

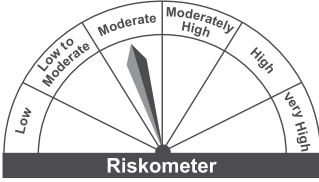
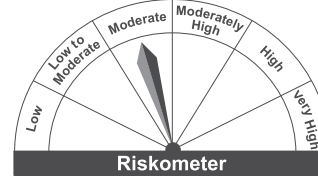
## Nippon India Short Term Fund

(An open ended short term debt scheme investing in instruments such that the Macaulay duration of the portfolio is between 1 to 3 years. Relatively High interest rate risk and moderate Credit Risk. )

(Please refer to the page number 21 of the Scheme Information Document on which the concept of Macaulay's Duration has been explained)

Scheme Code: NIMF/O/D/SDF/02/10/0008

## Scheme Information Document

Product Label		
<b>This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:</b>	<b>Nippon India Short Term Fund</b>	<b>CRISIL Short Duration Debt B-II Index</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Income over short term</li> <li>Investment in debt &amp; money market instruments with portfolio Macaulay Duration between 1 - 3 years</li> </ul> <p>*Investors should consult their financial advisers if in doubt about whether the product is suitable for them.</p>	 <p><b>Riskometer</b> Investors understand that their principal will be at Moderate risk</p>	 <p><b>Riskometer</b> Benchmark Riskometer is at Moderate risk</p>

Potential Risk Class (PRC)			
Credit Risk →	Relatively Low (Class A)	Moderate (Class B)	Relatively High (Class C)
Interest Rate Risk ↓			
Relatively Low (Class I)			
Moderate (Class II)			
Relatively High (Class III)		<b>B-III</b>	

### Continuous offer of the Units of the face value of Rs. 10/- each for cash at NAV based prices

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

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

The investors are advised to refer to the Statement of Additional Information (SAI) for details of Nippon India Mutual Fund, Tax and Legal issues and general information onmf.nipponindiaim.com.

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

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

This Scheme Information Document is dated October 31, 2023.

#### NAME OF MUTUAL FUND

Nippon India Mutual Fund (NIMF)

#### NAME OF ASSET MANAGEMENT COMPANY

Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited (NAM India)

CIN : L65910MH1995PLC220793

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## HIGHLIGHTS/SUMMARY OF THE SCHEME

### 1. Investment Objective

The primary investment objective of the scheme is to generate stable returns for investors with a short term investment horizon by investing in debt and money market instruments.

### 2. Liquidity

The Scheme is open for Subscription/ Switch-in and Redemption / Switch-out of Units on every Business Day on an ongoing basis.

As per SEBI Regulations, the Mutual Fund shall initiate payment of redemption proceeds within 3 Business Days of receiving a valid Redemption request, In case of exceptional situations listed in AMFI Circular No.AMFI/35P/MEM-COR/74/2022-23 dated January 16, 2023, redemption payment would be made within the permitted additional timelines. A penal interest of 15% per annum or such other rate as may be prescribed by SEBI from time to time, will be paid in case the redemption proceeds are not made within 3 Business Days of the date of receipt of a valid redemption request.

### 3. Benchmark

CRISIL Short Duration Debt B-II Index

### 4. Transparency/NAV Disclosure

a) The AMC will calculate and disclose the first NAV within 5 working days from the date of allotment. Subsequently, the NAV will be calculated and disclosed at the close of every Business Day and uploaded on the AMFI website [www.amfiindia.com](http://www.amfiindia.com) and Nippon India Mutual Fund website i.e. [mf.nipponindiaim.com](http://mf.nipponindiaim.com) by 11.00 p.m. on the day of the declaration of the NAV. Further, AMC shall extend facility of sending latest available NAVs to unitholders through SMS, upon receiving a specific request in this regard.

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

(b) The NAV of the Scheme will be calculated and declared by the Fund on every Working Day. The information on NAV may be obtained by the Unitholders, on any business day from the office of the AMC / the office of the Registrar in Hyderabad or any of the other Designated Investor Service Centres. Investors may also obtain information on the purchase /sale price for a given day on any Working Day from the office of the AMC / the office of the Registrar in Hyderabad/ any of the other Designated Investor Service Centres. Investors may also note that Nippon India Mutual Fund shall service its customers through the call center from Monday to Saturday between 8.00 am to 9.00 pm. However, 24x7 facility shall be available for addressing the queries through interactive voice response (IVR). Investors may also call Customer Service Centre at 1860-266-0111 (charges applicable), and Investors outside India can call at 91-22-69259696 (charges applicable).

(c) The AMC will disclose the Half-yearly Unaudited Financial Results in the prescribed format on the NIMF website i.e. [mf.nipponindiaim.com](http://mf.nipponindiaim.com) and communicate to the Unit holders within such timelines as may be prescribed under the Regulations from time to time.

(d) Providing of the Annual Reports of the respective Schemes within the stipulated period as required under the Regulations.

(e) The AMC shall disclose the scheme's portfolio in the prescribed format as on the last day of the month/Half year for all the Schemes of NIMF on or before the tenth day of the succeeding month or within such timelines and manner as prescribed by SEBI from time to time on the NIMF Website i.e. [mf.nipponindiaim.com](http://mf.nipponindiaim.com) and AMFI website [www.amfiindia.com](http://www.amfiindia.com)

The AMC shall communicate disclosure of Portfolio on a half-yearly basis to the Unit holders as may be prescribed under the Regulations from time to time.

(f) The fund shall disclose the scheme's portfolio on fortnightly basis within 5 days of every fortnight in the prescribed format for all the debt Schemes of NIMF or within such timelines and manner as prescribed by SEBI from time to time on the NIMF Website i.e. [mf.nipponindiaim.com](http://mf.nipponindiaim.com) and AMFI site [www.amfiindia.com](http://www.amfiindia.com). The same shall be send via email to the unitholders whose email addresses are registered with AMC/Mutual Fund.

(g) In case of unitholders whose e-mail addresses are registered, the Mutual Funds/ AMCs shall send via email the monthly and half-yearly statement of scheme portfolio within 10 days from the close of each month/ half-year respectively.

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

### 5. Loads

#### i. Entry Load – Not Applicable

In accordance with the requirements specified by the Clause no. 10.4 of the SEBI Master circular dated May 19, 2023 no entry load will be charged for purchase / additional purchase / switch-in accepted by the Fund. Similarly, no entry load will be charged with respect to applications for registrations under systematic investment plans/ systematic transfer plans (including Salary AddVantage, Recurring Investment Plan for Corporate Employees and Transfer of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal plan) accepted by the Fund.

With reference to Clause 10.4.2.d of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023, there shall be no entry load for investments under SIPs registered before August 01, 2009.

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

#### ii. Exit Load – Nil

Pursuant to Clause 10.6 of SEBI Master circular dated May 19, 2023, no entry load or exit load shall be charged in respect of units allotted on reinvestment of IDCW.

iii. Inter scheme Switch - At the applicable load in the respective Schemes.

**iv. Inter Plan/Inter Option Switch /Systematic Transfer Plan (STP) -**

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

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

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

**6. Transaction charges:**

In accordance with Clause 10.5 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023, Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited (NAM India)/ NIMF shall deduct a Transaction Charge on per purchase / subscription of Rs. 10,000/- and above, as may be received from new investors (an investor who invests for the first time in any mutual fund schemes) and existing investors. The distributors shall have an option to either "Opt-in / Opt-out" from levying transaction charge based on the type of product. Therefore, the "Opt-in / Opt-out" status shall be at distributor level, basis the product selected by the distributor at the Mutual Fund industry level.

