate body or an eligible institution or a registered society or a trust fund, the original Power of Attorney or a certified true copy duly notarised or the relevant resolution or authority to make the application as the case may be, or duly notarised copy thereof, alongwith a certified copy of the Memorandum and Articles of Association and/or bye-laws and / or trust deed and / or partnership deed and Certificate of Registration should be submitted. The officials should sign the application under their official designation. A list of specimen signatures of the authorised officials, duly certified / attested should also be attached to the Application Form. In case of a Trust / Fund it shall submit a resolution from the Trustee(s) authorising such purchases and redemptions.</li> </ol>
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3. Neither this Scheme Information Document (“SID”)/ Key Information Document (“KIM”)/ Statement of Additional Information (“SAI”) [“Scheme Related Documents”] nor the units of the scheme(s) have been registered under the relevant laws, as applicable in the territorial jurisdiction of United States of America nor in any provincial/ territorial jurisdiction in Canada. It is being clearly stated that the Scheme Related Documents and/or the units of the schemes of Nippon India Mutual Fund have been filed only with the regulator(s) having jurisdiction in the Republic of India. The distribution of these Scheme Related Documents in certain jurisdictions may be restricted or subject to registration requirements and, accordingly, persons who come into possession of these Scheme Related Documents are required to inform themselves about, and to observe any such restrictions.

No persons receiving a copy of these Scheme Related Documents or any KIM accompanying application form jurisdiction may treat such Scheme Related Documents as 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 these 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. It is the responsibility of such persons in possession of the Scheme Related Documents and any persons wishing to apply for units pursuant to these Scheme Related Documents to inform themselves of and to observe, all applicable laws and Regulations of such relevant jurisdiction.

The NAM India shall accept such investments subject to the applicable laws and such other terms and conditions as may be notified by the NAM India . The investor shall be responsible for complying with all the applicable laws for such investments.

The NAM India 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 NAM India, which are not in compliance with the terms and conditions notified in this regard.

NAM India reserves the right to invest its own funds in the Scheme(s) upto a maximum extent of its networth. As per SEBI Regulations, such investments are permitted, subject to disclosure being made in the respective Scheme Scheme Information Document s (s). Further, NAM India shall not charge any fees on its investment in the Scheme (s), unless allowed to do so under SEBI Regulations in the future. It is expressly understood that at the time of investment, the investor/unit holder has the express authority to invest in units of the Scheme and the AMC / Trustee / Mutual Fund will not be responsible if such investment is ultravires the relevant constitution.

#### **Foreign Account Tax Compliance**

In accordance with the relevant provisions of the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (“FATCA”) as contained in the United States Hiring Incentives to Restore Employment (“HIRE”) Act, 2010, there is a likelihood of withholding tax being levied on certain income/ receipt sourced from the subjects of United States of America (“US”) with respect to the schemes, unless such schemes are FATCA compliant.

In this regard, the respective governments of India and US have signed an Inter Governmental Agreement-1 (IGA) on July 9, 2015. In the terms of this proposed IGA, Nippon India Mutual Fund (“NIMF”) and/ or Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited (“NAM India”/ “AMC”) classified as a “Foreign Financial Institution” and in which case NIMF and/ or NAM India would be required, from time to time, to (a) undertake the necessary due-diligence process; (b) identify US reportable accounts; (c) collect certain required information/ documentary evidence (“information”) with respect to the residential status of the unit holders; and (d) directly or indirectly disclose/ report/ submit such or other relevant information to the appropriate Indian authorities. Such information may include (without limitation) the unit holder’s folio detail, identity of the unit holder, details of the beneficial owners and controlling persons etc

In this regard and in order to comply with the relevant provisions under FATCA, the unit holders would be required to fully cooperate & furnish the required information to the AMC, as and when deemed necessary by the latter in accordance with IGA and/ or relevant circulars or guidelines etc, which may be issued from time to time by SEBI or any other relevant & appropriate authorities.

The applications which do not provide the necessary information are liable to be rejected. The applicants/ unit holders/ prospective investors are advised to seek independent advice from their own financial & tax consultants with respect to the possible implications of FATCA on their investments in the scheme(s).

The underlying FATCA requirements are applicable from July 1, 2014 or such other date, as may be notified.

In case required, NIMF/ NAM India reserves the right to change/ modify the provisions (mentioned above) at a later date.

NAM India reserves the right to include / exclude new / existing categories of investors to invest in this Scheme from time to time, subject to SEBI Regulations, if any.

<b>Where can you submit the filled up applications.</b>	Investors may submit the duly completed application forms along with the payment instrument at designated branches of the Collection Bankers namely Axis Bank. However Switch and auto switch request can be submitted at any of the DISC of NAM India or R & T Agent.  As per the directives issued by SEBI, it is mandatory for an investor to declare his/her bank account number in the application form. This is to safeguard the interest of unitholders from loss or theft of their redemption cheques / DDs. Investors are requested to provide their bank details in the Application.
<b>How to Apply</b>	Please refer to the SAI and Application form for the instructions.
<b>Listing</b>	Being an open-ended scheme, the units are not proposed to be listed on any stock exchange. However, the Trustee reserves the right to list the units as and when open-end Schemes are permitted to be listed under the Regulations, and if the Trustee considers it necessary in the interest of unitholders of the Scheme.
<b>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.</b>	The units under the scheme once repurchased, shall not be reissued.
<b>Restrictions, if any, on the right to freely retain or dispose of units being offered.</b>	The purchase and/or redemption of Units may be suspended with prior approval of Trustees and Asset Management Company giving the details of circumstances and justification for the proposed action shall also be informed to SEBI in advance, temporarily or indefinitely when any of the following conditions exist at one/more Designated Investor Service Center's:  <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) The stock market stops functioning or trading is restricted;</li> <li>(2) Periods of extreme volatility in the stock market, fixed income or money market, which, in the opinion of the Investment Manager, are prejudicial or detrimental to the interest of the investors;</li> <li>(3) Natural calamity; or</li> <li>(4) For any bulk processing like dividend, book closure, etc.</li> <li>(5) If banks do not carry-out any of the normal Banking activities at one or more Designated Investor Service Centers</li> <li>(6) In the event of breakdown in the means of communication used for the valuation of investments of the Scheme, without which the value of the securities cannot be accurately calculated.</li> <li>(7) In the event of any force majeure or disaster that affects the normal functioning of the AMC or the designated investor service centers.</li> <li>(8) SEBI, by order, so directs.</li> <li>(9) The normal time taken to process redemption and/ or purchase requests, as mentioned earlier, may not be applicable during such extraordinary circumstances.</li> </ol> <p>However, suspension or restriction of repurchase/ redemption facility under any scheme of the Mutual Fund shall be made applicable only after the approval from the Board of Directors of the AMC and the Trustee Company. The approval from the AMC Board and the Trustees giving details of circumstances and justification for the proposed action shall also be informed to SEBI in advance.</p> <p>NIMF also reserves the right at its sole discretion to withdraw sale of Units in the Scheme temporarily or indefinitely, if the AMC views that increasing the Scheme's size further may prove detrimental to the existing unit holders of the Scheme. An order/ request to purchase Units is not binding on and may be rejected by the Trustee, the AMC or their respective agents, unless it has been confirmed in writing by the AMC or its agents and (or) payment has been received.</p>

## B. ONGOING OFFER DETAILS

<b>Ongoing Offer Period</b>  This is the date from which the scheme will reopen for subscriptions/redemptions after the closure of the NFO period.	The Scheme being an ongoing Scheme the Units of the Scheme are available for subscription / redemption at applicable NAV based prices, subject to prevalent load provisions, if any.
<b>Ongoing price for subscription (purchase)/switch-in (from other schemes/plans of the mutual fund) by investors.</b>  This is the price you need to pay for purchase/switch-in.	At the applicable NAV.  <b>Purchase Price:</b> It is calculated in the following way:  Purchase Price = Applicable NAV

<p><b>Ongoing price for redemption (sale) /switch outs (to other schemes/plans of the Mutual Fund) by investors.</b></p> <p>This is the price you will receive for redemptions/switch outs.</p> <p>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</p>	<p>At the applicable NAV subject to prevailing exit load, if any.</p> <p><b>Redemption Price :</b> The Redemption Price will be calculated in the following way : Redemption Price = Applicable NAV x (1- Exit Load)</p> <p>Example: If the applicable NAV is Rs. 10.00, sales/entry load is 2 per cent and the exit/repurchase load is 2 percent then the sales price will be Rs. 10.20 and the repurchase price will be Rs. 9.80.</p>
<p><b>Cut off timing for subscriptions/redemptions/ switches</b></p> <p>This is the time before which your application (complete in all respects) should reach the official points of acceptance.</p> <p><b>Uniform cut-off timings shall be subject to advancing of cut off timings for temporary period for applicability of NAV.</b></p> <p><b>Kindly refer the notices issued from time to time for the applicable cut -off timings available on the website of Nippon India Mutual Fund.</b></p>	<p>Cut-off timings with respect to Subscriptions/Purchases including switch – ins:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Purchases for an amount of Rs 2 lakh and above:</b> <p>In respect of valid application received before 3.00 p.m. and funds for the entire amount of subscription / purchase as per the application are credited to the bank account of the scheme and are available for utilization before the cut-off time of 3.00 p.m., the closing NAV of the day shall be applicable;</p> <p>In respect of valid application received after 3.00 p.m. and funds for the entire amount of subscription / purchase as per the application are credited to the bank account of the scheme and available for utilization before the cut-off time of the next business day, the closing NAV of the next business day shall be applicable;</p> <p>Irrespective of the time of receipt of application, the closing NAV of the day on which the funds are credited to the bank account of the scheme and available for utilization before the cut-off time on any subsequent business day, the closing NAV of such subsequent business day shall be applicable.</p> </li> <li><b>2. For switch-in of Rs 2 lakh and above</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Application for switch-in is received before the applicable cut-off time of 3.00 p.m</li> <li>b. Funds for the entire amount of subscription/purchase as per the switch-in request are credited to the bank account of the respective switch-in schemes before the cut-off time;</li> <li>c. The funds are available for utilization before the cut-off time, by the respective switch-in schemes</li> </ol> </li> <li><b>3. Purchases/switch-in for amount of less than Rs 2 lakh:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. where the application is received upto 3.00 pm with a local cheque or demand draft payable at par at the place where it is received – closing NAV of the day of receipt of application;</li> <li>b. where the application is received after 3.00 pm with a local cheque or demand draft payable at par at the place where it is received – closing NAV of the next business day and;</li> <li>c. where the application is received with an outstation cheque or demand draft which is not payable on par at the place where it is received – closing NAV of day on which the cheque or demand draft is credited</li> </ol> </li> </ol> <p><b>Uniform process for aggregating split transactions for NAV applicability:</b></p> <p>Pursuant to AMFI circular no. 135/BP/35/2012-13 dated February 18, 2013, the following practice of aggregating split transactions shall be followed and accordingly the closing NAV of the day on which the funds are available for utilization shall be applied where the aggregated amount of investments is Rs. 2 lacs and above:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. All transactions received on the same day (as per Time stamp rule).</li> <li>b. Transactions shall include purchases, additional purchases, excluding Switches, SIP/STP/triggered transactions and various other eligible systematic transactions as mentioned in the para titled “Special Products” of respective SIDs</li> <li>c. Aggregations shall be done on the basis of investor’s PAN. In case of joint holding, transactions with similar holding structures shall be aggregated.</li> <li>d. All transactions shall be aggregated where investor holding pattern is same as stated above, irrespective of whether the amount of the individual transaction is above or below Rs 2 lacs.</li> <li>e. Only transactions in the same scheme shall be clubbed. This will include transactions at plan/option level (Dividend, Growth, Direct).</li> <li>f. Transactions in the name of minor, received through guardian should not be aggregated with the transaction in the name of same guardian.</li> </ol> <p>Further, investors may please note that the said process is being followed in line with the directives specified by Association of Mutual Funds in India (“AMFI”). NIMF / NAM India shall reserve the right to change / modify any of the terms with respect to processing of transaction in line with directives specified by Securities &amp; Exchange of Board of India and / or AMFI from time to time.</p> <p><b>Redemptions including switch - outs</b></p> <p>In respect of valid applications received upto 3 p.m. by the Mutual Fund, closing NAV of the day of receipt of application, shall be applicable.</p> <p>In respect of valid applications received after 3 p.m. by the Mutual Fund, the closing NAV of the next business day shall be applicable.</p>



<p><b>Where can the applications for purchase/redemption switches be submitted?</b></p>	<p>Applications for purchase/redemption/switches be submitted at any of the Designated Investor Service Centres mentioned in this Scheme Information Document or any other location designated as such by the AMC, at a later date. The addresses of the Designated Investor Service Centres are given at the end of this Scheme Information Document and also on the website, <a href="http://www.nipponindiamf.com">www.nipponindiamf.com</a>.</p> <p>Investors in cities other than where the Designated Investor Service Centres (DISC) are located, may forward their application forms to any of the nearest DISC, accompanied by Demand Draft/s payable locally at that DISC.</p>
<p><b>Minimum amount for purchase/redemption/switches</b></p>	<p><b>Minimum Application Amount:</b> Rs. 5,000 and in multiples of Re. 1 thereafter</p> <p><b>Additional Purchase Amount:</b> Rs 1,000 (plus in the multiple of Re.1)</p> <p><b>Minimum Redemption Amount</b> Redemptions can be of minimum amount of Rs.100 or any number of units {(except for 'Redemption by means of Nippon India Any Time Money Card ("The Card")}. Redemption by means of Nippon India Any Time Money Card ("The Card") can be of any amount. <b>Note :</b> Fresh/ additional subscriptions/switch-in (in lumpsum) will not be allowed/ accepted at any point of time till further notice with effect from March 26, 2018. Fresh registrations through Systematic Investment Plan ("SIP") or Systematic Transfer Plan ("STP") or such other special product shall continue with each installment being less than or equal to Rs. 5 lakhs till further notice. The aforesaid restriction will not affect SIP or STP or such other special product registered prior to the effective date and the unitholders under Dividend Reinvestment and Payout Option of Direct Plan and other than Direct Plan. Investors are requested to ensure that amount mentioned in the first SIP cheque is same as SIP installment amount mentioned in the application form. Else the first SIP cheque shall be liable for rejection and subsequent SIP installments shall be registered, subject to other conditions for SIP registration are fulfilled. Switch within the Nippon India Small Cap fund (Growth Plan to Dividend Plan and vice versa, Direct plan to other than Direct Plan and vice versa etc.) shall be permitted without any limit on the transaction amount. Limit of Rs. 5 lakhs shall not be applicable for DTP from any other scheme to Nippon India Small Cap fund. <b>Minimum Switch Amount</b> Will be as per the minimum application amount in the respective scheme which may have been opted by the Investor for switching the units/amount where the switch facility is available. <b>Switch-out facility from applicable ETF schemes to eligible open-ended (Non-ETF) Equity, Liquid and Debt/Income Schemes.</b> For availing this facility, investors are requested to note the following operational modalities: a. Switch-out from the Scheme will be allowed only in terms of Basket size (unit). b. Switch transaction will be processed subject to availability of all details as per regulatory guidelines. c. The applicability of the NAV in the transferee Scheme will be the NAV of the business day on which the Funds are realized in Scheme's account before cut-off time. d. In case of any rejection in Switch-in to the transferee Scheme, the amount will be paid to the investor as redemption proceeds. e. Investors to note that the pattern and sequence of holding both in the open-ended (Non-ETF) Folio and in demat account (used for ETF unit holding) should be same. However, in case there is no existing Folio, the investor has to provide the details and signatures of all holders for Folio creation in the open-ended (Non-ETF) Scheme. f. Investors should have the clear balance of ETF units in their demat account for execution of the Switch-out transaction from the selected ETF Scheme. NIMF/NAM India reserves the right to introduce, change, modify or withdraw any of the features available in this facility from time to time.</p>
<p><b>Minimum balance to be maintained and consequences of non maintenance.</b></p>	<p>The Fund may revise the minimum/maximum amounts and methodology for redemptions as and when necessary. Such modifications shall be carried out on a prospective basis from the date of notification of such change and would not, in any manner, be prejudicial to the interests of the investors who have joined the scheme before such notification. Changes if any would be suitably communicated to the unitholders.</p>

<p><b>Special Products/facilities available</b></p>	<p><b>A. SPECIAL PRODUCTS</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Systematic Investment Plan (SIP)</li> <li>2. Systematic Transfer Plan (STP)</li> <li>3. Nippon India Salary AddVantage</li> <li>4. Dividend Transfer Plan (DTP)</li> <li>5. Systematic Withdrawal Plan (SWP)</li> <li>6. Trigger Facility</li> <li>7. Nippon India SIP Insure</li> </ol> <p><b>B. SPECIAL FACILITIES</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Transactions through website of Nippon India Mutual Fund <a href="http://www.nipponindiamf.com">www.nipponindiamf.com</a> , Nippon India Mutual Fund mobile applications and other digital assets / platforms</li> <li>2. Facilitating transactions through Stock Exchange Mechanism</li> <li>3. Redemption By Means Of Nippon India Any Time Money Card (“The Card”)</li> <li>4. Official Points of Acceptance of Transaction through MF utility</li> <li>5. Acceptance of “Cash’ as a mode of payment for subscription</li> <li>6. Transactions through Electronic Platform of Registrar and Transfer Agent</li> </ol> <p><b>1. Systematic Investment Plan (SIP)</b></p> <p>An investor can benefit under this facility by investing specified amounts regularly. By investing a fixed amount of rupees at regular intervals, one would end up buying more units of the Fund when the price is low and fewer units when the price is high. As a result, over a period of time, the average cost per unit to the unitholder may tend to be less than the average subscription price per unit, irrespective of whether it is a rising, falling or fluctuating market. Thus, the unitholder automatically tends to gains and averages out the fluctuations of the market, without having to monitor prices on a day-to-day basis. This concept is called “Rupee Cost Averaging”.</p> <p>Minimum investment amount for investing SIP route is as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Rs.100/- per month and in multiples of Re. 1/- thereafter for minimum 60 months</li> <li>(2) Rs.500/- per month and in multiples of Re. 1/- thereafter for minimum 12 months</li> <li>(3) Rs.1000/- per month and in multiples of Re. 1/- thereafter for minimum 6 months</li> <li>(4) Rs. 500/- per quarter and in multiples of Re. 1/- thereafter for minimum 12 quarters</li> <li>(5) Rs.1500/- per quarter and in multiples of Re. 1/- thereafter for minimum 4 quarters</li> <li>(6) Rs. 5000/- per year and in multiples of Rs. 500/- thereafter for minimum 2 years</li> </ol> <p>The cheque should be drawn in favour of “Nippon India Small Cap Fund A/c PAN” or “Nippon India Small Cap Fund A/c First Investor Name” and crossed “Account Payee Only” and must be payable at the centre where the applications are submitted to the Customer Service Centre. In case of fresh/ additional purchases, if the name of the Scheme on the application form/transaction slip differs with the name on the Cheque/Demand Draft, then the application may be processed and units shall be allotted at applicable NAV of the scheme mentioned in the application / transaction slip</p> <p>Fresh registrations through Systematic Investment Plan (“SIP”) shall continue with each installment being less than or equal to Rs. 1 lakh till further notice.</p> <p>The aforesaid restriction will not affect SIP registered prior to March 26, 2018 (effective date) and the unitholders under Dividend Reinvestment and Payout Option of Direct Plan and other than Direct Plan. Investors are requested to ensure that amount mentioned in the first SIP cheque is same as SIP installment amount mentioned in the application form. Else the first SIP cheque shall be liable for rejection and subsequent SIP installments shall be registered, subject to other conditions for SIP registration are fulfilled.</p> <p>An investor shall have the option of choosing for 1 or more than 1 SIP in the same scheme and same plan in the same month. SIP debit dates shall be any date from 1st to 28th of a month. Investor can also avail more than one SIP for the same debit date.</p> <p><b>MICRO SYSTEMATIC INVESTMENT PLAN (“MICRO SIP”)/ PAN EXEMPT INVESTMENTS</b></p> <p>In line with SEBI letter no. OW/16541/2012 dated July 24, 2012 addressed to AMFI, Investments in the mutual fund schemes {including investments through Systematic Investment Plans (SIPs)} up to Rs. 50,000/- per investor per year shall be exempted from the requirement of PAN.</p> <p>The maximum installment amount in case of Micro SIP shall be as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Rs.4000 per month for Monthly frequency.</li> <li>2. Rs.12000 per quarter for Quarterly frequency.</li> <li>3. Rs.50000 per year for Yearly frequency.</li> </ol> <p>Accordingly, for considering the investments made by an investor up to Rs. 50,000/-, an aggregate of all investments including SIPs made by an investor in a Financial Year i.e. from April to March, shall be considered and such investors shall be exempted from the requirement of PAN. However, requirements of Know Your Customer (KYC) shall be mandatory and investors seeking the above exemption of PAN will need to submit the PAN Exempt KYC Reference No (PEKRN) / KYC Identification NO (KIN) acknowledgement issued by KRA / (Central KYC Registry) along with the application form.</p>
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This exemption is applicable only for individuals including NRIs, minors acting through guardian, Sole proprietorship firms and joint holders\*. Other categories of investors e.g. PIOs, HUFs, QFIs, non - individuals, etc. are not eligible for such exemption.

