

#### SCHEME INFORMATION DOCUMENT

Groww Banking & Financial Services Fund

(An open ended equity scheme investing in banking and financial services related sectors)

### **Product Label** Scheme Riskometer Benchmark Riskometer -This product is suitable for investors who are seeking\*: • Looking for long-term capital appreciation, with an investment horizon of 5 - 10 years • Seeking investments As per AMFI Tier I Bechmark: Nifty predominantly in equity and Financial Services - Total Return Index equity-related instruments of the companies engaged in the financial services sector • Looking to benefit from growth opportunities and the potential of companies engaged in banking and financial services and other related sectors • Seeking investing opportunities across multiple RISKOMETER Investor understand that their BFSI sub-sectors principal will be at Very High Risk • Having a slightly higher risk appetite • Those who already have a The Benchmark is at Very High Risk well-diversified portfolio, and are looking for some amount of concentration for the potential of out-sized returns

### Continuous offer for Units at NAV based prices

Name of Mutual Fund	Groww Mutual Fund		
	Groww Asset Management Limited (CIN: U65991KA2008PLC180894)		
Name of Asset Managemen	Registered Office: Vaishnavi Tech Park, South Tower, 3rd Floor, Survey		
Company	No.16/1 and 17/2, Ambalipura Village, Varthur Hobli, Bellandur, Bangalore		
	South, Bangalore- 560103, Karnataka, India		
	Groww Trustee Limited (CIN: U65991KA2008PLC183561)		
Name of Taxable Commence	Registered Office: Vaishnavi Tech Park, South Tower, 3rd Floor, Survey		
Name of Trustee Company	No.16/1 and 17/2, Ambalipura Village, Varthur Hobli, Bellandur, Bangalore		
	South, Bangalore- 560103, Karnataka, India		
Corporate Office	505 – 5th Floor, Tower 2B, One World Centre, Near Prabhadevi Railway		
Corporate Office	Station, Lower Parel, Mumbai – 400013, Maharashtra, Tele-+91 22 69744435		
Website	www.growwmf.in		

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



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 Groww Mutual Fund, Tax and Legal issues and general information on <a href="https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/sai">https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/sai</a>

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

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

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# SECTION I PART I. HIGHLIGHTS/SUMMARY OF THE SCHEME

Sr. No.	Title	Description	
I.	Name of the scheme	Groww Banking & Financial Services Fund	
II.	Category of the Scheme	Sectoral/Thematic Fund	
III.	Scheme type	An open ended equity scheme investing in banking and financial services related sectors	
IV.	Scheme code	GROW/O/E/SEC/23/11/0012	
V.	Investment objective	The primary investment objective of the scheme is to generate consistent long-term returns by investing in equity and equity-related instruments of banking and financial services companies and other related sectors/companies. The fund aims to capitalize on the growth opportunities and growth potential of various sub-sectors within the BFSI sector, including (but not limited to) banks, NBFCs, insurance companies, asset management companies, capital market participants, fintech players etc. (This include companies benefiting from or contributing to the growth of the banking and financial services sector). However, there is no assurance or guarantee that the investment objective of the Scheme will be achieved. The Scheme does not assure or guarantee any returns.	
VI.	Liquidity	Open-ended. Purchases and redemptions at prices related to Applicable NAV, on each Business Day, commencing not later than 5 Business days from the date of allotment. In line with the paragraph 14.1 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024 on Timelines for transfer of dividend and redemption proceeds for unitholders, the AMC shall dispatch the redemption proceeds to the unitholders within 3 working days of receipt of the valid redemption request at the Official Points of Acceptance/ ISCs of Groww Mutual Fund.	
	Listing details	Since units of the Scheme will be offered for subscription and redemption at NAV based prices on all Business Days on an ongoing basis providing the required liquidity to investors, units of the Scheme are not proposed to be listed on any stock exchange. However, the Trustee reserves the right to list the units of the Scheme on any stock exchange(s) at its sole discretion at a later date.	
VII.	Benchmark	As per AMFI Tier I benchmark Nifty Financial Services Total Return Index.  The performance of the Scheme is measured against Nifty Financial Services (Total)	
		Return Index).  The Trustees reserve the right to change the benchmark in future if a benchmark better suited to the investment objective of the Scheme is available.	



VIII.	NAV disclosure	The AMC will calculate the NAVs for all the Business Days. The Asset Management Company ("AMC") shall update the NAVs on the website of Association of Mutual Funds in India ("AMFI") (www.amfiindia.com) by 11.00 p.m. every Business Day. The NAV shall also be available on AMC website ( <a href="https://www.growwmf.in/nav">https://www.growwmf.in/nav</a> ). Further Details in Section II.
IX.	Applicable timelines	Dispatch of redemption proceeds,  • The redemption or repurchase proceeds shall be dispatched to the unitholders within 03 working days from the date of redemption or repurchase.  • Dispatch of IDCW  The IDCW warrants shall be dispatched to the unitholders within 07 working days from the record date.  In case of Unit holders having a bank account with certain banks with which the Mutual Fund would have an arrangement from time to time, the IDCW proceeds shall be electronically credited to their account.  In case of specific request for IDCW by warrants/cheques/demand drafts or unavailability of sufficient details with the Fund, the IDCW will be paid by warrant/cheques/demand drafts and payments will be made in favor of the unitholder (registered holder of the Unit or, if there are more than one registered holder, only to the first registered holder) with bank account number furnished to the Fund.  • Please note that it is mandatory for the unitholders to provide the bank account details as per SEBI guidelines.



X.	Plans and Options Plans/Options and sub options under the Scheme	There will be two plans under the Scheme namely, Regular Plan and Direct Plan.  Regular Plan: This Plan is for investors who wish to route their investment through any distributor.  Direct Plan: This Plan is only for investors who purchase /subscribe Units in a Scheme directly with the Mutual Fund and is not available for investors who route their investments through a Distributor.  The portfolio of both plans will be unsegregated.  Investors subscribing under Direct Plan of the Scheme will have to indicate "Direct Plan" against the Scheme name in the application form "Groww Nifty Total Market Index Fund — Direct Plan". Investors should also indicate "Direct" in the ARN column of the application form. If the application is received incomplete with respect to not selecting Regular/Direct Plan, the application will be processed as under:			
		Scenario  1.	Broker Code mentioned by the investor Not mentioned	Plan mentioned by the investor  Not	Default Plan to be captured Direct Plan
				mentioned	D' D'
		2.	Not mentioned	Direct	Direct Plan
		3.	Not mentioned	Regular Plan	Direct Plan
		4.	Mentioned	Direct	Direct Plan
		5.	Direct	Not mentioned	Direct Plan
		6.	Direct	Regular Plan	Direct Plan
		7.	Mentioned	Regular Plan	Regular Plan
		8.	Mentioned	Not mentioned	Regular Plan
			sclosure on default plans		
XI.	Load Structure	Exit load: For redemption / switch-out of units on or before 30 days from the date of allotment: 1.00% of applicable NA For redemption / switch-out of units after 30 days from the date of allotment: Nil			•
XII. Minimum Application Amount/switch in  Minimum Application Con continuous basis: Rs. 500/- and in multiples of Re. 1 for purchases and of Re 0 Minimum amount for Daily SIP facility shall be Rs 100/- and thereof		een launched urchases and of Re 0.0	1 for switches		
		Minimum Balance Requirements There is no requirement of minimum balance.			



XIII.	Minimum Additional Purchase Amount	Rs. 500/- and in multiples of Re.1/- for purchases and of Re 0.01 for switches	
XIV.	Minimum Redemption/switch out amount	The minimum redemption amount for all plans will be Rs.500/- and in multiples of Re.1/-	
XV.	New Fund Offer Period	The Scheme has already been launched. The date of inception is February 06, 2024	
XVI.	New Fund Offer Price:	The Scheme has already been launched	
XVII.	Segregated portfolio/side pocketing disclosure	The provisions wrt segregated portfolio has been inserted. For Details Please refer SAI	
XVII I	Swing pricing disclosure	Not applicable since it is an Equity oriented Scheme	
XIX.	Stock lending/short selling	The AMC will follow regulatory restrictions as may be prescribed in carrying on the activities of Stock lending. Such lent stock, while they are on-lending, will not be available for sale, and this can result in temporary illiquidity.  The Fund Manager may engage in Stock Lending as per following limits:  Not more than 20% of the net assets of the Scheme can generally be deployed in Stock Lending.  Not more than 5% of the net assets of the Scheme can generally be deployed in Stock Lending to any single counter party.	
XX.	How to Apply & Other Details	Investors may obtain Key Information Memorandum (KIM) along with the application forms from the AMC offices or Customer Service Centers of the Registrar or may be downloaded <a href="https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/kim">https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/kim</a> (AMC's website). Please refer to the SAI and Application Form for the instructions.  Where can applications for subscription/redemption/ switches be submitted:  Applications can be made either by way of a "Regular Application or Transaction"	
		slip" along with a cheque/DD. The Mutual Fund may introduce other newer methods of application which will be notified as and when introduced. Investors should complete the Application Form and deliver it along with a cheque/draft (i.e. in case of "Regular Application") at any of the official points of acceptance of transactions listed below:  First time investments can be made only by way of duly filled in application form.  (1) At the Official points of acceptance of transactions as given on the back cover of this document.	



		(2) For investments through switch transactions, transaction slip with application forms can be submitted at the AMC branches and KFIN Investor Service Centres & branches given on the last page. Redemption/Switch requests: Where Units under a Scheme are held under both Direct Plan and Regular Plan, investors should clearly mention the plan from which redemption/switch requests are to be processed. If the investor does not mention the plan then the application may be rejected. An Application Form accompanied by a payment instrument issued from a bank account other than that of the Applicant / Investor will not be accepted except in certain circumstances. For further details, please refer paragraph —Non – acceptance of Third Party Payment Instruments for subscriptions / investments under the section —How to Apply in SAI.
XXII.	Investor services	Investors can enquire about NAVs, Unit Holdings, Valuation, IDCWs, etc. or lodge any service request at the investor support number of AMC 8050180222.
		Investors can also address their queries to the below details:  Investor Support Number – 8050180222  Investor Support Email Id – <a href="mailto:support@growwmf.in">support@growwmf.in</a>
		Incase investor's query is not resolved satisfactorily, then he/she can address the query to the Investor Relations Officer:
		Mr. Krishnam Thota (Investor Relations Officer) Corporate Office - 505 – 5th Floor, Tower 2B, One World Centre, Near Prabhadevi Railway Station, Lower Parel, Mumbai – 400013, Maharashtra, Tele- <u>+91 22 69744435</u> Email: <u>iro@growwmf.in</u>
		In order to protect confidentiality of information, the service representatives at the AMC's branches/ KFin Technologies Limited ISCs may require personal information of the investor for verification of his identity. The AMC will at all times endeavor to handle transactions efficiently and to resolve any investor grievances promptly.
		Investor grievances should be addressed to the ISC of the AMC, or at KFin Technologies Limited's ISC directly. All grievances received at the ISC of the AMC will then be forwarded to KFin Technologies Limited, if required, for necessary action. The complaints will closely be followed up with KFin Technologies Limited by the AMC to ensure timely redressal and prompt investor service.
		KFin Technologies Ltd. Selenium, Tower B, Plot number 31 & 32,
		Financial District, Nanakramguda, Serilingampally Mandal, Hyderabad- 500032.
		The investors are further requested to take note that, pursuant to SEBI Circular no. SEBI/HO/OIAE/OIAE_IAD-1/P/CIR/2023/145 dated July 31, 2023, read along with circular dated August 04, 2023, a common Online Dispute Resolution Portal ("ODR Portal") has been introduced to provide investors / unit holders with a mechanism to redress their grievances.



		The ODR Portal allows investors / unitholders with additional mechanism to resolve the grievances through online conciliation and online arbitration. The link to access ODR Portal is <a href="https://smartodr.in/login">https://smartodr.in/login</a>
XXII I	Specific attribute of the scheme (such as lock in, duration in case of target maturity scheme/close ended schemes) (as applicable)	It is an open-ended Fund, hence not applicable
XXIV	.Special product/facility available during the NFO and on ongoing basis	The Special Products / Facilities available under the Scheme, are: i Systematic Investment Plan [SIP] ii Systematic Transfer Plan[STP] iii Systematic Withdrawal Plan[SWP] iiv IDCW Sweep Facility v Transactions by Email vi Transactions through Electronic Mode vii K-TRACK' for transaction in the units of Groww Mutual Fund towards additional purchase, redemption or switch viii Transactions through Stock Exchange Platform for Mutual Funds ix Transactions Through MF Utility ("MFU"): x Registration of Multiple Bank Accounts in respect of an Investor Folio xi MF Central as Official Point of Acceptance of Transactions (OPAT)  Systematic Investment Plan (SIP): Under Daily SIP, the investor can invest a fixed amount into the scheme on a daily basis. The minimum amount under Daily SIP facility shall be Rs 100/- and in multiples of Re 1/- thereof.  SIP Installments and Amount — Daily — Rs. 100 and in multiples of Re.1 thereafter Weekly — Rs. 100 and in multiples of Re.1 thereafter Quarterly - Rs. 500 and in multiples of Re.1 thereafter Monthly — Rs. 500 and in multiples of Re.1 thereafter Minimum No. of SIP installments: Minimum number of installments for each frequency are - Daily — 180 installments Weekly — 24 installments Monthly - 12 installments Monthly - 12 installments Monthly - 12 installments Quarterly — 4 installments



#### Frequency / Date:

Daily - Every business day

Weekly - 1, 8, 15 & 22

Monthly - Any day between 1st and 28th of the month

Quarterly - Any day between 1st and 28th of the quarter

(In case any of these days fall on a non-business day, the transaction will be effected on the next business day of the Scheme).

**Registration period:** There must be at least 30 days between the first SIP cheque and subsequent due date of Auto Debit [NACH clearing];

In case of the auto debit facility, the default options (where auto debit period, frequency and SIP date are not indicated) will be as follows:

- SIP auto debit period: The SIP auto debit will continue till 5 years.
- SIP date: 15th of the month (commencing 30 days after the first SIP instalment date);
- SIP frequency: Monthly

The load structure prevailing at the time of submission of the SIP application [whether fresh or extension] will apply for all the instalments indicated in such application;

All the cheques/ payment instructions [including the first cheque/payment instruction] shall be of equal amounts in case of SIP applications;

Investors may also choose to invest any lump sum amount along with the first SIP instalment by way of a single cheque/payment instruction.

Investors will have the right to discontinue the SIP facility at any time by sending a written request to any of the Official Point(s) of Acceptance. Notice of such discontinuance should be received at least 30 days prior to the due date of the next debit. On receipt of such request, the SIP facility will be terminated. It is clarified that if the Fund fails to get the proceeds for three consecutive Instalments out of a continuous series of Instalments submitted at the time of initiating a SIP), the AMC reserves the right to discontinue the SIP.

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

This facility enables unitholders to transfer a fixed specified amount from one open-ended scheme of the Fund (source scheme) to another open-ended scheme of the Fund (target scheme), in existence at the time of availing the facility of STP, at applicable NAV, subject to the minimum investment criteria of the target scheme. Investors can opt for the Systematic Transfer Plan by investing a lump sum amount in one scheme of the fund and providing a standing instruction to transfer sums at regular intervals. Investors could also opt for STP from an existing account by quoting their account / folio number. However, units marked under lien or pledged in the source scheme shall not be eligible for STP.

The conditions for investing in STP will be as follows:

STP Frequency: Daily, Weekly, Monthly and Quarterly;

Minimum STP instalment amount: Rs. 500/- per instalment and in multiples of Re.1/-thereafter for Daily/ Weekly/ Monthly/ Quarterly;

Minimum No. of STP instalments

Daily - 180 instalments

Weekly - 24 instalments

Monthly - 12 instalments



Quarterly - 4 instalments

#### **STP Dates:**

Weekly option - On every Friday of the week

Monthly/ Quarterly option -2nd, 8th, 15th or 23rd of the month/ of any month in the quarter

Registration period: A minimum period of 8 business days shall be required for registration under STP.

The default options (where the period, frequency and STP date are not indicated) will be as follows:

• STP period: 12 instalments.

• STP date: 15th of every month; and

• STP frequency: Monthly

Unitholder may change the amount (but not below the minimum specified amount) / frequency by giving written notice to any of the Official Point(s) of Acceptance at least 8 business days prior to next STP execution date. Units will be allotted/ redeemed at the applicable NAV of the respective dates of the Scheme on which such investments/withdrawals are sought from the Scheme.

The STP may be terminated on a written notice of 8 business days by a unitholder of the Scheme. The STP will be automatically terminated if all units are liquidated or withdrawn from the source scheme or pledged or upon receipt of intimation of death of the unitholder.

### Systematic Withdrawal Plan (SWP)

This facility enables unitholders to withdraw a fixed sum (subject to tax deduction at source, if applicable) by redemption of units in the unitholder's account at regular intervals through a one-time request.

The conditions for investing in SWP will be as follows:

SWP Frequency : Monthly; Quarterly

Minimum SWP instalment amount: Monthly: Rs. 500/- and in multiples of Re.1/-thereafter;

Minimum No. of SWP instalments: monthly - 12 instalments [including the first SWP];Rs.1,500/- 4 for quarterly frequency

SWP Dates: 2nd, 8th, 15th or 23rd of every month as the STP date (in case any of these days fall on a non-business day, the transaction will be effected on the next business day of the Scheme).

Registration period: A minimum period of 8 calendar days shall be required for registration under SWP.

The default options (where the period, frequency and SWP date are not indicated) will be as follows:

• SWP period: The SWP will continue till 5 years.

SWP frequency: Monthly

• SWP date: 8th of every month.

Unit holder may change the amount (but not below the minimum specified amount) / frequency by giving written notice to any of the Official Point(s) of Acceptance at least 8 calendar days prior to next SWP execution date.

The SWP may be terminated on a written notice of 8 calendar days by a unitholder of the Scheme. SWP will be automatically terminated if all units are liquidated or



withdrawn from the Scheme or pledged or upon receipt of intimation of death of the unitholder.

## **IDCW Sweep Facility**

IDCW Sweep facility shall be in addition to the existing IDCW Payout and IDCW Reinvestment Option. Default IDCW Option shall be IDCW Payout.

Under IDCW Sweep Facility, Unit holders can opt for switching the IDCW earned under any Schemes (Source Scheme) of Groww Mutual Fund into any other Schemes (Target Scheme) of Groww Mutual Fund. The IDCW (net of applicable DDT, if any) shall be swept subject to minimum investment eligibility requirements of the Target Scheme at applicable NAV based prices.

The minimum amount for sweep out to be Rs. 500/-. In case the sweep amount is less than Rs. 500/-, the IDCW amount shall be reinvested in the Source scheme. This facility shall be processed on the record date of the IDCW declared under the Source Scheme. Further, this facility shall not allow for switch of partial IDCW or switch of IDCW to multiple schemes. In case the investor fails to specify his preference of Option for the Target scheme into which the IDCW has to be swept, Sweep-in amount shall be invested in default plan / option as mentioned in Scheme Information Document (SID) of Target scheme.

The Load Structure prevailing at the time of submission of the STP/SWP application will apply for all the installments indicated in such application.

The AMC reserves the right to introduce STP/SWP/ IDCW Sweep Facility at any other frequencies or on any other dates as the AMC may feel appropriate from time to time.

## Transactions by Email:

In order to facilitate quick processing of transaction and / or instruction of investment of investor the Mutual Fund / AMC / Trustee may (at its sole discretion and without being obliged in any manner to do so and without being responsible and /or liable in any manner whatsoever), accept and process any application, supporting documents and /or instructions submitted by an investor/Unit holder by email at <a href="mailto:groww.in">groww.in</a> and the investor/Unit holder voluntarily and with full knowledge takes and assumes any and all risk associated therewith. The Mutual Fund / AMC/ Trustee shall have no obligation to check or verify the authenticity or accuracy of email purporting to have been sent by the investor and may act thereon as if the same has been duly given by the investor.

In all cases the investor will have to immediately submit the original documents / instruction to AMC/ Mutual Fund/ Official Points of Acceptance unless indemnified by the investor.

#### Transactions through Electronic Mode:

The Mutual Fund may (at its sole discretion and without being obliged in any manner to do so and without being responsible and /or liable in any manner whatsoever), allow transactions in Units by electronic mode (web/ electronic transactions) including transactions through the various web sites with which the AMC would have an arrangement from time to time. Subject to the investor fulfilling certain terms and conditions as stipulated by AMC from time to time, the AMC, Mutual Fund, Registrar



or any other agent or representative of the AMC, Mutual Fund, the Registrar may accept transactions through any electronic mode including web transactions and as permitted by SEBI or other regulatory authorities from time to time.

# Introduction of additional facility 'K-TRACK' for transaction in the units of Groww Mutual Fund towards additional purchase, redemption or switch:

Investor may take note of additional facility for transaction in Groww Mutual Fund through K-TRACK; mobile application provided by KFin Technologies Limited Investors may execute additional purchase, redemption or switch transaction through K-TRACK mobile application.

The AMC reserves the right to alter/discontinue all/any of the abovementioned special facility (ies) at any point of time. Further, the AMC reserves the right to introduce more special facility (ies) at a later date subject to prevailing SEBI Guidelines and Regulations.

### Transactions through Stock Exchange Platform for Mutual Funds

- Mutual Fund Distributor registered with Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI) and who has been permitted by the concerned recognised stock exchange will be eligible to use NMF-II platform of National Stock Exchange of India Ltd. ('NSE') and/or of BSE Star MF platform of Bombay Stock Exchange ('BSE') to purchase and redeem units of schemes of the Fund directly from Groww Mutual Fund in physical (non-demat) mode and/or demat (electronic) mode.
- MF distributors shall not handle pay out/pay in of funds as well as units on behalf of investor. Pay in will be directly received by recognized clearing corporation and payout will be directly made to investor's account. In the same manner, units shall be credited and debited directly from the demat account of investors.
- Non-demat transactions are also permitted through stock exchange platform.
- The facility of transacting in mutual fund schemes through stock exchange infrastructure is available subject to such operating guidelines, terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the respective Stock Exchanges from time to time.

#### **Transactions Through MF Utility ("MFU"):**

The AMC 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 formed by the Asset Management Companies of SEBI registered Mutual Funds under the aegis of Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI). MFU acts as a transaction aggregation portal for enabling transaction in multiple Schemes of various Mutual Funds with a single form and a single payment instrument. Both financial and non-financial transactions pertaining to Scheme(s) of Groww Mutual Fund ('the Fund') can be done through MFU at the authorized Points of Service ("POS") of MFUI. The details of POS with effect from the respective dates published on MFU website at www.mfuindia.com will be considered as Official Point of Acceptance (OPA) for transactions in the Scheme(s) of the Fund.

Additionally, such transactions can also be carried out electronically on the online transaction portal of MFU at www.mfuonline.com as and when such a facility is made available by MFUI and that the same will be considered OPA for transactions in the Scheme(s) of the Fund.



#### The key features of MFU are:

- 1. Investors will be required to obtain Common Account Number ("CAN") for transacting through MFU.
- 2. Investors can create a CAN by submitting the CAN Registration Form (CRF) and necessary documents at the Point of Service (POS) of MFUI. The AMC and/or CAMS, Registrar and Transfer Agent (RTA) of the Fund shall provide necessary details to MFUI as may be needed for providing the required services to investors / distributors through MFU.
- 3. Investors will be allotted a CAN, a single reference number for all investments across Mutual Funds, for transacting in multiple Schemes of various Mutual Funds through MFU and to map existing folios, if any.
- 4. Currently, the transactions facilitated through MFU for the investors are:
- (i) CAN registration;
- (ii) Submission of documents to KRAs for KYC Registration;
- (iii) Financial transactions like Purchases, Redemptions and Switches, Registration of Systematic Transactions like Systematic Investments (SIP) using a single Mandate, Systematic Withdrawals (SWP) and Systematic Transfers (STP);
- (iv) Non-financial transactions (NFT) like Bank Account changes, facilitating change of address through KRAs etc. based on duly signed written requests from the Investors.5. The CRF and other relevant forms for transacting thorugh MFU can be downloaded from MFUI website at www.mfuindia.com or can be obtained from MFUI POS.
- 6. Investors transacting through MFU shall be deemed to have consented to exchange of information viz. personal and / or financial (including the changes, if any) between the Fund / AMC and MFUI and / or its authorized service providers for validation and processing of transactions carried out through MFU.
- 7. For details on carrying out the transactions through MFU or any queries or clarifications related to MFU, investors are requested to contact the Customer Care of MFUI on 1800-266-1415 (during the business hours on all days except Sunday and Public Holidays) or send an email to clientservices@mfuindia.com. Investors of the Fund can also get in touch with Investor Service Centres (ISCs) of the AMC to know more about MFU.
- 8. For any escalations and post-transaction queries pertaining to Scheme(s) of the Fund, the Investors are requested to get in touch with the ISCs of the AMC.