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

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

The transaction charge shall be deducted from the subscription amount and paid to the distributor/agent, as the case may be and the balance shall be invested. The statement of account shall clearly state that the net investment as gross subscription less transaction charge and give the number of units allotted against the net investment.

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

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

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

**7. Plans & Options**

**i. Growth Plan**

- a. Growth Option

**ii. Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan**

- a. Payout of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option and Reinvestment of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option
- b. Monthly Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan (Payout Option and Reinvestment Option)
- c. Quarterly Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan (Payout Option and Reinvestment Option)

**iii. Direct Plan - Growth Plan**

- a. Growth Option

**iv. Direct Plan - Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan**

- a. Payout of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option and Reinvestment of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option
- b. Monthly Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan (Payout Option and Reinvestment Option)
- c. Quarterly Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan (Payout Option and Reinvestment Option)

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

However distribution of IDCWs will be subject to the availability of distributable surplus. Trustees reserve the right to declare a IDCW during the interim period.

The IDCW amounts can be distributed out of investors capital (Equalization Reserve), which is part of sale price that represents realized gains. For default Plans/Option, please refer the para titled "Plans / Options offered" covered under Section III- "UNITS AND OFFER".

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

## **Reinvestment of Payout of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option for IDCW amount less than ₹ 100 (w.e.f. June 10, 2019)**

- In case a unitholder has opted for Payout of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option, the minimum amount for IDCW payout shall be ₹ 100 (net of withholding tax or any other statutory levy), else IDCW would be mandatorily reinvested. The IDCW would be reinvested in the same scheme / plan by issuing additional units of the scheme at the prevailing ex-IDCW Net Asset Value per unit on the record date. There shall be no exit load on the redemption of units allotted as a result of such reinvestment of IDCW.
- Mandatory reinvestment of IDCW would not be applicable to Unit holders holding units in Demat form, and if IDCW is declared in any applicable scheme, the amount will be paid out or reinvested as per the option selected by the unit holders.
- IDCW declared will be compulsorily paid out under the Payout of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option of all schemes, for which fresh subscriptions are discontinued with effect from October 01, 2012 as per notice-cum-Addendum no. 63 dated September 28, 2012.

## **8. Minimum Application Amount**

### **For First Purchase (All Options / Plans)**

Rs.100 & in multiples of Re. 1 thereafter.

### **Additional Purchase (All Options / Plans)**

Rs.100 & in multiples of Re. 1 thereafter.

Note – Pursuant to notice cum addendum dated October 30, 2021, for investments made by designated employees in terms of Clause 6.10 of SEBI Master circular dated May 19, 2023, requirement for minimum application/ redemption amount will not be applicable.

### **Minimum Switch Amount :**

Available, subject to minimum Rs. 100/- (for opening a new folio/ account) and minimum Rs.100 & any amount thereafter for additional switch in.

NAM India may revise the minimum / maximum amounts and the methodology for new/additional subscriptions, as and when necessary. Such change may be brought about after taking into account the cost structure for a transaction/account and /or Market practices and/or the interest of existing unitholders.

Further, such changes shall only be applicable to transactions from the date of such a change, on a prospective basis.

NAM India may revise the minimum / maximum amounts and the methodology for subscriptions as and when necessary, for subsequent plans. Such change may be brought about after taking into account the cost structure for a transaction/account and /or market practices etc.

## **9. Repatriation**

Full Repatriation benefits would be available to NRIs, PIOs and FIIs, subject to applicable conditions/regulations notified by Reserve Bank of India from time to time.

## **10. Physical / Dematerialization**

The Unit holders are given an Option to hold the units by way of an Account Statement (Physical form) or in Dematerialized ('Demat') form.

Mode of holding shall be clearly specified in the KIM cum application form.

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

In case of subscription is through SIP the units will be allotted based as per the SID and will be credited to investors Demat account as per applicable timelines. This Option shall be available in accordance with the provision laid down in the respective schemes and in terms of guidelines/ procedural requirements as laid by the Depositories (NSDL/CDSL) / Stock Exchanges (NSE / BSE) from time to time

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

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

Demat option will not be available for Daily, Weekly & Fortnightly Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plans/ options and for subscription through Micro SIP.

## **11. Transfer of Units**

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

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

Units held in Demat form are transferable in accordance with the provisions of SEBI (Depositories and Participants) Regulations, as may be amended from time to time. Transfer can be made only in favor of transferees who are eligible of holding units and having a Demat Account.

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

# I – INTRODUCTION

## A. RISK FACTORS

### 1. STANDARD RISK FACTORS

- i. Mutual Funds and securities investments are subject to market risks such as trading volumes, settlement risk, liquidity risk, and default risk including the possible loss of principal and there is no assurance or guarantee that the objectives of the Scheme will be achieved.
- ii. As the price / value / interest rate of the securities in which the scheme invests fluctuates, the value of your investment in the Scheme may go up or down depending on the factors and forces affecting the capital markets.
- iii. Past performance of the Sponsor/AMC/Mutual Fund does not guarantee future performance of the Scheme.
- iv. Nippon India Short Term Fund is only the name of the Scheme and does not in any manner indicate either the quality of the Scheme or, its future prospects and returns.
- v. The Sponsor is not responsible or liable for any loss resulting from the operation of the Scheme beyond initial contribution of Rs.1 lakh towards the setting up of the Mutual Fund and such other accretions and additions to the corpus.
- vi. The present scheme is not a guaranteed or assured return scheme.
- vii. The Mutual Fund is not guaranteeing or assuring any IDCW. The Mutual Fund is also not assuring that it will make periodical IDCW distributions, though it has every intention of doing so. All IDCW distributions are subject to the availability of distributable surplus of the scheme

### 2. SCHEME SPECIFIC RISK FACTORS

#### i. Risks associated with investing in Fixed income securities

Investment in Debt is subject to price, credit, and interest rate risk. The NAV of the Scheme may be affected, inter alia, by changes in the market conditions, interest rates, trading volumes, settlement periods and transfer procedures.

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

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

#### a. Interest Rate Risk

As with all debt securities, changes in interest rates will affect the Scheme's Net Asset Value as the prices of securities generally increase as interest rates decline and generally decrease as interest rates rise. Prices of longer-term securities generally fluctuate more in response to interest rate changes than do shorter-term securities. Interest rate movements in the Indian debt markets can be volatile leading to the possibility of large price movements up or down in debt and money market securities and thereby to possibly large movements in the NAV.

#### b. Liquidity or Marketability Risk

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

#### c. Credit Risk

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

#### d. Reinvestment Risk

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

#### e. Risks associated with various types of securities

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

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

## ii. Risk associated with investing in Derivatives

### a. Valuation Risk

The risk in valuing the debt & interest rate derivative products due to inadequate trading data with good volumes. Derivatives with longer duration would have higher risk vis-à-vis the shorter duration derivatives.

### b. Mark to Market Risk

The day-to-day potential for an investor to experience losses from fluctuations in underlying stock prices and derivatives prices.

### c. Systematic Risk

The risks inherent in the capital market due to macro economic factors like inflation, GDP and global events.

### d. Liquidity Risk

The risks stemming from the lack of availability of derivatives products across different maturities and with various risk appetite.

### e. Implied Volatility

The estimated volatility in an underlying security's price and derivative price.

### f. Interest Rate Risk

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

### g. Counterparty Risk (Default Risk)

Default risk is the risk that losses will be incurred due to the default by the counterparty for over the counter derivatives.