\* In case of joint holders, first holder must not possess a PAN.

Investors are requested to note that, incase where a lump sum investment is made during the financial year and subsequently a fresh SIP mandate request is given where the total investments for that financial year exceeds Rs. 50,000/-, such SIP application shall be rejected.

In case where a SIP mandate is submitted during the financial year and subsequently a fresh lumpsum investment is being made provided where the total investments for that financial year exceeds Rs. 50,000, such lump sum application will be rejected.

Redemptions if any, in the Micro Investment folio, shall not be considered for calculating the exemption limit for such financial year. Consolidation of folio shall be allowed only if the PEKRN in all folios is same along with other investor details.

Post Dated Cheques will not be accepted as a mode of payment for application of MICRO SIP. Nippon India SIP Insure facility will not be extended to investors applying under the category of Micro SIPs.

The first SIP cheque/draft could be of any Business Day but subsequent Auto Debit mandate/ cheques should be for any date from 1st to 28th of a month and there should be a minimum gap of at least 21 Business Days between the 1st SIP and the 2nd SIP. However, subsequent cheques/ The Auto Debit transaction dates should have a gap of atleast a month or a quarter depending upon the frequency chosen. In case the criteria of 21 days is not met, the SIP would start on the same date from the next month. If the of SIP execution date is a non-Business Day for the scheme, then the units shall be allotted on the next Business Day. Investors can also start a SIP directly without any initial investment, however he has to submit the application for enrolment of SIP on any working day but the subsequent installment date of SIP shall be any date from 1st to 28th of a month with a minimum gap of at least 21 working days between the submission of application form and the 1st SIP.

Incase an investor intends to continue his SIP forever; he can opt for perpetual SIP which will not have an end date. In the event if the investors want to discontinue the SIP, a written communication will be required from the investors to discontinue the same. If the SIP end date is not filled, the SIP Auto Debit will be considered perpetual till further instructions are received from the investor. Such facility of perpetual SIP will not be applicable incase mode of payment is via Post Dated Cheques.

**SIP registration TAT:**

- **For registrations through Online mode:**  
For SIP registrations received through online mode, the registration TAT shall be 3 days (excluding the application date and the SIP start date) instead of the existing TAT of 10 days (excluding the application date and the SIP start date). The same shall be applicable for SIP being registered in the folio through One Time Bank Mandate / Invest Easy Mandate where the mandate status is 'Registered'.
- **For registrations through Physical mode:**  
The TAT for SIP registration through physical mode through One Time Bank Mandate / Invest Easy Mandate where the mandate status is 'Registered' shall remain 10 days (excluding the application date and the SIP start date).

For SIP being registered through any other modes or if the mandate status in the folio is other than 'Registered', the SIP registration TAT shall continue to remain 21 business days. The change in SIP registration TAT shall be applicable for SIP and such other facilities where SIP is provided currently or shall be provided in future.

**Any day SIP:**

Investor's registering SIP through One Time Bank Mandate / Invest Easy Mandate or through online mode (i.e. via [www.nipponindiamf.com](http://www.nipponindiamf.com)) can select any date from 1st to 28th of a month as SIP date. If the SIP transaction date is a non-Business Day for the scheme, then the SIP installment shall be processed on the next Business Day.

For SIP's being registered through Standing Instruction or PDC mode, available SIP dates shall continue to remain as 2, 7, 10, 18, 23 and 28.

**Any Day SIP facility is available in SIP, SIP Insure and such other facilities where SIP is provided currently or shall be provided in future.**

**SIP Pause facility:**

Under this facility, investor's will have an option to discontinue their SIP temporarily for specific number of installments. SIP would restart upon completion of the Pause period specified by the investor.

For availing this facility following points are to be noted:

- Pause facility shall be available only for SIPs registered under monthly frequency with a SIP installment amount of Rs.1,000/- and above;
- Investor can opt for pause facility only from 7th installment onwards;
- Investor can opt for pause facility only twice during the tenure of a particular SIP;
- The minimum gap between the pause request and next SIP installment date should be atleast 10 days (excluding the request date and the next SIP installment date);
- Pause facility shall get activated from immediate next eligible installment from the date of receipt of SIP Pause request;
- SIP can be discontinued for minimum 1 installment and up to a maximum of 6 installments;
- Pause facility shall not be available for SIP registered through PDC or Standing Instruction mode;
- If the pause period is coinciding with the Nippon India STEP-UP facility, the SIP installment amount post completion of pause period would be inclusive of Nippon India STEP-UP amount.

For e.g. SIP installment amount prior to Pause period is Rs.5,000/- and Nippon India STEP-UP amount is Rs.1,000/-. If the pause period is completed after date of Nippon India STEP-UP, then the SIP installment amount post completion of pause period shall be Rs.6,000/-.

**The above features of SIP pause facility shall be applicable for SIP. The same shall not be applicable for Nippon India SIP Insure.**

**Modify SIP facility:**

An investor investing through SIP shall have an option to modify the selected scheme and / or SIP installment amount and / or SIP end date, in the scheme wherein the SIP investments are currently being made. The said request has to be submitted atleast 10 days prior to the next SIP installment date (excluding the request date and the next SIP installment date).

Modify SIP facility shall be available only to investors whose SIP is registered through One Time Bank Mandate / Invest Easy Mandate. Modify SIP request shall be liable for rejection if the modified details do not meet the amount / tenure conditions as per the Scheme Information Document of the respective scheme or the registered mandate.

If the investor submits request for Modify SIP details for a SIP registration where the Nippon India STEP-UP facility is already registered, then the Nippon India STEP-UP facility shall be cancelled immediately upon receipt of Modify SIP details request.

**This facility is not available for Micro SIP / SIP Insure.**

**Default SIP date:**

If an investor does not mention SIP Date in the application form or multiple SIP dates are mentioned in the SIP Mandate or the SIP Date is unclear in the application form / SIP Mandate, the default SIP date shall be treated as 10th of every month/quarter as per the frequency defined by the investor.

**Default SIP Enrollment period when start date is not specified:**

If an investor does not mention SIP start date or the SIP start date is unclear in the application form/ SIP Mandate, the SIP date will by default start from the next subsequent month after meeting the minimum registration requirement of 21 working days.

**Default SIP Enrollment period when end date is not provided:**

If an investor does not mention SIP end date or the SIP end date is not expressly mentioned/ unclear in the application form/SIP Mandate, the tenure of SIP will be treated as perpetual i.e. the end date shall be considered as December 2099.

**Termination of SIP:**

In case of three consecutive failures due to insufficient balance in bank account while processing request for SIP, NAM India shall reserve the right to terminate the SIP without any written request from the investor.

In accordance with the requirements specified by the SEBI circular SEBI/IMD/CIR No.4/168230/09 dated June 30, 2009 no entry load will be charged with respect to applications for enrolment / registrations accepted by NIMF with effect from August 01, 2009. Exit Load as applicable in the Scheme at the time of enrolment / registration will be applicable.

With reference to SEBI circular No. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/2019/42 dated March 25, 2019, there shall be no entry load for investments under SIPs registered before August 01, 2009 with effect from April 15, 2019.

This is purely for operational convenience. The unit holder is however free to discontinue from the SIP facility at any point of time by giving necessary written instructions atleast 21 business days prior to the next due date of the SIP.

Investments can be made through One Time Bank Mandate. Investments cannot be made through Post Dated Cheques (PDC).

Auto Debit facility will be available with the banks as notified by NIMF from time to time. The ECS facility would be provided at all the locations where RBI or its associate Clearing House offers this facility. The list of such banks and centers where this arrangement will be available may undergo changes from time to time as and when banks/centers are added/ deleted. Investors are advised to contact the nearest Designated Investor Service Centre for details before investing. The investor opting for Auto debit/ ECS facility will be required to sign up a mandate form on the basis of which NIMF will arrange for his account to be debited as per the frequency, amount & date chosen by the investor.

Additional features in the Systematic Investment Plan facility:

**a. Multiple Systematic Investment Plan (“Multiple SIP”) Facility**

Multiple SIP Facility enables investors to start Investments under SIP (Including MICRO SIP) for various eligible schemes (one or multiple) using a single application form. This facility is for all investors. All features / terms & conditions as applicable for investments through SIP shall also be applicable for availing the Multiple SIP facility subject to the following additional requirements:

1. Through this facility an investor can register SIP for maximum of five schemes. A customized Multiple SIP form has been designed by NAM India for the same. In case if the investor wishes to register for more than five schemes a separate form has to be filled up for the same.
2. To avail this facility investor is required to fill up the “One time Bank Mandate Form” from which the amount shall be debited. However, Unit Holders who are currently registered under the Invest Easy - Individuals facility can avail this facility without registering the One Time Bank Mandate. The enrolment period specified in the SIP enrolment form should be less than or equal to the enrolment period mentioned in the One Time Bank Mandate. In case of any deviation between the tenure for Multiple SIP and tenure mentioned in One time bank mandate, the transaction shall be processed till the tenure mentioned in “One time bank mandate form”. To initiate the investment process the investor does not require to submit a physical cheque.

**b. Nippon India STEP-UP Facility**

Under this facility the Investor can increase the SIP installment (excluding MICRO SIP) at pre-defined intervals by a fixed amount. This aims to provide the investor a simplified method of aligning SIP installment amounts with increase in investor’s earnings over the tenure of SIP. This facility is available for all investors. For availing the said facilities, investors are required to note the following:

1. Investors can register for Nippon India STEP-UP facility either during SIP enrolment or any time during the tenure of the SIP if the SIP is registered through One Time Bank Mandate or Invest Easy Mandate.

The minimum gap between the request for Nippon India STEP-UP facility and next SIP installment date should be atleast 10 days (excluding the request date and the next SIP installment date).

If an investor does not mention STEP-UP start date or the STEP-UP start date is unclear in the application form, the STEP-UP will by default start from the subsequent installment after meeting the minimum registration requirement of 10 days.

If any STEP-UP is pending for execution as per the option selected by investor earlier and investor submits the STEP-UP application again, same shall be liable for rejection..

2. The minimum amount for STEP-UP should be Rs.100 and in multiples of Rs. 100 only.
3. Monthly SIP offers STEP-UP frequency at half yearly and yearly intervals. Quarterly SIP & Yearly SIP offers STEP-UP frequency at yearly interval only. In case STEP-UP frequency is not indicated, it will be considered as Yearly by Default.
4. There should be clear indication about STEP-UP Count i.e. the number of times the SIP Installment amount should be increased. In case STEP-UP amount is mentioned and STEP-UP count is not indicated, it will be considered as 1 (One) by Default.
5. The date for Nippon India STEP-UP Facility will correspond to the registered SIP.
6. The enrolment period specified in the Nippon India STEP-UP form should be less than or equal to the enrolment period mentioned in the SIP. In case of any deviation in period, the tenure of the SIP shall be considered.

**Nippon India STEP-UP facility shall be applicable for SIP. The same shall not be applicable for Nippon India SIP Insure.**

**Illustration: How to calculate the Nippon India STEP-UP amount?**

Monthly SIP with Half Yearly Nippon India STEP-UP Frequency:

- SIP Period: 02-Jan-2014 to 02-Dec-2015(2 Years)
- Scheme Name: Nippon India Multi Cap Fund
- Monthly SIP Installment Amount: Rs 1,000 SIP

- Date: 2nd of every month (24 installments)
- Nippon India STEP-UP Amount: Rs. 1,000
- Nippon India STEP-UP Frequency: Half Yearly
- Nippon India STEP-UP Count: 2

**SIP Installments shall be as follows:**

Installment Period	From Date	To Date	Monthly SIP Installment Amount	Nippon India STEP - UP Amount	Monthly SIP Installment after STEP – UP Amount
1 to 6	2nd Jan'14	2nd Jun'14	1,000	NA	1,000
7 to 12	2nd Jul'14	2nd Dec'14	1,000	1,000	2,000
13 to 18	2nd Jan'15	2nd Jun'15	2,000	1,000	3,000
19 to 24	2nd Jul'15	2nd Dec'15	3,000	N.A.	3,000

**N.A.** - Not Applicable

**Note:** In the above table, Monthly SIP Installment Amount increases by Nippon India STEP-UP amount Rs 1,000 at half-yearly intervals. The above investment simulation is purely for illustrative purposes only and shall not be deemed as guarantee/promise of minimum returns or to depict performance of any mutual fund scheme.

**c. Single Cheque for Multiple Systematic Investment Plan (“Single Cheque for Multiple SIPs”)**

Single Cheque for Multiple SIPs” facility enables investors to start investments under SIP (including Micro SIP) for various eligible schemes (one or multiple) using a single cheque. Customized Multiple SIP Common Application Form and Multiple SIP Enrolment Form have been designed by NAM India for new and existing investors respectively. Investor has an option to invest up to five schemes. Single Cheque provided by investor will be considered for the purpose of first instalment purchase under/ across the schemes opted by the investor. Terms and conditions applicable for investments through SIP shall also be applicable for availing Single Cheque for Multiple SIPs facility.

This facility is available for all the investors.

Following are the additional requirements:

1. Cheque should be drawn for total amount of first instalments of all the opted SIPs.
2. The Cheque should be drawn in favour of “Nippon India Mutual Fund Subscription Pool A/c”
3. Amount mentioned in the single cheque and on the Application / Enrollment Form should be equal to total amount of first instalments of opted SIPs. In case of difference, the entire application is liable to be rejected.
4. Investments will be accepted subject to minimum investments criteria applicable as per SID of the respective schemes. Even if one of the schemes specified for investment does not satisfy the minimum investment criteria, the entire application will be liable to be rejected for all schemes.

**d. FLEX Systematic Investment Plan (FLEX SIP)**

“**FLEX SIP**” is a facility wherein an investor under a Designated open-ended scheme can opt to Invest variable amounts, at pre-determined intervals.

- For Flex SIP option, One Time Bank Mandate (OTBM) to be submitted along with the Flex SIP application form. Existing folios where OTBM already registered are eligible to submit Flex SIP.
- Any other SIP like ISIP based on URN, ISIP with HDFC/ Axis E-mandate are not eligible for Flex SIP.
- Flex SIP facility is offered for SIPs with monthly, Quarterly and Yearly intervals. Unit holder is free to choose the frequency of such transactions. If the investor does not select any particular frequency, default frequency shall be monthly frequency.
- Minimum number of SIP instalments and Minimum SIP amount shall be as follows:

Frequency	SIP Minimum Installments	SIP Minimum Amount
Monthly	12 Months	1000
Quarterly	12 Quarters	3000
Yearly	3 Years	6000

- To register Flex SIP, OTBM cap amount should be twice or more of the SIP base amount.
- **Calculation of FLEX SIP Installment:**
  - (i) Fixed amount as per installment; or

- (ii) The amount determined by the formula: {Fixed amount to be transferred per installment (x) Number of Installments (Installments already paid along with the current installment payable)} – market value of the investments through FLEX SIP in the Designated Scheme. Whichever is higher.

However, debit amount cannot be more than two times of installment amount.

• **Illustration:**

No. of Installment	NAV Applicable Date (A)	SIP Due Date (B)	NAV per Unit (C)	Market Value on Installment Date (Rs.) (D) (H) * (C)	Amount to be Invested in Flex SIP (Rs.) (E)	Cumulative Amount Invested in Flex SIP (Rs.) (F)	Units Allotted under Flex SIP (G)	Cumulative Units (H)
1	NA	01/01/2019	10	0	3,000	3000	300	300
2	25/01/2019	01/02/2019	12	3,600.00	3,000	6000	250	550
3	22/02/2019	01/03/2019	11	6,050.00	3,000	9000	272.73	822.73
4	27/03/2019	01/04/2019	9	7,404.55	4,595	13595.45	510.61	1333.33
5	26/04/2019	01/05/2019	7	9,333.33	5,667	19262.12	809.52	2142.86
6	27/05/2019	01/06/2019	8	17,142.86	3,000	22262.12	375	2517.86
7	24/06/2019	01/07/2019	10	25,178.57	3,000	25262.12	300	2817.86
8	26/07/2019	01/08/2019	12	33,814.29	3,000	28262.12	250	3067.86
9	27/08/2019	01/09/2019	13	39,882.14	3,000	31262.12	230.77	3298.63
10	26/09/2019	01/10/2019	14	46,180.77	3,000	34262.12	214.29	3512.91
11	25/10/2019	01/11/2019	15	52,693.68	1,738	36000	115.86	3628.77
12	NA	01/12/2019	13	47,174.02	SIP Cease as target amount achieved			

• **SIP Dates Frequency:**

Monthly – SIP dates between 1st to 28th of each month.

Quarterly - SIP dates between 1st to 28th for first month of each rolling quarter.

Yearly - SIP dates between 1st to 28th for first month of each year or as per investors' request.

- On the Flex SIP due date, the installment value of FLEX SIP shall be determined on the basis of Net Asset Value (NAV) on 5th day (T-5) before the installment date. If T-5th falls on a Non-Business day or falls during a book closure period, then valuation will be done based on last NAV. For e.g., if an investor opts Flex SIP cycle as 15th of each month, NAV as per process shall be considered as of 9th day (T-5). If 9th day is falling on non-business day, we consider previous latest NAV i.e., if 9th is a Sunday, we consider Friday's NAV as latest NAV.
- The first Flex SIP installment will be processed for the fixed installment amount specified by the unit holder at the time of enrolment. From the second Flex SIP installment onwards, the investment amount shall be computed as per formula.
- For all Flex SIPs received with initial investment, the calculations are made based on excluding initial cheque investment.
- The total Flex SIP installment amount invested in the designated Scheme shall not exceed the total enrollment amount specified by the unit holder at the time of enrollment i.e. amount per installment X number of installments.
- If the NAV falls continuously throughout the SIP period, no. of installments would be less than those mentioned in the application form.
- The redemption/ switch-out of units allotted in the designated Scheme shall be processed on First in First out (FIFO) basis. If there are redemption or switch transactions processed from units created under Flex SIP during the tenure of Flex SIP, the Flex SIP will be rejected and future SIP's will be suspended.
- In case the Flex SIP transaction is rejected with reason "Insufficient funds" or any other valid rejection reason (including installment defaults), the Flex SIP will be stopped immediately.
- Once the Flex SIP has been stopped the unit holder needs to provide a new request to start Flex SIP. In case the unit holder wants to suo moto discontinue the Flex SIP, the normal SIP cancellation process shall be applicable.
- In case transaction charges are applicable, the Flex SIP amount will be calculated against as on date allotted units.