The transactions carried out through MFU shall be subject to the terms & conditions as may be stipulated by MFUI/Fund/the AMC from time to time. The terms & conditions of offering of the Scheme(s) of the Fund as specified in the Scheme Information Document (SID), Key Information Memorandum ('KIM') and Statement of Additional Information ('SAI') shall be applicable to transactions through MFU.

#### Registration of Multiple Bank Accounts in respect of an Investor Folio:

An Investor can register with the Fund upto 5 bank accounts in case of individuals and HUFs and upto 10 in other cases.

Registering of Multiple Bank Accounts will enable the Fund to systematically validate the pay-in of funds and avoid acceptance of third party payments. For the purpose of registration of bank account(s), Investor should submit Bank Mandate Registration Form (available at the CSCs/ AMC Website) together with any of the following documents: Cancelled original cheque leaf in respect of bank account to be registered where the account number and names of the account holders are printed on the face of



the cheque; or

Bank statement or copy of Bank Pass Book page with the Investor's Bank Account number, name and address.

The above documents will also be required for change in bank account mandate submitted by the Investor. The AMC will register the Bank Account only after verifying that the sole/ first joint holder is the holder/ one of the joint holders of the bank account. In case if a copy of the above documents is submitted, Investor shall submit the original to the AMC/ Service Centre for verification and the same shall be returned.

In case of Multiple Registered Bank Account, Investor may choose one of the registered bank accounts for the credit of redemption/ IDCW proceeds (being —Pay-out bank account).

Investor may however, specify any other registered bank accounts for credit of redemption proceeds at the time of requesting for the redemption. Investor may change such Pay-out Bank account, as necessary, through written instructions.

However, if request for redemption is received together with a change of bank account (unregistered new bank account) or before verification and validation of new bank account, the redemption request would be processed to the currently registered default old bank account.

Change of Bank Mandate:

Investors are requested to note the following process shall be adopted for Change of Bank Mandate in the folio:

- a) Investors shall submit duly filled in "Non-Financial Transaction Form & Multiple Bank Accounts Registration Form" along with the prescribed documents at any of the AMC branches / ISCs of Kfin.
- b) Any unregistered bank account or a new bank account forming part of redemption request shall not be processed.
- c) There shall be a cooling period of 10 calendar days for validation and registration of new bank account. Further, in case of receipt of redemption request during this cooling period, the validation of bank mandate and dispatch of redemption proceeds shall be completed within a period of 03 working days from the date of receipt of redemption request.
- d) In the interim, redemptions / IDCW payments, if any, will be processed as per specified service standards and the last registered bank account information will be used for such payments to Unit holders.
- e) In case, the request for change in bank account information being invalid / incomplete / dissatisfactory in respect of signature mismatch/ document insufficiency/ not complying with any requirements as stated above, the request for such change will not be processed.

Change of Address:

For change of address, Investors should fill 'KYC change form' and submit it to any KYC Registration Agency (KRA) along with following documents:

- Proof of new address (POA) and
- Any other document/ form that the KRA may specify form time to time.

The AMC reserves the right to collect proof of old address on a case to case basis while effecting the change of address. The self-attested copies of above stated documents shall be submitted along with original for verification at any of the AMC branches/Investor Service Centres (ISCs) of Kfin. The original document shall be returned to the investors over the counter upon verification. In case the original of any document is not produced



		for verification, then the copies should be properly attested/verified by entities authorized for attesting/verification of the documents. List of admissible documents for POA & POI mentioned in paragraph 16.2.4.4(b) of SEBI Master Circular dated June 27, 2024 shall be considered.  For further details please refer to paragraph on Registration of Multiple Bank Accounts, Change of Bank Mandate and Change of Address in respect of an Investor Folio in the SAI.  The AMC reserves the right to alter/discontinue all/any of the abovementioned special product(s)/ facility(ies) at any point of time. Further, the AMC reserves the right to introduce more special product(s)/ facility (ties) at a later date subject to prevailing SEBI Guidelines and Regulations.  MEControl of Official Point of Accountages of Transactions (OPAT).
		MFCentral as Official Point of Acceptance of Transactions (OPAT):  Pursuant to paragraph 16.6 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024, with respect to complying with the requirements of RTA inter-operable Platform for enhancing investors' experience in Mutual Fund transactions / service requests, the QRTA's, Kfin Technologies Limited and Computer Age Management Services Limited (CAMS) have jointly developed MFCentral, a digital platform for Mutual Fund investors.
		MFCentral is created with an intent to be a one stop portal / mobile app for all Mutual fund investments and service-related needs that significantly reduces the need for submission of physical documents by enabling various digital / physical services to Mutual fund investors across fund houses subject to applicable T&Cs of the Platform. MFCentral will be enabling various features and services in a phased manner. MFCentral may be accessed using https://mfcentral.com/ and a Mobile App in future. With a view to comply with all provisions of the aforesaid circular and to increase digital penetration of Mutual funds, Groww Mutual Fund designates MFCentral as its OPAT effective from September 24, 2021.
		Any registered user of MFCentral, requiring submission of physical document as per the requirements of MFCentral, may do so at any of the designated Investor Service Centres/ Collection Centres of KFin Technologies Limited or CAMS.
XXV.	Weblink	An investor can visit <a href="https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/expense-ratio">https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/expense-ratio</a> weblink for TER of last 6 months and <a href="https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/fact-sheet">https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/fact-sheet</a> weblink for scheme factsheet.



#### DUE DILIGENCE BY THE ASSET MANAGEMENT COMPANY

#### It is confirmed that:

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

Sd/-

Name: Hemal Zaveri

Designation: Compliance Officer

Date: May 22, 2025 Place: Mumbai



#### PART II. INFORMATION ABOUT THE SCHEME

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

Under normal circumstances, the asset allocation will be as follows:

Instruments	Indicative allocations (% of total assets)	
	Minimum	Maximum
Equity and equity related instruments of companies engaged in financial services sector	80%	100%
Other Equity & Equity related instruments	0	20%
Debt & Money market instruments	0	20%
Units of REITs & InvITs	0	10%

The Scheme may also use various derivative and hedging products from time to time in a manner permitted by SEBI to reduce the risk of the portfolio as and when the fund manager is of the view that it is in the best interest of the unit holders. The exposure of the scheme to derivatives will be upto 50% of net assets.

#Debt instruments shall be deemed to include securitised debts (excluding foreign securitised debt) and investment in securitised debts may be up to 20% of the net assets of the scheme. This will also include margin money for derivative transactions.

#Money Market instruments includes commercial papers, commercial bills, treasury bills, Government securities having an unexpired maturity up to one year, call or notice money, certificate of deposit, usance bills, and any other like instruments as specified by the Reserve Bank of India from time to time;

The cumulative gross exposure through equity, debt, derivative positions (including fixed income derivatives), repo transactions in corporate debt securities, Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs), Infrastructure Investment Trusts (InvITs), other permitted securities/assets and such other securities/assets as may be permitted by the Board from time to time shall not exceed 100% of the net assets of the scheme.

The Scheme shall not deploy more than 20% of its net assets in securities lending. In addition to above limit, in case of debt instruments, the Scheme shall not deploy more than 5% of the net assets in securities lending to any intermediary.

The scheme may invest upto 5% of net assets in another scheme of the Groww Mutual Fund or any other Mutual Fund without charging any fees, provided that aggregate inter-scheme investment made by all schemes under the management of Groww Asset Management Limited or in schemes under the management of any other asset management company shall not exceed 5% of the net asset value of Groww Mutual Fund.

The scheme may participate in the corporate bond repo transactions and in accordance with extant SEBI/RBI guidelines and any subsequent amendments thereto specified by SEBI and/or RBI from time to time. The gross exposure of the scheme to repo transactions in corporate debt securities shall not be more than 10% of the net assets of the concerned scheme.

The Scheme may invest upto 20% of its net assets in foreign securities (including instruments of banking and financial services companies) within limits prescribed by SEBI



Investment in debt instruments having structured obligations / credit enhancements:

The investment of the Scheme in the following instruments shall not exceed 10% of the debt portfolio of the Scheme and the group exposure in such instruments shall not exceed 5% of the debt portfolio of the Scheme:-

- Unsupported rating of debt instruments (i.e. without factoring-in credit enhancements) is below investment grade; and
- Supported rating of debt instruments (i.e. after factoring-in credit enhancement) is above investment grade Subject to rebalancing period of 30 days, the Scheme may hold cash from time to time for the following reasons:
- To meet the redemption requirements
- The scheme may invest in companies coming out with the IPO.

Subject to SEBI (MF) Regulations and in accordance with Securities Lending Scheme, 1997, paragraph 12.11 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Fund dated June 27, 2024, as amended from time to time, the Trustee may permit the Fund to engage in securities lending and borrowing. At present, since only lending is permitted, the fund may temporarily lend securities held with the Custodian to reputed counter-parties or on the exchange, for a fee, subject to prudent limits and controls for enhancing returns. The Scheme will lend securities subject to a maximum of 20%, in aggregate, of the net assets of the Scheme and 5% of the net assets of the Scheme in the case of a single intermediary.

The Scheme does not intend to invest in Debt instruments with special features.

The Scheme shall not participate in Credit Default Swaps.

The Scheme shall invest in Units/Securities issued by overseas Mutual Funds or Unit Trusts registered with overseas regulator as may be permissible and described in paragraph 12.19 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Fund dated June 27, 2024 as may be amended from time to time, within the overall applicable limits.

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

Sl. no	Type of Instrument	Percentage of exposure	Circular references
1.	Securities Lending	20%	Paragraph 12.11 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024.
2.	Equity Derivatives for nonhedging purposes	50%	Paragraph 12.25 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024.
3.	Securitized Debt	20%	Paragraph 12.15 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024
4.	Overseas Securities	20%	Paragraph 12.19 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024.
5.	ReITS and InVITS	10%	Paragraph 12.21 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024.



6.	AT1 and AT2 Bonds	0%	Paragraph 12.2 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024.
7.	Any other instrument	0%	-

#### Rebalancing due to passive breach

Further, as per para 2.9 of SEBI Master Circular dated June 27, 2024, as may be amended from time to time, in the event of deviation from mandated asset allocation due to passive breaches (occurrence of instances not arising out of omission and commission of the AMC), the fund manager shall rebalance the portfolio of the Scheme within 30 Business Days. In case the portfolio of the Scheme is not rebalanced within the period of 30 Business Days, justification in writing, including details of efforts taken to rebalance the portfolio shall be placed before the Investment Committee of the AMC. The Investment Committee, if it so desires, can extend the timeline for rebalancing up to sixty (60) Business Days from the date of completion of mandated rebalancing period. Further, in case the portfolio is not rebalanced within the aforementioned mandated plus extended timelines the AMC shall comply with the prescribed restrictions, the reporting and disclosure requirements as specified in para 2.9. of SEBI Master Circular dated June 27, 2024.

#### Rebalancing of deviation due to short term defensive consideration

Any alteration in the investment pattern will be for a short term on defensive considerations as per SEBI Circular no. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/2021/024 dated March 04, 2021; the intention being at all times to protect the interests of the Unit Holders and the Scheme shall endeavor to rebalance the portfolio within 30 business days. It may be noted that no prior intimation/indication will be given to investors when the composition/asset allocation pattern under the Scheme undergoes changes within the permitted band as indicated above.

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

Subject to the Regulations, the amount collected under each of the scheme can be invested in any (but not exclusively) of the following securities/ instruments, as per the indicative asset allocation given under the heading "How will the Scheme allocate its assets":

- a. Equity and equity related securities including convertible bonds and debentures and warrants carrying the right to obtain equity shares.
- b. Companies coming out with IPO i.e. Investments in securities or related instruments will either in listed or to be listed companies.
- c. Securities created and issued/ guaranteed by the Central and State Governments and/or repos/reverse repos in such Government Securities as may be permitted by RBI (including but not limited to coupon bearing bonds, zero coupon bonds and treasury bills).
- d. Debt obligations of domestic Government agencies and statutory bodies, which may or may not carry a Central/State Government guarantee (including but not limited to Indian Government Bond, State Development Loans issued and serviced at the Public Debt Office, Bonds issued by Central &State Government PSU's which are guaranteed by Central or State Governments).
- e. corporate debt (of both public and private sector undertakings) including Non-convertible debentures (including bonds) and non-convertible part of convertible securities.
- f. Short Term Deposits of banks (both public and private sector) and development financial institutions to the extent permissible under SEBI Regulations
- g. Money market instruments permitted by SEBI/RBI, having maturities of up to one year or in alternative investment for the call money market as may be provided by the RBI to meet the liquidity requirements.



- h. Certificate of Deposits (CDs).
- i. Commercial Paper (CPs), Commercial Usance bills.
- j. Repo of corporate debt securities.
- k. Triparty repo on Government securities or treasury bills, Bills re-discounting, as may be permitted by SEBI from time to time.
- 1. Securitised Debt, excluding foreign securitised debt.
- m. The scheme may invest in units of overseas Mutual Funds schemes / ETFs with similar investment objective or strategy / foreign securities having banking & financial services theme.
- n. Securities Lending and short selling as permitted by SEBI from time to time
- o. Derivative instruments like interest rate swaps, index futures, stock futures, index options, stock option, warrants, convertible securities, or any other derivative instruments that are permissible or may be permissible in future under applicable regulations. To reduce interest rate risk in a debt portfolio, the scheme may hedge the portfolio or part of the portfolio (including one or more securities) on weighted average modified duration basis by using Interest Rate Futures (IRFs) (both perfectly and imperfectly hedged).
- p. Any other domestic fixed income securities as permitted by SEBI / RBI from time to time.
- q. Investment in units of Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT) & Infrastructure Investment Trust (InvIT).
- r. ADRs / GDRs issued by Indian company's, foreign securities subject to necessary regulatory requirements
- s. Foreign Equity and Equity Related Instrument
- t. Interest rate swaps, forward rate agreement, interest rate futures
- u. Units of Mutual Fund Schemes
- v. Government securities having an unexpired maturity upto one year

The securities/debt instruments mentioned above could be listed or unlisted, secured or unsecured, rated and of varying maturities and other terms of issue. The securities may be acquired through primary markets, secondary market operations, private placement or negotiated deals. The Schemes may also enter into repurchase and reverse repurchase obligations in all securities held by it as per guidelines/regulations applicable to such transactions.

#### **Equity and Equity Related Instruments:**

Equity share – Equity Share is a security that represents ownership interest in a company.

Equity Related Instruments – are securities which give the holder of the security right to receive Equity Shares on pre agreed terms. It includes convertible bonds, convertible debentures, equity warrants, convertible/ non-convertible preference shares, etc.

Equity Derivatives – are financial instruments, generally traded on an exchange, the price of which is directly dependent upon (i.e., "derived from") the value of equity shares or equity indices. Derivatives involve the trading of rights or obligations based on the underlying, but do not directly transfer property. The equity derivatives may take the following forms:-

#### **Futures:**

Futures are exchange-traded contracts to sell or buy financial instruments for future delivery at a date and at an agreed price. SEBI has permitted futures contracts on indices and individual stocks with maturity of 1 month, 2 months and 3 months on a rolling basis. The futures contracts are settled on last Thursday (or immediately preceding trading day if Thursday is a trading holiday) of each month. The final settlement price is the closing price of the underlying stock(s)/index.



## **Options:**

Option is a contract which provides the buyer of the option the right, without the obligation, to buy or sell a specified asset at the agreed price on or up to a particular date. Option contracts are of two types viz:

- (a) *Call Option* The option that gives the buyer the right but not the obligation to buy specified quantity of the underlying asset at the strike price is a call option.
  - (b) *Put Option* The option that gives the buyer the right but not the obligation to sell is called put option.

The cumulative gross exposure through equity, debt, derivative positions, REITs, InvITs, other permitted securities/assets and such other securities/assets as may be permitted by the SEBI from time to time, subject to regulatory approvals, if any, shall not exceed 100% of the net assets of the Scheme.

The Scheme may take derivatives position (in equity, currency and fixed income) based on the opportunities available subject to the guidelines issued by SEBI from time to time and in line with the investment objective of the Scheme. These may be taken to hedge the portfolio, re-balance the same or undertake any other strategy as permitted under SEBI (MF) Regulations from time to time. The Scheme may use derivatives for trading, hedging and portfolio balancing. Exposure to derivatives will be limited to 50% of the net asset value of the Scheme at the time of transaction. Exposure is calculated as a percentage of the notional value of the net assets of the Scheme. The Scheme will maintain cash or securities to cover exposure to derivatives.

The Scheme may seek investment opportunities in Foreign Securities (including ADR/ GDR/ foreign equity and equity-related instruments), in accordance with guidelines stipulated in this regard by SEBI and RBI from time to time. Under normal circumstances, exposure to foreign securities subject to regulatory limits shall not be more than 35% of the Scheme's net assets.

In addition to the instruments stated in the table above, the Scheme may enter into repos/reverse repos as may be permitted by RBI. A part of the net assets may be invested in the Tri-Party Repo (TREPs) or repo.

In the event that the asset allocation of the scheme should deviate from the ranges as stated in the asset allocation table above, then the portfolio of the scheme will be rebalanced by the fund manager for the position indicated in the asset allocation table above within a maximum period of 30 working days from the date of said deviation. In case the portfolio of the Scheme is not rebalanced within the period of 30 Business Days, justification in writing, including details of efforts taken to rebalance the portfolio shall be placed before the Investment Review Committee of the AMC. The Investment Review Committee, if it so desires, can extend the timeline for rebalancing up to sixty (60) Business Days from the date of completion of the mandated rebalancing period. Further, in case the portfolio is not rebalanced within the aforementioned mandated plus extended timelines the AMC shall comply with the prescribed restrictions, the reporting and disclosure requirements as specified in SEBI circular dated March 30, 2022.

Subject paragraph 12.11 of SEBI Master circular for Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024, as may be amended from time to time, the Scheme seeks to engage in Securities Lending. The AMC shall adhere to the following limits should it engage in Stock Lending.

- 1. Not more than 20% of the net assets of the Scheme can generally be deployed in Securities lending.
- 2. Not more than 5% of the net assets of the Scheme can generally be deployed in Securities Lending to any single approved intermediary.
- 3. The Mutual Fund may not be able to sell such lent-out securities and this can lead to temporary illiquidity.

The Scheme may invest in other schemes managed by the AMC or in the schemes of any other mutual funds, provided it is in conformity with the investment objectives of the Scheme and in terms of the prevailing SEBI (MF)



Regulations. As per the SEBI (MF) Regulations, no investment management fees will be charged for such investments and the aggregate inter-scheme investment made by all the schemes of Groww Mutual Fund or in the schemes of other mutual funds shall not exceed 5% of the net asset value of the Groww Mutual Fund.

Pending deployment as per investment objective, the money under the Scheme may be parked in short-term deposits of Scheduled Commercial Banks. The Scheme shall abide by the guidelines for parking funds in short-term deposits as per as per paragraph 12.16 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024, as may be amended from time to time.

**Debt & Money Market Instruments:** The Scheme will invest in debt and money market instruments. It retains the flexibility to invest across all the securities in the debt and money markets.

Debt securities and Money Market Instruments will include but will not be limited to:

- A. Securities created and issued by the Central and State Governments as may be permitted by RBI (including but not limited to coupon bearing bonds, zero coupon bonds and treasury bills).
- B. Securities guaranteed by the Central and State Governments (including but not limited to coupon bearing bonds, zero coupon bonds and treasury bills).
- C. Debt securities of domestic Government agencies and statutory bodies, which may or may not carry a Central/State Government guarantee.
- D. Corporate debt (of both public and private sector undertakings). Money market instruments permitted by SEBI/RBI or in alternative investment for the call money market as may be provided by the RBI to meet the liquidity requirements.
- E. Certificate of Deposits (CDs).
- F. Bills Rediscounting (BRD) BRD is the rediscounting of trade bills which have already been purchased by / discounted with the bank by the customers. These trade bills arise out of supply of goods / services.
- G. Commercial Paper (CPs). A part of the net assets may be invested in the Triparty Repo Dealing System (TREPS) or in an alternative investment as may be provided by RBI to meet the liquidity requirements.
- H. Repos/reverse repos in Government Securities as may be permitted by RBI (including but not limited to coupon bearing bonds, zero coupon bonds and treasury bills). Repo (Repurchase Agreement) or Reverse Repo is a transaction in which two parties agree to sell and purchase the same security with an agreement to purchase or sell the same security at a mutually decided future date and price.
- I. Securitized Debt, Structured Obligations, Credit enhanced Debt.
- J. Corporate debt and securities (of both public and private sector undertakings) including Bonds, Debentures, Notes, Strips etc. These are instruments issued by corporate entities for their business requirements. They are generally rated by credit rating agencies, higher the rating lower the risk of default.
- K. The non-convertible part of convertible securities.
- $L.\ Any\ other\ domestic\ fixed\ income\ securities\ as\ permitted\ by\ SEBI\ /\ RBI\ from\ time\ to\ time\ subject\ to\ necessary\ approvals\ from\ SEBI,\ if\ any.$
- M. Money market instruments permitted by SEBI/RBI, in Tri Party repo market or in alternative investment for the Tri Party repo market as may be provided by the RBI to meet the short-term liquidity requirements.
- N. Any other instruments/securities, which in the opinion of the fund manager would suit the investment objective of the scheme subject to compliance with extant Regulations.

The non-convertible part of convertible securities (listed only) – Convertible securities are securities which can be converted from Debt to Equity shares. The non convertible part cannot be converted into Equity shares and work like a normal debt instrument.



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

Investment in Short Term Deposits – Pending deployment of funds as per the investment objective of the Scheme, the Funds may be parked in short term deposits of the Scheduled Commercial Banks, subject to guidelines and limits specified by SEBI.

Money market instruments permitted by SEBI/RBI, in Tri Party repo market or in alternative investment for the Tri Party repo market as may be provided by the RBI to meet the short-term liquidity requirements. Securities in which investment is made for the purpose of ensuring liquidity (debt and money market instruments) are those that fall within the definition of liquid assets.

## <u>Debt Derivative instruments like Interest Rate Swaps, Forward Rate Agreements and such other derivative instruments permitted by SEBI/RBI.</u>

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

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

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

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

Characteristics of Interest Rate Futures

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

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. REITs are companies that own and lease out commercial or residential real estate. The rental incomes from the properties are shared among REIT investors, who are allotted units. These units are tradeable on exchanges.



"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. InvITs are similar to REITs, except these own infrastructure assets not real estate.

Any other like instruments as may be permitted by RBI/SEBI/ such other Regulatory Authority from time to time.

Transfer of investments from one scheme to another scheme in the same Mutual Fund, shall be allowed, in lines with paragraph 12.30 of SEBI Master circular for Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024.