### h. System Risk

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

## iii. Risk attached with the use of derivatives

- a. As and when the Scheme trades in the derivatives market there are risk factors and issues concerning the use of derivatives that investors should understand. Derivative products are specialized instruments that require investment techniques and risk analysis different from those associated with stocks and bonds. The use of a derivative requires an understanding not only of the underlying instrument but of the derivative itself. Derivatives require the maintenance of adequate controls to monitor the transactions entered into, the ability to assess the risk that a derivative adds to the portfolio and the ability to forecast price or interest rate movements correctly. There is a possibility that a loss may be sustained by the portfolio as a result of the failure of another party (usually referred to as the "counterparty") to comply with the terms of the derivatives contract. Other risks in using derivatives include the risk of mispricing or improper valuation of derivatives and the inability of derivatives to correlate perfectly with underlying assets, rates and indices.
- b. Derivative products are leveraged instruments and can provide disproportionate gains as well as disproportionate losses to the investor. Execution of such strategies depends upon the ability of the fund manager to identify such opportunities. Identification and execution of the strategies to be pursued by the fund manager involve uncertainty and decision of fund manager may not always be profitable. No assurance can be given that the fund manager will be able to identify or execute such strategies.
- c. The risks associated with the use of derivatives are different from or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities and other traditional investments.

## iv. Risk Associated with Securitised Debt

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

### a. Credit Risk

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

### b. Liquidity Risk

Historically the secondary market volume of securitised papers has been limited. This could limit the ability of the fund to resell them. Secondary market trades could be at a discount or premium depending upon the prevailing interest rates.

### c. Price Risk / Interest Rate Risk

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

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

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

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

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

**v. Risk associated with Short Selling & Securities Lending**

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

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

**vi. Risk factor associated with Overseas Financial Assets**

To the extent that the assets of the schemes will be invested in securities denominated in foreign currencies, the Indian rupee equivalent of the net assets, distributions and income may be adversely affected by changes in the value of certain foreign currencies relative to the Indian rupee (if Indian rupee appreciates against these foreign currencies). 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. The scheme may have to pay applicable taxes on gains from such investment.

As regards foreign securities that are traded on exchanges that are not located in India basis of valuation will depend on the time zone of the respective country. For exchanges located in countries, with time zone earlier than India, the NAV will be calculated based on the closing price of the foreign security and the prevailing exchange rate on that date. For exchanges located in countries, with time zone later than India, the NAV will be calculated based on the closing price of the foreign security and the prevailing exchange rate of the previous date.

Subject to the Regulations, the investments may be in securities which are listed or unlisted, secured or unsecured, rated or unrated, having variable maturities, and acquired through secondary market purchases, RBI auctions, open market sales conducted by RBI etc., Initial Public Offers (IPOs), other public offers, placements, rights, offers, negotiated deals, etc.

To avoid duplication of portfolios and to reduce expenses, the Scheme may invest in any other schemes of the Fund to the extent permitted by the Regulations. In such an event, NAM India will not charge management fees on the amounts of the Schemes so invested, unless permitted by the Regulations.

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

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

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

**viii. Risk associated with Imperfect Hedging using Interest Rate Futures**

**1) Basis Risk**

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

**Spread widening** means that the spot becomes 6.9% and future becomes 7.25% - the **basis increases** in total by 0.5% and new basis is 0.35%. Due to this there would be a profit of 5bps on the IGB 8.15% 2026 long bond and there would be a loss of



5bps on IRF short future position. This would result in an **overall profit** as the price of a bond would increase more compared to the increase in the price of IRF due to the duration and convexity effect.

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

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

## 2) Mispricing Risk, or improper valuation –

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

## 3) Liquidity Risk :

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

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

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

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

#### Perfect hedging:

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

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

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

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

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

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

Thus, due to hedging the portfolio:

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

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

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

#### Imperfect hedging:

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

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

P = Portfolio's market value = 100 crores

Y = underlying interest rate or portfolio yield = 8.00%

The portfolio can be a mix of:

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

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

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

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

Change in the market value of the portfolio =  $(P * D_P * \text{Change in interest rate}) = 100 \text{ crores} * 7 * (0.50\%) = (3.50 \text{ crores})$

Duration risk managed due to hedge in IRF = % of portfolio hedged \* P \*  $D_F$  \* Change in the interest rates  
=  $20\% * 100 * 6 * (0.50\%) = 0.60 \text{ crores}$

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

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

**ix. Risk associated with debt instruments having Structured Obligations (SO)/ Credit Enhancements (CE)**

1. Relative liquidity of SO/CE instruments may be lower than a plain vanilla instrument in the same rating bucket irrespective of the inherently strong credit features. This is because of the asymmetry in the potential investor universe which invests in structured instruments vis-a-vis plain vanilla debt instruments, due to regulatory constraints.
2. SO/CE instruments, if off balance sheet in nature, may have strong underlying collateral but limited access to main issuer/originator balance sheet. This can work both in favor if the issuer credit profile weakens but the structure strength remains intact or vice-versa.
3. Since the strength (credit quality/ rating) of the instruments is derived from the strength of the underlying structure, any weaknesses in structuring could undermine the credit quality in a meaningful manner.

**x. Risks associated with investing in Tri Party Repo through CCIL (TREPS):**

The mutual fund is a member of securities segment and Tri-party 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.

CCIL maintains prefunded resources in all the clearing segments to cover potential losses arising from the default member. In the event of a clearing member failing to honour his settlement obligations, the default Fund is utilized to complete the settlement. The sequence in which the above resources are used is known as the "Default Waterfall".

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).

However, it may be noted that a member shall have the right to submit resignation from the membership of the Security segment if it has taken a loss through replenishment of its contribution to the default fund for the segments and a loss threshold as notified have been reached. The maximum contribution of a member towards replenishment of its contribution to the default fund in the 7 days (30 days in case of securities segment) period immediately after the afore-mentioned loss threshold having been reached shall not exceed 5 times of its contribution to the Default Fund based on the last re-computation of the Default Fund or specified amount, whichever is lower.

Further, it may be 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.

**xi. Risks associated with segregated portfolio**

**Liquidity risk**

- 1) Investor holding units of segregated portfolio may not be able to liquidate their holding till the time recovery of money from the issuer.
- 2) Listing of units of segregated portfolio in recognized 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.

**Credit risk**

- 3) Security comprises of segregated portfolio may not realize any value

**xii. Other Scheme Specific Risk factors**

- a. The liquidity of the Scheme's investments may be inherently restricted by trading volumes, settlement periods and transfer procedures. In the event of an inordinately large number of redemption requests, or of a re-structuring of the Scheme's investment portfolio, these periods may become significant. Please read the Sections of this Scheme Information Document entitled "Special Considerations" and "Right to Limit Redemptions" thereunder.
- b. Although, the objective of the Fund is to generate optimal returns, the objective may or may not be achieved. The investors may note that if the AMC/Investment Manager is not able to make right decision regarding the timing of increasing exposure in debt securities in times of falling equity market, it may result in negative returns. Given the nature of scheme, the portfolio turnover ratio may be on the higher side commensurate with the investment decisions and Asset Allocation of the Scheme. At times, such churning of portfolio may lead to losses due to subsequent negative or unfavorable market movements.
- c. Credit And Rating Downgrade Risk, Prepayment And Foreclosures Risk for Senior PTC Series, Prepayment And Foreclosures Risk for Senior PTC Series, Servicing Agent Risk, Co-mingling Risk, and Bankruptcy of the Seller.
- d. The NAV of the scheme to the extent invested in Debt and Money market securities are likely to be affected by changes in the prevailing rates of interest and are likely to affect the value of the Scheme's holdings and thus the value of the Scheme's Units.
- e. The AMC may, considering the overall level of risk of the portfolio, invest in lower rated/ unrated securities offering higher yields. This may increase the risk of the portfolio.
- f. Securities which are not quoted on the stock exchanges are inherently illiquid in nature and carry a larger amount of liquidity risk,

in comparison to securities that are listed on the exchanges or offer other exit options to the investor, including a put option. The AMC may choose to invest in unlisted securities that offer attractive yields. This may increase the risk of the portfolio.