**General Conditions:**

- a) Flex SIP is available only in "Growth" option.
- b) For FLEX SIP, investors are requested to refer the One Time Bank Mandate cum Flex SIP Enrollment Form respectively available on the website of Nippon India Mutual Fund .

For any clarifications, investors are requested to consult their financial advisors or contact the Customer Care no.: 1860 266 0111 (charges applicable)

- c) Currently, FLEX SIP facility shall be available on submission of physical application forms at Designated Investor Service Centres of the AMC. A single Flex SIP Enrolment Form can be filled for investing into one Scheme/Plan/Option only.

NIMF / NAM India reserve the right to introduce, change, modify or withdraw any features/provisions with respect to the said facilities in any scheme/(s) from time to time.

Operational procedures for the facility will be announced by the Fund from time to time.

NAM India in consultation with Trustees reserves the right to withdraw this facility, modify the procedure, frequency, dates, load structure in accordance with the SEBI Regulations and any such change will be applicable only to units transacted pursuant to such change on a prospective basis.

## **2. Systematic Transfer Plan (STP)**

STP is a facility wherein unit holders of designated open-ended schemes of NIMF can opt to transfer a Fixed amount (capital) or variable amount (capital appreciation) at regular intervals to another designated open-ended scheme of NIMF.

**A. Plans / Options available** - There are two plans available Fixed Systematic Transfer Plan and Capital Appreciation Systematic Transfer Plan. Details of which are provided as below:

- (1) Fixed Systematic Transfer Plan - Investor has the option to transfer a fixed amount of his choice as per the options available from one any of the eligible Transferor scheme to any of the Transferee scheme. Unit holders are required to select any one of the following options under Fixed Systematic Transfer Plan.
  - (i) Daily Option - where STP will be executed on Daily basis,
  - (ii) Weekly Option - where STP will be executed on 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd of every month,
  - (iii) Fortnightly Option - where STP will be executed on 1st and 15th of every month,
  - (iv) Monthly Option - where STP will be executed on any pre-specified date of every month to be chosen by the unit holders,
  - (v) Quarterly Option - where STP will be executed on any pre-specified date of the first month of the quarter to be chosen by the unitholder.
- (2) Capital Appreciation Systematic Transfer Plan - Investor has the option to transfer only the appreciated amount from one any of the eligible Transferor scheme to any of the Transferee scheme. Unit holders are required to select any one of the following options under Capital Appreciation Systematic Transfer Plan.
  - (i) Monthly Option - where STP will be executed on 1st of every month,
  - (ii) Quarterly Option - where STP will be executed 1st of the starting month of every quarter.
- (3) **Perpetual STP option:** An investor who opts for perpetual option, his STP will continue forever with no end date unless a written request for cancellation is given by the investor in this regard.

**B. Minimum amount of transfer** - The following minimum amount will be transferred in the selected Transferee Scheme under various plans / options.

- (1) Fixed Systematic Transfer Plan - The following amount will be transferred on STP execution date, subject to applicable exit load in the Transferor Scheme:
  - (i) Daily Option - Minimum of Rs. 100 and in multiples of Rs. 100 thereof
  - (ii) Weekly / Fortnight / Monthly option - Minimum of Rs. 1000 and in multiples of Rs 100 thereof
  - (iii) Quarterly option - Minimum of Rs. 3000 and in multiples of Rs 100 thereofApplications not in multiple of Rs.100 will be processed for the nearest lower multiple of Rs.100, subject to minimum amount specified.
- (2) **Capital Appreciation STP** - Monthly option or Quarterly option - A minimum of Rs. 500 and above thereof will be transferred on STP execution date, subject to applicable exit load of the transferor Scheme. In case the capital appreciation amount is less then Rs.500 on any STP due date, the systematic transfer will not be processed for that due date.

**C. Minimum Balance Requirements** - following is minimum balance amount that an unitholder has to maintain in his folio to opt for STP facility.

The minimum balance amount that an unitholder has to maintain in his folio to opt for STP facility for all the eligible schemes to Rs 5,000 or the minimum application amount as stated in the SID of the Transferor scheme, whichever is higher.

In case of insufficient balance in the account / folio, the application for enrolment for STP will be rejected

**D. Loads** - the following load structure will be applicable.

- (1) Entry Load - In accordance with the requirements specified by the SEBI circular no. SEBI/IMD/CIR No.4/168230/09 dated June 30, 2009 no entry load will be charged with respect to applications for enrolment / registrations accepted by NIMF with effect from August 1, 2009.



- (2) **Capital Appreciation STP** - Monthly option or Quarterly option - A minimum of Rs. 500 and above thereof will be transferred on STP execution date, subject to applicable exit load of the transferor Scheme. In case the capital appreciation amount is less than Rs.500 on any STP due date, the systematic transfer will not be processed for that due date.
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The minimum balance amount that an unitholder has to maintain in his folio to opt for STP facility for all the eligible schemes to Rs 5,000 or the minimum application amount as stated in the SID of the Transferor scheme, whichever is higher.  
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- (2) **Exit Load** - as applicable in the respective Transferor and Transferee Scheme at the time of enrolment / registration of STP will be applicable.
- E. Other Important Points**
- (1) All valid transfer requisitions would be treated as switch-out / redemption for the transferor scheme and switch-in/ subscription transactions for the transferee scheme and would be processed at the applicable NAV of the respective schemes. The difference between the NAVs of the two Schemes/ Plans will be reflected in the number of units allotted.
- (2) This facility is not available for units which are under any Lien/Pledged or any lock-in period.
- (3) NAM India in consultation with the Trustees, reserves the right to modify the procedure, load structure in accordance with the SEBI Regulations and any such change shall be applicable only to units transacted pursuant to such change on a prospective basis.
- (4) The unit holders may approach/ consult their tax consultants in regard to the treatment of the transfer of units from the tax point of view.
- (5) Minimum number of transfers required for a STP shall be two. In case of daily STP, minimum tenure of transfer is one month.
- (6) Unitholder has to ensure to maintain minimum balance in accordance with Plans selected in the Transferor Scheme on the transfer date / execution date under Fixed Systematic Transfer Plan. In case of insufficient balance / unclear units on the date of transfer in the folio, STP for that particular due date will be processed based on the clear balance available in the scheme. However, future STPs will continue to be active. This will help the investor to continue his STP facility seamlessly. Also if the investor continues to have insufficient balance / unclear units for three consecutive months, NAM India will have the right to discontinue the future STPs at its own discretion.
- (7) Investor can discontinue STP by providing a written notice to DISC atleast 7 calendar days (excluding of submission) prior to the due date of the next transfer date. In case of Daily STP, the cancellation will be effective from the date falling after 7 calendar days.
- (8) The registered STP will be automatically terminated if units are pledged or upon receipt of intimation of death of the unit holder.
- (9) **Frequency of STP** : If an investor does not mention any frequency or mentions multiple frequencies on the STP application form or the frequency is unclear on the STP application form, the default frequency shall be monthly
- (10) **Default STP Date**: If an investor opts for Monthly or Quarterly frequency of STP but does not mention the STP Date or mentions multiple STP dates on the mandate or the STP date is unclear on the STP Mandate, the default STP date shall be treated as 10th of every month/ quarter as per the frequency defined by the investor
- (11) **Default STP Enrollment period when start date is not provided**: If an investor does not mention STP start date, or the STP start date is unclear/not expressly mentioned on the STP Application form, then by default STP would start from the next subsequent cycle after meeting the minimum registration requirement of 7 working days as per the defined frequency by the investor.
- (12) **Default STP Enrollment period when end date is not provided**: If an investor does not mention STP end date or the STP end date is unclear, it will be considered as perpetual STP.
- (13) **Application processing of Systematic Transfer Plan ("STP")**: The Enrolment form completed in all respects can be submitted at any of the Designated Investor Service Centre (DISC) of NAM India at least seven calendar days before the commencement of first execution date of STP. In case the required time of seven calendar days are not met then the STP will be processed from the next STP cycle.
- (14) NAM India in consultation with Trustees reserves the right to withdraw this facility, modify the procedure, frequency, dates, load structure in accordance with the SEBI Regulations and any such change will be applicable only to units transacted pursuant to such change on a prospective basis.
- Note**: It may be noted that all the transfers to Nippon India Gold Savings Fund have been termed as Nippon India Golden Transfer Step with effect from May 21, 2011. All other features under these facilities remain unchanged. Also In case if the investor exercises an option of STP - Out from Nippon India Gold Savings Fund, the same shall be termed as STP - Out and not Nippon India Golden Transfer Step.

Fresh registrations through Systematic Transfer Plan (“STP”) shall continue with each installment being less than or equal to Rs. 1 lakh till further notice.

The aforesaid restriction will not affect STP registered prior to March 26, 2018 (effective date) and the unitholders under Dividend Reinvestment and Payout Option of Direct Plan and other than Direct Plan.

**MULTIPLE SYSTEMATIC TRANSFER PLAN:**

In this facility the unit holders of one designated open ended scheme of NIMF can opt to transfer a Fixed amount (capital) at regular intervals to another one or more designated open ended schemes of NIMF.

- Eligible Transferor Scheme – All open ended scheme where STP facility is available
- Eligible Transferee Scheme – All open ended scheme where STP facility is available – Investor can specify maximum 5 transferee schemes

Investor has the option to transfer a fixed amount of his choice as per the options available from one any of the eligible Transferor scheme to any of the Transferee scheme. The investor has to specify the amount which will be transferred to the transferee schemes.

The above facility will be applicable only for Fixed Systematic Transfer Plan.

Unit holders are required to select any one of the following options:

- (i) Daily Option – where STP will be executed on Daily basis,
- (ii) Weekly Option – where STP will be executed on 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd of every month,
- (iii) Fortnightly Option – where STP will be executed on 1st and 15th of every month,
- (iv) Monthly Option – where STP will be executed on any pre-specified date of every month to be chosen by the unit holders,
- (v) Quarterly Option - where STP will be executed on any pre-specified date of the first month of the quarter to be chosen by the unit holder

**Minimum amount of transfer –**

The following amount will be transferred on STP execution date, subject to applicable exit load in the Transferor Scheme:

- (i) Daily Option - Minimum of Rs. 100 and in multiples of Rs. 100 thereof
- (ii) Weekly / Fortnight / Monthly option - Minimum of Rs. 500 and in multiples of Rs 100 thereof
- (iii) Quarterly option – Minimum of Rs. 1500 and in multiples of Rs 100 thereof

Applications not in multiple of Rs.100 will be processed for the nearest lower multiple of Rs.100, subject to minimum amount specified.

**Minimum Balance Requirements –** The minimum balance amount that an unitholder (new or existing) has to maintain in his folio to opt for STP facility for all the eligible schemes to Rs 5,000 or the minimum application amount as stated in the SID of the respective Transferor scheme, whichever is higher.

**FLEX Systematic Transfer Plan (FLEX STP)**

“FLEX STP” is a facility wherein an investor can opt to transfer variable amounts linked to the value of investments under FLEX STP on the date of transfer at pre-determined intervals from Transferor scheme to **Growth** option of a Transferee scheme.

- Flex STP offer transfer facility at Monthly and Quarterly Frequencies. Unit holder is free to choose the frequency of such transactions. If the investor does not select any particular frequency, default frequency shall be monthly frequency.
- Minimum number of STP installments and STP amount shall be as follows:

Frequency	STP Minimum Installments	STP Minimum Amount
Monthly	12 Months	1000
Quarterly	12 Quarters	3000

- Calculation of FLEX STP Installment:
  - (i) Fixed amount as per installment; or
  - (ii) The amount determined by the formula: {Fixed amount to be transferred per installment (x) Number of Installments (Installments already paid along with the current installment payable)} – market value of the investments through FLEX STP in the Transferee Scheme on the date of transfer.

Whichever is higher.

However, STP amount cannot be more than two times of fixed installment amount.

• Illustration:

No. of Installment	NAV Applicable Date	STP Due Date	NAV per Unit	Market Value on installment date (Rs.)	Amount to be invested in Flex STP## (Rs.)	Cumulative Amount Invested in Flex STP (Rs.)	Units Allotted under Flex STP	Cumulative Units
1	NA	01/01/2019	10	0	3,000	3000	300	300
2	01/02/2019	01/02/2019	12	3,600.00	3,000	6000	250	550
3	01/03/2019	01/03/2019	11	6,050.00	3,000	9000	272.73	822.73
4	01/04/2019	01/04/2019	9	7,404.55	4,595	13595.45	510.61	1333.33
5	01/05/2019	01/05/2019	7	9,333.33	5,667	19262.12	809.52	2142.86
6	01/06/2019	01/06/2019	8	17,142.86	3,000	22262.12	375	2517.86
7	01/07/2019	01/07/2019	10	25,178.57	3,000	25262.12	300	2817.86
8	01/08/2019	01/08/2019	12	33,814.29	3,000	28262.12	250	3067.86
9	01/09/2019	01/09/2019	13	39,882.14	3,000	31262.12	230.77	3298.63
10	01/10/2019	01/10/2019	14	46,180.77	3,000	34262.12	214.29	3512.91
11	01/11/2019	01/11/2019	15	52,693.68	1,738	36000	115.86	3628.77
12	NA	01/12/2019	13	47,174.02	STP will cease as target amount achieved			

## STP Amount transferred from Transferor Scheme to Transferee Scheme

- On the Flex STP due date, the installment value of FLEX STP shall be determined on the basis of NAV on the installment date (T day). If T day falls on a Non-Business day or falls during a book closure period, then valuation will be done based on NAV of Next business day. For e.g., if an investor has opted Flex STP cycle as 15th. NAV as per process shall be considered as of 15th (T day). If 15th day is falling on non-business day, we shall consider NAV as per next business day NAV i.e., if 15th is a Sunday, we shall consider NAV of next business day i.e. Monday.
- In case 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 for any reason, the residual amount will be transferred to the Transferee Scheme and Flex STP will be ceased.
- The redemption/ switch-out of units allotted in the Transferee Scheme shall be processed on First in First out (FIFO) basis. If there are any redemption or switch transactions processed from units created under Flex STP during the tenure of Flex STP, the Flex STP will be rejected and future STP's will be suspended.
- Once the Flex STP have been stopped the unit holder needs to provide a new request to start Flex STP. In case the unit holder wants to suo moto discontinue the Flex STP, the normal STP cancellation process shall be applicable.
- The first Flex STP installment will be processed for the fixed installment amount specified by the unit holder at the time of enrolment. From the second Flex STP installment onwards, the transfer amount shall be computed as per formula.
- The total Flex STP installment amount invested in the Transferee Scheme shall not exceed the total enrollment amount specified by the unit holder at the time of enrollment i.e. amount per installment X number of installments.
- If the NAV falls continuously throughout the STP period, no. of installments would be less than those mentioned in application form.
- Exit load shall be applicable in the transferor scheme as per Scheme Information Document (SID) of the respective schemes.

**General Conditions:**

- a) Flex STP is available only in "Growth" option.
- b) For FLEX STP, investors are requested to refer the One Time Bank Mandate cum Flex STP Enrollment Form, respectively available on the website of Nippon India Mutual Fund .  
For any clarifications, investors are requested to consult their financial advisors or contact the Customer Care no.: 1860 266 0111 (charges applicable)
- c) Currently, FLEX STP facility shall be available on submission of physical application forms at Designated Investor Service Centres of the AMC. A single Flex STP Enrolment Form can be filled for investing into one Scheme/Plan/Option only.

### **Variable Systematic Transfer Plan (vSTP)**

#### **vSTP-out facility from all the applicable ETF schemes to eligible open-ended (Non-ETF) Equity, Liquid and Debt/ Income Schemes**

vSTP-out from the Scheme to eligible open-ended (Non-ETF) Equity, Liquid and Debt/Income Schemes shall be permitted. For availing this facility, Investors are requested to note the following operational modalities:

- a. vSTP-out from the Scheme will be allowed only in terms of Basket size (unit).
- b. vSTP transaction will be processed subject to availability of all details as per regulatory guidelines.
- c. The applicability of the NAV in the transferee Scheme will be as per guidelines for cut off time basis availability of Funds in Scheme's account before the cut-off time.
- d. Investors to note that the pattern and sequence of holding both in the open-ended (Non-ETF) Folio and in demat account (used for ETF units) should be same. However, in case there is no existing Folio, the investor has to provide the relevant details and signatures of all holders for Folio creation in the open-ended (Non-ETF) Scheme.
- e. Investors should have the clear balance of ETF units in their demat account for execution of the STP-out transaction from the selected ETF Scheme.

Investors to note the following in case of vSTP-in & vSTP-out :

- (i) The pattern and sequence of holding both in the open-ended Folio and in demat account (used for ETF units) should be same.
- (ii) In case the vSTP-in/ vSTP-out date is a non-business day, the immediate next Business Day will be considered for the purpose of determining the applicability of NAV.
- (iii) Investor has to submit separate mandate for each Scheme he selects for vSTP.
- (iv) Minimum number of transfers required for a vSTP shall be two. In case of daily vSTP, minimum tenure of transfer is one month.
  - a. Daily Option – where vSTP will be executed on Daily basis.
  - b. Weekly Option – where vSTP will be executed on 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd of every month.
  - c. Monthly Option – where vSTP will be executed on any pre-specified date of every month to be chosen by the unit holders.
- (v) Investor can discontinue vSTP by providing a written notice to DISC at least 7 calendar days (excluding of submission) prior to the due date of the next transfer date. In case of Daily vSTP, the cancellation will be effective from the date falling after 7 calendar days.
- (vi) The amount transferred under the vSTP from the Transferor Scheme to the Transferee Scheme shall be effected by redeeming 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 in respect of each vSTP investment.
- (vii) This facility is not available for units which are under any Lien/Pledged or any lock-in period. The registered vSTP will be automatically terminated if units are pledged or upon receipt of intimation of death of the unit holder.
- (viii) Default Frequency of vSTP: If an investor does not mention any frequency or mentions multiple frequencies on the vSTP application form or the frequency is unclear on the vSTP application form, the default frequency shall be monthly.
- (ix) Default vSTP Date: If an investor opts for Monthly frequency of vSTP but does not mention the vSTP Date or mentions multiple vSTP dates on the mandate or the vSTP date is unclear on the vSTP Mandate, the default vSTP date shall be treated as 10th of every month.
- (x) Default vSTP Enrollment period when start date is not provided: If an investor does not mention vSTP start date, or the vSTP start date is unclear/not expressly mentioned on the vSTP Application form, then by default vSTP would start from the next subsequent cycle after meeting the minimum registration requirement of 7 working days as per the defined frequency by the investor. If an investor does not mention vSTP end date or the vSTP end date is unclear, it will be considered as perpetual vSTP.
- (xi) Both vSTP-in and vSTP -out will be in Units / Basket terms only, thus the vSTP amount will be variable for every cycle as per the illustration shown above.
- (xii) In case of three consecutive rejections the STP Registration will be cancelled.

NAM India reserves the right to withdraw any of the above offerings, modify the procedure, frequency, dates, load structure in accordance with the SEBI Regulations and any such change shall be applicable only to units transacted pursuant to such change on a prospective basis.