**Investment in Foreign Securities:** The Scheme may also invest in suitable investment avenues in overseas financial markets for the purpose of diversification, yield enhancement and to benefit from potential foreign currency appreciation, commensurate with the Scheme objectives and subject to the provisions of Para 12.19.2 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024 as may be amended from time to time and any other requirements as may be stipulated by SEBI/RBI from time to time. Towards this end, the Mutual Fund may also appoint overseas investment advisors and other service providers, as and when permissible under the regulations: The Scheme may, in terms of its investment objectives with the approval of SEBI/RBI invest in following Foreign Securities:

- i. ADRs/ GDRs issued by Indian or foreign companies;
- ii. Equity of overseas companies listed on recognized stock exchanges overseas;
- iii. Initial and follow on public offerings for listing at recognized stock exchanges overseas;
- iv. Foreign debt securities in the countries with fully convertible currencies, short term as well as long term debt instruments with rating not below investment grade by accredited/registered credit rating agencies;
- v. Money market instruments rated not below investment grade;
- vi. Repos in the form of investment, where the counterparty is rated not below investment grade; repos should not however, involve any borrowing of funds by mutual funds; vii. Government securities where the countries are rated not below investment grade; viii. Derivatives traded on recognized stock exchanges overseas only for hedging and portfolio balancing with underlying as securities;
- ix. Short term deposits with banks overseas where the issuer is rated not below investment grade and
- x. Units/securities issued by overseas mutual funds or unit trusts registered with overseas regulators and investing in (a) aforesaid securities.
- (b) Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) listed in recognized stock exchanges overseas or
- (c) permitted unlisted overseas securities (not exceeding 10% of their net assets).
- 1. As per Para 12.19 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024:
- 1.1. Mutual Funds can make overseas investments subject to a maximum of US \$ 1 billion per Mutual Fund, within the overall industry limit of US \$ 7 billion.
- 1.2. Mutual Funds can make investments in overseas Exchange Traded Fund (ETF(s)) subject to a maximum of US \$ 300 million per Mutual Fund, within the overall industry limit of US \$ 1 billion.
- 2. The allocation methodology of the aforementioned limits shall be as follows:
- 2.1. In case of overseas investments specified at Para 1.1 above, US \$ 50 million would be reserved for each Mutual Fund individually, within the overall industry limit of US \$ 7 billion. Subject to the limit specified in 1.1 and 1.2, the Scheme may invest an amount of US \$ 50 million in foreign securities and US \$ 20 million in overseas ETFs each as permitted by RBI/SEBI from time to time within a period of 6 months from the NFO closure date. Further investments shall follow the norms for ongoing schemes as specified from time to time, which currently are, 20% of the average AUM in Overseas securities / Overseas ETFs of the previous three calendar months would be available to the Mutual Fund for that month to invest in Overseas securities / Overseas ETFs subject to maximum limits specified at Para 1 above.

Provided that the limit for investment in overseas securities including ETFs shall be as permitted by RBI/SEBI from time to time. The overseas limits mentioned in Para 12.19 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated



June 27, 2024 are soft limits. Subject to the approval of RBI / SEBI and conditions as may be prescribed by them, the Mutual Fund may open one or more foreign currency accounts abroad either directly, or through the custodian/sub custodian, to facilitate investments and to enter into/deal in forward currency contracts, currency futures, interest rate futures / swaps, currency options for the purpose of hedging the risks of assets of a portfolio or for its efficient management. Any other like instruments as may be permitted by RBI/SEBI/ such other Regulatory Authority from time to time.

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

There will be no style or market cap bias in the investment strategy. The Scheme shall aim to adapt and invest according to market conditions and sub-sectors within BFSI. The investment horizon of the investments will be 5+ years. The Scheme shall invest in large as well as emerging financial services businesses which cater to the underpenetrated section of the economy. A combination of top down and bottom up approach wherein top down approach will be used in choosing sub segments and bottom up approach to find good businesses.

The Scheme shall invest predominantly in equity and equity related securities of companies engaged in banking and financial services sectors. The classification of Financial Services Companies would be guided by the AMFI Sector classification or other financial services to be identified by the fund manager. To achieve diversification, the Scheme may also invest up to 20% of the assets in companies other than banking and financial services companies. A portion of the scheme will also be invested in IPOs, emerging sectors and other primary market offerings that meet our investment criteria.

The scheme may also invest in listed/unlisted debt or money market securities, provided the investments are within the limits as specified under the SEBI Regulations and in line with the indicated asset allocation pattern. The Scheme shall comply with applicable SEBI regulations and circulars issued hereunder while following the investment strategy.

Where the proposed investment is not within the parameters as mentioned above but within the limits prescribed under SEBI mutual fund regulations, approval of the Boards of both the AMC and the Trustee is taken before making the investment.

Further, investment strategy of the fund may subject to change in case of there is change of the fundamental attributes of the scheme or there is change in SEBI Regulations or circulars issued there under.

Further, in case of change in fundamental attributes of the scheme then all unitholders shall be given a time period of at least 30 days to exercise the option to exit at prevailing NAV without charging of exit load, if any ie change in fundamental attribute shall be effected in accordance with the provisions of SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 pertaining to change in fundamental attributes of the Scheme, as detailed in this SID.

The scheme may invest in another scheme of the Groww Mutual Fund or any other Mutual Fund without charging any fees, provided that aggregate inter scheme investment made by all schemes under the management of Groww Asset Management Limited or in schemes under the management of any other asset management company shall not exceed 5% of the net asset value of Groww Mutual Fund. The fund may invest in Banks, Non-Banking Financial Services Companies, Insurance companies, Asset Management companies, Rating agencies, Broking companies, Microfinance companies, Housing Finance Companies, Wealth Management Companies etc. The list is only indicative and not exhaustive, and the fund may invest in other financial services companies as well. The fund will combine top down and bottom up approach to construct the portfolio.



## **Derivatives Strategy:**

## **Equity Derivatives Strategy:**

The Scheme may invest in various derivative instruments which are permissible under the applicable regulations. Derivatives will be used for the purpose of hedging, and portfolio balancing or such other purpose as may be permitted under the regulations and Guidelines from time to time. Such investments shall be subject to the investment objective and strategy of the Scheme and the internal limits if any, as laid down from time to time. These include but are not limited to futures (both stock and index) and options (stock and index). Derivatives are financial contracts of predetermined fixed duration, whose values are derived from the value of an underlying primary financial instrument such as interest rates, exchange rates, commodities and equities.

The following section describes the concepts and examples of derivatives that may be used by the fund manager. The strategies and illustrations provided below are only for the purpose of understanding the concept and uses of derivative instruments.

#### **Index Futures**

Index Futures maybe used by the Fund to hedge against market downturns (shorting the index) or benefit from a bullish outlook on the market (going long on the index).

**Example on how it could be used:** Assume Nifty near month future contract is trading at Rs. 6,500, and the fund manager has a view that nifty will depreciate going forward; the Scheme can initiate a sale transaction of Nifty futures at the above said rate without holding a underlying long equity position. Once the price falls and let's assume after 15 days the Nifty falls to 6400, the Scheme can initiate a square-up transaction by buying the said futures and book a profit of Rs. 100.

In a similar way, if the fund manager has a view that nifty will appreciate going forward, the Scheme can initiate a long transaction without an underlying cash/ cash equivalent subject to the extant regulations.

## **Index Options**

Index options offers the Fund the opportunity to either capitalize on an expected market move or to protect holdings in the underlying instruments. The underlying in the case of Index options are indices.

#### **Buy Call**

The fund, to benefit from anticipated uptrend in broad markets, from time to time can buy call options. A long call option will give the Fund the option but not the obligation to buy the Index at the strike price. Stop loss is not defined and will be monitored by the investment team.

## Example on how it could be used

Suppose an investor buys a Call option on 1 lot of Nifty 50- Nifty (Lot Size: 75 units)

Nifty index (European option).

Nifty 1 Lot Size: 75 units Spot Price (S): 7500

Strike Price (x): 7550 (Out-of-Money Call Option)

Premium: 80

Total Amount paid by the investor as premium [75\*80] =6000

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



## Scenario 1- The Nifty index goes up

An investor sells the Nifty Option described above before expiry:

Suppose the Nifty index moves up to 7600 in the spot market and the premium has moved to Rs 150 and there are 15 days more left for the expiry. The investor decides to reverse his position in the market by selling his 1 Nifty call option as the option now is In the Money.

His gains are as follows:

Nifty Spot: 7600

Current Premium: Rs.150 Premium paid: Rs.80

Net Gain: Rs.150- Rs.80 = Rs.70 per unit Total gain on 1 lot of Nifty = Rs.5250 (75\*70)

## Scenario 2 - The Nifty index moves to any level below 7500

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

Net Loss is Rs.6000 (Loss is capped to the extent of Premium Paid)

(Rs 80 Premium paid\*Lot Size: 75 units)

**Simple Scenario for holding on to expiry**: The fund buys a call option at the strike price of say Rs.7500 and pays a premium of say Rs. 80, the fund would earn profits if the market price of the stock at the time of expiry of the option is more than 7580 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 7500, the fund will not exercise the option while it loses the premium of Rs 80.

## **Buy Put**

The Fund may buy index put options to hedge existing portfolios. The put option will give the Fund the flexibility to sell the portfolio at the strike price if the index falls below the strike price. The Fund will have to pay a premium to the option writer to buy this put option. There is no defined stop loss as the same will be monitored by the investment team.

## Example on how it could be used:

Suppose an investor buys a Put option on 1 lot of Nifty 50- Nifty (Lot Size: 75 units)

Nifty index (European option). Nifty 1 Lot Size: 75 units Spot Price (S): 7500

Strike Price (x): 7450 (in-The Money Put Option)

Premium: 80

Total Amount paid by the investor as premium [75\*80] = 6000

There are two possibilities i.e. either the index moves down from the strike price or goes above the strike price.

## Scenario 1- The Nifty index goes down

An investor sells the Nifty Option described above before expiry:

Suppose the Nifty index moves down to 7400 in the spot market and the premium has moved to Rs 150 and there are 15 days more left for the expiry. The investor decides to reverse his position in the market by selling his 1 Nifty put option as the option now is In the Money.

His gains are as follows:

Nifty Spot: 7600

Current Premium: Rs.150



Premium paid: Rs.80

Net Gain: Rs.150- Rs.80 = Rs.70 per unit Total gain on 1 lot of Nifty = Rs.5250 (75\*70)

Scenario 2 - The Nifty index moves to any level above 7500

Then the investor does not gain anything but on the other hand his loss is limited to the premium paid: Net Loss is Rs.6000 (Loss is capped to the extent of Premium Paid) (Rs 80 Premium paid\*Lot Size: 75 units)

**Simple Scenario for holding on to expiry**: The fund buys a Put Option at Rs 7500 by paying a premium of say Rs 80. If the stock price goes down to Rs. 7400, the fund would protect its downside and would only have to bear the premium of Rs 80 instead of a loss of Rs 100 whereas if the stock price moves up to say Rs. 7600 the fund may let the Option expire and forego the premium thereby capturing Rs. 100 upside after bearing the premium of Rs. 80.

#### **Stock Futures**

#### **Buy Stock Futures**

The Fund can buy stock futures to realize a positive outlook on the stock or to rebalance sector positions. There will be no defined stop loss given the high volatility and the same will be monitored by the investment team.

## **Stock Options**

## **Buy Call**

To capitalize positive view on a stock or to rebalance sector positions, the Fund may buy call options on the stock against the payment of a premium. Buying a call option provides the Fund the option but not the obligation to buy the stock at the strike price. There will be no defined stop loss and the same shall be monitored by the investment team.

#### **Buy Put**

To implement a negative view on the stock or to hedge against downside in an existing stock holding or to rebalance sector positions, the Fund may purchase stock put options against payment premium. This gives the option but not the obligation to the Fund to sell the stock if stock prices falls below the strike price.

#### **Covered Call Strategy**

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

Assumptions: Current price of stock A: Rs. 27.87 per share

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

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

Total premium = (Rs. 0.35 per share) \* (100 shares per contract) \* (10 contracts) = Rs. 350. The following can be the scenarios reflecting risks and benefits at the end of the option expiry:



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

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

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

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

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

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

#### Risk associated with covered calls

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

#### **Fixed Income Derivatives Strategy**

The Scheme may use Derivative instruments like interest rate swaps like Overnight Indexed Swaps ("OIS"), forward rate agreements, interest rate futures (as and when permitted) or such other Derivative instruments as may be permitted under the applicable regulations. Derivatives will be used as permitted under the regulations and Guidelines from time to time including but not limited to for the purpose of hedging, and portfolio balancing etc.

The Fund will be allowed to take exposure in interest rate swaps only on a non-leveraged basis. A swap will be undertaken only if there is an underlying asset in the portfolio. In terms of paragraph 7.6 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Fund dared June 27, 2024 respectively issued by RBI 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. The Fund may also use derivatives for such purposes as maybe permitted from time to time. Further, the guidelines issued by RBI from time to time for forward rate agreements and interest rate swaps and other derivative products would be adhered to by the Mutual Fund.

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

Investments in Derivatives will be in accordance with the extant Regulations / guidelines Derivatives will be used as permitted under the regulations and Guidelines from time to time including but not limited to for the purpose of hedging, and portfolio balancing etc. The circumstances under which such transactions would be entered into would be when, for example using the IRS route it is possible to generate better returns / meet the objective of the Scheme at a lower cost. e.g. if buying a 2 Yr FBIL Mibor based instrument and receiving the 2 Yr swap rate yields better return than the 2 Yr AAA corporate, the Scheme would endeavor to do that. Alternatively, the Scheme would also look to hedge existing fixed rate positions if the view on interest rates is that it would likely rise in the future.



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

## **Interest Rate Swaps**

The Indian markets have faced high volatility in debt markets. An interest rate swap is a contractual agreement between two counterparties to exchange streams of interest amount on a national principal basis. In this, one party agrees to pay a fixed stream of interest amount against receiving a variable or floating stream of interest amount. The variable or floating part is determined on a periodical basis.

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.

## **Example**

Entity A has Rs.50 crores, 3-month asset which is being funded through call. Entity B, on the other hand, has deployed in overnight call money market Rs.50 crores, 3-month liability. Both the entities are taking on an interest rate risk.

To hedge against the interest rate risk, both the entities can enter into a 3-month swap agreement based on say FBIL MIBOR (Financial Benchmarks India Private Limited Mumbai Inter Bank Offered Rate). Through this swap, entity B will receive a fixed pre-agreed rate (say 7%) and pay FBIL MIBOR ("the benchmark rate") which will neutralize the interest rate risk of lending in call. Similarly, entity A will neutralize its interest rate risk from call borrowing as it will pay 8% and receive interest at the benchmark rate.

Assuming the swap is for Rs.50 crores 1 January to 1 April, Entity A is a floating rate receiver at the overnight compounded rate and Entity B is a fixed rate receiver. On a daily basis, the benchmark rate fixed by NSE will be tracked by them.

On April 1, they will calculate as explained below:

Entity A is entitled to receive daily compounded call rate for 91 days and pay 7% fixed. Entity B is entitled to receive interest on Rs.50 crores @ 7% i.e. Rs. 87.26 lacs, and pay the compounded benchmark rate.

Thus, on December 1, if the total interest on the daily overnight compounded benchmark rate is higher than Rs. 87.26 lacs, entity B will pay entity A the difference and vice versa.

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

### Forward Rate Agreement (FRA)

A FRA is referred to by the beginning and end dates of the period covered in the transaction. A 2x5 FRA means the 3 month rate starting 2 months from now.

For example, a corporate has a three month fixed liability three months from now. To meet this liability the company enters into a 3x6 FRA where it receives 7.25% for 100 crore and fixes the interest cost for the 3-6 months period. If the actual three month rate three months from now is 7% the corporate has gained 25 bps through interest cost. As the



settlement is done at the beginning of the period, the net present value of the savings needs to be calculated using the 3 month rate as the discount rate. Interest savings = INR 100 crores \* 25 bps \* 92/365 (assuming 92 days in the 3 month period and 365 days for the year) = INR 6,30,137.

Settlement Amount = INR 6,30,137 / (1+7%\*92/365) = INR 6,19,212

#### **Interest Rate Futures**

Assume that ABC hold GOI securities, hence is exposed to the risk of rising interest rates, which in turn results in the reduction in the value of their portfolio. So in order to protect against a fall in the value of their portfolio due to falling bond prices, they can take short position in IRF contracts.

## **Example:**

Date: 01-April-2021

Spot price of GOI Security: Rs 100.05

Futures price of IRF Contract: Rs 100.12 On 01-April-2022 ABC bought 2000 GOI securities from spot market at Rs 100.05. He anticipates that the interest rate will rise in near future. Therefore to hedge the exposure in underlying market he may sell May 2022 Interest Rate Futures contracts at Rs. 100.12.

On 16-May-2022 due to increase in interest rate:

Spot price of GOI Security: Rs 99.24 Futures Price of IRF Contract: Rs 99.28

Loss in underlying market will be  $(99.24 - 100.05)*2000 = Rs \ 1620$ Profit in the Futures market will be  $(99.28 - 100.12)*2000 = Rs \ 1680$ 

Certain risks are inherent to Derivative strategies viz. lack of opportunities, inability of Derivatives to correlate perfectly with the underlying and execution risks, whereby the rate seen on the screen may not be the rate at which the transaction is executed. For details of risk factors relating to use of Derivatives, the investors are advised to refer to Scheme Specific Risk Factors.

#### **Debt and Money Market in India**

The instruments available in Indian Debt Market are classified into two categories, namely Government and Non – Government debt. The following instruments are available in these categories:

A] Government Debt	
Central Government Debt	• Zero Coupon Bonds
Treasury Bills	State Government Debt
<ul><li>Dated Government Securities</li><li>Coupon Bearing Bonds</li><li>Floating Rate Bonds</li></ul>	State Government Loans / State     Developmental Loans     Coupon Bearing Bonds

Apart from these, there are some other options available for short tenure investments that include MIBOR linked debentures with periodic exit options and other such instruments. PSU / DFI / Corporate paper with a residual maturity of < 1 year, are actively traded and offer a viable investment option.



#### PORTFOLIO TURNOVER

Portfolio turnover in the scheme will be a function of market opportunities. It is difficult to estimate with any reasonable measure of accuracy, the likely turnover in the portfolio. The AMC will endeavor to optimize portfolio turnover to optimize risk adjusted return keeping in mind the cost associated with it. A high portfolio turnover rate is not necessarily a drag on portfolio performance and may be representative of investment opportunities that exist in the market.

Generally, turnover will depend upon the extent of purchase and redemption of units and the need to rebalance the portfolio on account of change in the composition, if any, and corporate actions of securities included in Nifty Financial Services index. However, it will be the endeavor of the Fund Manager to maintain an optimal portfolio turnover rate commensurate with the investment objective of the Scheme and the purchase/redemption transactions on an ongoing basis in the Scheme.

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

The performance of the Scheme is measured against Nifty Financial Services (Total Return Index).

The AMC and the Trustee may mutually agree to change the benchmark index or select an additional benchmark index after recording reasons for such change and by following required regulatory process.

#### E. WHO MANAGES THE SCHEME?

## Details of the Fund Manager's experience and qualifications are as under:

Fund Manager	Tenure of managing the Scheme
Mr. Anupam Tiwari – Fund Manager	Since inception of the Scheme
Mr. Saptarshee Chatterjee - Assistant Fund Manager	Managing since February 24, 2025

Name of the Fund Manager	Age	Education Qualification	Experience	Other Schemes managed by the Fund Manager
Mr. Anupam Tiwari	47 years	CA	Mr. Anupam brings 18 years of extensive experience in the Mutual Fund Industry, having served as an Equity Analyst at Reliance Mutual Fund for 5 years. He then held roles as an Equity Fund Manager at Reliance Life Insurance Company, Principal at PNB Asset Management Company, and Axis Asset Management Company in his most recent assignment prior to joining Groww Asset Management Limited.	<ul> <li>Groww Large Cap Fund</li> <li>Groww Value Fund</li> <li>Groww ELSS Tax Saver Fund</li> <li>Groww Aggressive Hybrid Fund</li> <li>Groww Multicap Fund</li> </ul>



Mr. Saptarshee Chatterjee  32 years	• CFA Level 3 passed • PGDM (Finance ) from IIM Indore • BE (E.T.C.E	Mr. Saptarshee Chatterjee has 8 years of overall experience as an analyst. Prior to joining GMF, he was associated with Centrum Wealth Management Limited & Edelweiss Financial Services Limited.	
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## F. HOW IS THE SCHEME DIFFERENT FROM EXISTING SCHEMES OF THE MUTUAL FUND?

For detailed comparative table of the aforesaid schemes, please click here <a href="https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/sid">https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/sid</a>

## G. HOW HAS THE SCHEME PERFORMED (if applicable)

Compounded	Scheme Returns	Scheme Returns	Benchmark
Annualised Returns	% (Regular Plan)	% (Direct Plan)	Returns %
Returns for last 1 year	5.18	7.24	20.67
Returns for last 3 year	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Returns for last 5 year	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Returns since inception	5.51	7.87	24.43
Groww	/ Banking & Finar	ncial Services F	und
30.00			
20.00			
20.00			
10.00			
10.00	20-21 FY 21-22 FY	22-23 FY 23-24	FY 24-25



#### H. ADDITIONAL SCHEME RELATED DISCLOSURES

- i. Scheme's portfolio holdings https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/fact-sheet
- ii. Disclosure of name and exposure to Top 7 issuers, stocks, groups and sectors as a percentage of NAV of the scheme in case of debt and equity ETFs/index funds through a functional website link that contains detailed description -NA
- iii. Functional website link for Portfolio Disclosure Fortnightly / Monthly/ Half Yearly <a href="https://www.growwmf.in/statutory-disclosure/portfolio">https://www.growwmf.in/statutory-disclosure/portfolio</a> and <a href="https://www.growwmf.in/financials/half-yearly-unaudited-financials-&-portfolio">https://www.growwmf.in/financials/half-yearly-unaudited-financials-&-portfolio</a>
- iv. Portfolio Turnover: 0.85
- v. Aggregate investment in the Scheme by:

Sr. No.	Category of Persons	Net Value		Market Value
1.	Concerned scheme's Fund Manager(s)	Units	NAV per unit	2,80,236.86
		25,980.09	10.79	

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

#### Investments of AMC in the Scheme -

Under Regulation 25(16A) of the SEBI (MF) Regulations, 1996 read with para 6.9 of SEBI Master Circular dated June 27, 2024 Subject to the Regulations, the AMC may invest either directly or indirectly, in the Scheme during the NFO and/or Ongoing Offer Period. However, the AMC shall not charge any investment management fee on such investment in the Scheme.

Please refer to <a href="https://www.growwmf.in/statutory-disclosure/alignment-of-interest">https://www.growwmf.in/statutory-disclosure/alignment-of-interest</a> for details



#### PART III- OTHER DETAILS

## A. COMPUTATION OF NAV

The NAV of the Units of the Scheme will be computed by dividing the net assets of the Scheme by the number of Units outstanding on the valuation date. The Fund shall value its investments according to the valuation norms, as specified in Schedule VIII of the Regulations, or such norms as may be prescribed by SEBI from time to time.

All expenses and incomes accrued up to the valuation date shall be considered for computation of NAV. For this purpose, major expenses like management fees and other periodic expenses would be accrued on a day to day basis. The minor expenses and income will be accrued on a periodic basis, provided the nondaily accrual does not affect the NAV calculations by more than 1%.

Any changes in securities and in the number of units be recorded in the books not later than the first valuation date following the date of transaction. If this is not possible given the frequency of the Net Asset Value disclosure, the recording may be delayed upto a period of seven days following the date of the transaction, provided that as a result of the non-recording, the Net Asset Value calculations shall not be affected by more than 1%.

In case the Net Asset Value of a scheme differs by more than 1%, due to non - recording of the transactions, the investors or scheme/s as the case may be, shall be paid the difference in amount as follows:-

- (i) If the investors are allotted units at a price higher than Net Asset Value or are given a price lower than Net Asset Value at the time of sale of their units, they shall be paid the difference in amount by the scheme.
- (ii) If the investors are charged lower Net Asset Value at the time of purchase of their units or are given higher Net Asset Value at the time of sale of their units, asset management company shall pay the difference in amount to the scheme. The asset management company may recover the difference from the investors.

NAV of units under the Scheme shall be calculated as shown below:

NAV (Rs.) =

(Market / Fair Value of Scheme's Investments + Current Assets including Accrued Income Current Liabilities and Provisions)/ No. of units outstanding under the Scheme / Option on the valuation day

## No. of Units outstanding under Scheme

The NAV of the Scheme will be calculated upto four decimal places and will be declared on each business day. The valuation of the Scheme's assets and calculation of the Scheme's NAV shall be subject to audit on an annual basis and shall be subject to such regulations as may be prescribed by SEBI from time to time.

#### Illustration:

Assume that the Market or Fair Value of Scheme's investments is Rs. 1,00,00,000; Current asset of the scheme is Rs. 25,00,000; Current Liabilities and Provisions is Rs. 15,00,000 and the No. of Units outstanding under the scheme are 5,00,000. Thus, the NAV will be calculated as:



$$NAV = \frac{10000000 + 2500000 - 1500000}{500000} = 22.0000$$

Therefore, the NAV of the scheme is Rs. 22.0000

Further, all the requirements specified in paragraph 3.6 related to "have been complied with and relevant disclosures stipulated in the said circular has been duly incorporated in the SID.