- g. While securities that are listed on the stock exchange carry lower liquidity risk, the ability to sell these investments is limited by the overall trading volume on the stock exchanges. Money market securities, while fairly liquid, lack a well-developed secondary market, which may restrict the selling ability of the Scheme and may lead to the Scheme incurring losses till the security is finally sold.
- h. Investment decisions made by the AMC may not always be profitable, even though it is intended to generate capital appreciation and maximize the returns by actively investing in equity and equity related securities.
- i. The tax benefits available under the scheme are as available under the present taxation laws and are available only to certain specified categories of investors and that is subject to fulfillment of the relevant conditions. The information given is included for general purposes only and is based on advise that the AMC has received regarding the law and the practice that is currently in force in India and the investors and the Unitholders should be aware that the relevant fiscal rules and their interpretation may change. As is the case with any investment, there can be no guarantee that the tax position or the proposed tax position prevailing at the time of investment in the Scheme will endure indefinitely. In view of the individual nature of tax consequences, each Investor/Unitholder is advised to consult his/her own professional tax advisor.

### **xiii. Risk Management**

In accordance with SEBI & AMFI guidelines (issued from time to time), the AMC has implemented the following measures to manage various risk in the schemes.

#### **Potential Risk Matrix:**

The Potential Risk Class Matrix reflects the maximum risk fund manager can take in the scheme in terms of maximum interest rate risk (measured by Macaulay duration of scheme) and maximum credit risk (measured by Credit Risk value of the scheme). The threshold for values of interest rate risk & credit risk would determine the maximum risk the scheme can take.

- i. Maximum Weighted Average Interest Rate Risk of the scheme (measured in terms of Macaulay Duration):
  - 1. Class I: MD ≤ 1 year;
  - 2. Class II: MD ≤ 3 years;
  - 3. Class III: Any Macaulay duration
- ii. Maximum Weighted Average Credit Risk of the scheme (measured in terms of Credit Risk Value assigned to each security in portfolio):
  - 1. Class A: CRV ≥ 12
  - 2. Class B: CRV ≥ 10
  - 3. Class C: CRV < 10

#### **Liquidity Risk Management Framework:**

It takes into account the Liquidity Risk arising from the liability side & covers all potential liquidity risk scenarios upto 99% confidence interval. Two types of liquid assets shall be maintained by Open ended debt schemes.

Both these ratios are calculated & liquid assets are maintained on a daily basis at a scheme level for all open-ended debt schemes (except Overnight Fund, Gilt Fund and Gilt Fund with constant duration). In the case where liquid assets in a scheme fall below the minimum required threshold then portfolio manager cannot buy any other assets apart from liquid assets till time the liquid assets are replenished, as per the SEBI guidelines.

#### **Stress Testing:**

Stress testing in open-ended debt schemes addresses the asset side risk from an Interest Rate Risk, Credit Risk & Liquidity Risk perspective at an aggregate portfolio level in terms of its impact on Net Asset Value of the scheme. The AMC conducts Stress testing for all open-ended debt schemes (except overnight Fund) on a fortnightly basis. The model portfolio for each category of fund is defined. In case the stress in the actual portfolio is greater than stress in model portfolio then corrective action is taken within the defined timeline.

#### **Asset Liability Mismatch:**

The AMC monitors the Asset Liability Mismatch (ALM) requirement which address potential liquidity risk. The liability side covers all possible outflow scenarios with a 95% confidence interval over 90 days period. The asset side is rigoured based on Risk-o-meter liquidity scores in an exponential manner, to penalize assets with higher Risk-o-meter scores more than proportionately.

With the above liquidity management tools, the redemption risk in the scheme can be addressed to a certain extent. However, for extraneous scenarios like 2008- financial crisis, 2019 covid crisis, or during market dislocation a swing pricing mechanism has been introduced at industry level which covers all types of investors (existing, new & outgoing investors).

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

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

In accordance with the requirement of regulation 43A of SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 read with SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/IMD/PoD2/P/CIR/2023/129 dated July 27, 2023 on Investment by Mutual Fund Schemes in units of Corporate Debt Market Development Fund, the aforementioned schemes shall invest 25 bps of its AUM as on December 31, 2022 in the units of the Corporate

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

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

Investors are requested to read details disclosure on investment of the schemes in the CDMDF as listed in sub-section "C. How will the Scheme allocate its assets? And sub-section D. Where will the Scheme Invest" in Section "Section II- Information about the scheme".

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

The Scheme/Plan shall have a minimum of 20 investors and no single investor shall account for more than 25% of the corpus of the Scheme/Plan(s). However, if such limit is breached during the NFO of the Scheme, the Fund will endeavor to ensure that within a period of three months or the end of the succeeding calendar quarter from the close of the NFO of the Scheme, whichever is earlier, the Scheme complies with these two conditions. In case the Scheme / Plan(s) does not have a minimum of 20 investors in the stipulated period, the provisions of Regulation 39(2) (c) of the SEBI (MF) Regulations would become applicable automatically without any reference from SEBI and accordingly the Scheme / Plan(s) shall be wound up and the units would be redeemed at applicable NAV. The two conditions mentioned above shall also be complied within each subsequent calendar quarter thereafter, on an average basis, as specified by SEBI. If there is a breach of the 25% limit by any investor over the quarter, a rebalancing period of one month would be allowed and thereafter the investor who is in breach of the rule shall be given 15 days notice to redeem his exposure over the 25 % limit. Failure on the part of the said investor to redeem his exposure over the 25 % limit within the aforesaid 15 days would lead to automatic redemption by the Mutual Fund on the applicable Net Asset Value on the 15th day of the notice period. The Fund shall adhere to the requirements prescribed by SEBI from time to time in this regard.

## **C. SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS, IF ANY**

### **1. Income Distribution**

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

### **2. Right to limit Purchase of units and/or Right to limit Redemption of units**

The Trustee and AMC may, in the general interest of the Unit holders of the Scheme under this Scheme Information Document and keeping in view the unforeseen circumstances / unusual market conditions, limit the total number of Units which may be redeemed on any Working Day for redemption requests of more than Rs. 2 Lakhs per folio at a scheme level in any Scheme. In line with the Clause 1.12 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023 the following conditions would be applicable.

- a. Restriction may be imposed when there are circumstances leading to a systemic crisis or event that severely constricts market liquidity or the efficient functioning of markets such as:
  - i. Liquidity issues - when market at large becomes illiquid and affecting almost all securities. .
  - ii. Market failures, exchange closures - when markets are affected by unexpected events which impact the functioning of exchanges or the regular course of transactions. Such unexpected events could also be related to political, economic, military, monetary or other emergencies.
  - iii. Operational issues – when exceptional circumstances are caused by force majeure, unpredictable operational problems and technical failures (e.g. a black out).
- b. Restriction on redemption may be imposed for a specified period of time not exceeding 10 working days in any 90 days period.
- c. When restriction on redemption is imposed, the following procedure shall be applied:
  - i. No redemption requests upto INR 2 lakh shall be subject to such restriction.
  - ii. Where redemption requests are above INR 2 lakh, AMCs shall redeem the first INR 2 lakh without such restriction and remaining part over and above INR 2 lakh shall be subject to such restriction.