### **3. Nippon India Salary AddVantage**

The Salient Features of Nippon India Salary AddVantage are as follows

- Under this facility, an employer enters into an arrangement with NIMF which shall enable the employer to deduct a certain amount from the salary / other payments which the employee is entitled to receive and remit the same to NIMF through a consolidated cheque / fund transfer / debit instructions or such other mode as may be applicable from time to time. The said facility can be offered by the Employer for its Employees who are on their payroll and deductions and subsequent remittance can be in the form of Systematic Investment Plans (SIP) or lump-sum/ one-time subscription. All the scheme specific features/ facilities / terms & conditions (including terms and conditions of any systematic transaction) shall be applicable to investments coming through Salary Addvantage.
- In case of processing of a SIP under Salary Addvantage, the employer shall have the flexibility to decide any date (working day) of the month or the quarter on which the said deduction shall be made and remitted to NIMF. Thereafter, for the registered Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) the subsequent monthly / quarterly deductions will happen on each month / quarter on a specified date. In the interest of investors NIMF / NAM India shall process the said transactions on the date when it receives the valid requirements for processing of applications instead on the designated SIP dates. This Facility offers a flexibility of choosing any working day of the month for execution of the SIP in Salary Addvantage facility.
- This facility shall be offered only to resident individual investors of the scheme.  
NIMF / NAM India reserve the right to introduce, change, modify or withdraw the features available in this facility from time to time.

### **4. Dividend Transfer Plan (DTP)**

All the unit holders in the Dividend Plans whether in Dividend Reinvestment Option or Dividend Payout Option with any Dividend frequency can transfer their dividend to any other open ended Scheme by availing such facility.

The Dividend declared in the Transferor scheme will be automatically invested into the Transferee Scheme at the applicable NAV and accordingly the equivalent units will be allotted in the Transferee Scheme.

The units will be allotted in the Transferee Scheme subject to the terms and conditions mentioned in the Scheme Information Document (SID) of Transferee Scheme after deduction of applicable statutory levy, if any.

The provision of "Minimum Application Amount" specified in the SID of the opted Transferee Scheme will not be applicable for availing DTP facility.

No entry and/or exit load will be charged for the units allotted on reinvestment of dividend. Accordingly no exit load will be charged to the Transferor Scheme and no entry load will be charged for the investments in Transferee Scheme. The exit load applicable at the time of transfer will be applicable for the investments in Transferee Scheme.

This facility will not be available for units which are under any Lien/Pledged or any lock-in period.

The unitholder who wish to opt for this facility has to submit the Enrolment form complete in all respects at any of the Designated Investor Service Centre (DISC) at least 7 calendar days before the commencement of first execution date of DTP

Unit holders can cancel DTP facility by providing a written notice to the DISC at least 7 calendar days (excluding date of submission) prior to the due date of the next transfer date. The information need to be mentioned while submitting a cancellation request for DTP are (a) Name of the unit holder (b) Folio Number (c) Transferor Scheme (d) Transferee Scheme (e) Cancellation effective date.

DTP will be automatically terminated if all the units are liquidated or withdrawn from the Transferor Scheme or pledged or upon receipt of intimation of death of the unit holder.

Unit holders should clearly mention from and to which Scheme / option he / she wish to transfer their Dividend. Please note that if no Transferor Scheme or Transferee Scheme is mentioned or in case of an ambiguity the application is liable to be rejected.

#### **Notes**

It may be noted that dividend transfer facility under Nippon India Gold Savings Fund has been termed as Golden DTP with effect from May 21, 2011. All other features under this facility remain unchanged  
The Trustee/AMC reserves the right to modify the facilities at any time in future on a prospective basis.

## 5. Systematic Withdrawal Plan (SWP)

Unitholders may utilize the SWP to receive regular monthly / quarterly / Half yearly / Yearly payments their account. The minimum amount, which the unitholder can withdraw, is Rs.500/- and in multiples of Rs. 100/-, thereafter, subject to revision by NAM India. The amount thus withdrawn will be considered as redemption and shall be converted into units and will be deducted from the unit balance in the account, of the unitholder.

Subsequent to the request made in the application, a SWP form will be sent to the Unitholder. SWP will commence only upon receipt of this prescribed form duly completed. SWP requests in any other format besides the specified format will be treated as invalid and are liable for rejection.

All SWP transactions would be reported on the 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd transaction day<sup>^</sup> of the respective month/quarter/half year / year. Month, quarter, half year or year shall be calculated from the date of execution of first SWP transaction. The redemption proceeds will be posted within normal service standards to the investors. No post-dated cheques will be issued against SWP transactions. There is no limitation on the amount of withdrawals. The unitholder will define the frequency of withdrawals and the amount of withdrawal per SWP transaction. SWP forms received without this information will be treated as incomplete and are liable for rejection.

<sup>^</sup> If such day happens to be a holiday, it will be processed on next working day

The unitholder needs to specify the start date and the end date for SWP. In cases where the start date and the end date has not been specified in the SWP form, the SWP will continue till the balance in the account becomes nil.

If an investor does not mention SWP Date or multiple SWP dates are mentioned or the SWP Date is unclear in the application form, the default SWP date shall be treated as 1st of every month/quarter/half year / year as per the frequency defined by the investor.

A unitholder who has opted for SWP under a specific account can also redeem or switch his units to any other eligible scheme or any other plans/options under the same scheme provided he has sufficient balance in his account, on the date of such request. SWP will automatically cease in case the unit balance becomes nil after such redemption / switch transaction.

A unitholder can put in additional subscription in the account, in accordance with conditions specified in the Offer Document for additional subscriptions, any time during the existence of the concerned account. Such additional subscriptions will in no way alter the functioning of the SWP, unless a subsequent request to the contrary is received from the unitholder in writing.

NIMF / NAM India reserve the right to introduce, change, modify or withdraw the features available in this facility from time to time.

## 6. Trigger Facility

Under this facility the unit holders may opt for withdrawal/ switch of units to any other plan/ scheme on happening of any one of the following events under trigger option;

### A. NAV reaches or crosses a particular value : E.g. NAV reaches or crosses Rs 11.00

If NAV on the date of allotment of investment is less than Rs 11.00, the trigger will be activated when the NAV rises to Rs 11.00 or more on close of any day on which NAV is computed.

If NAV on the date of allotment of investment is more than Rs 11.00, the trigger will be activated when the NAV falls to Rs 11.00 or below on close of any day on which NAV is computed

All transactions linked with trigger will be on the basis of the applicable NAV of the transaction day following the day on which NAV reaches, crosses or falls below Rs 11.00

### B. Change in the value of units held by unit holders atleast by certain percentage : E.g. Change in the value of Investment by atleast by (+ or - or +/-) 10%

The trigger will be activated when value of the unitholding rises to 10% or more at the close of any day on which the NAV is declared; or The trigger will be activated when value of the unitholding falls by 10% or more at the end of any day on which the NAV is declared; or The trigger will be activated when value of the unitholding either rises by 10% or more or falls by 10% or more on any day on which the NAV is declared.

### C. Date Based Trigger: Investors can now choose any particular date to activate the trigger. Date based trigger facility enables investors to redeem / switch investments from a particular scheme on a pre-determined date to any other eligible open ended scheme offered by Nippon India Mutual Fund . The trigger would be activated on the date mentioned by the investor. Trigger will be processed with NAV of the specified date under this facility or with NAV of the subsequent business day if the specified date is a non-business day.

The unit holders can now opt for the following action, on the date of happening of the relevant events/ triggers opted under the trigger facility:

1. Full/ Partial redemption
2. Redemption to the extent of capital appreciation only
3. Full/ Partial switch into other eligible plan/ scheme of NIMF
4. Switch of only the appreciation into other plan/ scheme of NIMF

Transactions linked with the triggers will be executed at the applicable NAVs for the transaction day following the day on which the trigger situation has arisen. Further all the predetermined events i.e. rise or fall in the NAV upto a particular % or value will be compared with the value of units or NAV prevailing on the date of allotment of units, irrespective of the fact whether the trigger is opted on the date of allotment or subsequently.

For e.g. an investor has invested at Rs 11.00 and opted for full redemption, if NAV appreciates atleast by 10%, trigger will be activated on the transaction day when NAV moves to 12.10 (i.e. 10% more than Rs 11/-) or more.

Trigger facility shall be activated after 7 calendar days of the receipt of trigger request. A trigger once activated will not be reactivated in any other plan/ scheme where the Switch happens or in the same plan which retains a part of the value or in case of normal redemption /switch before the trigger is activated. Triggers will be deactivated on redemption and/or switch and/or pledge of units.

Trigger, thus, acts as a financial planning tool and enables the investor to minimise the losses and timely book profits.

NAV's of the schemes are declared at the close of the business day and hence Value of the unit holders unit holdings based on the end of day NAV will be considered as a base for activating the triggers. Accordingly, all the redemptions/ switches etc will be done on the following transaction day on which the event occurs.

Please note that trigger is an additional facility provided to the unit holders to save the time for completing the redemption/ switch formalities on happening of a particular event. Trigger is not to be conceived as an assurance on part of the Fund that the investor will manage to receive a particular sum of money/ appreciation/ and/ or fixed % of sum. Trigger is an event on happening of which the Fund will automatically redeem/ switch units on behalf of the investor on the date of happening of the event. In actual parlance, a trigger will activate an automatic transaction when the event selected for has reached a value greater or less than the specified value (trigger point).

Trigger request is required to be given per transaction by filling in the relevant form. In the event of multiple triggers for a particular transaction, the trigger request will be considered invalid and rejected.

Note: It may be noted that all the withdrawal/ switch of units to Nippon India Gold Savings Fund have been termed as Nippon India Golden Trigger with effect from May 21, 2011. All other features under these facilities remain unchanged.

NIMF / NAM India reserve the right to introduce, change, modify or withdraw the features available in this facility from time to time.

#### **7. Nippon India SIP Insure**

With a view to encourage individual investors to save and invest regularly through Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) and help the investors to achieve their financial objective, 'Nippon India SIP Insure' is provided as an add-on feature of life insurance cover under a Group Term Insurance to individual investors opting for the same, without any extra cost to the investors. (The cost of the insurance premia will be borne by the AMC).

The objective of 'Nippon India SIP Insure' is that in the unfortunate event of the demise of an investor during the tenure of the SIP, the insurance cover will take care of the unpaid installments and the nominee is compensated with the sum assured without having to make any further contribution. Thus, the investor's long term financial planning and objective of investing through SIP could still be fulfilled as per the targeted investment amount, even if he/ she dies prematurely.

Individual investors choosing to invest under SIP may opt for 'Nippon India SIP Insure', an optional, add - on feature, wherein life insurance cover would be provided without any extra cost to the investors under a Group Term Insurance. In the unfortunate event of the demise of an investor during the tenure of the SIP, the insurance cover will Be subject to the following conditions.

This product has been introduced in this Scheme and shall be applicable only for the SIP Insure registration/(s) made on or after June 1, 2018.

### Eligibility

- All individual investors enrolling for investments via SIP AND opting for 'Nippon India SIP Insure'
- Only individual investors whose entry age is 18 years & more and less than 51 years at the time of investment
- In case of multiple holders in the any scheme, only the first unit holder will be eligible for the insurance cover.

### Minimum Investment per instalment

The minimum amount of "SIP Insure" instalment shall be Rs. 500 per month and in multiples of Re. 1<sup>^</sup> thereafter Quarterly - Rs.1,500 per quarter & in multiples of Re 1<sup>^</sup> Thereafter, Yearly - Rs.6,000 per year & in multiples of Re 1<sup>^</sup> thereafter under the designated schemes of NIMF, irrespective of the amount of minimum lumpsum investment for initial and additional purchase applicable under the respective schemes.

<sup>^</sup>In the schemes of Nippon India Tax Saver (ELSS) Fund & Nippon India Retirement Fund where minimum instalment shall be in multiples of Rs 500 thereafter.

The Life Insurance Cover under 'Nippon India SIP Insure' facility will be as per the following clause:

- Year 1 – 10 Times the equivalent# Monthly SIP Installment
- Year 2 – 50 Times the equivalent# Monthly SIP Installment
- Year 3 onwards – 120 Times the equivalent# Monthly SIP Installment

The above applies to all the frequencies/ options

#### # Illustration for Calculation of Life Insurance Cover

Suppose a person has enrolled for SIP under quarterly frequency with Min installment amount of Rs 3,000 per quarter for a period of 3 years and also for yearly frequency with Min installment amount of Rs 12,000 per year for a period of 3 years.

Following is the way he should calculate the eligible life insurance cover for different years

Step 1- Before he calculates as per the formula, he should find out the equivalent monthly installment for his SIP amount.

- For Quarterly frequency, In this case, it is  $\text{Rs } 3,000/3 = \text{Rs } 1,000$  becomes his equivalent monthly SIP installment
- For Yearly frequency, it is  $\text{Rs } 12,000/12 = \text{Rs } 1,000$  becomes his equivalent monthly SIP installment

Step 2 – Now he can refer to the formula for calculation of eligible insurance cover (under quarterly as well as yearly frequencies each) which is as follows:

The Life Insurance Cover under 'Nippon India SIP Insure' facility will be as per the following clause;

- Year 1 – 10 Times the equivalent# Monthly SIP Installment =  $10 * 1000 = \text{Rs } 10,000$
- Year 2 – 50 Times the equivalent# Monthly SIP Installment =  $50 * 1000 = \text{Rs } 50,000$
- Year 3 onwards – 120 Times the equivalent# Monthly SIP Installment =  $120 * 1000 = \text{Rs } 1,20,000$

Limits above are subject to maximum coverage of Rs. 50 lakhs per investor \*\*

\*\*Since the limit is per investor, all his existing investments in Nippon India SIP Insure across all eligible schemes will be considered for calculating the maximum sum assured limit.

The Life Insurance Cover under "Nippon India SIP Insure" facility shall be as per the above terms and conditions, subject to a maximum of Rs. 50 lakhs per investor across all schemes / plans and folios across all frequencies/options, in lumpsum, which will be paid/credited to the Nominee's bank account directly by the insurance company, in the event of the death of the Unit Holder (subject to the terms and conditions of the insurance, read along with the Certificate of Insurance, of the Group Term Insurance policy).

**Note:** Investors are requested to note the terms and conditions of the respective lock in period clause that shall be applicable for each SIP Insure installment under the respective Scheme(s) e.g. 3 years in case of Nippon India Tax Saver (ELSS) Fund and 5 years in case of Nippon India Retirement Fund – (Wealth Creation Scheme & Income Generation Scheme)



Insurance cover would cease, if investor redeems (fully / partially) or switches out<sup>^^</sup> (fully / partially) units before completion of the Nippon India SIP Insure tenure or discontinues his SIP before completion of minimum period of contribution (Monthly –36 installments; Quarterly –12 installments; Yearly – 3 installments) of the opted SIP tenure.

<sup>^^</sup>Switch out / Auto transfer between Nippon India Retirement Fund Wealth Creation Scheme to Nippon India Retirement Fund Income Generation Scheme or vice a versa will not be considered for Cessation of Insurance Cover.

However, the insurance cover will continue if the SIP stops after the minimum period of contribution (Monthly –36 installments; Quarterly –12 installments; Yearly – 3 installments) of the opted SIP tenure & the sum assured, in such a scenario, will be equivalent to the fund value\* subject to maximum of 120 times the equivalent # Monthly SIP Installment or max sum assured limit i.e. 50 Lakhs whichever is lower. The insurance cover will be continued till the committed tenure is completed or till 55 years of age whichever is earlier.

\* Fund Value = Value of units, accumulated under SIP Insure, at the last successfully executed SIP date seen from the day on which SIP is discontinued.

The insurance amount as per the above sum assured clause under revised features subject to a maximum of Rs. 50 lakhs in a lumpsum will be paid/credited to the Nominee's bank account directly by the insurance company, in the event of the death of the Unit Holder (subject to the terms and conditions of the insurance, read along with the Certificate of Insurance, of the Group Term Insurance policy).

(Refer Example on Max Sum Assured Calculation for more details)

(amount in lakhs)

Sum Assured for old SIP insure registration till October 14, 2015 (A) Rs. (Max Cover – 10 lakhs)	Sum Assured for SIP insure registration from October 15, 2015 to May 31, 2018 (B) Rs. (Max Cover – 21 lakhs)	C = (A + B) Rs.	Sum Assured Eligibility till May 31, 2018 Lower of C or Rs.21 lacs	Sum Assured for SIP insure registration from June 01, 2018 (D) Rs. (Max Cover – 50 lakhs)	Sum Assured Eligibility (C + D) restricted to 50 Lakhs
10	4	14	14	0	14
10	20	30	21	25	46
7	20	27	21	35	50
7	13	20	20	5	25

Since the limit is per investor, all his existing investments in Nippon India SIP Insure across all eligible schemes will be treated as per existing features and will also be considered for calculating the maximum sum assured limit, if investor is also registered under Revised Nippon India SIP Insure facility. In case the investor is not registered under revised Nippon India SIP Insure facility the old provision shall be applicable to investor.

Type of Investors	Registrations done before October 15, 2015	Registrations done from October 15, 2015 to May 31, 2018	Max Sum Assured Applicable till May 31, 2018 (amount in Lakhs)	Registrations done from June 01, 2018	Max Sum Assured Applicable from June 01, 2018 (amount in Lakhs)
Existing Investors	Yes	Yes	21	Yes	50
Existing Investors	Yes	Yes	21	No	21
Existing Investors	Yes	No	10	Yes	50
Existing Investors	Yes	No	10	No	10
Existing Investors	No	Yes	21	Yes	50
Existing Investors	No	Yes	21	No	21
New Investors	No	No	0	Yes	50

**Minimum Period of Contribution**

Monthly – 36 installments; Quarterly – 12 installments; Yearly – 3 installments

**Maximum Period of Contribution**

Maximum Period of Contribution for SIP: No upper limit for SIP tenure. The investor can opt for Perpetual SIP also. However the insurance cover ceases when the investor attains 55 years of age or upon the completion of the SIP insure tenure whichever is earlier.

**Commencement of Insurance Cover**

The Insurance cover shall commence from the commencement of SIP installments. There will be no waiting period

**Cessation of Insurance Cover**

1. At the end of mandated Nippon India SIP Insure tenure. i.e., upon completion of payment of all the installments as registered or till attaining 55 years of age whichever is earlier.
2. Discontinuation of SIP installments before completing the minimum period of contribution (Monthly – 36 installments; Quarterly – 12 installments; Yearly – 3 installments) of the opted SIP tenure.
3. Partial or Full Redemption / switch out^^ of units purchased under Nippon India SIP Insure before completion of the mandated SIP tenure / installments or till attaining 55 years of age, whichever is earlier.
4. In case of default in payment of three consecutive monthly /quarterly /yearly SIP installments or five separate occasions of in monthly/ quarterly/ yearly SIP installments of such defaults during the tenure of the SIP duration chosen or till attaining 55 years of age, whichever is earlier.

^^Switch out / Auto transfer between Nippon India Retirement Fund Wealth Creation Scheme to Nippon India Retirement Fund Income Generation Scheme or vice a versa will not be considered for Cessation of Insurance Cover.

**Declaration of Good Health**

“Declaration of Good Health” is an integral part of Terms & conditions for Nippon India SIP insure and a prerequisite for availing Nippon India SIP insure facility. Confirmation with Terms and Conditions shall be construed as confirmation with “Declaration of Good Health”. the same is as follows:

I hereby confirm that I never had a major medical condition such as any form of heart disease, stroke, cancer, hepatitis, diabetes, hypertension, elevated cholesterol, colitis, kidney disease, HIV/AIDS etc. and in the last 5 years, have not suffered from/ am not suffering from any illness – for which I was hospitalized for more than a week/ for which I had been advised to regular treatments or investigations. The above declarations are mandatory for all new registrations under Nippon India SIP Insure facility.

**Nomination details:**

(formerly known as Reliance Nippon Life Asset Management Limited)

1. Name of the Nominee.

Following information will be optional at the time of investment, but will be mandatory at the time of claim settlement:

1. Nominee Date of Birth (Guardian details if the nominee is minor).
2. Relationship with investor (Mandatory for all nominees).
3. Allocation Ratio

\$The AMC reserves the right to reject the application if the nomination details are not provided.