The repurchase price of an open ended scheme shall not be lower than 95% of the NAV.

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

# B. NEW FUND OFFER (NFO) EXPENSES

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

#### C. ANNUAL SCHEME RECURRING EXPENSES

As per SEBI (MF) Regulations, 1996, recurring expenses will not exceed 2.25% of the Scheme's daily net assets:

The total fees and expenses for operating the scheme as listed hereunder would be 2.25% of the daily net assets which includes expenses towards management fees, commission, marketing expense and other expense relating to operating the scheme.

## **Estimated Recurring Expenses:**

Expense Head	% of daily Net
	Assets
Investment Management and Advisory Fees	
Trustee fee	
Audit fees	
Custodian fees	
RTA Fees	
Marketing & Selling expense incl. agent commission	
Cost related to investor communications	Upto 2.25%
Cost of fund transfer from location to location	
Cost of providing account statements and Income Distribution cum	
Capital Withdrawal redemption cheques and warrants	
Costs of statutory Advertisements	



Cost towards investor education & awareness (as per paragraph	
10.1.16 of SEBI Master circular for Mutual Funds dated June 27,	
2024) ^	
Brokerage & transaction cost over and above 12 bps and 5 bps for	
cash and derivative market trades resp. @	
Goods & Services Tax/ goods and services tax on expenses other	
than investment and advisory fees	
Goods & Services Tax/ goods and services tax on brokerage and	
transaction cost	
Other Expenses	
Maximum total expense ratio (TER) permissible under	Upto 2.25%
<b>Regulation 52 (6) (c)</b>	
Additional expenses under regulation 52 (6A) (c) **	0.05%
Additional expenses for gross new inflows from specified cities*	Upto 0.30%

\*SEBI vide its letter no. SEBI/HO/IMD-SEC-3/P/OW/2023/5823/1 dated February 24, 2023, and AMFI letter dated No. 35P/ MEM-COR/ 85-a/ 2022-23 dated March 02, 2023 has directed AMCs to keep B-30 incentive structure in abeyance till further notice.

^ In terms of paragraph 10.1.16 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024, the AMC / Mutual Fund shall annually set apart at least 2 basis points (i.e., 0.02%) on daily net assets of the scheme within the maximum limit of Total Expense Ratio as per Regulation 52 of the SEBI (MF) Regulations for investor education and awareness initiatives.

\*\*Additional Expenses upto 0.05% of daily net assets as permissible under Regulation 52 (6A) (c) may be charged by AMC under different heads of expenses mentioned under Regulation 52 (2) and (4) and more specifically stated in table above.

<sup>®</sup> Brokerage and transaction costs incurred for the execution of trades and included in the cost of investment, not exceeding 0.12 per cent of the value of trades of cash market transactions and 0.05 per cent of the value of trades of derivative market transactions. Thus, in terms of paragraph 10.1.14 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024, it is hereby clarified that the 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 of cash market transactions and 0.05 per cent of the value of trades of derivative market transactions. Any payment towards brokerage and transaction costs (including Goods & Services Tax, if any) incurred for the execution of trades, over and above the said 0.12 per cent for cash market transactions and 0.05 per cent of the value of trades of derivative market transactions may be charged to the scheme within the maximum limit of Total Expense Ratio (TER) as prescribed under Regulation 52 of the SEBI (MF) Regulations.

Direct Plan shall have a lower expense ratio excluding distribution expenses, commission, etc. and no commission for distribution of Units will be paid / charged under Direct Plan. All fees and expenses charged in a direct plan (in percentage terms) under various heads including the investment and advisory fee shall not exceed the fees and expenses charged under such heads in a regular plan.



The purpose of the above table is to assist the investor in understanding various costs and expenses that an investor in the Scheme will bear directly or indirectly. These estimates have been made in good faith as per the information available with AMC based on past experience and are subject to change inter-se.

The total recurring expenses that can be charged to the Scheme will be subject to limits prescribed from time to time under the SEBI (MF) Regulations.

Annual recurring expenses of the Scheme, (including the investment and advisory fees without any sub limit) as a % of daily net assets will be subject to following limit:

The AMC shall adhere provisions of SEBI Circular dated October 22, 2018 and various guidelines specified by SEBI as amended from time to time, with reference to charging of fees and expenses.

Annual recurring expenses of the Scheme, (including the investment and advisory fees without any sublimit) as a % of daily net assets will be subject to following limit:

First Rs.	Next Rs. 40,000	Balance				
500	250	1,250	3,000	5,000		
Crores	Crores	Crores	Crores	Crores	Crores	
2.25%	2.00%	1.75%	1.60%	1.50%	TER reduction of 0.05% for every increase of Rs. 5,000 crores or part thereof	1.05%

In addition to TER within the limits specified under regulation 52 (6) of the Regulations, towards investment & advisory fees as specified under regulation 52(2) of the Regulations and/or towards recurring expenses as specified under 52(4) of the Regulations. **However, such additional expenses will not be charged if exit load is not levied / not applicable to the Scheme.** 

Additional Distribution Expenses in case of new inflows from specified cities In addition to total expenses ratio (TER) as specified above, the AMC will charge expenses not exceeding 0.30% of daily net assets if the new inflows in the Scheme from such cities, as specified by

SEBI from time to time, are at least:

- (i) 30% of gross new inflows in the Scheme, or;
- (ii) 15% of the average assets under management (year to date) of the Scheme, whichever is higher.

In case, inflows from such cities is less than the higher of (i) or (ii) of above, such expenses on daily net assets of the Scheme will be charged on proportionate basis in accordance with para 10.1.3 of SEBI Master Circular dated June 27, 2024.



The additional expenses on account of inflows from such cities charged will be credited back to the Scheme in case the said inflows are redeemed within a period of one year from the date of investment. The additional expenses charged in case of inflows from such cities will be utilized for distribution expenses incurred for bringing inflows from such cities.

The additional TER in terms of Regulation 52(6A)(b) of SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 shall be charged upto 30 basis points on daily net assets of the Scheme based on inflows only from retail investors beyond Top 30 cities (B 30 cities). Inflows of amount upto Rs. 2,00,000 per transaction by individual investors shall be considered as inflows from retail investors Top 30 cities shall mean top 30 cities based on Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI) data on 'AUM by Geography – Consolidated Data for Mutual Fund Industry' as at the end of the previous financial year.

a. All scheme related expenses including commission paid to distributors, shall be paid from the Scheme only within the regulatory limits and not from the books of the AMC, its associates, sponsor, trustee or any other entity through any route.

Provided that, such expenses that are not specifically covered in terms of Regulation 52 (4) can be paid out of AMC books at actual or not exceeding 2 bps of the Scheme AUM, whichever is lower.

- b. The Fund / the AMC shall adopt full trail model of commission in the Scheme, without payment of any upfront commission or upfronting of any trail commission, directly or indirectly, in cash or kind, through sponsorships, or any other route.
- c. All fees and expenses charged in a Direct Plan (in percentage terms) under various heads including the investment and advisory fee shall not exceed the fees and expenses charged under such heads in Regular Plan.
- d. No pass back, either directly or indirectly, shall be given by the Fund / the AMC / Distributors to the investors.

Illustration in returns between Regular and Direct Plan

Particulars	Regular Plan	Direct Plan
Amount invested at the beginning of the year (Rs,)	10,000	10,000
Returns before Expenses (Rs.)	1,500	1,500
Expenses other than Distribution Expenses (Rs.)	150	150
Distribution Expenses (Rs.)	50	-
Returns after Expenses at the end of the year (Rs.)	1,300	1,350
Returns (%)	13.00%	13.50%

#### **Disclosure on Goods & Services Tax:**

Goods & Services Tax on investment management and advisory fees shall be in addition to the above expense. Further, with respect to Goods & Services Tax on other than management and advisory fees:

- Goods & Services Tax on other than investment and advisory fees, if any, shall be borne by the scheme within the maximum limit of TER as per regulation 52 of the Regulations.
- Goods & Services Tax on exit load, if any, shall be paid out of the exit load proceeds and exit load net of Goods & Services Tax, if any, shall be credited to the scheme.
- Goods & Services Tax on brokerage and transaction cost paid for asset purchases, if any, shall be within the limit prescribed under regulation 52 of the Regulations.

For the actual current expenses being charged to the Scheme, the investor should refer to the website of the mutual fund <a href="https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/expense-ratio">https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/expense-ratio</a>. Any change proposed to the current expense ratio will be updated on the website at least three working days prior to the change.



As per the Regulations, the total recurring expenses that can be charged to the Scheme in this Scheme information document shall be subject to the applicable guidelines. The total recurring expenses of the Scheme, will, however, be limited to the ceilings as prescribed under Regulation 52(6) of the Regulations.

# **TER for the Segregated Portfolio**

- The AMC will not charge investment and advisory fees on Segregated Portfolio. However, TER (excluding the investment and advisory fees) may be charged, on a pro-rata basis only upon recovery of the investments in Segregated Portfolio.
- The TER levied shall not exceed the simple average of such expenses (excluding the investment and advisory fees) charged on daily basis on the Main Portfolio (in % terms) of the scheme(s) during the period for which Segregated Portfolio was in existence.
- The legal charges related to recovery of the investments of the Segregated Portfolio may be charged to the Segregated Portfolio in proportion to the amount of recovery. However, the same shall be within the maximum TER limit as applicable to the Main Portfolio. The legal charges in excess of the TER limits, if any, shall be borne by the AMC.

The costs related to Segregated Portfolio shall in no case be charged to the Main Portfolio

#### D. LOAD STRUCTURE

Exit Load is an amount which is paid by the investor to redeem the units from the scheme. Load amounts are variable and are subject to change from time to time. For the current applicable structure, please refer to the website of the AMC (https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/fact-sheet) or may call at (toll free no. 8050180222) or your distributor.

Type of Load	Load chargeable (as %age of NAV)
Exit	<ul> <li>For redemption / switch-out of units on or before 30 days from the date of allotment: 1.00% of applicable NAV</li> <li>For redemption / switch-out of units after 30 days from the date of allotment: Nil</li> </ul>

Note: The levy of Exit Load in case of switch transactions from Regular Plan to Direct Plan has been discontinued with effect from April 23, 2025.



#### **SECTION II**

#### I. INTRODUCTION

# A. Definitions/interpretation

For detailed description please click the link: <a href="https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/sid">https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/sid</a>

#### B. Risk Factors:

## ii. Scheme Specific Risk Factors

The scheme being sector-specific will be largely affected by the risks associated with the Banking, Financial and allied sectors. Investment in the scheme carries higher volatility risk with regard to non diversification of the portfolio due to the investment universe being limited to companies that are operating in the said sectors, compared to other diversified equity schemes. The scheme will be subjected to higher liquidity risk as the fund is concentrated in particular sectors. Owing to high concentration risk being a sectoral scheme, risk of capital loss could be relatively high.

Investments in equity shares and equity related instruments involve various risks and investors should not invest in the scheme unless they can afford to take these risks. Some of the specific risk factors related to the Scheme include, but are not limited to the following:

- Market Risk: Equity shares and equity related instruments are volatile and prone to price fluctuations on a daily basis. Hence, the value of the Equity and Equity Related investments may go down and an investor may not get back the amount invested.
- Liquidity Risk: The liquidity of investments made in the Scheme may be restricted by trading volumes and settlement periods. Settlement periods may be extended significantly by unforeseen circumstances. The inability of the Scheme to make intended securities purchases, due to settlement problems, could cause the Scheme to miss certain investment opportunities. Similarly, the inability to sell securities held in the Scheme portfolio would result at times, in potential losses to the Scheme, should there be a subsequent decline in the value of securities held in the Scheme portfolio.

The Scheme may find itself invested in unlisted securities due to external events or corporate actions. This may 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.

In addition, Indian companies that go public are typically subject to a regulatory lock-in period preventing shareholders from disposing of the pre-IPO as well as the Anchor share capital for a certain period of time from the date of the IPO. The Company may become subject to such lock-in arrangements if any of its unquoted holdings go public, which would restrict the Company's ability to dispose of such investments during the regulatory lock-in period and further increase the illiquidity of the Company's portfolio.

• **Foreign Exchange Risk** – The businesses that we might invest in might have significant reliance on imports and/or exports, which can increase their vulnerability to sharp fluctuations in Foreign Exchange rates.



- Corporate Governance Risk: We generally avoid investing in companies with inferior corporate governance. However, post our investment if poor corporate governance were to manifest in any way such as siphoning of cash, unethical business practices, manipulation of share price, etc. then it can impact the value of our investment.
- Legislative Risk: The value and marketability of the Company's investments may be affected by changes or developments in the legal and regulatory climate in India. Changes in law/government policies, taxation, etc. can have an adverse or a favourable impact on the underlying investments.
- Geopolitical Risks Geopolitical tensions between India and any of its neighbouring countries can disrupt the economics growth. Subsequently, this might have a non-linear impact on the business that the Scheme has invested in and their valuations. Also, the value of investments done under the Scheme, may be adversely affected by change in interest rates, socio-political, economic and other circumstances.

**Risk Factors related to midcap and small cap stocks** – The above mentioned risks are heightened in case of the midcap and small cap stocks as they have lower floats and are relatively less researched. Through position sizing and balanced portfolio construction, the fund manager shall contain and manage these risks.

## Risks associated with investing in foreign securities/ overseas investments/ offshore securities

Subject to necessary approvals, if any and within the investment objectives of the Scheme, the Scheme may invest in overseas markets which carry risks related to fluctuations in the foreign exchange rates, the nature of the securities market of the country, repatriation of capital due to exchange controls and political circumstances. Since the Scheme would invest only partially in foreign securities, there may not be readily available and widely accepted benchmarks to measure performance of such Scheme. To manage risks associated with foreign currency and interest rate exposure, the Fund may use derivatives for efficient portfolio management and hedging and portfolio rebalancing and in accordance with conditions as may be stipulated under the Regulations and by RBI from time to time.

Investment in Foreign Securities involves a currency risk. To the extent that the assets of the Scheme 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 changes in the value of certain foreign currencies relative to the Indian Rupee. The repatriation of capital to India may also be hampered by changes in regulations concerning exchange controls or political circumstances as well as the application to it of other restrictions on investment.

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

- Interest-Rate Risk: Fixed income securities such as government bonds, corporate bonds, and money market instruments and derivatives run price-risk or interest-rate risk. Generally, when interest rates rise, prices of existing fixed income securities fall and when interest rates drop, such prices increase. The extent of fall or rise in prices depends upon the coupon and maturity of the security, yield at which the security is being traded, put and call options on the security etc.
- **Re-investment Risk:** Investments in fixed income securities carry re-investment risk as interest rates prevailing on the coupon payment or maturity dates may differ from the original coupon of the bond.
- Pre payment Risk Certain fixed income securities give an issuer the right to call back its securities before their maturity date, in periods of declining interest rates. The possibility of such prepayment may force the fund to reinvest the proceeds of such investments in securities offering lower yields, resulting in lower interest income for the fund
- Basis Risk: Basis risk arises due to a difference in the price movement of the derivative vis-à-vis that of the security being hedged.



- **Spread Risk:** In a floating rate security the coupon is expressed in terms of a spread or mark up over the benchmark rate. In the life of the security, the yield of the underlying benchmark may or may not change, but the spread of the security over the underlying benchmark might increase leading to loss in value of the security.
- Liquidity Risk: The liquidity of a bond may change, depending on market conditions leading to changes in the liquidity premium attached to the price of the bond. At the time of selling the security, the security can become illiquid, leading to loss in value of the portfolio.
- **Credit Risk:** This is the risk associated with the issuer of a debenture/bond or a money market instrument defaulting on coupon payments or in paying back the principal amount on maturity. Even when there is no default, the price of a security may change with expected changes in the credit rating of the issuer. It is to be noted here that a Government Security is a sovereign security and is the safest. Corporate bonds carry a higher amount of credit risk than Government securities. Within corporate bonds also there are different levels of safety and a bond rated higher by a particular rating agency is considered safer than a bond rated lower by the same rating agency.
- Liquidity Risk on account of unlisted securities: The liquidity and valuation of the Scheme investments due to their holdings of unlisted securities may be affected if they have to be sold prior to their target date of divestment. The unlisted security can go down in value before the divestment date and selling of these securities before the divestment date can lead to losses in the portfolio.
- Counterparty Risk: This is the risk of failure of counterparty to a transaction to deliver securities against consideration received or to pay consideration against securities delivered, in full or in part or as per the agreed specification. There could be losses to the Scheme in case of a counterparty default.
- **Settlement Risk:** Fixed income securities run the risk of settlement which can adversely affect the ability of the fund house to swiftly execute trading strategies which can lead to adverse movements in NAV.
- Risks associated with unrated instruments: Investments in unrated instruments are subject to the risk associated with investments in any other fixed income securities, as referred above. However, investments in unrated instruments are considered to be subject to greater risk of loss of principal and interest than rated instruments.
- Duration Risk: Duration risk refers to the movement in price of the underlying invested money market / debt instruments due to movement/change in interest rates over different durations of maturity of instruments. In a portfolio of debt assets, the duration risk is measured by the average duration of the portfolio. Duration is used as a measure of the sensitivity of the fixed income instrument to a change in interest rates. Usually Individual duration of the fixed income instruments in the portfolio is calculated and the portfolio duration is the weighted average of such individual instrument duration. A longer portfolio duration is associated with greater price fluctuations. A rise in interest rates could normally lead to decrease in prices and generally negatively affects portfolios having longer duration vis-a-vis portfolios having shorter duration. A fall in interest rate generally benefits portfolio having longer duration. A longer duration portfolio is also generally associated with greater volatility vis-a-vis a shorter duration portfolio.
  - The above are some of the common risks associated with investments in fixed income and money market securities. 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

#### **Performance Risk:**

Performance risk refers to the risk of a scheme being unable to generate returns matching / above the returns of the scheme's benchmark. It would also mean the scheme underperforming against its peer set of other mutual fund schemes having similar portfolios, scheme classification, objective, benchmark and asset allocation. These risks could arise due to a variety of market and economic activities, government policies, global economic changes, currency fluctuations, tax policies, political changes, corporate actions and investors' behaviour.



# Risk Factor associated with investing in Securities Segment and Tri-party Repo trade settlement:

The Mutual Fund is a member of securities segment and Triparty Repo trade settlement of the Clearing Corporation of India (CCIL). All transactions of the mutual fund in government securities and in Tri-party Repo trades are settled centrally through the infrastructure and settlement systems provided by CCIL; thus reducing the settlement and counterparty risks considerably for transactions in the said segments. The members are required to contribute an amount as communicated by CCIL from time to time to the default fund maintained by CCIL as a part of the default waterfall (a loss mitigating measure of CCIL in case of default by any member in settling transactions routed through CCIL). As per the waterfall mechanism, after the defaulter's margins and the defaulter's contribution to the default fund have been appropriated, CCIL's contribution is used to meet the losses. Post utilization of CCIL's contribution if there is a residual loss, it is appropriated from the default fund contributions of the non-defaulting members. Thus, the Scheme is subject to risk of the initial margin and default fund contribution being invoked in the event of failure of any settlement obligations.

In addition, the fund contribution is allowed to be used to meet the residual loss in case of default by the other clearing member (the defaulting member).

CCIL shall maintain two separate Default Funds in respect of its Securities Segment, one with a view to meet losses arising out of any default by its members from outright and repo trades and the other for meeting losses arising out of any default by its members from Triparty Repo trades. The mutual fund is exposed to the extent of its contribution to the default fund of CCIL, in the event that the contribution of the mutual fund is called upon to absorb settlement/ default losses of another member by CCIL, as a result the Scheme may lose an amount equivalent to its contribution to the default fund.

#### Risks associated with Derivatives.

- The Scheme may invest in derivative products in accordance with and to the extent permitted under the Regulations and by RBI. Derivative products are specialized instruments that require investment techniques and risk analysis different from those associated with stocks and bonds. The use of a derivative requires an understanding not only of the underlying instrument but of the derivative itself. Trading in derivatives carries a high degree of risk although they are traded at a relatively small amount of margin which provides the possibility of great profit or loss in comparison with the principal investment amount. Thus, derivatives are highly leveraged instruments. Even a small price movement in the underlying security could have an impact on their value and consequently, on the NAV of the Units of the Scheme.
- The derivatives market in India is nascent and does not have the volumes that may be seen in other developed markets, which may result in volatility to the values.
- Investment in derivatives also requires the maintenance of adequate controls to monitor the transactions entered into, the ability to assess the risk that a derivative adds to the portfolio and the ability to forecast price or interest rate movements correctly. Even a small price movement in the underlying security could have an impact on their value and consequently, on the NAV of the Units of the Scheme.
- The Scheme may face execution risk, whereby the rates seen on the screen may not be the rate at which the ultimate execution of the derivative transaction takes place.
- The Scheme may find it difficult or impossible to execute derivative transactions in certain circumstances. For example, when there are insufficient bids or suspension of trading due to price limit or circuit breakers, the Scheme may face a liquidity issue.
- The options buyer's risk is limited to the premium paid, while the risk of an options writer is unlimited. However, the gains of an options writer are limited to the premiums earned.



- The exchange may impose restrictions on exercise of options and may also restrict the exercise of options at certain times in specified circumstances and this could impact the value of the portfolio.
- The writer of a call option bears a risk of loss if the value of the underlying asset increases above the exercise price.
- Investments in index futures face the same risk as the investments in a portfolio of shares representing an index. The extent of loss is the same as in the underlying stocks.

The Scheme bears a risk that it may not be able to correctly forecast future market trends or the value of assets, indices or other financial or economic factors in establishing derivative positions for the Scheme.

- The risk of loss in trading futures contracts can be substantial, because of the low margin deposits required, the extremely high degree of leverage involved in futures pricing and the potential high volatility of the futures markets.
- There is the possibility that a loss may be sustained by the portfolio as a result of the failure of another party (usually referred to as the "counter party") to comply with the terms of the derivatives contract. The counter party may default on a transaction before settlement and therefore, the Scheme is compelled to negotiate with another counterparty at the then prevailing (possibly unfavourable) market price.
- Derivatives also carry a market liquidity risk where the derivatives cannot be sold (unwound) at prices that reflect the underlying assets, rates and indices.
- Where derivatives are used for hedging, such use may involve a basis risk where the instrument used as a hedge does not match the movement in the instrument/underlying asset being hedged. The risk may be inter-related also e.g. interest rate movements can affect equity prices, which could influence specific issuer/industry assets.
- Other risks in using derivatives include the risk of mispricing or improper valuation of derivatives and the inability of derivatives to correlate perfectly with underlying assets, rates and indices.
- Derivative products are leveraged instruments and can provide disproportionate gains as well as disproportionate losses to the investor / unitholder. Execution of investment strategies depends upon the ability of the fund manager(s) to identify such opportunities which may not be available at all times. Identification and execution of the strategies to be pursued by the fund manager(s) involve uncertainty and decision of fund manager(s) may not always be profitable. No assurance can be given that the fund manager(s) will be able to identify or execute such strategies.
- The risks associated with the use of derivatives are different from or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities and other traditional investments.

The following are certain additional risks involved with use of fixed income derivatives:

- Interest rate risk: Derivatives carry the risk of adverse changes in the price due to change in interest rates.
- Liquidity risk: During the life of the derivative, the benchmark might become illiquid and might not be fully capturing the interest rate changes in the market, or the selling, unwinding prices might not reflect the underlying assets, rates and indices, leading to loss of value of the portfolio.

## Risk associated with Imperfect Hedging using Interest Rate Futures Basis Risk

Each security could be hedged with an Interest Rate Future. Hypothetically creating an imperfect hedge, IGB 7.17% 2028 on which AMC 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 0.05% 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%.

#### 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.

# **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.

## 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.

## Risk factors associated with repo transactions in corporate bonds

The market for the aforesaid product is over the counter (OTC) and illiquid. Hence, repo obligations cannot be easily sold to other parties. If a counterparty fails, the scheme would have to take recourse to the collateral provided. If a counterparty fails to repay and the value of the collateral falls beyond the haircut, then the Scheme would be exposed to a loss of interest or principal.