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

### **3. Segregation of Portfolio**

**Creation of segregated portfolio shall be subject to guidelines specified by SEBI from time to time and includes the following:**

- 1) Segregated portfolio may be created, in case of a credit event at issuer level i.e. downgrade in credit rating by a SEBI registered Credit Rating Agency (CRA), as under:
  - a) Downgrade of a debt or money market instrument to 'below investment grade', or
  - b) Subsequent downgrades of the said instruments from 'below investment grade', or
  - c) Similar such downgrades of a loan rating
- 2) In case of difference in rating by multiple CRAs, the most conservative rating shall be considered. Creation of segregated portfolio shall be based on issuer level credit events as mentioned above and implemented at the ISIN level.
- 3) Further, SEBI has decided to permit creation of segregated portfolio of unrated debt or money market instruments by mutual fund schemes of an issuer that does not have any outstanding rated debt or money market instruments, subject to the following:
  - a) Segregated portfolio of such unrated debt or money market instruments may be created only in case of actual default of either the interest or principal amount. 'Actual default' by the issuer of such instruments shall be considered for creation of segregated portfolio
  - b) AMC shall inform AMFI immediately about the actual default by the issuer. Upon being informed about the default, AMFI shall immediately inform the same to all AMCs. Pursuant to dissemination of information by AMFI about actual default by the issuer,

AMCs may segregate the portfolio of debt and money market instrument of the said unrated issuer as per the terms laid down hereunder.

- 4) Creation of segregated portfolio is optional and is at the discretion of Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited ("AMC")
- 5) AMC has a written down policy on Creation of segregated portfolio which is approved by the Trustees.

#### **Process for Creation of Segregated Portfolio**

- 1) AMC shall decide on creation of segregated portfolio on the day of credit event. Once AMC decides to segregate portfolio, it shall:
  - a) seek approval of trustees prior to creation of the segregated portfolio.
  - b) immediately issue a press release disclosing its intention to segregate such debt and money market instrument and its impact on the investors. Nippon India Mutual Fund will also disclose that the segregation shall be subject to Trustee approval. Additionally, the said press release will be prominently disclosed on the website of the AMC.
  - c) ensure that till the time the trustee approval is received, which in no case shall exceed 1 business day from the day of credit event, the subscription and redemption in the scheme will be suspended for processing with respect to creation of units and payment on redemptions.
- 2) **Once Trustee approval is received by the AMC:**
  - a) Segregated portfolio will be effective from the day of credit event.
  - b) AMC shall issue a press release immediately with all relevant information pertaining to the segregated portfolio. The said information will also be submitted to SEBI.
  - c) An e-mail or SMS will be sent to all unit holders of the concerned scheme.
  - d) The NAV of both segregated and main portfolios will be disclosed from the day of the credit event.
  - e) All existing investors in the scheme as on the day of the credit event will be allotted equal number of units in the segregated portfolio as held in the main portfolio.
  - f) No redemption and subscription will be allowed in the segregated portfolio.
  - g) AMC should enable listing of units of segregated portfolio on the recognized stock exchange within 10 working days of creation of segregated portfolio and also enable transfer of such units on receipt of transfer requests.
- 3) If the trustees do not approve the proposal to segregate portfolio, AMC will issue a press release immediately informing investors of the same.

#### **Valuation and Processing of Subscriptions and Redemptions**

- 1) Notwithstanding the decision to segregate the debt and money market instrument, the valuation should take into account the credit event and the portfolio shall be valued based on the principles of fair valuation (i.e. realizable value of the assets) in terms of the relevant provisions of SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 and Circular(s) issued thereunder.
- 2) All subscription and redemption requests for which NAV of the day of credit event or subsequent day is applicable will be processed as under:
  - i. Upon trustees' approval to create a segregated portfolio -
    - Investors redeeming their units will get redemption proceeds based on the NAV of main portfolio and will continue to hold the units of segregated portfolio.
    - Investors subscribing to the scheme will be allotted units only in the main portfolio based on its NAV.
  - ii. In case trustees do not approve the proposal of segregated portfolio, subscription and redemption applications will be processed based on the NAV of total portfolio.

#### **Disclosures**

In order to enable the existing as well as the prospective investors to take informed decision, the following shall be adhered to:

- 1) A statement of holding indicating the units held by the investors in the segregated portfolio along with the NAV of both segregated portfolio and main portfolio as on the day of the credit event shall be communicated to the investors within 5 working days of creation of the segregated portfolio.
- 2) Adequate disclosure of the segregated portfolio shall appear in all scheme related documents, in monthly and half-yearly portfolio disclosures and in the annual report of the mutual fund and the scheme.
- 3) The Net Asset Value (NAV) of the segregated portfolio shall be declared on daily basis.
- 4) The information regarding number of segregated portfolios created in a scheme shall appear prominently under the name of the scheme at all relevant places such as SID, KIM-cum-Application Form, advertisement, AMC and AMFI websites, etc.
- 5) The scheme performance required to be disclosed at various places shall include the impact of creation of segregated portfolio. The scheme performance should clearly reflect the fall in NAV to the extent of the portfolio segregated due to the credit event and the said fall in NAV along with recovery(ies), if any, shall be disclosed as a footnote to the scheme performance.
- 6) The disclosures mentioned in points (4) and (5) above regarding the segregated portfolio shall be carried out for a period of at least 3 years after the investments in segregated portfolio are fully recovered/ written-off.
- 7) The investors of the segregated portfolio shall be duly informed of the recovery proceedings of the investments of the segregated portfolio. Status update may be provided to the investors at the time of recovery and also at the time of writing-off of the segregated securities.

## Monitoring by Trustees

In order to ensure timely recovery of investments of the segregated portfolio, trustees shall ensure that:

- The AMC puts in sincere efforts to recover the investments of the segregated portfolio.
- Upon recovery of money, whether partial or full, it shall be immediately distributed to the investors in proportion to their holding in the segregated portfolio. Any recovery of amount of the security in the segregated portfolio even after the write off shall be distributed to the investors of the segregated portfolio.
- An Action Taken Report (ATR) on the efforts made by the AMC to recover the investments of the segregated portfolio shall be placed in every Trustee meeting till the investments are fully recovered/written-off.
- Trustees will monitor the compliance of the SEBI Circular in respect of creation of segregated portfolio and disclosure in this respect shall be made in Half-Yearly Trustee reports filed with SEBI.

In order to avoid mis-use of segregated portfolio, Trustees shall ensure to have a mechanism in place to negatively impact the performance of Fund Managers, Chief Investment Officers (CIOs), etc. involved in the investment process of securities under the segregated portfolio. The new mechanism shall mirror the existing mechanism for performance incentives of the AMC, including the claw back of such amount to the segregated portfolio of the Scheme/(s).

## TER for the Segregated Portfolio

- 1) AMC will not charge investment and advisory fees on the segregated portfolio. However, TER (excluding the investment and advisory fees) can be charged, on a pro-rata basis only upon recovery of the investments in segregated portfolio.
- 2) The TER so 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) during the period for which the segregated portfolio was in existence.
- 3) 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.
- 4) The costs related to segregated portfolio shall in no case be charged to the main portfolio.