The above terms of nomination are applicable only for the SIP Insure registration made on or after July 16, 2018. In case the investor is registered for SIP Insure prior to July 16, 2018 the old provisions shall be applicable to them.

**Exclusions for Insurance cover**

No insurance cover shall be admissible in respect of death of the SIP-Insure unit-holder (the insured person) on account of suicide within 12 months from the date of joining

**Load Structure**

**Entry Load:** The Entry Load (currently Nil) under Nippon India SIP Insure shall be same as applicable to normal purchase / additional purchase transactions

**Exit Load:** Exit load structure as prevailing at the time of investment /registration of SIP in the respective eligible schemes of Nippon India SIP Insure shall be applicable.

W.E.F. October 01, 2012, Exit Load If charged to the scheme shall be credited to the scheme immediately net of goods and goods and service tax, if any.

The insurance cover for the above schemes is being arranged by the AMC through “Reliance Group Term Insurance Scheme” of Reliance Nippon Life Insurance Company Limited. The cost of the insurance premia shall be borne by the AMC. Grant of insurance cover is discretionary on part of life insurance company (as there is no pre-medical test) and the cover is subject to non-medical underwriting in the form of self-declaration of health by the insured person. Mode of payment of SIP installments is only through One Time Bank Mandate, Direct Debit & ECS (Post Dated Cheques shall not be accepted) (SIPs will be accepted only through One Time Bank Mandate, Direct Debit & ECS to the investor’s bank account under this facility. Post-dated cheques will not be accepted in case of Fresh SIP insure requests however if any ECS location is removed then SIP instructions for investors in such cities via ECS (Debit) route will be discontinued without prior notice. In such a case, the NAM India at its sole discretion may accept Post Dated Cheques (PDC’s) from the investors for the balance period.)

Free life insurance cover provided as a part of an add on feature called as ‘Nippon India SIP Insure’ is arranged and funded by Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited through “Reliance Group Term Assurance Plus Plan” (UIN 121N104V01) of Reliance Nippon Life Insurance Company Limited (IRDAI Reg. No. 121). On exercising an option to become a member of insurance scheme, the death benefits (subject to the terms and conditions of the.

insurance, read along with the Certificate of Insurance, of the Group Term Assurance Plus Policy), shall be paid/ credited directly to investor's nominee by Reliance Nippon Life Insurance Company Limited. The investor is advised to refer to detailed sales brochure of Reliance Group Term Assurance Plus Plan before deciding to opt for insurance cover. Please refer to <http://www.reliancenipponlife.com/> for more details. There is no compulsion whatsoever that this insurance cover has to be taken together with SIP. SIP is also available without insurance cover

**Note :**

- Pursuant to Addendum no. 66 dated June 11, 2015 investors were informed about the discontinuation of subscription under the Bonus plan/option of the scheme w.e.f June 25, 2015 ("effective date"). Further, in case of investments through the SIP and any other special products (as mentioned in the SID) which were registered under the Bonus Plan/Option of the scheme prior to the effective date, the future transactions shall be processed under the Growth option of the scheme.

- In case of investments through the Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) / SIP Insure / Systematic Transfer Plan (STP) / Nippon India Salary AddVantage, which were registered without ARN Code under the existing plan (other than Direct Plan) prior to the January 1, 2013, the future transactions shall be processed under the Direct Plan of the same scheme. In case above said investments, which were registered with ARN Code under the existing plan (other than Direct Plan) prior to the January 1, 2013, and if the investors wishes to invest their future transactions under the direct plan they would be required to re-register afresh request.

All the terms & conditions of the SIP insure as applicable on the day of registration would continue for the existing Direct Investments, whose future transactions would be processed under Direct Plan.

In case of investments (with ARN code or without ARN code) through the following mode, the futures transactions shall continue to remain under the existing plan (other than Direct Plan) prior to the January 1, 2013. In case such investors wish to invest their future transactions/ investments under the Direct Plan through the below mentioned mode, they are required to re-register afresh for such special products.

- I. Dividend Transfer Plan (DTP)
- II. Trigger Facility
- III. Nippon India Smart Step

**B. SPECIAL FACILITIES**

**1. TRANSACTIONS THROUGH WEBSITE OF NIPPON INDIA MUTUAL FUND WWW. NIPPONINDIAMF.COM , NIPPON INDIA MUTUAL FUND MOBILE APPLICATIONS AND OTHER DIGITAL ASSETS / PLATFORMS**

• **Alternate Means Of Transactions - Online Transactions**

Facility of online transactions is available on the official website of Nippon India Mutual Fund i.e. [www.nipponindiamf.com](http://www.nipponindiamf.com). Consequent to this, the said website is declared to be an "official point of acceptance" for applications for subscriptions, redemptions, switches and other facilities. The Uniform Cut -off time as prescribed by SEBI and as mentioned in the Scheme Information Documents of respective schemes shall be applicable for applications received on the website. However, investors should note that transactions on the website shall be subject to the eligibility of the investors, any terms & conditions as stipulated by Nippon India Mutual Fund /Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited., from time to time and any law for the time being in force.

• **Transactions through Nippon India Mutual Fund Application**

Transaction through Nippon India Mutual Fund application is a facility, whereby investors can Purchase / Switch / Redeem units, view account details & request for account statement using their Personal Computer, Tablet, Mobile Phone or any other compatible electronic devices, which has internet facility subject to certain conditions.

In order to process such transactions Internet Personal Identification Number (I-PIN) which is issued by NIMF for transacting online through the website/application should be used. For the said purpose, NIMF Application, <https://nipponindiamf.com> is considered to be an "official point of acceptance".

The Uniform Cut - off time as prescribed by SEBI and mentioned in the SID / KIM shall be applicable for applications received through such facility. This facility of transacting in mutual fund schemes is available subject to such limits, operating guidelines, terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the NIMF from time to time. NIMF / NAM India reserve the right to introduce, change, modify or withdraw thefeatures available in this facility from time to time.

- **One Time Bank Mandate Registration**  
 In order to ease out operational hassle, NAM India has introduced this facility which enables the investors to register a onetime bank mandate. Through this facility an Investor can instruct NAM India to honour any nature of investment instruction i.e. investment either through lumpsum additional investment or an SIP. To avail this facility, an Investor has to furnish the required details / information / signatures etc. in a “One time bank mandate form” and subsequently for every purchase instruction he / she is required to explicitly mention to debit the investment amount from the designated Bank which has been mentioned in the “One time bank mandate form”. Investor is also required to ensure that the amount specified in the Additional Purchase Application / SIP application is less than or equal to the upper cap limit specified in the said form. Investors who are currently registered under Invest Easy - Individuals facility may avail this facility without registering the One Time Bank Mandate. NIMF/NAM India reserve the right to introduced, change, modify or withdraw the features available in these facilities from time to time.
- **TRANSACTION THROUGH “INVEST EASY - INDIVIDUALS”**  
 This facility is available only to the individual investor having folio with the mode of holding as single/ anyone or Survivor. Such category of investors can perform the following transactions subject to features, terms and conditions as mentioned below.
  - (i) Transact on Phone through NIMF Call Centre
  - (ii) Transactions through SMS
  - (iii) Website of Nippon India Mutual Fund [www.nipponindiamf.com](http://www.nipponindiamf.com)
  - a) Who can apply**
    1. Existing investors having a folio (including zero balance folio)
    2. New Investor(s) to Nippon India Mutual Fund
    3. Investor(s) with Mobile Number issued in India and/or valid Email ID.
  - b) Features/Process**
    1. Existing Investor(s) of the Fund can register for this Facility by duly filling the Invest Easy Registration Form and submit it at any of the Designated Investor Service Centre (“DISC”) of NIMF.
    2. New Investors to Nippon India Mutual Fund can register for this facility by filling the common application form along with Invest Easy Registration Form and submit it at any of the DISC of NIMF.
    3. This Facility is available with bank/branches that participate in Reserve Bank of India’s Electronic Clearing Service (ECS) / Regional Electronic Clearing Services (RECS). Investor are requested to check with your bank / branch to check if your bank/branch participates in this facility. In addition to this, the NAM India/NIMF also has an auto debit tie up with ICICI Bank, IDBI Bank and State Bank of India. NAM India/NIMF may reserve right to add / delete the banks from time to time.  
 Investors are advised to mention their Core Banking Account number in the Invest Easy Registration Form else the form may be rejected.
    4. Investor has to provide the per transaction Upper Cap Limit in the Invest Easy Registration Form. The Per transaction Upper Cap Limit is restricted up to Rupee One Crore. Mandate with per transaction Upper Cap limit above Rupee one Crore will be rejected. The Per Transaction Upper Cap Limit is applicable only for subscription / SIP. If no amount is mentioned on the registration form then the request will be rejected.
    5. Investor(s) needs to submit the Invest Easy Registration Form Twenty Five (25) calendar days in advance for activation of this facility.
    6. Investor(s) can start using this Facility only after successful registration of the Invest Easy Registration Form with their bankers. NIMF will endeavour to provide a confirmation over email/sms/letter on successful registration with the investor bank.
    7. Folio with status Minor and Non Individuals cannot register for Invest Easy - Individuals.
    8. Transactions reported through Invest Easy – Individual facility (Transaction through NIMF SMS / Call Center / NIMF Website / NIMF Mobile Site) will be processed under the ARN code of the distributor/broker that is mentioned in the Invest Easy Registration Form. Investors may be charged with transaction charges if the distributor/broker has opted for the same. Investors are advised to check with the distributor/broker.
    9. If the Invest Easy Registration Form is successfully accepted by NIMF but is rejected by the Investor bank. Subscription, Redemption and SIP through SMS will be deactivated for the investor to make an Investment in the folio. Invest easy pay mode on NIMF website will also be deactivated. However, investor can only redeem through call center with the IPIN issued by NIMF.

10. It is mandatory for investor to provide an original cancelled cheque or a copy of the cheque of the bank account to be registered failing which registration may not be accepted.
11. It is the responsibility of the investor bank / branch to ensure the Invest Easy Registration Form is registered and confirmed to the NAM India. If no confirmation of registration or rejection is received, the NAM India its agents will deem the same to be registered and confirm the registration to Unit holder(s) entirely at the risk of Unit holder(s).
12. In case the Investor wishes to cancel the Invest Easy Individual - Mandate for Purchase / SIP through Invest Easy facility. Investor will have to submit an Invest Easy Cancellation Form 21 business days prior to discontinue the Mandate.
13. In case the Investor wishes to change the Debit Bank Mandate for Purchase / SIP through Invest Easy facility. Investor will have to submit an Invest Easy change of bank form 25 calendar day prior to discontinue the existing mandate and re-register with the new bank mandate for subsequent debits to be initiated with the new bank.

**c) Unitholder Information**

1. Invest Easy – Individuals facility through SMS is available to the investor with the mode of holding as single/ anyone or Survivor and the SMS instruction being received from registered Mobile number in the folio.
2. Invest Easy – Individuals facility through Call Centre and website is available only for folio with mode of Holding as single/ anyone or Survivor
3. Investor should specify the(ir) Folio No, Full Name, in the Applicant Details of Invest Easy Registration Form. The applicant name and the folio number should match with the details in the existing folio. In case of mismatch of details, the Invest Easy Registration Form is liable to be rejected
4. Investors Mobile Number issued in India and/or Email ID is to be provided in the Invest Easy Registration Form or is available in the folio to avail this facility, subject to certain conditions. The Mobile Number and / or Email Id provided in the Invest Easy Registration Form will super cede the existing Mobile Number and / or Email ID available in the folio.
5. The mode of allotment for transactions reported through NIMF Call Centre or through SMS will be allotted only in physical mode. Investors cannot opt for units in Demat mode. However Investors will have an option in our website for allotment in Demat Mode
6. Investors holding units in Demat mode cannot report redemption through Invest Easy – Individual.
7. Investors who have been transacting only through the exchange platform ie Bombay Stock Exchange / National Stock Exchange cannot register for Invest Easy – Individuals.
8. Once registered under the Invest Easy – Individuals facility, the Investor would be registered for all eligible schemes. Investor(s) do not have an option to selectively choose the Scheme(s) they would like to be registered under the Invest Easy – Individuals facility.
9. The bank mandate mentioned in the Invest Easy – Individuals Form is limited/ applicable only for Purchases through Invest Easy Facility and will not be added to the registered bank details for transactions through other modes, in the folio. Third party payments are not permitted.
10. Any transaction request on a non-transaction Day will be processed on the next transaction Day in accordance with the provisions provided in the SID of the Schemes and/or Statement of Additional Information ('SAI').
11. The bank account of the customer may be debited towards purchases either on the same day of transaction or within seven business days depending on ECS cycle of RBI / Auto Debit arrangement with the bank. However, in case of non receipt of the funds, for whatsoever reasons, the transaction shall stand rejected and the units allotted, if any would be reversed.

**(i) Process/features Transact on Phone through Nippon India Mutual Fund Call Centre.**

1. Purchase / Redemption, SIP registration through call centre is accepted only in Rupee Amount.
2. Applicable NAV for the redemption will be dependent upon the time of completion of the call with the investor; the transaction will be electronically time-stamped.
3. The uniform cutoff time as prescribed by SEBI and mentioned in the SID of the respective schemes shall be applicable for application received though such facilities
4. The Investor will have to call the dedicated call centre of NIMF and authenticate oneself using the folio number and PIN issued by NIMF.
5. On successful authentication over the IVR, the investor would be guided over to the call centre agent to place the redemption request.
6. A confirmation message over the IVR would be read out to the investor to confirm the scheme/amount before confirming the redemption.
7. If the call cannot be connected to the call centre for whatsoever reason, the Unit holder(s) will not hold the NIMF/NAM India responsible for the same.

8. If investor email is available with NAM India/NIMF, he/she can also transact through call centre, IPIN will be issued only in physical mode and mandate registration / transaction confirmation / account statement and such other forms of communications in line with Securities & Exchange (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996, will be dispatched through electronic mode in line with the applicable regulations as amended from time to time. Investor may please note that the confirmation of mandate registration shall be informed to the investor through Physical Mode also.

**(ii) Process/features for transact through SMS**

1. Investors has to send SMS to NIMF 9664001111
2. Purchase, Redemption, SIP registration through SMS is accepted only in Rupee Amount.
3. Applicable NAV for the transaction will be dependent upon the time of receipt of the SMS into the RTA server, and will be electronically time-stamped.
4. The uniform cutoff time as prescribed by SEBI and mentioned in the SID of the respective schemes shall be applicable for application received though such facilities
5. The NAM India/NIMF will endeavor to identify multiple SMS received from the same mobile number for the same folio, Amount & scheme-plan-option. In the event of multiple SMS being received. The NAM India/NIMF will consider the first transaction received, reject the subsequent multiple SMS received on the same day.

In case investor wish to register SIP Following will be applicable:

- Debit frequency – Monthly
- Debit Cycle – 10th of every month
- Tenure – Perpetual.
- No of days required to start SIP – 10 calendar days

Investor has to send a SMS to Nippon India Mutual Fund on 9664001111

For List of schemes codes, Terms & conditions and further details , please visit [www.nipponindiamf.com](http://www.nipponindiamf.com)

6. If the transaction is delayed or not effected at all for reasons of incomplete or incorrect information/key word or due to non-receipt of the SMS message by the RTA or due to late receipt of SMS due to mobile network congestions or due to non-connectivity or due to any reason whatsoever, the Unit holder(s) will not hold the NIMF, NAM India responsible for the same.
7. The request for transaction is to be considered as accepted, subject to realization of funds towards purchases and only on the receipt of the confirmation from NAM India/ NIMF on the registered mobile number or email id of the Unit holder.
8. In case of non-receipt of confirmation by investors within a reasonable time, investor(s) are requested to immediately call up the call centre to confirm the status of the transaction.
9. In case the investor receives multiple confirmations against a single transaction, the same needs to be brought to the attention of the NAM India/NIMF.  
If the Investor(s) believes there has been any an unauthorized transaction effected, the investor shall notify the NAM India/NIMF immediately.
10. If only the mobile number of the investor is registered with NAM India / NIMF, investor can execute transaction only through SMS. The confirmation pertaining to mandate registration /transaction confirmation / account statement and such other communication as required under Securities & Exchange (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996, will be dispatched/sent through physical mode on the registered address & SMS, other communication as required under Securities & Exchange (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996

**(iii) Terms and conditions - Website of Nippon India Mutual Fund [www.nipponindiamf.com](http://www.nipponindiamf.com)**

1. Investors having registered Invest Easy - Individuals registered in the folio can now subscribe to the schemes of Nippon India Mutual Fund through our website [www.nipponindiamf.com](http://www.nipponindiamf.com) and make the payment through Invest Easy Facility.
2. This facility is In addition to the existing mode of payment like Net Banking.
3. Investor(s) will have to login to the online account using the user id and password/ transaction pin to authorize the transaction for Nippon India Mutual Fund to initiate the debit instruction to the bank.
4. If only the email id of the investor is registered with NAM India / NIMF, investor can execute the following transactions:
  - Transaction through Call Center.
  - Transaction through mobile WAP (Web Access Portal) Site.
  - Transaction through NIMF website

In this regard, IPIN will be issued only in physical mode and mandate registration / transaction confirmation / account statement and such other communication as required under Securities & Exchange (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996, will be dispatched through electronic mode in line with the applicable regulations as amended from time to time. Investor may please note that the confirmation of mandate registration shall be informed to the investor through Physical Mode also.

Investment under Direct Plan shall not be accepted for transactions submitted through Invest Easy facility where the ARN Code is provided in the Mandate form

## 2. FACILITATING TRANSACTIONS THROUGH STOCK EXCHANGE MECHANISM

In terms of SEBI Circular SEBI/IMD/CIR No.11/183204/ 2009 dated November 13, 2009, units of the Scheme can be transacted through all the registered stock brokers of the National Stock Exchange of India Limited and / or Bombay Stock Exchange Limited who are also registered with Association of Mutual Funds of India and are empanelled as distributors with NAM India. Accordingly such stock brokers shall be eligible to be considered as 'official points of acceptance' of NIMF.

International Security Identification Numbers (ISIN) in respect of the plans / options of the Scheme have been created and have been admitted to National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) and Central Depository Services Limited (CDSL) and can be transacted using the beneficiary accounts maintained with any of the respective Depository Participants (DPs). The units will be allotted in the physical or depository mode in accordance with the choice of the investor. The facility of transacting in mutual fund schemes through stock exchange infrastructure is available subject to such limits, operating guidelines, terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the respective Stock Exchanges from time to time.

Time stamping as evidenced by confirmation slip given by stock exchange mechanism shall be considered for the purpose of determining applicable NAV and cut off timing for the transaction. Where units are held by investor in dematerialised form, the demat statement issued by the DP 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 dematerialised form, NAM India will facilitate the same with Registrar and Transfer Agents, Depositories and DPs. In case the units are desired to be held by investor in dematerialised form, the KYC performed by DP shall be considered compliance with SEBI Circular ISD/AML/CIR-1/2008 dated December 19, 2008.