Further, if the Scheme needs to take recourse to the debt securities provided as collateral, and the issuer of the debt securities makes a default, the scheme may lose the whole, or substantial portion of the amount. This risk is somewhat mitigated by the fact that only bonds which have credit rating of AA and above can be accepted as collateral for repo transactions.

#### Risks associated with Short Selling

The Scheme may enter into short selling transactions, subject to SEBI and RBI Regulations.

Short positions carry the risk of losing money and these losses may grow unlimited theoretically if the price of the stock increases without any limit. This may result in major loss to the Scheme.

At times, the participants may not be able to cover their short positions, if the price increases substantially. If numbers of short sellers try to cover their position simultaneously, it may lead to disorderly trading in the stock and thereby can briskly escalate the price even further making it difficult or impossible to liquidate short position quickly at reasonable prices. In addition, short selling also carries the risk of inability to borrow the security by the participants thereby requiring the participants to purchase the securities sold short to cover the position even at unreasonable prices.



# Risks associated with Securities Lending for Equity Instruments:

As with other modes of extensions of credit, there are risks inherent to securities lending. During the period the security is lent, the Scheme may not be able to sell such security and in turn cannot protect from the falling market price of the said security. Under the current securities lending and borrowing mechanism, the Scheme can call back the securities lent any time before the maturity date of securities lending contract. However, this will be again the function of liquidity in the market and if there are no lenders in the specified security, the Scheme may not be able to call back the security and in the process, the Scheme will be exposed to price volatility. Moreover, the fees paid for calling back the security may be more than the lending fees earned by Scheme at the time of lending the said security and this could result in loss to the Scheme. Also, during the period the security is lent, the Fund will not be able to exercise the voting rights attached to the security as the security will not be registered in the name of the Scheme in the records of the Depository/issuer.

#### **For Debt Instruments:**

As with other modes of extensions of credit, 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 Fund may not be able to sell such lent securities and this can lead to temporary illiquidity.

#### Risk associated with Investments in REITs and InvITs

**Price-Risk or Interest-Rate Risk**: REITs & InvITs run price-risk or interest-rate risk. Generally, when interest rates rise, prices of existing securities fall and when interest rates drop, such prices increase. The extent of fall or rise in the prices is a function of the existing coupon, days to maturity and the increase or decrease in the level of interest rates.

**Credit Risk:** In simple terms this risk means that the issuer of a debenture/ bond or a money market instrument may default on interest payment or even in paying back the principal amount on maturity. REITs & InvITs are likely to have volatile cash flows as the repayment dates would not necessarily be pre scheduled.

**Liquidity or Marketability Risk:** This refers to the ease with which a security can be sold at or near to its valuation yield-to-maturity (YTM). The primary measure of liquidity risk is the spread between the bid price and the offer price quoted by a dealer. As these products are new to the market they are likely to be exposed to liquidity risk.

**Reinvestment Risk**: Investments in REITs & InvITs may carry reinvestment risk as interest rates prevailing on the interest or maturity due dates may differ from the original coupon of the bond. Consequently, the proceeds may get invested at a lower rate.

**Risk of lower than expected distributions**: The distributions by the REIT or InvIT will be based on the net cash flows available for distribution. The amount of cash available for distribution principally depends upon the amount of cash that the REIT/ InvITs receives as dividends or the interest and principal payments from portfolio assets. The above are some of the common risks associated with investments in REITs & InvITs. There can be no assurance that 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.



Risk factors associated with investing in Non-Convertible Preference Shares Credit Risk - Credit risk is the risk that an issuer will be unable to meet its obligation of payment of dividend and/ or redemption of principal amount on the due date. Further, for non-cumulative preference shares, issuer also has an option to not pay dividends on preference shares in case of inadequate profits in any year.

**Liquidity Risk** - The preference shares generally have limited secondary market liquidity and thus we may be forced to hold the instrument till maturity.

**Unsecured in Nature** - Preference shares are unsecured in nature and rank lower than secured and unsecured debt in hierarchy of payments in case of liquidation. Thus there is significant risk of capital erosion in case the company goes into liquidation.

## Risks associated with Investing in Structured Obligation (SO) & Credit Enhancement (CE) rated securities:

The risks factors stated below for the Structured Obligations & Credit Enhancement are in addition to the risk factors associated with debt instruments. Credit rating agencies assign CE rating to an instrument based on any identifiable credit enhancement for the debt instrument issued by an issuer. The credit enhancement could be in various forms and could include guarantee, shortfall undertaking, letter of comfort, etc. from another entity. This entity could be either related or non-related to the issuer like a bank, financial institution, etc. Credit enhancement could include additional security in form of pledge of shares listed on stock exchanges, etc. SO transactions are asset backed/mortgage backed securities, securitized paper backed by hypothecation of car loan receivables, securities backed by trade receivables, credit card receivables etc. Hence, for CE rated instruments evaluation of the credit enhancement provider, as well as the issuer is undertaken to determine the issuer rating. In case of SO rated issuer, the underlying loan pools or securitization, etc. is assessed to arrive at rating for the issuer.

**Liquidity Risk**: SO rated securities are often complex structures, with a variety of credit enhancements. Debt securities lack a well-developed secondary market in India, and due to the credit enhanced nature of CE securities as well as structured nature of SO securities, the liquidity in the market for these instruments is adversely affected compared to similar rated debt instruments. Hence, lower liquidity of such instruments, could lead to inability of the scheme to sell such debt instruments and generate liquidity for the scheme or higher impact cost when such instruments are sold.

**Credit Risk**: The credit risk of debt instruments which are CE rated is based on the combined strength of the issuer as well as the structure. Hence, any weakness in either the issuer or the structure could have an adverse credit impact on the debt instrument. The weakness in structure could arise due to inability of the investors to enforce the structure due to issues such as legal risk, inability to sell the underlying collateral or enforce guarantee, etc. In case of SO transactions, comingling risk and risk of servicer increases the overall risk for the securitized debt or assets backed transactions. Therefore, apart from issuer level credit risk such debt instruments are also susceptible to structure related credit risk.

## Risk factors associated with investing in Securitized Debt

The Risks involved in Securitised Papers described below are the principal ones and does not represent that the statement of risks set out hereunder is exhaustive.

# **Limited Liquidity & Price Risk**

There is no assurance that a deep secondary market will develop for the Certificates. This could limit the ability of the investor to resell them.



# Limited Recourse, Delinquency and Credit Risk

The Credit Enhancement stipulated represents a limited loss cover to the Investors. These Certificates represent an undivided beneficial interest in the underlying receivables and do not represent an obligation of either the Issuer or the Seller or the originator, or the parent or any affiliate of the Seller, Issuer and Originator. No financial recourse is available to the Certificate Holders against the Investors' Representative. Delinquencies and credit losses may cause depletion of the amount available under the Credit Enhancement and thereby the Investor Payouts to the Certificate Holders may get affected if the amount available in the Credit Enhancement facility is not enough to cover the shortfall. On persistent default of a obligor to repay his obligation, the Servicer may repossess and sell the Asset. However, many factors may affect, delay or prevent the repossession of such Asset or the length of time required to realise the sale proceeds on such sales. In addition, the price at which such Asset may be sold may be lower than the amount due from that Obligor.

## Risks due to possible prepayments and Charge Offs

In the event of prepayments, investors may be exposed to changes in tenor and yield. Also, any Charge Offs would result in the reduction in the tenor of the Pass Through Certificates (PTCs).

# **Bankruptcy of the Swap Bank**

If the Swap Bank, becomes subject to bankruptcy proceedings then an Investor could experience losses or delays in the payments due under the Interest Rate Swap Agreement.

# **Risk of Co-mingling**

With respect to the Certificates, the Servicer will deposit all payments received from the Obligors into the Collection Account. However, there could be a time gap between collection by a Servicer and depositing the same into the Collection account especially considering that some of the collections may be in the form of cash. In this interim period, collections from the Loan Agreements may not be segregated from other funds of originator. If originator in its capacity as Servicer fails to remit such funds due to Investors, the Investors may be exposed to a potential loss.

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

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

## Risk factors associated with Creation of Segregated Portfolio

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



#### C. RISK MITIGATION STRATEGIES

## Risks associated with investing in Tri-party Repo (TREPS) through CCIL

The Mutual Fund is a member of securities segment and Tri-party Repo trade settlement of the Clearing Corporation of India Limited (CCIL). All transactions of the Mutual Fund in government securities and in Tri-party Repo trades are settled centrally through the infrastructure and settlement systems provided by CCIL; thus, reducing the settlement and counterparty risks considerably for transactions in the said segments. The members are required to contribute an amount as communicated by CCIL from time to time to the default fund maintained by CCIL as a part of the default waterfall (a loss mitigating measure of CCIL in case of default by any member in settling transactions routed through CCIL). CCIL shall maintain two separate Default Funds in respect of its Securities Segment, one with a view to meet losses arising out of any default by its members from outright and repo trades and the other for meeting losses arising out of any default by its members from Triparty Repo trades. The Mutual Fund is exposed to the extent of its contribution to the default fund of CCIL at any given point in time i.e. in the event that the default waterfall is triggered and the contribution of the Mutual Fund is called upon to absorb settlement/default losses of another member by CCIL, the Scheme may lose an amount equivalent to its contribution to the default fund.

Further, it maybe noted that, CCIL periodically prescribes a list of securities eligible for contributions as collateral by members. Presently, all Central Government securities and Treasury bills are accepted as collateral by CCIL. The risk factors may undergo change in case the CCIL notifies securities other than Government of India securities as eligible for contribution as collateral.

## Risks associated with investing in Securitized Debt

The Scheme may invest in securitized debt such as asset backed securities (ABS) or mortgage backed securities (MBS). ABS are backed by other assets such as credit card, automobile or loan receivables, retail loan instalment or participations in pools of leases. Credit support for these securities may be based on the underlying assets and/or provided through credit enhancements by a third party. The values of these securities are sensitive to changes in the credit quality of the underlying collateral, the credit strength of the credit enhancement, changes in interest rates and at times the financial condition of the issuer. MBS is an asset backed security whose cash flows are backed by the principal and interest payments of a set of mortgage loans. In the case of mortgage-backed securities, these loans are usually first mortgages on residential properties. With asset backed securities, the loans might be credit card receivables, auto loans and leases or home equity loans. As the underlying loans are paid off by the borrowers, the investors in MBS/ABS receive payments of interest and principal over time. MBS, particularly home loan transactions, are subject to interest-rate risk and prepayment risk. A change in interest rates can affect the pace of payments on the underlying loans, which in turn, affects total return on the securities. ABS also carries credit or default risks. If many borrowers on the underlying loans default, losses could exceed the credit enhancement level and result in losses to investors in an ABS transaction. ABS has structure risk due to a unique characteristic known as early amortization or early payout risk.

MBS carry interest rate risk. Maturity is a moving target with these securities. Depending on what happens to interest rates after issuing the MBS, the maturity of the bond could shorten or lengthen dramatically. This is because homeowners are allowed to refinance their mortgages, as decline in interest rates encourages many homeowners to refinance their mortgages. Whereas rise in interest rates causes homeowners to hold on to their mortgages longer. This will extend the originally estimated maturity dates of MBS. ABS and MBS are also subject to prepayment risk. When purchasing an MBS, investors usually calculate some degree of prepayment into their pricing. However, if prepayment happens unexpectedly or faster than predicted, it may result in reduced actual duration as compared to the expected duration of the paper at the time of purchase, which may adversely impact the portfolio yield.



The yield-to-maturity of such securities cannot be known for certain at the time of purchase since the cash flows are not known. When principal is returned early, future interest payments will not be paid on that part of the principal. If the bond was purchased at a premium, the bond's yield will be less than what was estimated at the time of purchase. The credit enhancement stipulated represents a limited loss cover to the investors. These certificates represent an undivided beneficial interest in the underlying receivables and do not represent an obligation of either the issuer or the seller or the originator, or the parent or any affiliate of the seller, issuer and originator. No financial recourse is available to the certificate holders against the investors' representative. Delinquencies and credit losses may cause depletion of the amount available under the credit enhancement and thereby the investor payouts to the certificate holders may get affected if the amount available in the credit enhancement facility is not enough to cover the shortfall. On persistent default of an obligor to repay his obligation, the servicer may repossess and sell the asset. However, many factors may affect, delay or prevent the repossession of such asset or the length of time required to realise the sale proceeds on such sales. In addition, the price at which such asset may be sold may be lower than the amount due from that obligor. These securities also carry risk associated with the collection agent. With respect to the certificates, the servicer will deposit all payments received from the obligors into the collection account. However, there could be a time gap between collection by a servicer and depositing the same into the collection account especially considering that some of the collections may be in the form of cash. In this interim period, collections from the loan agreements may not be segregated from other funds of originator. If originator in its capacity as servicer fails to remit such funds due to investors, the investors may be exposed to a potential loss.

## Additional risks associated with the CE rated papers

In addition to all the risks associated with the plain vanilla instruments like NCDs / Money market instruments etc., any instrument rated with the suffix (CE) is exposed to various additional risks on the basis of the explicit underlying Credit enhancement (CE) from a third party/ parent/ group company, in the form of corporate guarantee/ letter of comfort/ pledge of shares etc. The risk involved are:

□ if the Credit Enhancement is in the form of Corporate Guarantee / Letter of Comfort, then there is a legal risk of enforcing the Corporate Guarantee / Letter of Comfort along with the credit risk pertaining to the Credit Enhancement provider. If the Credit Enhancement is in the form of pledge of shares, then the additional risks are those associated with equity price movement, share collateral cover, liquidity of shares pledged as collateral in the secondary market, availability of free shares with the CE provider to be provided as additional collateral. Further there is also a legal risk of enforcing the pledge of shares, operational risk in selling the shares in secondary market & the underlying impact cost.

If the Credit Enhancement is in any other form, then there is a risk pertaining to legal enforceability of the credit enhancement and credit risk of the credit enhancement provider.

#### ☐ Risks associated with investing in Derivatives

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. The use of a derivative requires an understanding not only of the

underlying instrument but also 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.

Other risks include risk of mispricing or improper valuation and the inability of the derivative to correlate perfectly with underlying assets, rates and indices, illiquidity risk whereby the Scheme may not be able to sell or purchase derivative quickly enough at a fair price.



# ☐ Risks associated with Securities Lending

#### For Equity Instruments:

As with other modes of extensions of credit, there are risks inherent to securities lending.

During the period the security is lent, the Scheme may not be able to sell such security and in turn cannot protect from the falling market price of the said security. Under the current securities lending and borrowing mechanism, the Scheme can call back the securities lent any time before the maturity date of securities lending contract. However, this will be again the function of liquidity in the market and if there are no lenders in the specified security, the Scheme may not be able to call back the security and in the process, the Scheme will be exposed to price volatility. Moreover, the fees paid for calling back the security may be more than the lending fees earned by Scheme at the time of lending the said security and this could result in loss to the Scheme. Also, during the period the security is lent, the Fund will not be able to exercise the voting rights attached to the security as the security will not be registered in the name of the Scheme in the records of the Depository/issuer.

#### For Debt Instruments:

As with other modes of extensions of credit, 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 Scheme may not be able to sell such lent securities and this can lead to temporary illiquidity.

#### ☐ Risks associated with Short Selling

The Scheme may enter into short selling transactions, subject to SEBI and RBI Regulations. Short positions carry the risk of losing money and these losses may grow unlimited theoretically if the price of the stock increases without any limit. This may result in major loss to the Scheme. At times, the participants may not be able to cover their short positions, if the price increases substantially. If numbers of short sellers try to cover their position simultaneously, it may lead to disorderly trading in the stock and thereby can briskly escalate the price even further making it difficult or impossible to liquidate short position quickly at reasonable prices. In additions, short selling also carries the risk of inability to borrow the security by the participants thereby requiring the participants to purchase the securities sold short to cover the position even at unreasonable prices.



## II. <u>INFORMATION ABOUT THE SCHEME:</u>

**A.** Where will the scheme invest –

Please refer Section I of the document to know in detail description of the instruments (including overview of debt markets in India, if applicable)

**B.** What are the investment restrictions?

As per the Trust Deed read with the SEBI (MF) Regulations, the following investment restrictions apply in respect of the Scheme at the time of making investments.

1. The Scheme shall not invest more than 10% of its NAV in the equity shares or equity related instruments of any company.

Provided that, the limit of 10% shall not be applicable for investments in case of index fund or exchange traded fund or sector or industry specific scheme. In the case of sector/industry specific scheme, the upper ceiling on investments may be in accordance with the weightage of the scrips in the representative sectoral index/sub index as disclosed in the Scheme Information Document or

10% of the NAV of the Scheme, whichever is higher.

- 2. All investments by a mutual fund scheme in equity shares and equity related instruments shall only be made provided such securities are listed or to be listed.
- 3. The Mutual Fund under all its Scheme(s) shall not own more than 10% of any company's paid up capital carrying voting rights.

Provided, investment in the asset management company or the trustee company of a mutual fund shall be governed by clause (a), of sub-regulation (1), of regulation 7B.

Further, Sponsor, associate or group companies of Sponsor including Asset Management Company, through schemes of the Mutual Fund or otherwise, individually or collectively, directly or indirectly, shall not own 10% or more of the shareholding or voting rights in the asset management company or trustee company of any other mutual fund.

4. As per Clause 1 of the Seventh Schedule of MF Regulation, the Scheme shall not invest more than 10% of its NAV in debt instruments comprising money market instruments and non-money market instruments issued by a single issuer which are rated not below investment grade by a credit rating agency authorised 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.

Within the limits specified in clause 1 of the Seventh Schedule of MF Regulation, a mutual fund scheme shall not invest more than:

- a. 10% of its NAV in debt and money market securities rated AAA issued by a single issuer; or
- b. 8% of its NAV in debt and money market securities rated AA issued by a single issuer; or
- c. 6% of its NAV in debt and money market securities rated A and below issued by a single issuer.

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



The long term rating of issuers shall be considered for the money market instruments. However, if there is no long term rating available for the same issuer, then based on credit rating mapping of Credit Rating Agency (CRAs) between short term and long term ratings, the most conservative long term rating shall be taken for a given short term rating

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

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

Provided further that such limit shall not be applicable for investments in case of debt exchange traded funds or such other funds as may be specified by the Board from time to time.

- 5. The investment of the Scheme in the following instruments shall not exceed 10% of the debt portfolio of the Scheme and the group exposure in such instruments shall not exceed 5% of the debt portfolio of the Scheme: -
- Unsupported rating of debt instruments (i.e. without factoring-in credit enhancements) is below investment grade; and
- Supported rating of debt instruments (i.e. after factoring-in credit enhancement) is above investment grade
  The above limits shall not be applicable on investments in securitized debt instruments. Investment by the Scheme in debt instruments, having credit enhancements backed by equity shares directly or indirectly, shall have a minimum cover of 4 times considering the market value of such shares.

Further, the investment in debt instruments having credit enhancements should be sufficiently covered to address the market volatility and reduce the inefficiencies of invoking of the pledge or cover, whenever required, without impacting the interest of the investors. In case of fall in the value of the cover below the specified limit, AMCs will initiate necessary steps to ensure protection of the interest of the investors.

- 6. Debentures, irrespective of any residual maturity period (above or below one year), shall attract the investment restrictions as applicable for debt instruments. It is further clarified that the investment limits are applicable to all debt securities, which are issued by public bodies/institutions such as electricity boards, municipal corporations, state transport corporations etc. guaranteed by either state or central government. Government securities issued by central/state government or on its behalf by the RBI are exempt from the above investment limits.
- 7. The Scheme may invest in another scheme under the same AMC or any other mutual fund without charging any fees, provided that aggregate inter-scheme investment made by all schemes under the same AMC or in schemes under the management of any other asset management shall not exceed 5% of the net asset value of the Mutual Fund. However, the aforesaid provision will not apply to fund of funds scheme.
- 8. The Scheme shall not make any investments in:
  - (a) any unlisted security of an associate or group company of the Sponsors; or
  - (b) any security issued by way of private placement by an associate or group company of the Sponsors; or
  - (c) the listed securities of group companies of the Sponsors which is in excess of 25% of the net assets.
- 9. The Scheme shall not invest in any Fund of Funds Scheme.
- 10. Transfer of investments from one scheme to another scheme in the same Mutual Fund, shall be allowed only if:-



- (a) such transfers are made at the prevailing market price for quoted Securities on spot basis (spot basis shall have the same meaning as specified by Stock Exchange for spot transactions.)
- (b) the securities so transferred shall be in conformity with the investment objective of the scheme to which such transfer has been made.
- (c) the same are in line with paragraph 12.30 of SEBI Mater Circular for Mutual Fund dated June 27, 2024.
- 11. The Mutual Fund shall buy and sell securities on the basis of deliveries and shall in all cases of purchases, take delivery of relevant securities and in all cases of sale, deliver the securities:
- Provided that the Mutual Fund may engage in short selling of securities in accordance with the framework relating to short selling and securities lending and borrowing specified by SEBI.
- Provided further that the Mutual Fund may enter into derivatives transactions in a recognized stock exchange, subject to the framework specified by SEBI.
- Provided further that sale of government security already contracted for purchase shall be permitted in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Reserve Bank of India in this regard.
- 12. No loans for any purpose may be advanced by the Mutual Fund and the Mutual Fund shall not borrow except to meet temporary liquidity needs of the Schemes for the purpose of payment of interest or Reinvestment of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option (IDCW) to Unit Holders, provided that the Mutual Fund shall not borrow more than 20% of the net assets of each of the Schemes and the duration of such borrowing shall not exceed a period of six months.
- 13. The Mutual Fund shall enter into transactions relating to Government Securities only in dematerialised form.
- 14. The mutual fund shall get the securities purchased / transferred in the name of the fund on account of the concerned scheme, where investments are intended to be of long term nature.
- 15. Pending deployment of funds of a scheme in terms of investment objectives of the scheme, a mutual fund may invest them in short term deposits of schedule commercial banks, subject to the guidelines issued by paragraph 12.16 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Fund dated June 27, 2024, as may be amended from time to time. The AMC shall not charge any investment management and advisory fees for parking of funds in such short term deposits of scheduled commercial banks for the scheme.
- 16. In accordance with the guidelines as stated under paragraph 12.1.3 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Fund dated June 27, 2024, investments in following instruments as specified in the said circular, as may be amended from time to time, shall be applicable:
- i. All fresh investments by mutual fund schemes in CPs would be made only in CPs which are listed or to be listed.
- ii. Further, 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 conditions as specified in the said circular:
- 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.
- d. The scheme shall not invest in unlisted debt instruments including commercial papers (CPs), other than
- (a) government securities,
- (b) other money market instrument and
- (c) derivative products such as Interest Rate Swaps (IRS), Interest Rate Futures (IRF), etc. which are used by mutual funds for hedging.
- e. However, the scheme 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.

All such investments shall be made with the prior approval of the Board of AMC and the Board of trustees.

- 17. Investment restrictions w.r.t. REITs and InvITS:
  - a) The Mutual Fund under all its schemes shall not own more than 10% of units issued by a single issuer of REIT and InvIT.
  - b) The Scheme shall not invest more than 10% of its NAV in the units of REITs and InvITs.
  - c) The Scheme shall not invest more than 5% of its NAV in the units of REITs and InvITs issued by a single issuer.
- 18. The Scheme shall adhere to following limits for investments in Debt and Money Market Instruments issued by a single issuer:

Credit Rating	Maximum Limit (% of net assets)
AAA	10
AA (including AA+ and AA-)	8
A (including A+) & below	6

The above limits may be extended by up to 2% of the NAV of the Scheme with prior approval of the Board of Trustees and AMC, subject to compliance with the overall 12% limit.

Provided that such limits shall not be applicable for investments in Government Securities, treasury bills, and Triparty Repo on G-Secs & T-Bills.

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 SEBI.

- 19. Restrictions on Investment in debt instruments having Structured Obligations / Credit Enhancements:
- I. The investment of the Scheme in the following instruments shall not exceed 10% of its debt portfolio and the group exposure in such instruments shall not exceed 5% of its debt portfolio:
- 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. For the purpose of this provision, 'Group' shall have the same meaning as defined in para 12.9.3.3 of SEBI Master Circular dated June 27, 2024 or such other meaning as may be prescribed by SEBI from time to time.