## Definitions/Explanations:

- 1) The term 'segregated portfolio' means a portfolio, comprising of debt or money market instrument affected by a credit event, that has been segregated in a mutual fund scheme.
- 2) The term 'main portfolio' means the scheme portfolio excluding the segregated portfolio.
- 3) The term 'total portfolio' means the scheme portfolio including the securities affected by the credit event.

## Risks associated with segregated portfolio

### Liquidity risk

1. Investor holding units of segregated portfolio may not able to liquidate their holding till the time recovery of money from the issuer.
2. Listing of units of segregated portfolio in 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.

### Credit risk

3. Security comprises of segregated portfolio may not realise any value.

## Illustration of Segregated Portfolio

Portfolio Date: 04-June-19

Downgrade Event Date: 04-June-19

Downgrade Security: 8.04% E Ltd NCD (MD 27/01/2022) from A- to C

Valuation Marked Down: 55%

No. of units outstanding in a scheme 10,000 units, amounting to (10,000\*1181.85) Rs.118.18 lakhs

### A. Total portfolio (after Credit Event before segregation)

Security	Rating	Type of the security	Qty	Price Per Unit (Rs)	Market Value (in lakhs)
7.14% A Ltd NCD (MD 09/12/2021)	CRA 1AAA	NCD	25,000	98.0144	24.5
8.02% B Ltd NCD (MD 22/05/2022)	CRA 1AAA	NCD	24,000	100.9817	24.24
8.53% C Ltd NCD Ser C(MD 03/07/20)	CRA 2AA	NCD	21,300	98.3226	20.94
D Ltd CP (MD 27/02/2020)	CRA 1 A1+	CP	25,000	94.9606	23.74
8.04% E Ltd NCD (MD 27/01/2022)	CRA 3 C*	NCD	23,700	41.2007	9.76
Cash & Cash equivalent					15
Net Assets (in lakhs)					118.18
Unit capital (no. of units)					10,000.00
NAV per unit (Rs)					1,181.85

\*We have marked down the security (8.04% E Ltd NCD (MD 27/01/2022)) by 55% as it was downgraded to C from A-. Before marked down, the security was valued at Rs. 91.5571 per unit.

**B. Main Portfolio (after creation of segregated portfolio)**

Security	Rating	Type of the security	Qty	Price Per Unit (Rs)	Market Value (in lakhs)
7.14% A Ltd NCD (MD 09/12/2021)	CRA 1 AAA	NCD	25,000	98.0144	24.50
8.02% B Ltd NCD (MD 22/05/2022)	CRA 1 AAA	NCD	24,000	100.9817	24.24
8.53% C Ltd NCD Ser C (MD 03/07/20)	CRA 2 AA	NCD	21,300	98.3226	20.94
D Ltd CP (MD 27/02/2020)	CRA 1 A1+	CP	25,000	94.9606	23.74
Cash & Cash equivalent					15.00
Net Assets (in lakhs)					108.42
Unit capital (no. of units)					10,000.00
NAV per unit (Rs)					1,084.20

Security 8.04% E Ltd NCD (MD 27/01/2022) will be segregated into a separate portfolio.

**C. Segregated Portfolio**

Security	Rating	Type of the security	Qty	Price Per Unit (Rs)	Market Value (in lakhs)
8.04% E Ltd NCD (MD 27/01/2022)	CRA 3 C	NCD	23,700	41.2007	9.76
Net Assets (in lakhs)					9.76
Unit capital (no. of units)					10,000.00
NAV per unit (Rs)					97.65

Please note CRA in the above tables stands for Credit Rating Agency

Total Portfolio value after creation of segregated portfolio

	Main portfolio	Segregated portfolio	Total value (in lakhs)
No. of units	10,000	10,000	-
NAV per unit	1084.20	97.65	1181.85
Total value (in lakhs)	108.42	9.77	118.19

**4. Swing Pricing**

Swing pricing refers to a process for adjusting a scheme's Net Asset Value (NAV) to effectively pass on transaction costs stemming from significant net capital activity (i.e., flows into or out of the fund) to the investors associated with that activity. It is aimed at reducing the impact of large redemptions on existing investors by reducing dilution of the value of a fund's units.

The swing pricing framework will be made applicable only for scenarios related to net outflows from the schemes.

SEBI will determine 'market dislocation' either based on AMFI's recommendation or suo moto. Once market dislocation is declared, it will be notified by SEBI that swing pricing will be applicable for a specified period.

Subsequent to the announcement of market dislocation, the swing pricing framework shall be mandated only for open ended debt schemes which

- 1) Have "High" or "Very High" risk on the risk-o-meter (as of the most recent period at the time of declaration of market dislocation) and
- 2) Potential Risk Class (PRC) cells A-III, B-II, B-III, C-I, C-II and C-III

**Swing Factor**

A minimum swing factor as under shall be made applicable to the schemes mentioned above and the NAV will be adjusted for swing factor. This will be applicable to both purchase and redemption.

Minimum swing factor for open ended debt schemes			
Credit Risk of scheme	Class A (CRV* $\geq$ 12)	Class B (CRV* $\geq$ 10)	Class C (CRV* $<$ 10)
Interest Rate Risk of scheme			
Class I: (MD $\leq$ 1 year)	-	-	1.50%
Class II: (MD $\leq$ 3 years)	-	1.25%	1.75%
Class III: Any Macaulay duration (MD)	1%	1.50%	2%

\*CRV - Credit Risk Value

When swing pricing framework is triggered, and swing factor is made applicable, both the incoming and outgoing investors shall get NAV adjusted for swing factor.

Swing pricing shall be made applicable to all unitholders at PAN level with an exemption for redemptions upto Rs. 2 lacs for each mutual fund scheme for both normal times and market dislocation.

**Illustration**

Unswung NAV of the Scheme – Rs. 10

PRC cell of the scheme is C-III & corresponding swing factor is 2%

**Post notification of market dislocation by SEBI: -**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Swing NAV} &= \text{Unswung NAV} - \text{Swing Factor} * \text{Unswung NAV} \\ &= 10 - 2\% * 10 \\ &= 10 - 0.2 \\ &= 9.8 \end{aligned}$$

**Disclosure**

Disclosures pertaining to NAV adjusted for swing factor along with the performance impact is given below:

Sr. No.	Period of applicability of swing pricing	Scheme name	Unswung NAV	Swing factor applied	Whether optional or mandatory
<b>NA</b>					