In Terms of SEBI circular vide reference no. CIR/IMD/DF/I 7/2010 dated November 09, 2010 with effect from December 30, 2010:

1. In addition to the trading members of NSE and BSE, clearing members of registered Stock Exchanges shall be eligible to offer purchase and redemption of units of specified Schemes of NIMF on NMF II and BSE Star MF System.
2. Depository participants of registered Depositories shall be eligible to process only redemption request of units held in demat form.
3. Clearing members and depository participants will be eligible to be considered as Official Points of Acceptance of NIMF in accordance with the provisions of SEBI circular vide reference no. SEBI/IMD/CIR No.11/78450/06 dated October 11, 2006 and shall be required to comply with conditions stipulated in SEBI circular vide reference no. 11/83204/2009 dated November 13, 2009 for stock brokers viz. AMFI /NISM certification, code of conduct prescribed by SEBI for Intermediaries of Mutual Fund. Further, Clearing members and depository participants shall comply with the operating guidelines issued by Stock Exchange and Depositories in this regards as may be applicable.
4. Investors having demat account and purchasing and redeeming mutual fund units in demat mode through trading/ clearing members, shall receive redemption proceeds (if units are redeemed) and units (if units are purchased) through trading/ clearing member's pool account. NIMF/NAM India/ its Registrar will pay redemption proceeds to the trading/ clearing member (in case of redemption) and trading/ clearing member in turn will pay redemption proceeds to the respective investor. Similarly, units shall be credited by NIMF/ NAM India/Registrar into trading/ clearing member's pool account (in case of purchase) and trading/ clearing member in turn will credit the units to the respective investor's demat account.
5. Payment of redemption proceeds to the trading/ clearing members by NIMF/ NAM India/ its Registrar shall discharge NIMF/ NAM India of its obligation of payment of redemption proceeds to individual investor. Similarly, in case of purchase of units, crediting units into trading/ clearing member pool account shall discharge NIMF/ NAM India of its obligation/ to allot units to individual investor.
6. It may be noted that Stock exchanges and Depositories shall provide investor grievance handling mechanism to the extent they relate to disputes between their respective regulated entity and their client and shall also monitor the compliance of code of conduct specified in the SEBI Circulars MFD/CIR/20/23230/02 dated November 28, 2002 and SEBI/IMD/08/174648/2009 dated August 27, 2009 regarding empanelment and code of conduct for intermediaries of Mutual Funds.
7. Pursuant to SEBI circular nos. CIR/MRD/DSA/32/2013 dated October 04, 2013 and CIR/MRD/DSA/33/2014 dated December 09, 2014.
  - a. Mutual fund Distributor (MF distributor) registered with Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI) and permitted by the concerned recognized stock exchanges shall be eligible to use recognized stock exchanges' infrastructure to purchase, redeem and Switch mutual fund units on behalf of their clients, directly from NIMF/ NAM India.
  - b. The MF distributors shall not handle payout and 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.
  - c. Non-demat transactions are also permitted through stock exchange platform.
8. At Present, the switch facility in the units of NIMF schemes shall be made available only on BSE STAR MF platform (for other Stock Exchanges platform this facility will be made available as and when it will be introduced by them). Further, Switch transactions shall be accepted for units held in demat mode as well as in physical mode.

### **Modification to facility for transactions through Stock Exchange Mechanism**

With a view to increase the network and enhance the service levels for investors, NIMF / NAM India extends the facility to allow commercial transactions i.e. Subscription/Redemption/ Switch/Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) /Systematic Transfer Plan (STP) and other transactions through the infrastructure of Indian Commodity Exchange Limited (ICEX) i.e. ICEX MF platform to all the investors.

The facility shall be subject to the terms and conditions specified and guidelines issued by SEBI from time to time. The Trustee / AMC reserves the right at its sole discretion to withdraw / modify the features of the above facility.

### **3. REDEMPTION BY MEANS OF NIPPON INDIA ANY TIME MONEY CARD (“THE CARD”)**

The Card issued / to be issued by NIMF is a Co-Branded debit Card, called as “Nippon India Any Time Money Card” (a mutual fund linked debit card), which will be / is facilitating instant cash withdrawal / Purchase by unit holders of the eligible schemes offering this facility, at all VISA enabled ATMs and Merchant Establishments/ Point of Sale (PoS) terminals across India. This Co-Branded Card is issued / being issued by NIMF in collaboration with HDFC Bank Ltd. This facility is a unique offering and first of its kind being offered by NAM India in the Indian Mutual Fund Industry.

#### **The Salient Features of Alternative Means of Redemption**

- i. The facility will be in addition to the conventional method of redemption i.e., physical redemption request through the Designated Investor Service Centers of the Nippon India Mutual Fund . In other words, investors can opt for any of the redemption facility as per their choice and convenience.
- ii. The Card will offer instant liquidity to the unitholder upto a permissible limit as fixed/ determined by the Bank for ATM/PoS withdrawals or 50% of withdrawal limit as set by NIMF, from time-to-time, whichever is lower.
- iii. The Card will enable the unitholder to withdraw cash (redeem his units) and to check Current holding Value as well as the Balance of Withdrawal limit
- iv. The Card shall be issued only to individual Resident Indian unitholders, who are aged 18 years and above. The card shall not be issued to Minors, HUF, NRI, Private / Public Ltd Companies, Partnership Firms, Proprietorship Firms, Trusts and any other category of investors as defined in the offer document.
- v. Only One Card shall be issued per folio/ master account. In case of multiple holders the card shall be issued only to the 1st holder. Further, the card shall be issued only in respect of folios where holding basis is ‘Either or Survivor/ Anyone or Survivor’ or Single. No card shall be issued where mode of operation is JOINT
- vi. Withdrawals through this alternative mode of redemption can be stopped temporarily or permanently for the want of any statutory compliance, at the directives of RBI and/or SEBI or any competent statutory regulatory authority.
- vii. The Trustees reserves the right to discontinue/ modify/ alter the said facility on a prospective basis subject to compliance with the prevailing SEBI guidelines and Regulations.
- viii. The applicable charges for the facility, which shall be levied by Nippon India Mutual Fund / HDFC Bank / VISA shall be borne by the investor on an actual basis and shall be intimated to the investors from time to time. All transaction pertaining to Cash Withdrawal and Balance Enquiry done through Nippon India Any Time Money Card shall be free of cost.
- ix. In case of Applications received for subscription of scheme’s unit through SIP, the card will be issued subject to following conditions:
  - a. A valid debit mandate is received for a SIP in any of the Primary Scheme Account The said mandate can be provided by filling up the required application form and the said mandate can be either through ECS / Auto Debit / Salary Advantage or any other mode as decided by NIMF/NAM India from time to time.
  - b. Along with the SIP Application form, the Investor is also required to fill up required form and provide the mandatory details and agree to the Terms and Conditions pertaining to the issuance of the Card.
  - c. Subsequent, to the registration the valid SIP and verification of the required details, NAM India / NIMF shall issue the card before processing the first SIP installment (without investment balance being there in the primary scheme account).

SEBI guidelines on uniform cut off timings for redemption shall also be applicable to the aforesaid facility of alternative means of redemption.

For availing the Card facility, it is necessary for the investor to make either Nippon India Liquid Fund, Nippon India Ultra Short Duration Fund & Nippon India Low Duration Fund as the Primary Scheme Account.

The investor has to mandatorily invest in either of the above-mentioned scheme to and designate one of the scheme as Primary Scheme Account. In case the investor has existing investments in Nippon India Liquid Fund, Nippon India Ultra Short Duration Fund & Nippon India Low Duration Fund and wishes to opt for the Card however has not specified the Primary scheme account then by default Nippon India Liquid Fund will be treated as the Primary Scheme account.

In case of processing the redemptions through any Point of Service or ATM (other than HDFC Bank ATMs) the withdrawals would be made from Primary Scheme Account (Nippon India Liquid Fund, Nippon India Ultra Short Duration Fund & Nippon India Low Duration Fund). If the balance is not available in the primary scheme, the withdrawal/PoS transaction would be declined. Further, the investor will have an option to withdraw from any of the scheme of his choice linked to the card through HDFC Bank ATMs after knowing the consequences of such a withdrawal.



<p>In case the investor has opted for the Card, in the any Plan/Options, which is the primary scheme for the card, then the same will continue to act as the primary scheme. In case, the investor desires to change the Primary scheme/Plan/Option for the card, the investor will have to place a separate request with NIMF for change in primary scheme.</p> <p>Existing investors of Nippon India Liquid Fund, Nippon India Ultra Short Duration Fund &amp; Nippon India Low Duration Fund are only required to fill - in the requisite application form and directly enroll for this facility. It is mandatory for the investors availing the Card Facility to provide the Mobile Number and E-mail Id.</p> <p>In case the investor has opted for the Card, in the Existing Plan/Options, which is the primary scheme for the card, then the same will continue to act as the primary scheme. In case of any investment being made in any other Plan/Option, and the investor desires to change the Primary Plan/Option for the card, the investor will have to place a separate request with NIMF for change in primary scheme.</p> <p><b>4. OFFICIAL POINTS OF ACCEPTANCE OF TRANSACTION THROUGH MF UTILITY:</b></p> <p>NAM India has entered into an agreement with MF Utilities India Private Limited (“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 aggregator for transacting in multiple schemes of various mutual funds with a single form and a single payment instrument.</p> <p>Accordingly, all the authorized POS and website/mobile application of MFUI (available currently and also updated from time to time) shall be eligible to be considered as ‘official points of acceptance’ for all financial and non-financial transactions in the schemes of NIMF either physically or electronically with effect from February 6, 2015. The list of POS of MFUI is published on the website of MFUI at <a href="http://www.mfuindia.com">www.mfuindia.com</a>.</p> <p>Applicability of NAV shall be based on time stamping as evidenced by confirmation slip given by POS of MFUI and also the realization of funds in the Bank account of Nippon India Mutual Fund (and NOT the time of realization of funds in the Bank account of MFUI) within the applicable cut-off timing. The Uniform Cut - off time as prescribed by SEBI and mentioned in the SID / KIM shall be applicable for applications received through such facilities.</p> <p>Investors are requested to note that MFUI will allot a Common Account Number (“CAN”) i.e. 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 and necessary documents at the POS. The AMC and/ or its Registrar and Transfer Agent shall provide necessary details to MFUI as may be needed for providing the required services to investors/distributors through MFU. Investors are requested to visit the website of MFUI i.e. <a href="http://www.mfuindia.com">www.mfuindia.com</a> to download the relevant forms.</p> <p>For any queries or clarifications related to MFU, please contact the Customer Care of MFUI on +91-22-6134 4316 (during the business hours on all days except Sunday and public holidays) or send an email to <a href="mailto:clientservices@mfuindia.com">clientservices@mfuindia.com</a>.</p> <p><b>5. ACCEPTANCE OF “CASH” AS A MODE OF SUBSCRIPTION:</b></p> <p>Acceptance of “Cash” as a payment mode for subscription application in the Schemes of Nippon India Mutual Fund has been introduced.</p> <p><b>The Details / Process and conditions for acceptance of such investments are as follows:</b></p> <p><b>Eligible investors:</b></p> <p>The facility is available only for below mentioned category of investors who are KRA-KYC / Central KYC Registry (CKYC ) compliant and have a bank account:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Resident Individuals.</li> <li>• Minors (investing through Guardian)</li> <li>• Sole Proprietorships.</li> </ul> <p><b>Subscription Limit:</b></p> <p>In line with the SEBI guidelines, currently subscription through cash can be accepted only upto Rs. 50,000/- per investor, per financial year. Limit would be tracked on the basis PAN or PEKRN acknowledgement issued by KRA / KYC Identification NO (KIN) issued by Central KYC Registry).</p> <p><b>Mode of Acceptance of Application:</b></p> <p>Applications for Subscription through Cash shall be accepted only in the physical form at any of the Designated Investor Service Centres (DISC) of NIMF.</p> <p><b>Cash Collection Facility:</b></p> <p>Currently, NAM India has made arrangement with Axis Bank Limited to accept cash (along with the duly filled in Cash Deposit Slip) on behalf of NIMF/NAM India. However, going forward, NAM India may tie up with any other financial institution(s) through which the facility of cash collection may be provided. Details of the same shall be available on the website i.e. <a href="http://www.nipponindiamf.com">www.nipponindiamf.com</a> . The Bank shall act only as an aggregator for receipt of cash at the various Bank branches towards subscriptions under various schemes of NIMF. The Bank would be remitting the cash collected to the Fund’s schemes usually by the next business day.</p> <p><b>Procedure for Subscription through Cash:</b></p> <p>Investors willing to subscribe through cash as a payment mode will have to follow the below procedure:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Collect the application form and Cash Deposit Slip (available in triplicate) from the Designated Investor Service Centre (DISC) of NIMF / NAM India.</li> <li>2. Investor must first submit the duly filled in application form, KYC / KRA/CKYC acknowledgement and duly filled Cash Deposit Slip at the DISC (copy for submission to NIMF / NAM India).</li> <li>3. Branch executive shall time stamp the application form, NIMF copy of Cash deposit slip and acknowledgement portion available in the application form. Acknowledgement portion shall be returned to the investor as a confirmation of receipt of application.</li> </ol>
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	<p>4. Investor will have to visit the nearest branch of Axis Bank Limited and deposit cash by using the Cash Deposit Slip collected from DISC, on the same day or latest by next business day else the application shall be liable for rejection.</p> <p>5. Axis Bank Limited shall retain bank copy of the Cash Deposit slip and provide customer copy to the investor along with the acknowledgement of cash deposition.</p> <p><b>NAV Applicability:</b>  <b>For Liquid scheme(s):</b>  Applicability of NAV shall be based on receipt of application and also the realization of funds in the Bank account of respective liquid scheme (and NOT the time of deposit of Cash in the Bank) within the applicable cut-off timing.  However, if the credit is received in the Bank account of liquid scheme but investor has not yet submitted the application form, units will be allotted as per receipt of application (time-stamping)</p> <p><b>For all scheme(s) other than liquid scheme(s):</b>  Applicability of NAV shall be based on receipt of application (as per time-stamping). Rejection of application: Application shall be rejected if:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Subscription Limit is Exhausted: The amount of subscription through cash (including the subscriptions made through cash during the financial year) exceeds Rs. 50,000/-.</li> <li>Application is incomplete: Unit allotment for transactions accepted as DISCs of NIMF is subject to verification at the time of final processing. Application shall be liable for rejection if the same is found to be incomplete in any aspect.</li> </ol> <p>Payment of Proceeds: Payment in the form of refunds, redemptions, dividend, etc. with respect to Cash investments shall be paid only through banking channel i.e. in the bank account registered in the folio.</p> <p><b>Other important points:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In case of mismatch in the amount mentioned in application form and cash deposited in bank, units shall be allotted as per credit received from bank.</li> <li>Cash deposited but application not submitted: If cash is deposited directly at branch of Axis Bank Limited and application is not submitted at DISC of NIMF, amount shall be refunded to investor based on receipt of following documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Existing Investor: Request letter, Bank acknowledged deposit slip copy.</li> <li>New Investor: Request letter containing the bank details in which the refund needs to be issued, bank acknowledged deposit slip copy and PAN card copy or any other valid id proof.</li> </ul> </li> </ol> <p>Investors are requested to note that subscription through this mode shall be accepted subject to compliance with Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 and Rules framed thereunder, SEBI Guidelines for the same and such other AML rules, regulations and guidelines as may be applicable from time to time.</p> <p><b>6. Transactions through Electronic Platform of Registrar and Transfer Agent</b></p> <p>NAM India has introduced this facility w.e.f. July 13, 2018. Investors will be allowed to transact in the schemes of Nippon India Mutual Fund (NIMF) through the Electronic platform of KFin Technologies Private Limited (KFinTech), Registrar and Transfer Agent of NIMF, i.e. website mfs.kfintech.com and mobile application 'KTRACK' (or any other name as specified from time to time). Consequent to this, the said website and mobile application shall be declared to be an "official point of acceptance" for applications for subscriptions, redemptions, switches and other facilities. The Uniform Cut -off time as prescribed by SEBI and as mentioned in the Scheme Information Documents of respective schemes shall be applicable for applications received on the website / mobile application.</p> <p>NIMF/NAM India reserves the right to introduced, change, modify or withdraw the features available in these facilities from time to time.</p>
<p><b>Accounts Statements</b></p>	<p>In accordance with SEBI Circular No. Cir/ IMD/ DF/16/ 2011 dated September 8, 2011 and SEBI Circular no. CIR/MRD/DP/31/2014 dated November 12, 2014 the investor whose transaction has been accepted by the NAM India/NIMF shall receive a confirmation by way of email and/or SMS within 5 Business Days from the date of receipt of transaction request, same will be sent to the Unit holders registered e-mail address and/or mobile number.</p> <p>Thereafter, a Consolidated Account Statement ("CAS") shall be issued in line with the following procedure:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consolidation of account statement shall be done on the basis of PAN. In case of multiple holding, it shall be PAN of the first holder and pattern of holding.</li> <li>The CAS shall be generated on a monthly basis and shall be issued on or before 10th of the immediately succeeding month to the unit holder(s) in whose folio(s) transaction(s) has/have taken place during the month.</li> <li>In case there is no transaction in any of the mutual fund folios then CAS detailing holding of investments across all schemes of all Mutual Funds will be issued on half yearly basis [at the end of every six months (i.e. September/ March)]</li> <li>Investors having MF investments and holding securities in Demat account shall receive a Consolidated Account Statement containing details of transactions across all Mutual Fund schemes and securities from the Depository by email / physical mode.</li> <li>Investors having MF investments and not having Demat account shall receive a Consolidated Account Statement from the MF Industry containing details of transactions across all Mutual Fund schemes by email / physical mode.</li> </ol>

	<p>The word 'transaction' shall include purchase, redemption, switch, dividend payout, dividend reinvestment, systematic investment plan, systematic withdrawal plan, and systematic transfer plan.</p> <p>CAS shall not be received by the Unit holders for the folio(s) wherein the PAN details are not updated. The Unit holders are therefore requested to ensure that the folio(s) are updated with their PAN. For Micro SIP and Sikkim based investors whose PAN details are not mandatorily required to be updated Account Statement will be dispatched by NAM India/NIMF for each calendar month on or before 10th of the immediately succeeding month.</p> <p>The Consolidated Account statement will be in accordance to SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/ CIR/P/2016/89 dated September 20, 2016 and SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/ CIR/P/2018/137 dated October 22, 2018.</p> <p>In case of a specific request received from the Unit holders, NAM India / NIMF will provide the account statement to the investors within 5 Business Days from the receipt of such request.</p> <p>Investors are requested/encouraged to register/update their email id and mobile number of the primary holder with the AMC/RTA through our Designated Investor Service Centres (DISCs) in order to facilitate effective communication.</p>
<b>Dividend</b>	The dividend warrants shall be dispatched to the unitholders within 30 days of the date of declaration of the dividend.
<b>Redemption</b>	<p>The redemption or repurchase proceeds shall be dispatched to the unitholders within 10 Business Days from the date of redemption or repurchase.</p> <p>Further, investors are requested to note that processing of Redemption or Repurchase transactions without PAN in respect of Non-PAN-Exempt folios has been restricted with effect from September 30, 2019.</p> <p>For all such Non-PAN-Exempt folios, investors are requested to update PAN by submitting suitable request along with PAN card copy at any of the Designated Investor Service Centre ("DISC") of Nippon India Mutual Fund (NIMF) and then submit Redemption or new Systematic Withdrawal Plans (SWPs) requests.</p> <p>With respect to existing SWPs registered without PAN in Non-PAN-Exempt folios, the same shall be restricted with effect from October 16, 2019 till PAN is updated in the folio.</p> <p>Investors are also requested to note further that it is mandatory to complete the KYC requirements for all unit holders, including for all joint holders and the guardian in case of folio of a minor investor. Accordingly, completion of KYC requirements shall be mandatory and with effect from February 28, 2020, all financial transactions (including redemptions, switches etc.) will be processed only if the KYC requirements are completed.</p> <p>Unit holders are advised to use the applicable KYC Form for completing the KYC requirements and submit the form at the Designated Investor Service Centre ("DISC") of Nippon India Mutual Fund or KFin Technologies Private Limited</p>
<b>How to Redeem</b>	<p>The Units can be redeemed at the Redemption Price.</p> <p>A Unitholder has the option to request for a redemption either by amount (in Rupees) or by number of Units. If the redemption request indicates both amount (in Rupees) and number of Units, the latter will be considered. Where a Rupee amount is specified or deemed to be specified for redemption, the number of Units redeemed will be the amount redeemed divided by the Redemption Price. Alternatively, a unitholder can request closure of his account, in which case, the entire unit balance lying to the credit of his account will be redeemed.</p> <p>The number of Units so redeemed will be subtracted from the unitholder's account balance and a statement to this effect will be issued to the unitholder.</p> <p>In case the balance in unitholder's account does not cover the amount of redemption request the Fund may close the unitholder's account and send the entire such (lesser) balance to the unitholders.</p> <p>If an investor has purchased Units on more than one working day, the Units purchased prior in time (i.e. those Units which have been held for the longest period of time), will be deemed to have been redeemed first, i.e. on a First In First Out Basis.</p> <p>Units purchased by cheque / DD will be marked under lien and will not be redeemed until after realisation of the cheques/DD.</p> <p>Note: The processing of Redemption/Switch/Various transaction request (s) where realization status is not available, NIMF shall keep the units allotted to investor on hold for redemption/switch/ Various transactions till the time the payment is realized towards such purchase transaction(s).</p> <p>In case if the customer submits a redemption / switch / Various other transaction request like SWP, STP when the units are on hold, NIMF reserves the right to reject/ partially process the redemption/ switch/ Various transaction request, as the case may be, based on the realization status of the units held by the investor. In all the above cases (i.e., rejection/partial processing), intimation will be sent to the investor accordingly. Whenever a redemption/switch/ Various transaction request is rejected then an investor needs to submit a fresh request for reprocessing the same.</p> <p>Units which are not redeemed /switched out on account of the request being rejected due to non realization of funds, will be processed only upon confirmation of realization status and submission of a fresh redemption/switch request for such transactions.</p>