II. Investment limits as mentioned in point no. I shall not be applicable on investments in securitized debt instruments, as defined in SEBI (Public Offer and Listing of Securitized Debt Instruments) Regulations 2008.

III. Investment in debt instruments, having credit enhancements backed by equity shares directly or indirectly, shall have a minimum cover of 4 times considering the market value of such shares. AMC shall ensure that the investment in debt instruments having credit enhancements are sufficiently covered to address the market volatility and reduce the inefficiencies of invoking of the pledge or cover, whenever required, without impacting the interest of the investors. In case of fall in the value of the cover below the specified limit, AMC shall initiate necessary steps to ensure protection of the interest of the investors.

20. The Scheme will comply with the following restrictions for trading in exchange traded derivatives, as specified in para 7.5 of SEBI Master Circular dated June 27, 2024 as may be amended from time to time:

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

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

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

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

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

The Mutual Fund position limit in a derivative contract on a particular underlying stock, i.e.

stock option contracts and stock futures contracts, is defined in the following manner: -

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

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

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

- a. For stock option and stock futures contracts, the gross open position across all derivative contracts on a particular underlying stock of a scheme of a Mutual Fund shall not exceed the higher of:
- 1% of the free float market capitalization (in terms of number of shares) or 5% of the open interest in the derivative contract on a particular underlying stock (in terms of number of contracts).
- b. This position limits shall be applicable on the combined position in all derivative contracts on an underlying stock at a Stock Exchange.
- c. For index based contracts, Mutual Funds shall disclose the total open interest held by its scheme or all schemes put together in a particular underlying index, if such open interest equals to or exceeds 15% of the open interest of all derivative contracts on that underlying index.



- 21. In terms of para 12.25 of SEBI Master Circular dated June 27, 2024, the following additional restrictions shall be applicable to the Scheme w.r.t investment in derivatives:
- i. The cumulative gross exposure through equity, debt, derivative positions, other permitted securities/assets and such other securities/assets as may be permitted by SEBI from time to time, subject to regulatory approvals, if any, shall not exceed 100% of the net assets of the scheme
- ii. The Scheme shall not write options or purchase instruments with embedded written options.
- iii. The total exposure related to option premium paid must not exceed 20% of the net assets of the scheme.
- iv. Cash or cash equivalents with residual maturity of less than 91 days may be treated as not creating any exposure. SEBI vide letter dated November 3, 2021 to AMFI has clarified that Cash Equivalent shall consist of Government Securities, T-Bills and Repo on Government Securities.
- v. Exposure due to hedging positions may not be included in the above mentioned limits subject to the following:
- a) Hedging positions are the derivative positions that reduce possible losses on an existing position in securities and till the existing position remains.
- b) Hedging positions cannot be taken for existing derivative positions. Exposure due to such positions shall have to be added and treated under limits mentioned in Point (i).
- 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.
- vi. The Scheme 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.
- vii. 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 (i).
- viii. 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.

Exposure on account of call option written under the covered call strategy:

The covered call strategy is in line with applicable provisions of Master circular dated June 27, 2024.

The Scheme will write call options only under a covered call strategy for constituent stocks of NIFTY 50 and BSE SENSEX subject to the following:



- a) The total notional value (taking into account strike price as well as premium value) of call options written shall not exceed 15% of the total market value of the underlying equity shares held at all points in time. In case of any passive breach, the Scheme shall have 7 trading days to rebalance the portfolio. During the rebalancing period, no additional call options can be written in the Scheme.
- b) The total number of shares underlying the call options written shall not exceed 30% of the unencumbered shares of the particular company held in the Scheme at all points in time. The unencumbered shares in a scheme shall mean shares that are not part of Securities Lending and Borrowing Mechanism (SLBM), margin or any other kind of encumbrances.
- c) In case the Scheme needs to sell securities on which a call option is written under a covered call strategy, it must ensure compliance with (a) and (b) above while selling the securities.
- d) The Scheme shall not write a call option without holding the underlying equity shares. A call option can be written only on shares which are not hedged using other derivative contracts.
- e) The total gross exposure related to option premium paid and received will not exceed 20% of the net assets of the Scheme.

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

All investment restrictions shall be applicable at the time of making investment. Apart from the above investment restrictions, the Fund follows certain internal norms vis-à-vis limiting exposure to scrips, sectors etc, within the above mentioned restrictions, and these are subject to review from time to time. Modifications, if any, in the Investment Restrictions on account of amendments to the Regulations shall supersede/override the provisions of the Trust Deed.

#### C. Fundamental Attributes

Following are the Fundamental Attributes of the scheme, in terms of Clause 1.14 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024:

- (i) Type of a scheme An open ended equity scheme investing in banking and financial services related sectors
- (ii) Investment Objective: Please refer to Part I. V ie "Investment Objective" mentioned under "Highlights/Summary of the Scheme".

Main Objective – **Growth**/Income/Both.

- Investment pattern Please refer to Part II.A "HOW WILL THE SCHEME ALLOCATE ITS ASSETS?"
- (iii) Terms of Issue:

Liquidity provisions such as listing, repurchase, redemption - Please refer to the Part I Aggregate fees and expenses charged to the scheme: Please refer to the section Part II Other details Any safety net or guarantee provided: None

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 the 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 by the asset management company, unless it complies with sub-regulation (26) of regulation 25 of these regulations.

In accordance to regulation 25(26) of the SEBI (MF) Regulations, the Asset management company shall ensure that no change in the fundamental attributes of any scheme or the trust, fees and expenses payable or any other change which would modify the scheme and affect the interest of unit holders, shall be carried out unless:

SEBI has reviewed and provided its comments on the proposal;

- A written communication about the proposed change is sent to each Unitholder and an advertisement is given in one English daily newspaper having nationwide circulation as well as in a newspaper published in the language of the region where the Head Office of the Mutual Fund is situated; and
- The Unitholders are given an option for a period of atleast 30 calendar days to exit at the prevailing Net Asset Value without any exit load

In addition to the conditions specified under Regulation 18 (15A) for bringing change in the fundamental attributes of the scheme, it has been decided that trustees shall take comments of the Board before bringing such change(s).

- **D.** Index methodology (for index funds, ETFs and FOFs having one underlying domestic ETF)- Disclosures regarding the index, index eligibility criteria, methodology, index service provider, index constituents, impact cost of the constituents is not provided since its not an Index Fund
- **E.** Principles of incentive structure for market makers (for ETFs) is not provided since its not an ETF.
- **F.** Floors and ceiling within a range of 5% of the intended allocation against each sub class of asset, as per clause 13.6.2 of SEBI master circular for mutual funds dated June 27, 2024 (only for close ended debt schemes) NA
- **G.** Other Scheme Specific Disclosures:

Listing and transfer of units	Since units of the Scheme will be offered for subscription and redemption at NAV based prices on all Business Days on an ongoing basis providing the required liquidity to investors, units of the Scheme are not proposed to be listed on any stock exchange. However, the Trustee reserves the right to list the units of the Scheme on any stock exchange(s) at its sole discretion at a later date.
Dematerialization of units	In accordance with Paragraph 14.4.2(a) of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024, investors have the option to receive allotment of Mutual Fund units in their demat account while subscribing to this scheme. Such units held in demat form shall be fully transferable.



Minimum Target amount (This is the minimum amount required to operate the scheme and if this is not collected during the NFO period, then all the investors would be refunded the amount invested without any return.)	The Scheme had collected the minimum target amount during the NFO
Maximum Amount to be raised (if any)	The Scheme is in existence and the said clause is not applicable
Dividend Policy (IDCW)	The Trustee will endeavour to declare IDCW under the IDCW Option as per the specified frequencies, subject to availability of distributable surplus calculated in accordance with the Regulations.  The AMC/Trustee reserves the right to change the frequency of declaration of IDCW or may provide for additional frequencies for declaration of IDCW. IDCW Declaration Procedure:-
	IDCW Distribution Procedure: Pursuant to paragraph 10.6.1 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Fund dated June 27, 2024 the procedure for IDCW distribution will be as follows:  1. Quantum of IDCW and record date shall be fixed by the Board of Trustees. IDCW so decided shall be paid, subject to availability of distributable surplus as on the date of declaration of IDCW.  2. Within 1 calendar day of the decision by the Board of Trustees, the AMC shall issue notice to the public communicating the decision about the IDCW including the record date, in one English daily newspaper having nationwide circulation as well as in a newspaper published in the language of the region where Head Office of the Mutual Fund is situated.  3. Record date shall be the date, which will be considered for the purpose of determining the eligibility of investors whose name appear on the register of unit holders for receiving IDCWs. The Record Date will be two working days from the date of issue of notice.  4. The NAV will be adjusted to the extent of IDCW distribution and statutory levy, if any at the close of business hours on record date.  5. Before the issue of such notice, no communication indicating the probable date of IDCW declaration in any manner whatsoever will be issued by the Mutual Fund.  6. The payment of dividend to the unitholders shall be made within seven working days from the record date.  However, please note that in case of IDCW option/s where the frequency of IDCW declaration is up to and including Monthly basis, the requirement of issuing a notice, as mentioned above communicating the decision of declaring IDCW including the record date, is not mandatory. Accordingly, no notice as mentioned above will



	be published by AMC in case of IDCW declared under the Scheme under IDCW option where the frequency of IDCW declaration is up to and including Monthly basis.  Even though the asset portfolio will be common, the NAVs of the growth option and IDCW option in the Scheme will be distinctly different after declaration of the first IDCW to the extent of distributed income, applicable tax and statutory levy, if any, and expenses relating to the distribution of the IDCWs.  All the IDCW declaration and payments shall be in accordance and in compliance with SEBI regulations, as amended from time to time.
Allotment (Detailed procedure)	Investors may apply for Units by filling up an Application Form. All valid and complete applications will be allotted Units at the Applicable NAV for the application amount.  The AMC shall send an allotment confirmation specifying the units allotted by way of email and/or SMS within 5 Business Days from the receipt of valid application/transaction. Allotment confirmation shall be sent to the Unit holder's registered e-mail address and/ or mobile number.
Refund	The Scheme is in existence and the process of refund was followed during NFO.
Who can invest This is an indicative list and investors shall consult their financial advisor to ascertain whether the scheme is suitable to their risk profile.	The following persons are eligible to apply for subscription to the units of the Scheme (subject to, wherever relevant, subscription to units of the Scheme being permitted under the respective constitutions and relevant statutory regulations):  1. Indian resident adult individuals either singly or jointly (not exceeding three) or on an Anyone or Survivor basis;  2. Hindu Undivided Family (HUF) through Karta of the HUF;  3. Minor through parent / legal guardian;  4. Partnership Firms and Limited Liability Partnerships (LLPs);  5. Proprietorship in the name of the sole proprietor;  6. Companies, Bodies Corporate, Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs), Association of Persons (AOP) or Bodies of Individuals (BOI) and societies registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860;  7. Banks (including Co-operative Banks and Regional Rural Banks) and Financial Institutions;  8. Mutual Funds registered with SEBI;  9. Religious and Charitable Trusts, Wakfs or endowments of private trusts (subject to receipt of necessary approvals as required) and private trusts authorised to invest in mutual fund schemes under their trust deeds;  10. Non-Resident Indians (NRIs) / Persons of Indian origin (PIOs) residing abroad on repatriation basis or on non-repatriation basis;  11. Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) and their sub accounts registered with SEBI on repatriation basis;



- 12. Army, Air Force, Navy and other para-military units and bodies created by such institutions;
- 13. Scientific and Industrial Research Organizations;
- 14. Multilateral Funding Agencies / Bodies Corporate incorporated outside India with the permission of Government of India / RBI;
- 15. Provident Funds, Pension Funds, Gratuity Funds and Superannuation Funds to the extent they are permitted;
- 16. Other schemes of Groww Mutual Fund subject to the conditions and limits prescribed by SEBI (MF) Regulations;
- 17. Trustee, AMC or Sponsor or their associates may subscribe to units under the Scheme;
- 18. Such other individuals /institutions/ body corporates etc., as may be decided by the AMC from time to time, so long as, wherever applicable, subject to their respective constitutions and relevant statutory regulations.

The list given above is indicative and the applicable laws, if any, as amended from time to time shall supersede the list.

#### Note:

- 1. Non Resident Indians (NRIs) and Persons of Indian Origin (PIOs) residing abroad / Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs) have been granted a general permission by Reserve Bank of India under 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.
- 2. It is expressly understood that at the time of investment, the investor/unitholder 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. Subject to the Regulations, the Trustee may reject any application received in case the application is found invalid/incomplete or for any other reason in the Trustee's sole discretion.
- 3. Dishonoured cheques are liable not to be presented again for collection, and the accompanying application forms are liable to be rejected.
- 4. The Trustee, reserves the right to recover from an investor any loss caused to the Scheme on account of dishonour of cheques issued by the investor for purchase of Units of this Scheme.
- 5. For subscription in the Scheme, it is mandatory for investors to make certain disclosures like bank details etc. and provide certain documents like PAN copy etc. (for details please refer SAI) without which the application is liable to be rejected.
- 6. Subject to the SEBI (MF) Regulations, any application for units of this Scheme may be accepted or rejected in the sole and absolute discretion of the Trustee/AMC. The Trustee/AMC may inter-alia reject any application for the purchase of units if the application is invalid or incomplete or if the Trustee for any other reason does not believe that it



	would be in the best interest of the Scheme or its unitholders to accept
	such an application.
Who cannot invest	The following persons are not eligible to invest in the Scheme:  • Any individual who is a foreign national or any other entity that is not an Indian resident under the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 (FEMA Act) except where registered with SEBI as a FII or sub account of FII or otherwise explicitly permitted under FEMA Act/ by RBI/ by any other applicable authority or where they falls under the category of QFIs/FPIs.  • Pursuant to RBI A.P. (DIR Series) Circular No. 14 dated September 16, 2003, Overseas Corporate Bodies (OCBs) cannot invest in Mutual Funds.  • NRIs residing in Non-Compliant Countries and Territories (NCCTs) as determined by the Financial Action Task Force (FATF), from time to time.  • Persons residing in countries which require licensing or registration of Indian Mutual Fund products before selling the same in its jurisdiction.  • Such other persons as may be specified by AMC from time to time.
How to Apply & Other details	Application form and Key Information Memorandum may be obtained from the offices of AMC or Investor Services Centres (ISCs)/of the Registrar or distributors or downloaded from Investors are also advised to refer to SAI before submitting the application form.
	MFCentral has been designated as Official point of acceptance of Groww Mutual Fund for non-financial transactions. The same can be accessed using <a href="https://mfcentral.com/">https://mfcentral.com/</a> Any registered user of MFCentral, requiring submission of physical document as per the requirements of MFCentral, may do so at any of the designated Investor Service Centres or collection centres of KFIN or CAMS.
	The list of the Investor Service Centres (ISCs)/ of the Mutual Fund will be available on the website <a href="https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/sid">https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/sid</a> All cheques and drafts should be crossed "Account Payee Only" and drawn in favour the scheme name in which investment is intended to be made. The AMC/ Trustee reserves the right to reject any application inter alia in the absence of fulfillment of any regulatory requirements, fulfillment of any requirements as per the SID, incomplete/incorrect documentation and not furnishing necessary information to the satisfaction of the Mutual Fund/AMC.
	<ol> <li>Please refer to the SAI and Application form for the instructions.</li> <li>Please visit <a href="https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/sid">https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/sid</a> to know about the list of official points of acceptance,</li> <li>name, address and contact no. of Registrar and Transfer Agent (R&amp;T), email id of R&amp;T, website address of R&amp;T, official points of acceptance, etc. are mentioned at the end of</li> </ol>



	the document.  Please note that it is mandatory for the unitholders to provide the bank account details in their application/redemption requests as per SEBI guidelines.
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.	Not Applicable  Units once redeemed will not be reissued
Restrictions, if any, on the right to freely retain or dispose of units being offered.	The Mutual Fund will be repurchasing (subject to completion of lock-in period, if any) and issuing units of the Scheme on an ongoing basis and hence the transfer facility is found redundant. Any addition / deletion of name from the folio of the Unit holder is deemed as transfer of Units. In view of the same, additions / deletions of names will not be allowed under any folio of the Scheme. The said provisions in respect of deletion of names will not be applicable in case of death of a Unit holder (in respect of joint holdings) as this is treated as transmission (transfer of units by operation of law) of Units and not transfer. Units of the Scheme held in demat form shall be freely transferable (subject to lock-in period, if any) and will be subject to transmission facility in accordance with the provisions of the SEBI (Depositories and Participants) Regulations, 1996 as amended from time to time. Also, when a person becomes a holder of the units by operation of law or upon enforcement of pledge, then the AMC shall, subject to production/submission of such satisfactory evidence, which in its opinion is sufficient, effect the transfer, if the intended transferee is otherwise eligible to hold the units. Please refer to paragraphs on 'Transfer and Transmission of units, Right to limit Redemption, Suspension of Purchase and/ or Redemption of Units and Pledge of Units' in the SAI for further details
Cut off timing for subscriptions/ redemptions/ switches  This is the time before which your application (complete in all respects) should reach the official points of acceptance.	Applicable NAV for Purchases/Switch-ins  1. In respect of valid applications received upto 3.00 p.m. on a business day and entire amount is available in the mutual fund's account for utilization before the cut off time of the same day – closing NAV of the day of receipt of application;  2. In respect of valid applications received after 3.00 p.m. on a business day and the entire amount is available in the mutual fund's account for utilization before cut off time of the next business day – the closing NAV of the next business day;  3. Irrespective of the time of receipt of the application where the entire amount is available in Mutual fund's account for utilization before cut off time on any subsequent business day – the closing NAV of such subsequent business day. The above cut-off timings and applicability of NAV shall be applicable in respect of valid applications received at the Official Point(s) of Acceptance on a Business Day:  1. It is clarified that switches will be considered as redemption in the switch-out scheme and purchase / subscription in the switch-in scheme



- 2. Cheques received on a business day may be deposited with the primary bankers of the respective location on the next business day. NAV shall be as per the applicable NAV mentioned above. To enable early sighting of funds by the schemes, investors are requested to avail of electronic facilities like RTGS / NEFT in respect of subscriptions and submit the proof of transfer of funds along with their applications. AMC shall not be responsible for any delay on account of banking clearance or circumstances which are beyond the control of AMC.
- 3. The provisions for applicability of NAV based on realization of funds will be applicable to all types of investment including various systematic investments routes (viz, SIP, STP, DTP etc.) as may be offered by the Scheme from time to time.

# Applicable NAV for Redemption/ Switch outs

- a) where the application received upto 3.00 pm closing NAV of the day of receipt of application; and
- b) an application received after 3.00 pm closing NAV of the next business day.

Further, where the AMC or the Registrar has provided a facility to the investors to redeem /switch-out of the Scheme through the medium of Internet by logging onto specific web-sites or any other facilities offered by the AMC and where investors have signed up for using these facilities, the Applicable NAVs will be as provided above.

# Technical issues when transactions are processed through online facilities/ electronic modes:

The time of transaction done through various online facilities / electronic modes offered by the AMC, for the purpose of determining the applicability of NAV, would be the time when the request for purchase / SIP/ sale / switch of units is received in the servers of AMC/RTA. In case of transactions through online facilities / electronic modes, there may be a time lag of few seconds or upto 1-7 banking days between the amount of subscription being debited to investor's bank account and the subsequent credit into the respective Scheme's bank account. This lag may impact the applicability of NAV for transactions where NAV is to be applied, based on actual realization of funds by the Scheme. Under no circumstances will Groww Asset Management Limited or its bankers or its service providers be liable for any lag / delay in realization of funds and consequent pricing of units. The AMC has the right to amend cut off timings subject to SEBI (MF) Regulations for the smooth and efficient functioning of the Scheme. Representation of SIP transaction which have failed due to technical reasons will also follow same rule.



Minimum amount for	Ongoing: Rs.500 and in multiples of Re. 1
	Switch-in amount: Rs.500 and in multiples of Re.1.
purchase/redemption/switches	The minimum subscription limits for new purchases/additional
	purchases will apply to each Option separately.
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	Minimum Redemption Amount:
	The minimum redemption amount shall be Rs. 500 and in multiples of
	Re. 1
	In case, if the investor wants to submit redemption in units, the value
	should be equivalent to the minimum redemption amount specified
	above as on the applicable NAV date and the units should be in
	multiples of 0.001.
	In case the available balance in folio is less than the minimum
	redemption amount/units, then the investor can submit a request for "All units/Full redemption" of the amount / units available in folio.
	Please note this will not be applicable for units under pledge and demat
	folios.
	The AMC reserves the right to change the minimum amounts for
	various purchase / redemption/ switch. Such changes shall only be
	applicable to transactions on a prospective basis.
Accounts Statements	The AMC shall send an allotment confirmation specifying the units allotted by way of email and/or SMS within 5 working days of receipt of valid application/transaction to the Unit holders registered e-mail address and/or mobile number (whether units are held in demat mode or in account statement form).
	A Consolidated Account Statement (CAS) detailing all the transactions across all mutual funds (including transaction charges paid to the distributor) and holding at the end of the month shall be sent to the Unit holders in whose folio(s) transaction(s) have taken place during the month. The monthly CAS will be dispatched to investors that have opted for delivery via electronic mode (e-CAS) within twelve (12) days from the month end and to investors that have opted for delivery via physical mode within fifteen (15) days from the month end.
	Half-yearly CAS shall be issued at the end of every six months (i.e. September/ March) to all investors providing the prescribed details across all schemes of mutual funds and securities held in dematerialized form across demat accounts, if applicable. The CAS will be dispatched to investors that have opted for e-CAS on or before the eighteenth (18th) day of April and October and to investors that have opted for delivery via physical mode by the twenty first (21st) day of April and October.
	For further details, refer SAI.



Dividend/ IDCW	The payment of dividend/IDCW to the unitholders shall be made within seven working days from the record date.
Redemption	The redemption or repurchase proceeds shall be dispatched to the unitholders within three working days from the date of redemption or repurchase.
	For list of exceptional circumstances refer para 14.1.3 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024
Bank Mandate	In case of those unit holders, who hold units in demat form, the bank mandate available with the respective DP will be treated as the valid bank mandate for the purpose of payout at the time of redemption. In view of the above, Multiple Bank Mandate registration facilities with the AMC will not be applicable to Demat account holders.
Delay in payment of redemption / repurchase proceeds/dividend	The Asset Management Company shall be liable to pay interest to the unitholders at rate as specified vide clause 14.2 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024 by SEBI for the period of such delay
Unclaimed Redemption and Income Distribution cum Capital Withdrawal Amount	As per the Clause 14.3 of SEBI Master Circular dated June 27, 2024, the unclaimed Redemption and dividend amounts shall be deployed by the Fund in call money market or money market instruments and in a separate plan of Liquid scheme / Money Market Mutual Fund scheme floated by Mutual Funds specifically for deployment of the unclaimed amounts. The investment management fee charged by the AMC for managing such unclaimed amounts shall not exceed 50 basis points.  The AMCs shall not be permitted to charge any exit load in this plan. Provided that such schemes where the unclaimed redemption and IDCW amounts are deployed shall be only those Overnight scheme/ Liquid scheme / Money Market Mutual Fund schemes which are placed in A-1 cell (Relatively Low Interest Rate Risk and Relatively Low Credit Risk) of Potential Risk Class matrix. The investors who claim these amounts during a period of three years from the due date shall be paid at the prevailing NAV. After a period of three years, this amount can be transferred to a pool account and the investors can claim the said amounts at the NAV prevailing at the end of the third year. In terms of the circular, the onus is on the AMC to make a continuous effort to remind investors through letters to take their unclaimed amounts. The website of Groww Mutual Fund also provides information on the process of claiming the unclaimed amount and the necessary forms / documents required for the same. The details of such unclaimed amounts are also disclosed in the annual report sent to the Unit Holders.  Important Note: All applicants must provide a bank name, bank account number, branch address, and account type in the Application Form.
Disclosure w.r.t investment by minors	As per Para 17.6 of SEBI Master Circular No. SEBI/HO/IMD/IMD-PoD-1/P/CIR/2024/90 dated June 27, 2024, the following Process for



Investments in the name of a Minor through a Guardian will be applicable:

- a. Payment for investment by any mode shall be accepted from the bank account of the minor, parent or legal guardian of the minor, or from a joint account of the minor with parent or legal guardian. For existing folios, the AMCs shall insist upon a Change of Pay-out Bank mandate before redemption is processed.
- b. Redemption proceeds shall be credited only in verified bank account of the minor, i.e the account the minor may hold with the parent/legal guardian after completing KYC formalities.
- c. Upon the minor attaining the status of major, the minor in whose name the investment was made, shall be required to provide all the KYC details, updated bank account details including cancelled original cheque leaf of the new account. No further transactions shall be allowed till the status of the minor is changed to major.
- d. AMCs shall build a system control at the account set up stage of Systematic Investment Plan (SIP), Systematic Transfer Plan (STP) and Systematic Withdrawal Plan (SWP) on the basis of which, the standing instruction is suspended when the minor attains majority, till the status is changed to major.