**D. DEFINITIONS AND ABBREVIATIONS**

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

<b>Aadhaar</b>	:	Aadhaar number issued by the Unique identification Authority of India (UIDAI)
<b>Allotment of Units</b>	:	For Subscriptions received at the DISC's within the cut-off timings and considered accepted for that day, the units will be allotted on the T day. Where the T day is the transaction day, provided the application is received within the cut-off timings for the transaction day.
<b>Applicable Net Asset Value (NAV)</b>	:	Applicable NAV is the Net Asset Value per Unit at the close of the Business Day on which the application for purchase or redemption/switch is received at the designated investor service centre and is considered accepted on that day. An application is considered accepted on that day, subject to it being complete in all respects and received prior to the cut-off time on that Business Day.
<b>AMFI</b>	:	Association of Mutual Funds in India, the apex body of all the registered AMCs incorporated on August 22, 1995 as a non-profit organisation.
<b>Asset Management Company (AMC/NAM India)/ Investment Manager</b>	:	Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited, the Asset Management Company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, and authorized by SEBI to act as the Investment Manager to the Schemes of Nippon India Mutual Fund.
<b>Business Day / Working Day</b>	:	A Business Day / Working Day means any day other than : 1. Saturday or 2. Sunday or 3. a day on which The Bombay Stock Exchange, Mumbai or National Stock Exchange Limited or Reserve Bank of India or Banks in Mumbai are closed or 4. a day on which there is no RBI clearing/settlement of securities or 5. a day on which the sale and/or redemption and /or switches of Units is suspended by the Trustees or AMC or 6. a book closure period as may be announced by the Trustees / Asset Management Company or 7. a day on which normal business could not be transacted due to storms, floods, or 8. bandhs, strikes or any other events as the AMC may specify from time to time. The AMC reserves the right to declare any day as a Business Day or otherwise at any or all DISC.
<b>Collecting Bank</b>	:	Branches of Banks for the time being authorized to receive application(s) for units, as mentioned in this document.
<b>Continuous Offer</b>	:	Offer of the Units when the scheme becomes open-ended after the closure of the New Fund Offer.
<b>Custodian</b>	:	Custodian means a person who has been granted a certificate of registration to carry on the Business of custodian of securities under the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Custodian of Securities) Regulations, 1996. Presently, Deutsche Bank A.G., registered vide registration number IN/CUS/003 is appointed as Custodian of securities for all the schemes of NIMF, or any other custodian as may be appointed by the Trustees.
<b>Designated Investor Service Centres (DISC) / Official point of acceptance for transaction)</b>	:	Any location as may be defined by the Asset Management Company from time to time, where investors can tender the request for subscription, redemption or switching of units, etc.
<b>IDCW</b>	:	Amount distributed by the scheme on the Units which may be paid out of investor's capital (Equalization Reserve), which is part of sale price that represents realized gains.
<b>DP</b>	:	Depository Participant means a person registered as such under sub regulation (1A) of section 12 of SEBI Act, 1992 (15 of 1992)



<b>Entry Load</b>	:	Load on subscriptions / switch in.
<b>Exit Load</b>	:	Load on redemptions / switch out.
<b>FPI</b>	:	Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPI) as defined in Regulation 2(1) (h) of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Foreign Portfolio Investors) Regulations, 2014.  As stipulated by the SEBI (FPI) Regulations, 2014, Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs), sub accounts and Qualified Foreign Investors (QFIs) are clubbed/merged into a single category, referred to as FPIs
<b>Investment Management Agreement (IMA)</b>	:	The Agreement entered into between Nippon Life India Trustee Limited and Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited by which NAM India has been appointed the Investment Manager for managing the funds raised by NIMF under the various Schemes and all amendments thereof.
<b>KIM</b>	:	Key Information Memorandum as required in terms of SEBI (MF) Regulation 29(4)
<b>Load</b>	:	A charge that may be levied as a percentage of NAV at the time of entry into the scheme/plans or at the time of exiting from the scheme/ plans.
<b>Local Cheque</b>	:	A Cheque handled locally and drawn on any bank, which is a member of the banker's clearing house located at the place where the application form is submitted.
<b>Money Market Instruments</b>	:	Money market instruments include Tri-party Repo/ Repo and Reverse Repo (including corporate bond Repo), certificate of deposit, commercial papers, commercial bills, treasury bills, Government securities issued by Central & State Government/ corporate bonds having an unexpired maturity up to one year, call or notice money, Term Deposits, usance bills (BRDS) and any other similar instruments as specified by the RBI/SEBI from time to time.
<b>Net Asset Value (NAV)</b>	:	Net Asset Value of the Units in each plan of the Scheme is calculated in the manner provided in this Scheme Information Document or as may be prescribed by Regulations from time to time. The NAV will be computed upto four decimal places.
<b>NRI</b>	:	Non-Resident Indian. Person resident outside India who is either a citizen of India or a Person of Indian Origin.
<b>PIO</b>	:	Person of Indian Origin.  A citizen of any country other than Bangladesh or Pakistan, if (a) he at any time held an Indian passport; or (b) he or either of his parents or any of his grandparents was a citizen of India by virtue of Constitution of India or the Citizenship Act, 1955 (57 of 1955); or (c) the person is a spouse of an Indian citizen or person referred to in sub-clause (a) or (b).
<b>Plans/Options</b>	:	The scheme has the following investment option:  <b>i. Growth Plan</b> a. Growth Option  <b>ii. Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan</b> a. Payout of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option and Reinvestment of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option b. Monthly Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan (Payout Option and Reinvestment Option) c. Quarterly Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan (Payout Option and Reinvestment Option)  <b>iii. Direct Plan - Growth Plan</b> a. Growth Option  <b>iv. Direct Plan - Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan</b> a. Payout of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option and Reinvestment of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option b. Monthly Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan (Payout Option and Reinvestment Option) c. Quarterly Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan (Payout Option and Reinvestment Option)  Direct Plan is only for investors who purchase /subscribe Units in a Scheme directly with the Fund (i.e. investments not routed through an AMFI Registration Number (ARN) Holder).
<b>Purchase Price /Subscription Price</b>	:	Purchase Price to the investor of Units of any of the plans computed in the manner indicated in this Scheme Information Document.
<b>Redemption Price</b>	:	Redemption Price to the investor of Units of any of the plans computed in the manner indicated in this Scheme Information Document.
<b>Registrar /Kfintech</b>	:	KFin Technologies Limited, who have been appointed as the Registrar or any other Registrar who is appointed by NAM India.
<b>Nippon Life India Trustee Limited (NLITL) /Trustee / Trustee Company</b>	:	Nippon Life India Trustee Limited, a Company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, and authorized by SEBI and by the Trust Deed to act as the Trustee of NIMF.

<b>Nippon India Mutual Fund (NIMF) /Mutual Fund/the Fund</b>	:	Nippon India Mutual Fund, a Trust under Indian Trust Act, 1882 and registered with SEBI vide registration number MF/022/95/1 dated June 30, 1995.
<b>Reserve Bank of India (RBI)</b>	:	Reserve Bank of India, established under the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934.
<b>Scheme</b>	:	Nippon India Short Term Fund – An open ended short term debt scheme investing in instruments such that the Macaulay duration of the portfolio is between 1 to 3 years. Relatively High interest rate risk and moderate Credit Risk.
<b>Scheme Information Document (SID)</b>	:	Scheme Information Document issued by Nippon India Mutual Fund, offering units of Nippon India Short Term Fund for Subscription.
<b>SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations/ SEBI (MF) Regulations/ Regulations</b>	:	Securities and Exchange Board of India (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 as amended from time to time and such other regulations (including the Rules, Guidelines or Circulars) as may be in force from time to time to regulate the activities of Mutual Funds.
<b>Statement of Additional Information (SAI)</b>	:	Statement of Additional Information, the document issued by Nippon India Mutual Fund containing details of Nippon India Mutual Fund, its constitution, and certain tax, legal and general information. SAI is legally a part of the Scheme Information Document.
<b>Sponsor</b>	:	Sponsor of Nippon India Mutual Fund i.e., Nippon Life Insurance Company (“NLI”) which is mutual company incorporated and existing under the laws of Japan.
<b>Switching Option</b>	:	Investors may opt to switch Units between the Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan and Growth Plan of the Scheme at NAV based prices after completion of lock in period, if any. Switching will also be allowed into/from any other eligible open-ended Schemes of the Fund either currently in existence or a Scheme(s) that may be launched / managed in future, as per the features of the respective scheme.
<b>The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)</b>	:	Securities and Exchange Board of India (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 as amended from time to time, including by way of circulars or notifications issued by SEBI and the Government of India.
<b>Tri- Party Repo</b>	:	Tri-party repo is a type of repo contract where a third entity (apart from the borrower and lender), called a Tri-Party Agent, acts as an intermediary between the two parties to the repo to facilitate services like collateral selection, payment and settlement, custody and management during the life of the transaction.
<b>Trust Deed</b>	:	Trust Deed means Trust Deed constituted in accordance with the provisions of the Indian Trusts Act, 1882 (2 of 1882) and as amended from time to time. The amended Trust Deed is in accordance with SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996. The Trust Deed has been registered under the Indian Registration Act, 1908
<b>Trust Fund</b>	:	The corpus of the Trust, unit capital and all property belonging to and/or vested in the Trustee.
<b>Unit</b>	:	The interest of the investors in any of the plans, of the scheme which consists of each Unit representing one undivided share in the assets of the corresponding plan of the scheme.
<b>Unitholder</b>	:	A person who holds Unit(s) under the scheme.
<b>Unitholders Record</b>	:	Unitholders whose names appear on the unitholders register of the concerned plan/(s) on the date of determination of IDCW, subject to realisation of the cheque.
<b>Words and Expressions used in this Scheme Information Document and not defined</b>	:	Same meaning as in Regulations
<b>Website</b>	:	Website of NIMF namely mf.nipponindiaim.com