	<p>The transaction slip can be used by the investor to make a redemption or Inter scheme Switch or Inter plan Switch or Inter Option Switch by entering the requisite details in the transaction slip and submitting the same at the Designated Investor Service Centre. Transaction slips can be obtained from any of the Designated Investor Service Centres.</p> <p>While submitting the details for processing any transactions which inter alia includes redemptions, switch out, and systematic transfers etc. there has to be a specific mention about the plan (Direct Plan or Other than Direct Plan) from which the transactions has to be initiated. If no plan is mentioned, redemption request will be processed on a first in first out (FIFO) basis considering both the plans.</p> <p>NAM India reserves the right to provide the facility of redeeming units of the Scheme through an alternative mechanism as may be decided by the Fund from time to time. The alternative mechanism may include electronic means of communication such as redeeming units online through the website(s) etc. For detailed features of Nippon India Any Time Money Card, please refer "Special Product Available" Section of Scheme Information Document.</p>
<b>Where to submit the Redemption request</b>	The unitholder should submit the transaction slip for a redemption / switch or request for closure of his / her account at any of the Designated Investor Service Centres.
<b>Payment of Redemption Proceeds</b>	<p>Payment of Redemption proceeds, for all open ended schemes, also enclosed SID</p> <p><b>Resident Investors</b></p> <p>The Fund proposes to pay redemption proceeds in the following manner:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Directly to the bank account of unitholders through Direct Credit / RTGS / NEFT: Direct credit facility will be available only with select bankers with whom the Mutual Fund currently has a tie-up in place or will tie-up for such a facility at a later date. As per the directive issued by SEBI, it is mandatory for an investor to declare his / her bank account number and accordingly, investors are requested to give their bank account details in the application form. The Mutual Fund, on a best effort basis, and after scrutinizing the names of the banks where unitholders have their accounts, will instruct the bank for the payment of redemption proceeds to the unitholder's bank account.</li> <li>For cases not covered above: Unitholders will receive redemption proceeds by cheques, marked "A/c. 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 No., as specified in the Registrar's records, will be mentioned in the cheque. In case any investor does not give his bank details, for any reason whatsoever, the Fund shall in no way be responsible for any loss, on payment made without the Payee Bank details in the instrument. The cheque will be payable at par in all the cities where such facility is available with the specified bankers. For other cities, Demand Drafts will be issued payable at the city of his residence after deducting the Demand Draft charges.</li> </ol> <p><b>Non Resident Investors</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Repatriation Basis: When units have been purchased through remittance in foreign exchange from abroad by cheque / draft issued from proceeds of the unitholders' FCNR deposit or from funds held in the unitholders' Non Resident (External) account kept in India, the proceeds can be remitted to the unitholder in foreign currency (any exchange rate fluctuation will be borne by the unitholder). The proceeds can also be sent to his Indian address for crediting to his NRE / FCNR / non-resident (Ordinary) account or NRSR account, if desired by the unitholder.</li> <li>Non Repatriation Basis: When units have been purchased from funds held in the unitholders' non-resident (Ordinary) account, the proceeds will be sent to the unitholders Indian address for crediting to the unitholders' Non-Resident (Ordinary) account.</li> </ol> <p>It may be noted that the investors of NIMF shall be given the payout of redemption as an additional mode of payment through electronic mode as may be specified by Reserve Bank of India from time to time. This is an additional mode of payments over and above existing mode. In order to effect such payments through electronic mode, data validation exercise will be carried out by NAM India through one of the banking channels which will enable NAM India to validate the investor data with the Bank records. It may be noted that if NAM India unable to provide such credits due to various reasons, then payment will be made in accordance with the mode as specified.</p> <p>The Fund may make other arrangements for effecting payment of redemption proceeds in future.</p>
<b>Delay in payment of redemption / repurchase proceeds</b>	<p>The Asset Management Company shall be liable to pay interest to the unitholders at such rate as may be specified by SEBI for the period of such delay (presently @ 15% per annum).</p> <p>The period of five working days for computation of interest payable for delay in refund of subscription amounts during on-going offer period shall be reckoned from the date of purchase transaction as per timestamp / applicable NAV, provided the application form / online transaction is received along with the payment and the funds have been realized.</p> <p>Where the subscription amount and the application / online transaction are received separately, the period of five working days for computation of interest payable for delay in refund of subscription amounts shall be reckoned from the later of the date of identifying the remitter details, based on the credit provided by the bank or receipt and time stamping of application / online transaction.</p> <p>It is clarified that the interest will be payable only in those cases where the credit pertains to a subscription in the scheme backed by a transaction request by the customer and such subscription is rejected by the AMC</p>

<b>Dispatch of Proceeds</b>	<p>As per SEBI Regulations, the Mutual Fund shall Dispatch the redemption proceeds within the maximum period allowed, which is currently 10 working days from the date of receipt of the redemption request at the Designated Investor Service Centres.</p> <p>However, under normal circumstances, the Mutual Fund shall endeavour to Dispatch/ transfer the redemption proceeds to the unitholders bank account within three working day from the date of receipt of the redemption request at the Designated Investor Service Centres. A Transaction Confirmation Slip / Fresh Account Statement will also be sent to the Unitholders reflecting the new unit balance in his Account. For payments made other than through direct transfers, the redemption proceeds shall be Dispatched through ordinary mail (with or without UCP) or Registered Post or by Courier, unless otherwise required under the Regulations, at the risk of the unitholder</p>
<b>Effect of Redemptions</b>	<p>On the Fund - The Unit capital and Reserves of the Scheme will stand reduced by an amount equivalent to the product of the number of Units redeemed and the Applicable NAV as on the date of redemption.</p> <p>On the unitholder's account - The balances in the unitholder's account will stand reduced by the number of Units redeemed.</p>
<b>Additional Purchases/ Inter Scheme Switch / Inter Plan Switch / Inter Option Switch / Systematic Transfer Plan (STP)</b>	<p>The transaction slip can be used by the investor to make additional purchases / Inter Scheme Switches / Inter Plan Switches or Inter Option Switches by entering the requisite details in the transaction slip and submitting the same along with the payment instrument (wherever applicable) at the Designated Investor Service Centre. The transaction slip is attached at the bottom of the Account Statement or can also be obtained from any of the Designated Investor ServiceCentres. Alternatively, the investor can quote his existing folio number and use Common Application Form to make additional purchases under the same plan/option in the Scheme.</p> <p>Unitholders may switch their repurchase able holdings (which are not under any lien) in Nippon India Small Cap Fund to any other eligible NIMF Scheme and vice versa. The transfer would be done at the applicable NAV based prices. The difference in the applicable net asset values of the two schemes / plans / options will be reflected in the number of Units allotted.</p> <p>NAM India, in consultation with the Trustees, reserves the right to modify this structure, in accordance with SEBI Regulations. However, any such change shall be applicable only to units transacted pursuant to such change.</p> <p>As per the directives issued by SEBI, it is mandatory for an investor to declare his/her bank account number in the application form.</p> <p>This is to safeguard the interest of unitholders from loss or theft of their redemption cheques / DDs. Investors are requested to provide their bank details in the Application Form failing which the same will be rejected as per current Regulations.</p> <p>a) Switch/Systematic Transfer of investments made with ARN code, from Other than Direct Plan to Direct Plan of a Scheme shall be subject to applicable exit load, if NAM India reserves the right to change the procedures in respect of subscriptions or Inter-Scheme Switches or Inter-Plan/option Switches, from time to time. any. (subject to statutory taxes and levies, if any)</p> <p>b) No Exit Load shall be levied for switch/systematic transfer of investments made without ARN code, from Other than Direct Plan to Direct Plan of the Scheme or vice versa. (subject to statutory taxes and levies, if any)</p> <p>Please refer SAI for further details.</p>
<b>Accounting of Units on Flexible / First In First Out (FIFO) Basis</b>	<p>If an investor has purchased Units on more than one working day, the Units purchased prior in time (i.e. those Units which have been held for the longest period of time), will be deemed to have been redeemed first, i.e. on a First In First Out Basis.</p>
<b>Fractional Units</b>	<p>Allotment of units against subsequent purchases / redemption of Units on an ongoing basis shall be done in fractional units, rounded off upto three decimal places.</p>
<b>Transfer, Transmission, Nomination, Lien, Pledge, Underwriting, Borrowing by the Fund and Mode of Holding</b>	<p>Please refer SAI for details.</p>
<b>Applicability of Stamp Duty</b>	<p>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 and SEBI communication No. SEBI / IMD/DF2/ OW/ P/ 2020/ 11099/1 dated June 29, 2020, a stamp duty @ 0.005% of the transaction value would be levied on applicable mutual fund transactions, with effect from July 01, 2020. Accordingly, pursuant to levy of stamp duty, the number of units allotted on purchase/switch-in transactions (including dividend reinvestment) to the unitholders would be reduced to that extent.</p>
<b>Third party Cheques</b>	<p>Third party Cheques Investment/subscription made through third party cheque(s) will not be accepted for investments in the units of Nippon India Mutual Fund barring few exception issued by AMFI from time to time for the 'third party payments'. For more details refer to SAI.</p>
<b>Multiple Bank accounts</b>	<p>The unit holder/ investor can register multiple bank account details under its existing folio by submitting separate form available on the website of the AMC at <a href="http://www.nipponindiamf.com">www.nipponindiamf.com</a> . For more details refer to SAI.</p>

<p><b>Know Your Client (KYC) Norms</b></p>	<p>Know Your Client (KYC) Norms With effect from 1st January 2011, KYC (Know Your Customer) norms are mandatory for investors for making investments in Mutual Funds, irrespective of the amount of investment Further, in order to reduce hardship and help investors dealing with SEBI intermediaries, SEBI issued three circulars - MIRSD/SE/Cir-21/2011 dated October 05, 2011, MIRSD/Cir-23/2011 dated December 02, 2011 and MIRSD/Cir-26/2011 dated December 23, 2011 informing SEBI registered intermediaries as mentioned therein to follow, with effect from January 01, 2012, a uniform KYC compliance procedure for all the investors dealing with them on or after that date. SEBI also issued KYC Registration Agency ( "KRA") Regulations 2011 and the guidelines in pursuance of the said Regulations and for In-Person Verification ("IPV"). SEBI has issued circular no. CIR/MIRSD/ 66 /2016 dated July 21, 2016 and no. CIR/MIRSD/120 /2016 dated November 10, 2016, for uniform and smooth implementation of CKYC norms for onboarding of new investors in Mutual funds with effect from 1st Feb 2017. For more details refer to SAI.</p> <p><b>Implementation of the Prevention of Money-laundering (Maintenance of Records) Second Amendment Rules, 2017 with respect to seeding of Aadhaar number:</b></p> <p>Investors are requested to note the following requirements in relation to submission of Aadhaar number and other prescribed details to Nippon India Mutual Fund (NIMF) / Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited ("the AMC") / KFin Technologies Private Limited (KFinTech) its Registrar and Transfer Agent:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Where the investor is an individual, who is eligible to be enrolled for Aadhaar number, the investor is required to submit the Aadhaar number issued by UIDAI. If such an individual investor is not eligible to be enrolled for Aadhaar number, and in case the Permanent Account Number (PAN) is not submitted, the investor shall submit the PAN or one certified copy of an officially valid document containing details of his identity and address and one recent photograph along with such other details as may be required by the Mutual Fund.  The investor is required to submit PAN as defined in the Income Tax Rules, 1962.</li> <li>Where the investor is a non-individual, Aadhaar numbers and PANs (as defined in Income-tax Rules, 1962) of managers, officers or employees or persons holding an attorney to transact on the investor's behalf is required to be submitted, apart from the constitution documents. In case PAN is not submitted, an officially valid document is required to be submitted. If a person holding an authority to transact on behalf of such an entity is not eligible to be enrolled for Aadhaar and does not submit the PAN, certified copy of an officially valid document containing details of identity, address, photograph and such other documents as prescribed is required to be submitted.</li> </ol> <p>It may be noted that the requirement of submitting Form 60 is not applicable for investment in mutual fund units. For more details kindly refer SAI and FAQs on our website <a href="http://www.nipponindiamf.com">www.nipponindiamf.com</a></p> <p>Investors are requested to note that pursuant to the direction issued by Hon'ble Supreme Court on March 13, 2018 in Writ Petition (Civil) no. 494/ 2012 and Notification No. 1/2018/F. No. P.1201 1/24/2017-ES Cell-DoR from Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue) dated March 31, 2018 the effective date for mandatory submission of Aadhaar has been deferred till further notice.</p>
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**C. PERIODIC DISCLOSURES**

<p><b>Net Asset Value</b></p> <p>This is the value per unit of the scheme on a particular day. You can ascertain the value of your investments by multiplying the NAV with your unit balance.</p>	<p>The AMC will calculate and disclose the first NAV within 5 working days from the date of allotment. Subsequently, the NAV will be calculated and disclosed at the close of every Business Day and uploaded on the AMFI website <a href="http://www.amfiindia.com">www.amfiindia.com</a> and Nippon India Mutual Fund website i.e. <a href="http://www.nipponindiamf.com">www.nipponindiamf.com</a> by 11.00 p.m. on the on the same business day. Further, AMC will extend facility of sending latest available NAVs to unitholders through SMS, upon receiving a specific request in this regard.</p>
<p><b>Half yearly Disclosures: Portfolio / Financial Results</b></p> <p>This is a list of securities where the corpus of the scheme is currently invested. The market value of these investments is also stated in portfolio disclosures.</p>	<p><b>(i) Half Yearly disclosure of Un-Audited Financials for the Schemes of NIMF:</b></p> <p>Before expiry of one month from the close of each half year i.e. on March 31 or September 30, the Fund shall host a soft copy of half – yearly unaudited financial results on the website of the NIMF i.e. <a href="http://www.nipponindiamf.com">www.nipponindiamf.com</a> and that of AMFI <a href="http://www.amfiindia.com">www.amfiindia.com</a>. A notice advertisement communicating the investors that the financial results shall be hosted on the website shall be published in one national English daily newspaper and in a newspaper in the language of the region where the Head Office of the fund is situated.</p> <p><b>(ii) Half Yearly disclosure of Scheme's Portfolio:</b></p> <p>The fund shall disclose the scheme's portfolio in the prescribed format as on the last day of the Half year for all the Schemes of NIMF on or before the tenth day of the succeeding month or within such timelines and manner as prescribed by SEBI from time to time on the NIMF Website i.e. <a href="http://www.nipponindiamf.com">www.nipponindiamf.com</a> and AMFI site <a href="http://www.amfiindia.com">www.amfiindia.com</a></p> <p>In case of unitholders whose e-mail addresses are registered, the Mutual Funds/ AMCs shall send via email the half-yearly statement of scheme portfolio within 10 days from the close of each half-year respectively.</p> <p>AMC will provide a physical copy of the statement of its scheme portfolio, without charging any cost, on specific request received from a unitholder.</p>

<b>Monthly Disclosure of Schemes' Portfolio Statement</b>	<p>The fund shall disclose the scheme's portfolio in the prescribed format as on the last day of the month for all the Schemes of NIMF on or before the tenth day of the succeeding month or within such timelines and manner as prescribed by SEBI from time to time on the NIMF Website i.e. www.nipponindiamf.com and AMFI site www.amfiindia.com</p> <p>In case of unitholders whose e-mail addresses are registered, the Mutual Funds/ AMCs shall send via email both the monthly statement of scheme portfolio within 10 days from the close of each month respectively.</p> <p>AMC will provide a physical copy of the statement of its scheme portfolio, without charging any cost, on specific request received from a unitholder.</p>
<b>Annual Report</b>	<p>The scheme wise annual report shall be hosted on the website of the AMC and on the website of the AMFI soon as may be possible but not later than four months from the date of closure of the relevant accounting year. The AMC shall publish an advertisement every year in all India edition of at least two daily newspapers, one each in English and Hindi, disclosing the hosting of the scheme wise annual report on the website of the AMC.</p> <p>The AMC shall email the annual report or an abridged summary thereof to the unitholders whose email addresses are registered with the Fund. The unitholders whose e-mail addresses are not registered with the Fund are requested to update / provide their email address to the Fund for updating the database. Physical copy of scheme wise annual report or abridged summary shall be provided to investors who have opted to receive the same.</p> <p>AMC shall provide a physical copy of the abridged summary of the annual report, without charging any cost, on specific request received from a unitholder.</p> <p>As per regulation 56(3A) of the Regulations, copy of scheme wise Annual Report shall be also made available to unitholder on payment of nominal fees.</p> <p>A link of the scheme annual report or abridged summary shall be displayed prominently on the website of NAM India i.e. at www.nipponindiamf.com</p>
<b>Associate Transactions</b>	Please refer to Statement of Additional Information (SAI).