Please refer SAI for detailed process on investments made in the name of a Minor through a Guardian and Transmission of Units.



# III. OTHER DETAILS

**A.** In case of Fund of Funds Scheme, Details of Benchmark, Investment Objective, Investment Strategy, TER, AUM, Year wise performance, Top 10 Holding/ link to Top 10 holding of the underlying fund should be provided - NA

**B.** Periodic Disclosures such as Half yearly disclosures, half yearly results, annual report

Half -Yearly Portfolio Disclosures  This is a list of securities where the corpus of the Scheme is currently invested.  The market value of these investments is also stated in portfolio disclosures.	The Mutual Fund shall disclose the scheme portfolios as on the last day of the month/ as on the last day of every half year ended March and September within 10 days from the close of each month / half-year respectively. Further, the Mutual Fund shall also disclose portfolio of the scheme on a fortnightly basis within 5 days from the end of the fortnight. The disclosure shall be on <a href="https://growwmf.in/statutory-disclosure/portfolio">https://growwmf.in/statutory-disclosure/portfolio</a> (Fortnightly/Monthly), <a href="https://growwmf.in/financials/half-yearly-unaudited-financials-&amp;-portfolio">https://growwmf.in/financials/half-yearly-unaudited-financials-&amp;-portfolio</a> (Half Yearly) and www.amfiindia.com. The AMC shall send via email the fortnightly statement of scheme portfolio within 5 days from the close of each fortnight and the monthly and half-yearly statement of scheme portfolio within 10 days from the close of each month / half-year respectively.
	Mutual Fund shall publish an advertisement every half-year disclosing the hosting of the half-yearly statement of its schemes portfolio on its website and on the website of AMFI. Such advertisement shall be published in the all India edition of at least two daily newspapers, one each in English and Hindi. Mutual Fund shall provide a physical copy of the statement of its scheme portfolio, without charging any cost, on specific request received from a unitholder.
Half -Yearly Financial Results	The Mutual Fund shall within one month from the close of each half year i.e., 31st March and on 30th September, host a soft copy of its unaudited financial results on their website. The Mutual Fund and AMC shall publish an advertisement disclosing the hosting of such financial results on their website, in atleast one national English daily newspaper and in a regional newspaper published in the language of the region where the Head Office of the Mutual Fund is situated.  It will also be displayed on the website of the AMC https://www.growwmf.in/financials/half-yearly-unaudited-financials-&-
	portfolio and AMFI www.amfiindia.com



Annual Report	The Scheme wise annual report or an abridged summary thereof shall be
	mailed (emailed, where e-mail id is provided unless otherwise required)
	to all Unit holders not later than four months (or such other period as
	may be specified by SEBI from time to time) from the date of closure of
	the relevant accounting year (i.e. 31st March each year) and full annual
	report shall be available for inspection at the Head Office of the Mutual
	Fund and a copy shall be made available to the Unit holders on request
	on payment of nominal fees, if any. Scheme wise annual report shall also
	be displayed on the website of the AMC
	https://www.growwmf.in/financials/scheme-financials and Association
	of Mutual Funds in India <u>www.amfiindia.com</u>

# C. Transparency/NAV Disclosure (Details with reference to information given in Section I)

The AMC will calculate the NAVs for all the Business Days. The Asset Management Company ("AMC") shall update the NAVs on the website of Association of Mutual Funds in India ("AMFI") (www.amfiindia.com) by 11.00 p.m. every Business Day. The NAV shall also be available on AMC website <a href="https://www.growwmf.in/nav">https://www.growwmf.in/nav</a> If the NAVs are not available before the commencement of business hours on the following day due to any reason, the Mutual Fund shall issue a press release giving reasons and explaining when the Mutual Fund would be able to publish the NAV.

# D. Transaction charges and stamp duty-.

# Transaction charges shall not be deducted for:

- Purchases /subscriptions for an amount less than Rs. 10,000/-; and
- Transactions other than purchases/ subscriptions relating to new inflows such as Switches, etc.
- Any purchase/subscription made directly with the Fund (i.e. not through any distributor).
- Transactions carried out through the stock exchange platforms.

**Applicability of Stamp Duty:** Pursuant to Notification No. S. O. 1226 (E) and G.S.R 226(E) dated March 30, 2020 issued by Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance, Government of India, read with Part I of Chapter IV of Notification dated February 21, 2019 issued by Legislative Department, Ministry of Law and Justice, Government of India on the Finance Act, 2019, a stamp duty @ 0.005% of the transaction value shall be levied on applicable mutual fund transactions. Accordingly, pursuant to levy of stamp duty, the number of units allotted on purchase transactions to the unitholders would be reduced to that extent. The stamp duty will be deducted from the net investment amount i.e. gross investment amount less any other deduction like transaction charge. Units will be created only for the balance amount i.e. Net Investment Amount as reduced by the stamp duty. The stamp duty will be computed at the rate of 0.005% on an inclusive method basis.

For instance: If the transaction amount is Rs. 100100 /- and the transaction charge is Rs. 100, the stamp duty will be calculated as follows: ((Transaction Amount – Transaction Charge) \*0.005%) = Rs.5. If the applicable Net Asset Value (NAV) is Rs. 10 per unit, then units allotted will be calculated as follows: (Transaction Amount – Transaction Charge – Stamp Duty)/ Applicable NAV = 9,999.50 units.

For details please refer SAI.

#### **E.** Associate Transactions- Please refer to Statement of Additional Information (SAI)



**F.** For details on taxation please refer to the clause on Taxation in the SAI apart from the following:

This information is provided for general information only and is based on the prevailing tax laws, as applicable in case of this Scheme. 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.

Groww Mutual Fund is registered as a Mutual Fund with Securities and Exchange Board of India ('SEBI') under SEBI (Mutual Fund) Regulations, 1996. Any income earned by such mutual fund registered with SEBI is exempt from taxation as per section 10(23D) of the Income Tax Act, 1961 ('Act')

Type of Capital	Condition	Income Tax Rat	Income Tax Rates		TDS Rates	
Gain		Resident/ PIO/	FII	Resident	NRI/OCBs/	
		NRI/			FII & others	
		Other non FII				
		non-residents				
Tax on	The Finance Act, 202	0, abolished divid	lend distri	bution tax (I	ODT) and tax	
Dividend	exemption on income	received from mu	utual fund	in the hands	s of investor. as	
	provision of section	10 (35) is rescind	ed. Furthe	er, Income i	s taxable in the	
	hands of investor as p	er the applicable t	ax rates.			
Short Term	STT has been paid	20%	20%	Nil	20%	
Capital Gain	on redemption					
(redemption	Other cases	Normal rate of	30%	Nil	30% for Non-	
before completing		tax applicable			resident other	
one year of		to the assessee			than corporates,	
holding)					35% for non-	
					resident	
					corporates, 40%	
					for FII & Others	
Long Term	STT has been paid	12.5%#	12.5%#	Nil	12.5%	
Capital Gain	on redemption					
(redemption after						
completing one						
year of						
holding)						

**PIO**: Person of Indian origin

**NRI**: Non-resident Indian

FII: Foreign Institutional investor

**OCB**: Overseas Corporate Body

# Under section 112A of the Act, where long term capital gain exceeds Rs. 1,25,000/- tax is payable @ 12.5% plus applicable surcharge and cess (without indexation benefit).

Taxability in the hands of Investor

If the units are held as stock-in-trade of a business, the said income will be taxed at the rates at which the normal income of that investor is taxed.



If the units are held as investments, the said income will be taxed as capital gains. In such case, the tax rates applicable will depend on whether the gain on sale of units is classified as a short-term capital gain or a long-term capital gain.

# Tax on Income Distributed by a Mutual Fund

Finance Act, 2020 has amended the provision of section 115R of the Act (Dividend Distribution Tax) to provide that the income distributed on or before 31st March 2020 shall only be covered under the provision of this section.

With effect from 1st April, 2020, dividend or income distribution by mutual fund on units is taxable in the hands of unit holders at the applicable rates

\* As per provision of section 194K of the Act, where the amount of income credited or paid in a financial year, in aggregate, does not exceed Rs. 10,000, no withholding is required to be carried out. However, the scheme shall be withholding tax when the aggregate amount in financial year at Permanent Account Number (PAN) level exceeds Rs. 9,000.

Tax rates mentioned above are further increased by surcharge and health and education cess as may be applicable for respective investor.

Surcharge and cess shall not be applied on basic tax while deducting TDS, if any, on income of resident investors.

Surcharge Rates Total income	Individual /HUF ~~	Partnership Firms & Co- operative Societies	Domestic Companies*	Foreign Companies
Less than or equal to 50 lakhs	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
>50 lakhs <= 1 crore	10%	NIL	NIL	NIL
>1 crore <= 2 crores	15%	12%	7%	2%
>2 crores <= 5 crores	25%	12%	7%	2%
>5 crores <= 10 crores	37%	12%	7%	2%
>10 crores	37%	12%	12%	5%

~~Surcharge rate shall not exceed 25% in case of individual and HUF opting for new tax regime under section 115BAC of the Act. In case total income includes income by way of dividend on shares, short-term capital gains on units of equity oriented mutual fund schemes and long-term capital gains on mutual fund schemes, the rate of surcharge on the said type of income not to exceed 15% [refer clause on Taxation in the SAI for further details] \* 10% basic surcharge (irrespective of taxable income) for domestic companies availing benefit under section 115BAB and section 115BAB of the Act.

Tax plus surcharge shall be further increased by a health and education cess of 4 percent.

#### **DTAA Benefits**

Taxability in the hands of non-resident investor shall be subject to Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement ("DTAA" or "tax treaty") benefits which can be claimed in the return of income to be filed by such investors, as applicable. Further, such DTAA benefit may also be claimed at the time of withholding of taxes (subject to requisite



documents for claiming DTAA benefit made available by investor to the Mutual Fund). The investors should obtain specific advice from their tax advisors regarding the availability of the tax treaty benefits.

#### **AADHAR Linking**

As per section 139AA of the Act read with rule 114AAA of the Income-tax Rules, 1962, in the case of a resident person, whose PAN has become inoperative due to non-linking of PAN with Aadhaar, it shall be deemed that he has not furnished the PAN and tax could be withheld at a higher rate of 20% as per section 206AA of the Act.

## **Securities Transaction Tax (STT)**

STT is payable on sale (redemption) of units of an Equity Oriented funds mutual fund.

DISCLAIMER: The information given here is neither a complete disclosure of every material fact of Income-tax Act 1961 nor does it constitute tax or legal advice. Investors are requested to review the prospectus carefully and obtain expert professional advice with regard to specific legal, tax and financial implications of the investment/participation in the scheme

## G. Rights of Unitholders-

Please refer to SAI for details.

## H. List of official points of acceptance:

Please refer to <a href="https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/sid">https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/sid</a> in for a complete list of Official points of acceptance

**I.** 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

The said information has been disclosed in good faith as per the information available to the AMC at Downloads - Groww Mutual Funds <a href="https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/penalties-&-pending-litigation">https://www.growwmf.in/downloads/penalties-&-pending-litigation</a>

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

The Scheme under this Scheme Information Document was approved by the Board of Directors of Groww Trustee Limited of Groww Mutual Fund on November 10, 2023. The Board of Directors of Groww Trustee Limited has ensured that the Scheme is a new product offered by Groww Mutual Fund and is not a minor modification of its existing schemes.

The Scheme Information Document is an updated version of the same in line with the current laws/ regulations and other developments.

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors of Groww Asset Management Ltd.

Sd/-

Varun Gupta

CEO

Date: May 22, 2025 Place: Mumbai



<u>Name of Registrar:</u> KFin Technologies Ltd. Selenium, Tower B, Plot number 31 & 32, Financial District, Nanakramguda, Serilingampally Mandal, Hyderabad- 500 032

**Contact Number - 1800-309-4034** Email Id - <u>investorsupport.mfs@kfintech.com</u>, Website Address - www.kfintech.com

## LIST OF COLLECTION CENTRES

## **AMC Investor Service Centres:**

- a. <u>Lower Parel:</u> 505 5th Floor, Tower 2B, One World Centre, Near Prabhadevi Railway Station, Lower Parel, Mumbai 400013, Maharashtra, Tele-+91 22 69744435
- **b.** <u>Ghatkopar:</u> Office no. 601, Sixth Floor, Wing A, Integrated Arcade, Corner of Dharamshi Lane and R.B. Mehta Marg, Ghatkopar (East), Mumbai 400077, Maharashtra

<u>Customer Support Email Id – support@growwmf.in</u> <u>Customer Support Number – 80501 80222</u>

Time stamping branch

#### **MFCentral:**

With effect from September 24, 2021, MFCentral has been designated as Official point of acceptance of Groww Mutual Fund for non-financial transactions. The same can be accessed using https://mfcentral.com/ Any registered user of MFCentral, requiring submission of physical document as per the requirements of MFCentral, may do so at any of the designated Investor Service Centres or collection centres of KFIN or CAMS.

Name of RTA- KFin Technologies Ltd Contact details: 1800-309-4034

Website: www.kfintech.com

# **Investor Service Centres:** KFin Technologies Ltd

S.NO	Branch Name	State	Consolidated Current Address	Landline
1	Bangalore	Karnataka	Kfin Technologies Ltd No 35 Puttanna Road Basavanagudi Bangalore 560004	080-26602852
2	Belgaum	Karnataka	Kfin Technologies Ltd Premises No.101 Cts No.1893 Shree Guru Darshani Tower Anandwadi Hindwadi Belgaum 590011	0831 4213717



3	Bellary	Karnataka	Kfin Technologies Ltd Ground Floor 3Rd Office Near Womens College Road Beside Amruth Diagnostic Shanthi Archade Bellary 583103	8392294649
4	Davangere	Karnataka	Kfin Technologies Ltd D.No 162/6 1St Floor 3Rd Main P J Extension Davangere Taluk Davangere Manda Davangere 577002	8192296741
5	Gulbarga	Karnataka	Kfin Technologies Ltd H No 2-231 Krishna Complex 2Nd Floor Opp. Opp. Municipal Corporation Office Jagat Station Main Road Kalaburagi Gulbarga 585105	08472 252503
6	Hassan	Karnataka	Kfin Technologies Ltd Sas No: 490 Hemadri Arcade 2Nd Main Road Salgame Road Near Brahmins Boys Hostel Hassan 573201	08172 262065
7	Hubli	Karnataka	Kfin Technologies Ltd R R Mahalaxmi Mansion Above Indusind Bank 2Nd Floor Desai Cross Pinto Road Hubballi 580029	0836-2950643
8	Mangalore	Karnataka	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop No - 305 Marian Paradise Plaza 3Rd Floor Bunts Hostel Road Mangalore - 575003 Dakshina Kannada Karnataka	0824-2951645
9	Margoa	Goa	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop No 21 Osia Mall 1St Floor Near Ktc Bus Stand Sgdpa Market Complex Margao - 403601	0832-2957253
10	Mysore	Karnataka	Kfin Technologies Ltd No 2924 2Nd Floor 1St Main 5Th Cross Saraswathi Puram Mysore 570009	8213510066
11	Panjim	Goa	Kfin Technologies Ltd H. No: T-9 T-10 Affran Plaza 3Rd Floor Near Don Bosco High School Panjim 403001	0832 2996032
12	Shimoga	Karnataka	Kfin Technologies Ltd Jayarama Nilaya 2Nd Corss Mission Compound Shimoga 577201	08182-295491



13	Ahmedabad	Gujarat	Kfin Technologies Ltd Office No. 401 On 4Th Floor Abc-I Off. C.G. Road - Ahmedabad 380009	9081903021/982 4327979
14	Anand	Gujarat	Kfin Technologies Ltd B-42 Vaibhav Commercial Center Nr Tvs Down Town Shrow Room Grid Char Rasta Anand 380001	9081903038
15	Baroda	Gujarat	Kfin Technologies Ltd 1St Floor 125 Kanha Capital Opp. Express Hotel R C Dutt Road Alkapuri Vadodara 390007	0265-2353506
16	Bharuch	Gujarat	Kfin Technologies Ltd 123 Nexus Business Hub Near Gangotri Hotel B/S Rajeshwari Petroleum Makampur Road Bharuch 392001	9081903042
17	Bhavnagar	Gujarat	Kfin Technologies Ltd 303 Sterling Point Waghawadi Road - Bhavnagar 364001	278-3003149
18	Gandhidham	Gujarat	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop # 12 Shree Ambica Arcade Plot # 300 Ward 12. Opp. Cg High School Near Hdfc Bank Gandhidham 370201	9081903027
19	Gandhinagar	Gujarat	Kfin Technologies Ltd 138 - Suyesh solitaire, Nr. Podar International School, Kudasan, Gandhinagar-382421 Gujarat	079 49237915
20	Jamnagar	Gujarat	Kfin Technologies Ltd 131 Madhav Plazza Opp Sbi Bank Nr Lal Bunglow Jamnagar 361008	0288 3065810
21	Junagadh	Gujarat	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop No. 201 2Nd Floor V-Arcade Complex Near Vanzari Chowk M.G. Road Junagadh 362001	0285-2652220
22	Mehsana	Gujarat	Kfin Technologies Ltd Ff-21 Someshwar Shopping Mall Modhera Char Rasta - Mehsana 384002	02762-242950



23	Nadiad	Gujarat	Kfin Technologies Ltd 311-3Rd Floor City Center Near Paras Circle - Nadiad 387001	0268-2563245
24	Navsari	Gujarat	Kfin Technologies Ltd 103 1St Floore Landmark Mall Near Sayaji Library Navsari Gujarat Navsari 396445	9081903040
25	Rajkot	Gujarat	Kfin Technologies Ltd 302 Metro Plaza Near Moti Tanki Chowk Rajkot Rajkot Gujarat 360001	9081903025
26	Surat	Gujarat	Kfin Technologies Ltd Ground Floor Empire State Building Near Udhna Darwaja Ring Road Surat 395002	9081903041
27	Valsad	Gujarat	Kfin Technologies Ltd 406 Dreamland Arcade Opp Jade Blue Tithal Road Valsad 396001	02632-258481
28	Vapi	Gujarat	Kfin Technologies Ltd A-8 Second Floor Solitaire Business Centre Opp Dcb Bank Gidc Char Rasta Silvassa Road Vapi 396191	9081903028
29	Chennai	Tamil Nadu	Kfin Technologies Ltd 9Th Floor Capital Towers 180 Kodambakkam High Road Nungambakkam   Chennai – 600 034	044-2830 9147, 044-28309100
30	Calicut	Kerala	Kfin Technologies Ltd Second Floor Manimuriyil Centre Bank Road Kasaba Village Calicut 673001	0495-4022480
31	Cochin	Kerala	Kfin Technologies Ltd Door No:61/2784 Second floor Sreelakshmi Tower Chittoor Road, Ravipuram Ernakulam-Kerala- 682015	0484 - 4025059
32	Kannur	Kerala	Kfin Technologies Ltd 2Nd Floor Global Village Bank Road Kannur 670001	0497-2764190



33	Kollam	Kerala	Kfin Technologies Ltd Sree Vigneswara Bhavan Shastri Junction Kollam - 691001	474-2747055
34	Kottayam	Kerala	Kfin Technologies Ltd 1St Floor Csiascension Square Railway Station Road Collectorate P O Kottayam 686002	9496700884
35	Palghat	Kerala	Kfin Technologies Ltd No: 20 & 21 Metro Complex H.P.O.Road Palakkad H.P.O.Road Palakkad 678001	9895968533
36	Tiruvalla	Kerala	Kfin Technologies Ltd 2Nd Floorerinjery Complex Ramanchira Opp Axis Bank Thiruvalla 689107	0469-2740540
37	Trichur	Kerala	Kfin Technologies Ltd 4Th Floor Crown Tower Shakthan Nagar Opp. Head Post Office Thrissur 680001	0487- 6999987
38	Trivandrum	Kerala	Kfin Technologies Ltd, 3rdFloor, No- 3B TC-82/3417, CAPITOL CENTER, OPP SECRETARIAT, MG ROAD, TRIVANDRUM- 695001	0471-4618306
39	Coimbatore	Tamil Nadu	Kfin Technologies Ltd 3Rd Floor Jaya Enclave 1057 Avinashi Road - Coimbatore 641018	0422 - 4388011
40	Erode	Tamil Nadu	Kfin Technologies Ltd Address No 38/1 Ground Floor Sathy Road (Vctv Main Road) Sorna Krishna Complex Erode 638003	0424-4021212
41	Karur	Tamil Nadu	Kfin Technologies Ltd No 88/11 Bb Plaza Nrmp Street K S Mess Back Side Karur 639002	04324-241755
42	Madurai	Tamil Nadu	Kfin Technologies Ltd No. G-16/17 Ar Plaza 1St Floor North Veli Street Madurai 625001	0452-2605856



43	Nagerkoil	Tamil Nadu	Kfin Technologies Ltd Hno 45 1St Floor East Car Street Nagercoil 629001	04652 - 233552
44	Pondicherry	Pondicherry	Kfin Technologies Ltd No 122(10B) Muthumariamman Koil Street - Pondicherry 605001	0413-4300710
45	Salem	Tamil Nadu	Kfin Technologies Ltd No.6 Ns Complex Omalur Main Road Salem 636009	0427-4020300
46	Tirunelveli	Tamil Nadu	Kfin Technologies Ltd 55/18 Jeney Building 2Nd Floor S N Road Near Aravind Eye Hospital Tirunelveli 627001	0462-4001416
47	Trichy	Tamil Nadu	Kfin Technologies Ltd No 23C/1 E V R Road Near Vekkaliamman Kalyana Mandapam Putthur - Trichy 620017	0431-4020227
48	Tuticorin	Tamil Nadu	Kfin Technologies Ltd 4 - B A34 - A37 Mangalmal Mani Nagar Opp. Rajaji Park Palayamkottai Road Tuticorin 628003	0461-2334602
49	Vellore	Tamil Nadu	Kfin Technologies Ltd No 2/19 1St Floor Vellore City Centre Anna Salai Vellore 632001	0416-4200381
50	Agartala	Tripura	Kfin Technologies Ltd Ols Rms Chowmuhani Mantri Bari Road 1St Floor Near Jana Sevak Saloon Building Traffic Point Tripura West Agartala 799001	0381-2388519
51	Guwahati	Assam	Kfin Technologies Ltd Ganapati Enclave 4Th Floor Opposite Bora Service Ullubari Guwahati Assam 781007	0361- 3501536/37
52	Shillong	Meghalaya	Kfin Technologies Ltd Annex Mani Bhawan Lower Thana Road Near R K M Lp School Shillong 793001	0364 - 2506106



53	Silchar	Assam	Kfin Technologies Ltd N.N. Dutta Road Chowchakra Complex Premtala Silchar 788001	03842-261714
54	Ananthapur	Andhra Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd. #13/4 Vishnupriya Complex Beside Sbi Bank Near Tower Clock Ananthapur-515001.	9063314379
55	Guntur	Andhra Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd 2Nd Shatter 1St Floor Hno. 6-14-48 14/2 Lane Arundal Pet Guntur 522002	0863-2339094
56	Hyderabad	Telangana	Kfin Technologies Ltd No:303 Vamsee Estates Opp: Bigbazaar Ameerpet Hyderabad 500016	040-44857874 / 75 / 76
57	Karimnagar	Telangana	Kfin Technologies Ltd 2Nd Shutterhno. 7-2-607 Sri Matha Complex Mankammathota - Karimnagar 505001	0878-2244773
58	Kurnool	Andhra Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop No:47 2Nd Floor S Komda Shoping Mall Kurnool 518001	08518-228550
59	Nanded	Maharashtra	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop No.4 Santakripa Market G G Road Opp.Bank Of India Nanded 431601	02462-237885
60	Rajahmundry	Andhra Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Limited, D.No: 6-7-7, Sri Venkata Satya Nilayam,1st Floor, Vadrevu vari Veedhi, T - Nagar, Rajahmundry AP- 533101	0883-2442539
61	Solapur	Maharashtra	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop No 106. Krishna Complex 477 Dakshin Kasaba Datta Chowk Solapur-413007	0217-2300021 / 2300318
62	Srikakulam	Andhra Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd D No 158, Shop No # 3, Kaki Street, Opp Tulasi Das Hospital, CB Road, Srikakulam Andhra Pradesh - 532001	8942358563



63	Tirupathi	Andhra Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop No:18-1-421/F1 City Center K.T.Road Airtel Backside Office Tirupathi - 517501	9885995544 / 0877-2255797
64	Vijayawada	Andhra Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd Hno26-23 1St Floor Sundarammastreet Gandhinagar Krishna Vijayawada 520010	0866- 6604032/39/40
65	Visakhapatnam	Andhra Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd Dno: 48-10-40 Ground Floor Surya Ratna Arcade Srinagar Opp Roadto Lalitha Jeweller Showroom Beside Taj Hotel Ladge Visakhapatnam 530016	0891-2714125
66	Warangal	Telangana	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop No22 Ground Floor Warangal City Center 15- 1-237 Mulugu Road Junction Warangal 506002	0870-2441513
67	Khammam	Telangana	Kfin Technologies Ltd 11-4-3/3 Shop No. S-9 1St Floor Srivenkata Sairam Arcade Old Cpi Office Near Priyadarshini Collegenehru Nagar Khammam 507002	8008865802
68	Hyderabad(Gachibowli	Telangana	Kfin Technologies Ltd Selenium Plot No: 31 & 32 Tower B Survey No.115/22 115/24 115/25 Financial District Gachibowli Nanakramguda Serilimgampally Mandal Hyderabad 500032	040-79615122
69	Akola	Maharashtra	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop No 25 Ground Floor Yamuna Tarang Complex Murtizapur Road N.H. No- 6 Opp Radhakrishna Talkies Akola 444001 Maharashthra	0724-2451874
70	Amaravathi	Maharashtra	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop No. 21 2Nd Floor Gulshan Tower Near Panchsheel Talkies Jaistambh Square Amaravathi 444601	0721 2569198
71	Aurangabad	Maharashtra	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop No B 38 Motiwala Trade Center Nirala Bazar Aurangabad 431001	0240-2343414
72	Bhopal	Madhya Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd Sf-13 Gurukripa Plaza Plot No. 48A Opposite City Hospital Zone-2 M P Nagar Bhopal 462011	0755 4077948/351293 6



73	Dhule	Maharashtra	Kfin Technologies Ltd Ground Floor Ideal Laundry Lane No 4 Khol Galli Near Muthoot Finance Opp Bhavasar General Store Dhule 424001	02562-282823
74	Indore	Madhya Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd. 101 Diamond Trade Center 3-4 Diamond Colony New Palasia Above Khurana Bakery Indore	0731- 4266828/421890 2
75	Jabalpur	Madhya Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd 2Nd Floor 290/1 (615-New) Near Bhavartal Garden Jabalpur - 482001	0761-4923301
76	Jalgaon	Maharashtra	Kfin Technologies Ltd 3Rd Floor 269 Jaee Plaza Baliram Peth Near Kishore Agencies Jalgaon 425001	9421521406
77	Nagpur	Maharashtra	Kfin Technologies Ltd Plot No. 2 Block No. B / 1 & 2 Shree Apratment Khare Town Mata Mandir Road Dharampeth Nagpur 440010	0712-3513750
78	Nasik	Maharashtra	Kfin Technologies Ltd S-9 Second Floor Suyojit Sankul Sharanpur Road Nasik 422002	0253-6608999
79	Sagar	Madhya Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd Ii Floor Above Shiva Kanch Mandir. 5 Civil Lines Sagar Sagar 470002	07582-402404
80	Ujjain	Madhya Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd Heritage Shop No. 227 87 Vishvavidhyalaya Marg Station Road Near Icici Bank Above Vishal Megha Mart Ujjain 456001	0734-4250007 / 08
81	Asansol	West Bengal	Kfin Technologies Ltd 112/N G. T. Road Bhanga Pachil G.T Road Asansol Pin: 713 303; Paschim Bardhaman West Bengal Asansol 713303	0341-2220077
82	Balasore	Orissa	Kfin Technologies Ltd 1-B. 1St Floor Kalinga Hotel Lane Baleshwar Baleshwar Sadar Balasore 756001	06782-260503



83	Bankura	West Bengal	Kfin Technologies Ltd Plot Nos-80/1/Anatunchati Mahalla 3Rd Floor Ward No-24 Opposite P.C Chandra Bankura Town Bankura 722101	9434480586
84	Berhampur (Or)	Orissa	Kfin Technologies Ltd Opp Divya Nandan Kalyan Mandap 3Rd Lane Dharam Nagar Near Lohiya Motor Berhampur (Or) 760001	0680-2228106
85	Bhilai	Chatisgarh	Kfin Technologies Ltd Office No.2 1St Floor Plot No. 9/6 Nehru Nagar [East] Bhilai 490020	7884901014
86	Bhubaneswar	Orissa	Kfin Technologies Ltd A/181 Back Side Of Shivam Honda Show Room Saheed Nagar - Bhubaneswar 751007	0674-2548981
87	Bilaspur	Chatisgarh	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop.No.306 3Rd Floor Anandam Plaza Vyapar Vihar Main Road Bilaspur 495001	07752-443680
88	Bokaro	Jharkhand	Kfin Technologies Ltd City Centre Plot No. He-07 Sector-Iv Bokaro Steel City Bokaro 827004	7542979444
89	Burdwan	West Bengal	Kfin Technologies Ltd Saluja Complex; 846 Laxmipur G T Road Burdwan; Ps: Burdwan & Dist: Burdwan-East Pin: 713101	0342-2665140
90	Chinsura	West Bengal	Kfin Technologies Ltd No : 96 Po: Chinsurah Doctors Lane Chinsurah 712101	033-26810164
91	Cuttack	Orissa	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop No-45 2Nd Floor Netaji Subas Bose Arcade (Big Bazar Building) Adjusent To Reliance Trends Dargha Bazar Cuttack 753001	0671-2956816
92	Dhanbad	Jharkhand	Kfin Technologies Ltd 208 New Market 2Nd Floor Bank More - Dhanbad 826001	9264445981



93	Durgapur	West Bengal	Kfin Technologies Ltd Mwav-16 Bengal Ambuja 2Nd Floor City Centre Distt. Burdwan Durgapur-16 Durgapur 713216	0343-6512111
94	Gaya	Bihar	Kfin Technologies Ltd Property No. 711045129 Ground Floorhotel Skylark Swaraipuri Road - Gaya 823001	0631-2220065
95	Jalpaiguri	West Bengal	Kfin Technologies Ltd DBC Road Opp Nirala Hotel Opp Nirala Hotel Opp Nirala Hotel Jalpaiguri 735101	03561-222136
96	Jamshedpur	Jharkhand	Kfin Technologies Ltd Madhukunj 3Rd Floor Q Road Sakchi Bistupur East Singhbhum Jamshedpur 831001	6572912170
97	Kharagpur	West Bengal	Kfin Technologies Ltd Holding No 254/220 Sbi Building Malancha Road Ward No.16 Po: Kharagpur Ps: Kharagpur Dist: Paschim Medinipur Kharagpur 721304	3222253380
98	Kolkata	West Bengal	Kfin Technologies Ltd 2/1 Russel Street 4Thfloor Kankaria Centre Kolkata 70001 Wb	033 66285900
99	Malda	West Bengal	Kfin Technologies Ltd Ram Krishna Pally; Ground Floor English Bazar - Malda 732101	03512-223763
100	Patna	Bihar	Kfin Technologies Ltd, Flat No 102, 2BHK Maa Bhawani Shardalay, Exhibition Road, Patna-800001	6124149382
101	Raipur	Chatisgarh	Kfin Technologies Ltd Office No S-13 Second Floor Reheja Tower Fafadih Chowk Jail Road Raipur 492001	0771-4912611
102	Ranchi	Jharkhand	Kfin Technologies Ltd Room no 103, 1st Floor, Commerce Tower,Beside Mahabir Tower,Main Road,	0651-2330160



			Ranchi -834001	
103	Rourkela	Orissa	Kfin Technologies Ltd 2Nd Floor Main Road Udit Nagar Sundargarh Rourekla 769012	0661-2500005
104	Sambalpur	Orissa	Kfin Technologies Ltd First Floor; Shop No. 219 Sahej Plaza Golebazar; Sambalpur Sambalpur 768001	0663-2533437
105	Siliguri	West Bengal	Kfin Technologies Ltd Nanak Complex 2Nd Floor Sevoke Road - Siliguri 734001	0353-2522579
106	Agra	Uttar Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd House No. 17/2/4 2Nd Floor Deepak Wasan Plaza Behind Hotel Holiday Inn Sanjay Place Agra 282002	7518801801
107	Aligarh	Uttar Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd 1St Floor Sevti Complex Near Jain Temple Samad Road Aligarh-202001	7518801802
108	Allahabad	Uttar Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd Meena Bazar 2Nd Floor 10 S.P. Marg Civil Lines Subhash Chauraha Prayagraj Allahabad 211001	7518801803
109	Ambala	Haryana	Kfin Technologies Ltd 6349 2Nd Floor Nicholson Road Adjacent Kos Hospitalambala Cant Ambala 133001	7518801804
110	Azamgarh	Uttar Pradesh	KFin Technologies Ltd Shop no. 18 Gr. Floor, Nagarpalika, Infront of Tresery office, Azamgarh, UP-276001	7518801805
111	Bareilly	Uttar Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd 1St Floorrear Sidea -Square Building 54-Civil Lines Ayub Khan Chauraha Bareilly 243001	7518801806



112	Begusarai	Bihar	KFin Technologies Limited, SRI RAM MARKET, KALI ASTHAN CHOWK, MATIHANI ROAD, BEGUSARAI, BIHAR - 851101	7518801807/969 3344717
113	Bhagalpur	Bihar	Kfin Technologies Ltd 2Nd Floor Chandralok Complexghantaghar Radha Rani Sinha Road Bhagalpur 812001	7518801808
114	Darbhanga	Bihar	KFin Technologies Limited, H No-185, Ward No-13, National Statistical office Campus, Kathalbari, Bhandar Chowk, Darbhanga, Bihar - 846004	7739299967
115	Dehradun	Uttaranchal	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop No-809/799 Street No-2 A Rajendra Nagar Near Sheesha Lounge Kaulagarh Road Dehradun-248001	7518801810
116	Deoria	Uttar pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd K. K. Plaza Above Apurwa Sweets Civil Lines Road Deoria 274001	7518801811
117	Faridabad	Haryana	Kfin Technologies Ltd A-2B 2Nd Floor Neelam Bata Road Peer Ki Mazar Nehru Groundnit Faridabad 121001	7518801812
118	Ghaziabad	Uttar Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd Ff - 31 Konark Building Rajnagar - Ghaziabad 201001	7518801813
119	Ghazipur	Uttar Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd House No. 148/19 Mahua Bagh Raini Katra- Ghazipur 233001	7518801814
120	Gonda	Uttar Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd H No 782 Shiv Sadan Iti Road Near Raghukul Vidyapeeth Civil Lines Gonda 271001	7518801815
121	Gorakhpur	Uttar Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop No 8 & 9 4Th Floor Cross Road The Mall Bank Road Gorakhpur - 273001	7518801816



122	Gurgaon	Haryana	Kfin Technologies Ltd No: 212A 2Nd Floor Vipul Agora M. G. Road - Gurgaon 122001	7518801817
123	Gwalior	Madhya Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd City Centre Near Axis Bank - Gwalior 474011	7518801818
124	Haldwani	Uttaranchal	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shoop No 5 Kmvn Shoping Complex - Haldwani 263139	7518801819
125	Haridwar	Uttaranchal	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop No 17 Bhatia Complex Near Jamuna Palace Haridwar 249410	7518801820
126	Hissar	Haryana	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop No. 20 Ground Floor R D City Centre Railway Road Hissar 125001	7518801821
127	Jhansi	Uttar Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd 1St Floor Puja Tower Near 48 Chambers Elite Crossing Jhansi 284001	7518801823
128	Kanpur	Uttar Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd 15/46 B Ground Floor Opp: Muir Mills Civil Lines Kanpur 208001	7518801824
129	Lucknow	Uttar Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd Ist Floor A. A. Complex 5 Park Road Hazratganj Thaper House Lucknow 226001	0522-4061893
130	Mandi	Himachal Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd House No. 99/11 3Rd Floor Opposite Gss Boy School School Bazar Mandi 175001	7518801833
131	Mathura	Uttar Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop No. 9 Ground Floor Vihari Lal Plaza Opposite Brijwasi Centrum Near New Bus Stand Mathura 281001	7518801834



132	Meerut	Uttar Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop No:- 111 First Floor Shivam Plaza Near Canara Bank Opposite Eves Petrol Pump Meerut-250001 Uttar Pradesh India	7518801835
133	Mirzapur	Uttar Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd Triveni Campus Near Sbi Life Ratanganj Mirzapur 231001	7518801836
134	Moradabad	Uttar Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd Chadha Complex G. M. D. Road Near Tadi Khana Chowk Moradabad 244001	7518801837
135	Morena	Madhya Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd House No. Hig 959 Near Court Front Of Dr. Lal Lab Old Housing Board Colony Morena 476001	7518801838
136	Muzaffarpur	Bihar	Kfin Technologies Ltd First Floor Saroj Complex Diwam Road Near Kalyani Chowk Muzaffarpur 842001	7518801839
137	Noida	Uttar Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd F-21 2Nd Floor Near Kalyan Jewelers Sector-18 Noida 201301	7518801840
138	Panipat	Haryana	KFin Technologies Ltd Shop No. 20 1St Floor Bmk Market Behind Hive Hotel G.T.Road Panipat-132103 Haryana	7518801841
139	Renukoot	Uttar Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd C/O Mallick Medical Store Bangali Katra Main Road Dist. Sonebhadra (U.P.) Renukoot 231217	7518801842
140	Rewa	Madhya Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop No. 2 Shree Sai Anmol Complex Ground Floor Opp Teerth Memorial Hospital Rewa 486001	7518801843
141	Rohtak	Haryana	Kfin Technologies Ltd Office No:- 61 First Floor Ashoka Plaza Delhi Road Rohtak 124001.	7518801844



142	Roorkee	Uttaranchal	KFin Technologies Ltd Near Shri Dwarkadhish Dharm Shala, Ramnagar, Roorkee-247667	7518801845
143	Satna	Madhya Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd 1St Floor Gopal Complex Near Bus Stand Rewa Roa Satna 485001	7518801847
144	Shimla	Himachal Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd 1St Floor Hills View Complex Near Tara Hall Shimla 171001	7518801849
145	Shivpuri	Madhya Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd A. B. Road In Front Of Sawarkar Park Near Hotel Vanasthali Shivpuri 473551	7518801850
146	Sitapur	Uttar Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd 12/12 Surya Complex Station Road Uttar Pradesh Sitapur 261001	7518801851
147	Solan	Himachal Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd Disha Complex 1St Floor Above Axis Bank Rajgarh Road Solan 173212	7518801852
148	Sonepat	Haryana	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop No. 205 Pp Tower Opp Income Tax Office Subhash Chowk Sonepat. 131001.	7518801853
149	Sultanpur	Uttar Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd 1St Floor Ramashanker Market Civil Line - Sultanpur 228001	7518801854
150	Varanasi	Uttar Pradesh	KFin Technologies Ltd D.64 / 52, G – 4 Arihant Complex , Second Floor ,Madhopur, Shivpurva Sigra ,Near Petrol Pump Varanasi -221010	7518801856
151	Yamuna Nagar	Haryana	Kfin Technologies Ltd B-V 185/A 2Nd Floor Jagadri Road Near Dav Girls College (Uco Bank Building) Pyara Chowk - Yamuna Nagar 135001	7518801857



152	Kolhapur	Maharashtra	Kfin Technologies Ltd 605/1/4 E Ward Shahupuri 2Nd Lane Laxmi Niwas Near Sultane Chambers Kolhapur 416001	0231 2653656
153	Mumbai	Maharashtra	Kfin Technologies Ltd 6/8 Ground Floor Crossley House Near Bse (Bombay Stock Exchange)Next Union Bank Fort Mumbai - 400 001	022-46052082
154	Pune	Maharashtra	Kfin Technologies Ltd Office # 207-210 Second Floor Kamla Arcade Jm Road. Opposite Balgandharva Shivaji Nagar Pune 411005	020-46033615 / 020-66210449
155	Vashi	Maharashtra	Kfin Technologies Ltd Vashi Plaza Shop No. 324 C Wing 1St Floor Sector 17 Vashi Mumbai 400703	022-49636853
156	Andheri	Maharashtra	Kfin Technologies Ltd Office No 103, 1st Floor, MTR Cabin-1, Vertex, Navkar Complex M .V .Road, Andheri East , Opp Andheri Court, Mumbai - 400069	022-46733669
157	Borivali	Maharashtra	Kfin Technologies Ltd Gomati Smutiground Floor Jambli Gully Near Railway Station Borivali Mumbai 400 092	022-28916319
158	Thane	Maharashtra	Kfin Technologies Ltd Room No. 302 3Rd Floorganga Prasad Near Rbl Bank Ltd Ram Maruti Cross Roadnaupada Thane West Mumbai 400602	022 25303013
159	Ajmer	Rajasthan	Kfin Technologies Ltd 302 3Rd Floor Ajmer Auto Building Opposite City Power House Jaipur Road; Ajmer 305001	0145-5120725
160	Alwar	Rajasthan	Kfin Technologies Ltd Office Number 137 First Floor Jai Complex Road No-2 Alwar 301001	0144-4901131
161	Amritsar	Punjab	Kfin Technologies Ltd Sco 5 2Nd Floor District Shopping Complex Ranjit Avenue Amritsar 143001	0183-5053802



162	Bhatinda	Punjab	Kfin Technologies Ltd Mcb -Z-3-01043 2 Floor Goniana Road Opporite Nippon India Mf Gt Road Near Hanuman Chowk Bhatinda 151001	0164- 5006725
163	Bhilwara	Rajasthan	Kfin Technologies Ltd Office No. 14 B Prem Bhawan Pur Road Gandhi Nagar Near Canarabank Bhilwara 311001	01482-246362 / 246364
164	Bikaner	Rajasthan	KFin Technologies Limited H.No. 10, Himtasar House, Museum circle, Civil line, Bikaner, Rajasthan - 334001	0151-2943850
165	Chandigarh	Union Territory	Kfin Technologies Ltd First Floor Sco 2469-70 Sec. 22-C - Chandigarh 160022	1725101342
166	Ferozpur	Punjab	Kfin Technologies Ltd The Mall Road Chawla Bulding Ist Floor Opp. Centrail Jail Near Hanuman Mandir Ferozepur 152002	01632-241814
167	Hoshiarpur	Punjab	Kfin Technologies Ltd Unit # Sf-6 The Mall Complex 2Nd Floor Opposite Kapila Hospital Sutheri Road Hoshiarpur 146001	01882-500143
168	Jaipur	Rajasthan	Kfin Technologies Ltd Office No 101 1St Floor Okay Plus Tower Next To Kalyan Jewellers Government Hostel Circle Ajmer Road Jaipur 302001	01414167715/17
169	Jalandhar	Punjab	Kfin Technologies Ltd Office No 7 3Rd Floor City Square Building E-H197 Civil Line Next To Kalyan Jewellers Jalandhar 144001	0181-5094410
170	Jammu	Jammu & Kashmir	Kfin Technologies.Ltd 1D/D Extension 2 Valmiki Chowk Gandhi Nagar Jammu 180004 State - J&K	191-2951822
171	Jodhpur	Rajasthan	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop No. 6 Gang Tower G Floor Opposite Arora Moter Service Centre Near Bombay Moter Circle Jodhpur 342003	7737014590



Karnal	Haryana	Kfin Technologies Ltd 3 Randhir Colony Near Doctor J.C.Bathla Hospital Karnal (Haryana) 132001	0184-2252524
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Ludhiana	Punjab	Kfin Technologies Ltd Sco 122 Second Floor Above Hdfc Mutual Fun Feroze Gandhi Market Ludhiana 141001	0161-4670278
Moga	Punjab	Kfin Technologies Ltd 1St Floordutt Road Mandir Wali Gali Civil Lines Barat Ghar Moga 142001	01636 - 230792
New Delhi	New Delhi	Kfin Technologies Ltd 305 New Delhi House 27 Barakhamba Road - New Delhi 110001	011- 43681700
Pathankot	Punjab	Kfin Technologies Ltd 2Nd Floor Sahni Arcade Complex Adj.Indra Colony Gate Railway Road Pathankot Pathankot 145001	0186-5074362
Patiala	Punjab	Kfin Technologies Ltd B- 17/423 Lower Mall Patiala Opp Modi College Patiala 147001	0175-5004349
Sikar	Rajasthan	Kfin Technologies Ltd First Floorsuper Tower Behind Ram Mandir Near Taparya Bagichi - Sikar 332001	01572-250398
Sri Ganganagar	Rajasthan	Kfin Technologies Ltd Address Shop No. 5 Opposite Bihani Petrol Pump Nh - 15 Near Baba Ramdev Mandir Sri Ganganagar 335001	0154-2470177
Udaipur	Rajasthan	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop No. 202 2Nd Floor Business Centre 1C Madhuvan Opp G P O Chetak Circle Udaipur 313001	0294 2429370
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182	Eluru	Andhra Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd Dno-23A-7-72/73K K S Plaza Munukutla Vari Street Opp Andhra Hospitals R R Peta Eluru 534002	08812-227851 / 52 / 53 / 54
183	chandrapur	Maharashtra	Kfin Technologies Ltd C/o Global Financial Services,2nd Floor, Raghuwanshi Complex,Near Azad Garden, Chandrapur, Maharashtra-442402	07172-466593
184	Ghatkopar	Maharashtra	Kfin Technologies Ltd 11/Platinum Mall, Jawahar Road, Ghatkopar (East), Mumbai 400077	9004089306
185	Satara	Maharashtra	Kfin Technologies Ltd G7, 465 A, Govind Park Satar Bazaar, Satara - 415001	9890003215
186	Ahmednagar	Maharashtra	Kfin Technologies Ltd Shop no. 2, Plot No. 17, S.no 322, Near Ganesh Colony, Savedi, Ahmednagar - 414001	9890003215
187	Nellore	Andhra Pradesh	Kfin Technologies Ltd 24-6-326/1, Ibaco Building 4th Floor, Grand Truck road, Beside Hotel Minerva, Saraswathi Nagar, Dargamitta Nellore - 524003	9595900000
188	Kalyan	Maharashtra	KFin Technologies Limited Seasons Business Centre, 104 / 1st Floor, Shivaji Chowk, Opposite KDMC (Kalyan Dombivali Mahanagar Corporation) Kalyan - 421301	9619553105/981 9309203/900408 9492
189	Korba	Chatisgarh	KFin Technologies Limited Office No.202, 2nd floor, ICRC, QUBE, 97, T.P. Nagar, Korba -495677	7000544408
190	Ratlam	Madhya Pradesh	KFin Technologies Limited 106 Rajaswa Colony, Near Sailana Bus Stand, Ratlam (M.P.) 457001	9907908155, 9713041958
191	Tinsukia	Assam	KFin Technologies Limited 3rd Floor, Chirwapatty Road, Tinsukia-786125, Assam	8761867223, 8638297322



192	Saharanpur	Uttar Pradesh	KFin Technologies Limited Ist Floor, Krishna Complex, Opp. Hathi Gate, Court Road, Saharanpur, Uttar Pradesh, Pincode 247001	0132-2990945
193	Kalyani	West Bengal	KFin Technologies Limited Ground Floor,H No B-7/27S, Kalyani, Kalyani HO, Nadia, West Bengal – 741235	9883018948
194	Hosur	Tamil Nadu	KFin Technologies Limited No.2/3-4. Sri Venkateswara Layout, Denkanikottai road, Dinnur Hosur - 635109	0434 4458096

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