<b>Taxation</b> 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.	<b>Taxation of income earned on mutual fund units under the Income Tax Act 1961 as amended by The Finance Act, 2020</b>			
	<b>Equity Oriented Funds -for FY 2020-21</b>			
	<b>Income in the hands of →</b>	<b>Individual &amp; HUF</b>	<b>Other than Individual &amp; HUF</b>	<b>NRI</b>
	<b>Nature of Income ↓</b>			
	<b>Dividend</b>	As per applicable tax rates	As per applicable tax rates	As per applicable tax rates
	<b>Dividend Distribution Tax</b>	The Finance Act, 2020, abolished dividend distribution tax (DDT) and tax exemption on dividend income received from mutual fund in the hands of investor as per provision of section 10 (35) is also rescinded. Further, dividend is taxable in the hands of investor as mentioned above.		
	<b>Long Term Capital Gain <sup>3 &amp; 4</sup></b>	10%	10%	10%
	<b>Short Term Capital Gain <sup>3 &amp; 4</sup></b>	15%	15%	15%
	<b>Securities Transaction Tax (STT)</b>			
	<b>From April 1, 2020 onwards</b>	0.001%	0.001%	0.001%
<b>Notes</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Finance Act, 2020 introduced a new section 194K to provide that any person responsible for paying to a resident investor any income in respect of units of a Mutual Fund specified under clause (23D) of section 10 shall at the time of credit of such income to the account of the payee or at the time of payment thereof by any mode, whichever is earlier, deduct income-tax there on at the rate of 10%. Further threshold limit of Rs 5,000/- prescribed for no withholding tax rate. Further, as per CBDT press release dated May 13, 2020, reduced withholding tax rate @ 7.5% shall be applicable for the period from May 14, 2020 to March 31, 2021.</li> <li>"Equity oriented fund" has been defined to mean a fund set up under a scheme of a mutual fund specified under clause (23D) of section 10 and, — <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In a case where the fund invests in the units of another fund which is traded on a recognized stock exchange, - <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A minimum of 90 % of the total proceeds of such funds is invested in the units of such other fund ; and</li> <li>such other fund also invests a minimum of 90% of its total proceeds in the equity shares of domestic companies listed on recognized stock exchange; and</li> </ol> </li> </ol> </li> </ol>				

	<p>b) in any other case, a minimum of 65 % of the total proceeds of such fund is invested in the equity shares of domestic companies listed on recognized stock exchange.</p> <p>3. (a) Short Term Capital Gain would mean gain on sale/redemption/repurchase of mutual fund units held for not more than 12 months</p> <p>(b) Long term Capital Gain would mean gain other than Short Term Capital Gain and shall be computed without considering indexation benefit. Further, Threshold benefit of Rs. 1,00,000/- p.a. available on such long term capital gain.</p> <p><b>4. Surcharge applicable for FY 2020-21:</b></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Assessee</th> <th>If income below Rs. 0.50 crore</th> <th>If income exceeds Rs. 0.50 crore but less than Rs. 1 crores</th> <th>If income exceeds Rs. 1 crore but less than Rs. 2 crores</th> <th>If income exceeds Rs. 2 crore but less than Rs. 5 crore</th> <th>If income exceeds Rs. 5 crore but less than Rs. 10 crore</th> <th>If income exceeds Rs.10 crores</th> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Surcharge</td> <td>Surcharge</td> <td>Surcharge</td> <td>Surcharge</td> <td>Surcharge</td> <td>Surcharge</td> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>#Individual (including proprietorships), Hindu Undivided Family (HUF), Association of Persons (AOP) and Body of Individual (BOI)</td> <td>NIL</td> <td>10%</td> <td>15%</td> <td>15%</td> <td>15%</td> <td>15%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Co-operative Society, Local Authority and Partnership Firms (including LLPs)</td> <td>NIL</td> <td>NIL</td> <td>12%</td> <td>12%</td> <td>12%</td> <td>12%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Indian Corporate</td> <td>Nil</td> <td>NIL</td> <td>7%</td> <td>7%</td> <td>7%</td> <td>12%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Foreign Companies</td> <td>Nil</td> <td>NIL</td> <td>2%</td> <td>2%</td> <td>2%</td> <td>5%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>5. Finance Act, 2018 had discontinued “Education Cess on income-tax” and “Secondary and Higher Education Cess on income-tax”. However, a new Cess introduced “Health and Education Cess” applicable at the rate of 4% of income tax including surcharge wherever applicable w.e.f April 1, 2018.</p> <p>6. Nippon India Mutual Fund is registered with SEBI and as such is eligible for benefits under Section 10 (23D) of the Income Tax Act, 1961. Accordingly, its entire income is exempt from tax.</p> <p>7. For further details on taxation please refer to the clause on Taxation in the Statement of Additional Information.</p>	Assessee	If income below Rs. 0.50 crore	If income exceeds Rs. 0.50 crore but less than Rs. 1 crores	If income exceeds Rs. 1 crore but less than Rs. 2 crores	If income exceeds Rs. 2 crore but less than Rs. 5 crore	If income exceeds Rs. 5 crore but less than Rs. 10 crore	If income exceeds Rs.10 crores		Surcharge	Surcharge	Surcharge	Surcharge	Surcharge	Surcharge	#Individual (including proprietorships), Hindu Undivided Family (HUF), Association of Persons (AOP) and Body of Individual (BOI)	NIL	10%	15%	15%	15%	15%	Co-operative Society, Local Authority and Partnership Firms (including LLPs)	NIL	NIL	12%	12%	12%	12%	Indian Corporate	Nil	NIL	7%	7%	7%	12%	Foreign Companies	Nil	NIL	2%	2%	2%	5%
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#### D. COMPUTATION OF NAV

The Net Asset Value (NAV) of the Units will be determined daily or as prescribed by the Regulations. The NAV shall be calculated in accordance with the following formula, or such other formula as may be prescribed by SEBI from time to time.

$$\text{NAV} = \frac{\text{Market/Fair Value of Scheme's Investments} + \text{Receivables} + \text{Accrued Income} + \text{Other Assets} - \text{Accrued Expenses} - \text{Payables} - \text{Other Liabilities}}{\text{Number of Units Outstanding}}$$

#### Rounding off policy for NAV

Net Asset Value of the Units in the Scheme is calculated in the manner provided in this Scheme Information Document or as may be prescribed by Regulations from time to time. The NAV will be computed upto four decimal places.

#### Policy on computation of NAV in case of investment in foreign securities

The exchange gain / loss resulting from the foreign securities exchange rates conversion shall be recognized as unrealized exchange gain / loss in the books of the Scheme on the day of valuation. Further, the exchange gain / loss resulting from the settlement of assets / liabilities denominated in foreign currency shall be recognized as realized exchange gain /loss in the books of the scheme on the settlement of such assets / liabilities for NAV computation.

Example: If the applicable NAV is Rs. 10.00, sales/entry load is 2 per cent and the exit/repurchase load is 2 percent then the sales price will be Rs. 10.20 and the repurchase price will be Rs. 9.80.

For further detail on valuation of foreign securities, please refer SAI.



#### IV. FEES AND EXPENSES

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

##### 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 expenses, printing and stationary, bank charges etc. The NFO expenses shall be borne by the AMC.

Being an ongoing Scheme details as regard NFO expenses have not been provided herein.

##### B. ANNUAL SCHEME RECURRING EXPENSES

These are the fees and expenses for operating the scheme. As specified under Section II - C of this document, the scheme will invest a minimum of sixty-five per cent of its net assets in equity and equity related instruments, thus the scheme will be considered as equity oriented scheme for the purpose of limits of total expense ratio as defined under regulation 52 of regulation 52 of the SEBI Regulations. These expenses include Investment Management and Advisory Fee charged by the AMC and other expenses as given in the table below:

The AMC has estimated that following % of the daily net assets of the scheme will be charged to the scheme as expenses. The AMC would update the current expense ratios on the website of the mutual fund at least three working days prior to the effective date of the change. Further Actual Expense ratio will be disclosed at the following link <https://www.nipponindiamf.com/Pages/Total-Expense-Ratio-of-Mutual-Fund-Schemes.aspx>

Estimated Expense Structure

Particulars	% of Net Assets W.e.f. 1. 4. 2019
Investment Management and Advisory Fees	Up to 2.25%
Trustee fee	
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 dividend 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 & Service Tax on expenses other than investment and advisory fees	
Other Expenses #	
<b>Maximum total expense ratio (TER) permissible under Regulation 52 (6) (c)</b>	<b>Up to 2.25%</b>
Additional expenses under regulation 52 (6A) (c)#	Up to 0.05%
Additional expenses under Section 52 (6A) (b) for gross new inflows from specified cities	Up to 0.30%

(# Expenses charged under the said parameters shall be in line with the Regulation 52 of SEBI (MF) Regulations or such other basis as specified by SEBI from time to time. )

<b>Illustration – Impact of Expense Ratio on the Returns</b>	
<b>Value of Rs 1 lac on 12% annual returns in 1 year, considering 1% Expense Ratio</b>	
Amount Invested	100,000.00
NAV at the time of Investment	10.00
No of Units	10,000.00
Gross NAV at end of 1 year (assuming 12% annual return)	11.20
Expenses (assuming 1% Expense Ratio on average of opening and closing NAV)	0.11
Actual NAV at end of 1 year post expenses (assuming Expense Ratio as above)	11.09
Value of Investment at end of 1 year (Before Expenses)	112,000.00
Value of Investment at end of 1 year (After Expenses)	110,940.00

**Note:** Please note that the above is an approximate illustration of the impact of expense ratio on the returns, where the Gross NAV has been simply reduced to the extent of the expenses. In reality, the actual impact would vary depending on the path of returns over the period of consideration. Expenses will be charged on daily net assets.

These estimates have been made in good faith as per the information available to the Investment Manager based on past experience and are subject to change inter-se as per actual but the total expenses shall not exceed the limits permitted by SEBI. Types of expenses charged shall be as per the SEBI (MF) Regulations. The purpose of the above table is to assist the investor in understanding the various costs and expenses that an investor in the scheme will bear directly or indirectly.

Mutual funds /AMCs may charge Goods & Service Tax on investment and advisory fees to the scheme in addition to the maximum limit as prescribed in regulation 52 of the SEBI Regulations.

Goods & Service Tax on other than investment and advisory fees, if any, shall be borne by the scheme within the maximum limit as per regulation 52 of the SEBI Regulations.

Mutual Funds/AMCs will annually set apart at least 2 basis points on daily net assets within the maximum limit as per regulation 52 of the SEBI Regulations for investor education and awareness initiatives.

Direct Plan shall have a lower expense ratio excluding distribution expenses, commission, and no commission shall be paid from such plan.

However, no Investment Management fees would be charged on NAM India's investment in the Scheme. The Trustee Company, shall be entitled to receive a sum computed @ 0.05% of the Unit Capital of all the Schemes of NIMF on 1st April each year or a sum of Rs.5,00,000/- which ever is lower or such other sum as may be agreed from time to time in accordance with the SEBI Regulations or any other authority, from time to time.

Investors are requested to note that the total expense ratio of the open ended equity oriented scheme including the investment management and advisory fee shall not exceed the limits stated in Regulation 52(6) (c) which are as follows:

- (i) On the first Rs. 500 crores of the daily net assets - 2.25%;
- (ii) On the next Rs. 250 crores of the daily net assets - 2.00%;
- (iii) On the next Rs. 1,250 crores of the daily net assets - 1.75%;
- (iv) On the next Rs. 3,000 crores of the daily net assets - 1.60%;
- (v) On the next Rs. 5,000 crores of the daily net assets - 1.50%;
- (vi) 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;
- (vii) On the balance of the assets - 1.05%;

The above expenses are fungible within the overall maximum limit prescribed under SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996, which means there will be no internal sub-limits on expenses and AMC is free to allocate them within the overall TER.

In addition to the limits specified in regulation 52(6), the following costs or expenses may be charged to the scheme as per new sub regulation 6A, namely-

- (a) Brokerage and Transaction costs incurred for the execution of trades may be capitalized to the extent of 0.12 per cent of the value of trades in case of cash market transactions and 0.05 per cent of the value of trades in case of derivatives transactions. Any payment towards brokerage and transaction costs incurred for the execution of trades, over and above the said 0.12 per cent and 0.05 per cent for cash market transactions and derivatives transactions respectively may be charged to the scheme within the maximum limit of Total Expense Ratio (TER) as prescribed under Regulation 52 of the SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996. Any expenditure in excess of the said prescribed limit (including brokerage and transaction costs, if any) shall be borne by the AMC or by the Trustee or Sponsors.;
- (b) expenses not exceeding of 0.30 per cent of daily net assets, if the new inflows from such investors and cities, as specified by the Board 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:

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 such cities shall be credited back to the scheme in case the said inflows are redeemed within a period of one year from the date of investment;

- (c) additional expenses, incurred towards different heads mentioned under sub-regulations (2) and (4), not exceeding 0.05 per cent of daily net assets of the scheme.

The Fund will strive to reduce the level of these expenses so as to keep them well within the maximum limits allowed by SEBI. Expenses on an ongoing basis will not exceed the percentage of the daily net assets or such maximum limits as may be specified by SEBI Regulations from time to time.

The recurring expenses incurred in excess of the limits specified by SEBI (MF) Regulations will be borne by the AMC or by the Trustee or the Sponsor.

### C. LOAD STRUCTURE

Load is an amount which is paid by the investor to subscribe to the units or to redeem the units from the scheme. This amount is used by the AMC to pay commissions to the distributor and to take care of other marketing and selling expenses. For the current applicable structure, please refer to the website of the AMC [www.nipponindiamf.com](http://www.nipponindiamf.com) or may call at Customer Service Centre at 1860-266-0111 (charges applicable), and Investors outside India can call at 91-22-68334800 (charges applicable) or your distributor.

Load amounts are variable and are subject to change from time to time. NAM India, in consultation with the Trustees, reserves the right to change the load structure if it so deems fit in the interest of smooth and efficient functioning of the scheme. Any imposition or enhancement in the load shall be applicable on prospective investments only. However, NAM India shall not charge any load on issue of units allotted on reinvestment of dividend for existing as well as prospective investors. At the time of changing the load structure:

- (i) The addendum detailing the changes may be attached to Scheme Information Documents 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 Documents and key information memoranda already in stock.

- (ii) Arrangements may be made to display the addendum in the Scheme Information Document in the form of a notice in all the investor service centres and distributors/brokers office.
- (iii) The introduction of the exit load alongwith 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
- (iv) 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.
- (v) Any other measures which the mutual funds may feel necessary.

**Applicable Load Structure:**

The following Load Structure is applicable during the new fund offer and continuous offer including SIP installments in the scheme till further notice.

**Entry Load: Nil**

In accordance with the requirements specified by the SEBI circular no. SEBI/IMD/CIR No.4/168230/09 dated June 30, 2009 no entry load will be charged for purchase / additional purchase / switch-in accepted by the Fund with effect from August 01, 2009. Similarly, no entry load will be charged with respect to applications for registrations under systematic investment plans/ systematic transfer plans accepted by the Fund with effect from August 01, 2009.

With reference to SEBI circular No. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/2019/42 dated March 25, 2019, there shall be no entry load for investments under SIPs registered before August 01, 2009 with effect from April 15, 2019.

**Exit Load:**

10% of the units allotted shall be redeemed without any exit load, on or before completion of 12 months from the date of allotment of units. Any redemption in excess of such limit in the first 12 months from the date of allotment shall be subject to the following exit load, Redemption of units would be done on First in First out Basis (FIFO):

- 1% if redeemed or switched out on or before completion of 12 months from the date of allotment of units.
- Nil, thereafter

W.E.F. October 01, 2012, Exit Load If charged to the scheme shall be credited to the scheme immediately net of goods and service tax, if any.

**Switchover Facility:**

Available, subject to minimum Rs. 5000/- & any amount thereafter in switch in scheme (for opening a new folio/account) and minimum Rs 1000 & any amount thereafter for additional switch in.

**Inter scheme Switch: At the applicable exit loads in the respective schemes.**

**Inter Plan/Inter Option Switch/Systematic Transfer Plan:**

- a) Switch/Systematic Transfer of investments made with ARN code, from Other than Direct Plan to Direct Plan of a Scheme shall be subject to applicable exit load, if any.
- b) No Exit Load shall be levied for switch/systematic transfer of investments made without ARN code, from Other than Direct Plan to Direct Plan of the Scheme or vice versa.

Pursuant to SEBI Circular No. SEBI/IMD/CIR No. 4/ 168230/09 dated June 30, 2009, upfront commission shall be paid directly by the investor to the AMFI Registered Distributor based on the investor's assessment of various factors including the services rendered by the AMFI Registered Distributor.

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

**D. WAIVER OF LOAD FOR DIRECT APPLICATIONS**

Pursuant to the SEBI circular No. SEBI/IMD/CIR No. 4/ 168230/09 dated June 30, 2009, no entry load shall be charged for all the mutual fund schemes. Therefore the procedure for the waiver of load for direct application is no longer applicable.

**E. TRANSACTION CHARGES:**

In accordance with SEBI Circular No. IMD/ DF/13/ 2011 dated August 22, 2011, with effect from November 1, 2011, Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited (NAM India)/ NIMF shall deduct a Transaction Charge on per purchase / subscription of Rs. 10,000/- and above, as may be received from new investors (an investor who invests for the first time in any mutual fund schemes) and existing investors. The distributors shall have an option to either "Opt-in / Opt-out" from levying transaction charge based on the type of product. Therefore, the "Opt-in / Opt-out" status shall be at distributor level, basis the product selected by the distributor at the Mutual Fund industry level.

Such charges shall be deducted if the investments are being made through the distributor/agent and that distributor / agent has opted to receive the transaction charges as mentioned below:

- **For the new investor a transaction charge of Rs 150/- shall be levied for per purchase / subscription of Rs 10,000 and above; and**
- **For the existing investor a transaction charge of Rs 100/- shall be levied for per purchase / subscription of Rs 10,000 and above.**

The transaction charge shall be deducted from the subscription amount and paid to the distributor/agent, as the case may be and the balance shall be invested. 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.

In case of investments through Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) the transaction charges shall be deducted only if the total commitment through SIP (i.e. amount per SIP installment x No. of installments) amounts to Rs. 10,000/- and above. In such cases, the transaction charges shall be deducted in 3-4 installments.

**Transaction charges shall not be deducted if:**

- (a) The amount per purchases /subscriptions is less than Rs. 10,000/-;
- (b) The transaction pertains to other than purchases/ subscriptions relating to new inflows such as Switch/STP/ DTP, etc.
- (c) Purchases/Subscriptions made directly with the Fund through any mode (i.e. not through any distributor/agent).
- (d) Subscription made through Exchange Platform irrespective of investment amount.

## V. RIGHTS OF UNITHOLDERS

Please refer to SAI for details.

## VI. 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

1. 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.

NIL

2. 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 shareholders 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.

During last three years, there have been no monetary penalties imposed and/ or action by any financial regulatory body or governmental authority, against Sponsor(s), AMC, Board of Trustees, Trustee Company; for any irregularities or for violations in the financial services sector, or for defaults with respect to shareholders or debenture holders and depositors, or for economic offences, or for violation of securities law. However, in respect of the consent terms filed by Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited (NAM India) –Portfolio Management Services (NAM India-PMS) with SEBI with respect to an inspection report, SEBI has issued a settlement order (Order no. CA/EFD/87/JAN/2016 dated January 14, 2016), in terms of which the underlying proceedings have been disposed off.

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.

There were no 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, 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.

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.

In terms of the SEBI [Mutual Fund] Regulations, 1996 (as amended from time to time), the mutual fund schemes are permitted to invest in securitized debt. Accordingly, investments in certain Pass Through Certificates ("PTC's") of a securitization trust ("the Trust") were made through some of schemes of Nippon India Mutual Fund ("the Fund"). The returns filed by few of these securitisation Trusts whose PTCs were held by the Fund were taken up for scrutiny by the Income Tax Authorities which raised demand initially on the Trusts. However, on failure to recover, the Income Tax Authorities sent the demand notices to the Fund for Assessment Years 2009-10 and 2010-11. The Fund in consultation with its tax & legal advisors has contested the applicability of such demand and proceedings there on are still pending. It may be noted that this is a matter, which is not restricted only to the Fund but is an Industry issue. Accordingly, through the Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI), the matter has also been appropriately escalated to the Ministry of Finance, in order to seek necessary clarifications, reliefs and if required, to carry out necessary amendments to the relevant provisions of the Income Tax Act, 1961. In addition to the above the AMC is party to certain litigations in various courts, commissions etc. which are in ordinary course of business & have no material impact.

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.

There was no 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.

For and behalf of the Board of Directors of  
**Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited**  
[Asset Management Company for Nippon India Mutual Fund ]

Sd/-

(Sundeep Sikka)

Executive Director & Chief Executive Officer

Mumbai  
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