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

##### It is confirmed that

1. The Scheme Information Document of Nippon India Short Term Fund, forwarded to SEBI, is in accordance with the SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 and the guidelines and directives issued by SEBI from time to time.
2. 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.
3. The disclosures made in the Scheme Information Document are true, fair and adequate to enable the investors to make a well informed decision regarding investment in the proposed Scheme.
4. All the intermediaries named in the Scheme Information Document and Statement of Additional Information are registered with SEBI and their registrations are valid, as on date.

Place : Mumbai

Date : October 31, 2023

Sd/-

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Chief Legal & Compliance Officer

## II - INFORMATION ABOUT THE SCHEME - NIPPON INDIA SHORT TERM FUND

### A. TYPE OF THE SCHEME

An open ended short term debt scheme investing in instruments such that the Macaulay duration of the portfolio is between 1 to 3 years. Relatively High interest rate risk and moderate Credit Risk. refer to the page number 21 of the Scheme Information Document on which the concept of Macaulay's Duration has been explained)

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

The primary investment objective of the scheme is to generate stable returns for investors with a short term investment horizon by investing in debt and money market instruments.

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

The asset allocation under the Scheme, under normal circumstances, will be as follows:

Instruments	Indicative asset allocation (% of total assets)		Risk Profile
	Maximum	Minimum	High/Medium/Low
Debt and money market instruments	100%	0%	Medium to Low

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

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

Investment in securitized debts shall not exceed 50% of the net assets of the Scheme.

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

The scheme may invest in derivatives upto a maximum of 50% of its net assets. The cumulative gross exposure through debt, repo in corporate debt securities and derivative positions (including fixed income derivatives), should not exceed 100% of the net assets of the scheme.

The scheme may invest in foreign securities upto 25% of the net assets of the scheme.

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

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

The asset allocation indicated above may change from time to time keeping in view the market conditions, legislative and regulative amendments and political and economic factors, subject to Regulations. It must be clearly understood that the percentages stated above are purely indicative and can change substantially depending on the perception of the Investment Manager with the sole intention of protecting the interests of the Unitholders.

'In accordance with the requirement of regulation 43A of SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 read with SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/IMD/PoD2/P/CIR/2023/129 dated July 27, 2023 on Investment by Mutual Fund Schemes and AMCs in units of Corporate Debt Market Development Fund, scheme shall invest 25 bps of its AUM as on December 31, 2022 in the units of the Corporate Debt Market Development Fund ('CDMDF') within 10 working days from the request of CDMDF. Further, an incremental contribution to CDMDF shall be made every six months within 10 working days from the end of half year starting from December 2023 to ensure 25 bps of scheme AUM is invested in units of CDMDF. However, if AUM decreases there shall be no return or redemption from CDMDF. Contribution made to CDMDF, including the appreciations on the same, if any, shall be locked-in till winding up of the CDMDF.

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

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

Subsequently, SEBI Circular dated September 06, 2023 has clarified that while calculating the asset allocation limits of mutual fund schemes, the investment in units of CDMDF shall be excluded from base of net assets.

Subject to SEBI (MF) Regulations, the asset allocation pattern indicated above may change from time to time, keeping in view market conditions, market opportunities, applicable regulations and political and economic factors. It must be clearly understood that the percentages can vary substantially depending upon the perception of the Investment Manager; the intention being at all times to seek to protect the interests of the Unit holders. As per Clause 1.14.1.2.b of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023, such changes in the investment pattern will be for short term and for defensive consideration only. In the event of deviations, portfolio rebalancing will be carried out within 30 calendar days in such cases.

In case of any deviation (due to passive breaches) from the asset allocation of the scheme, the fund manager will carry out rebalancing within 30 business days. Where the portfolio is not re-balanced within 30 business days, justification in writing including details of efforts taken to rebalance the portfolio shall be placed before the Investment Committee. The Investment Committee, if so desires, can extend the timelines up to sixty (60) business days from the date of completion of mandated rebalancing period. However, at all times the portfolio will adhere to the overall investment objectives of the Scheme.

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

Subject to the SEBI Regulations, the Scheme may invest in various types of instruments including, but not limited to, any of the following:

- a) Commercial Paper (CP)(Listed), Certificate of Deposits (CD), Treasury Bills, Bills Rediscounting, Tri-party Repo on government securities or T-bills, Repo/Reverse Repo (including repo in corporate bonds)
- b) Corporate Bonds include all debt instruments (including securitized debt) issued by entities such as Banks, Public Sector Undertakings, Government Agencies and other Statutory Bodies, Municipal Corporations, body corporate, companies, trusts/ Special Purpose Vehicles etc and would exclude investments in Government Securities issued by Central and/or State Government.
- c) Investment in Government securities issued by Central and/or State Government to the extent of SEBI prescribed limits. Such securities may be:
  - (i) Supported by the ability to borrow from the Treasury or
  - (ii) Supported by Sovereign guarantee or the State Government or
  - (iii) Supported by Government of India/ State Government in some other way.
- d) Securities issued by any government agencies, quasi-government or statutory bodies, Public Sector Undertakings, which may or may not be guaranteed or supported by the Central Government or any state government (including but not limited to coupon bearing bonds, zero coupon bonds and treasury bills).
- e) Non-convertible securities as well as nonconvertible portion of convertible securities, such as debentures, coupon bearing bonds, zero coupon bonds, deep discount bonds, Mibor-linked or other floating rate instruments, premium notes and other debt securities or obligations of public sector undertakings, banks, financial institutions, corporations, companies and other bodies corporate as may be permitted by SEBI/ RBI from time to time.
- f) Securitized debt, pass through obligations, various types of securitization issuances including but not limited to Asset Backed Securitization, Mortgage Backed Securitization, single loan securitization and other domestic securitization instruments, as may be permitted by SEBI/ RBI from time to time.
- g) Derivatives like Interest rate swaps, Forward Rate agreements and other such instruments as permitted by RBI/ SEBI.
- h) Fund may use Interest Rate Futures (IRF) to create an imperfect hedge/ proper hedge from time to time as per SEBI regulations.
- i) Deposits with banks and other bodies corporate as may be permitted by SEBI from time to time
- j) Any other debt and money market instruments that may be available from time to time.
- k) The scheme may invest in the liquid schemes launched by SEBI registered Mutual Fund or schemes that invest predominantly in money market instruments/securities.
- l) All investments in overseas securities will be governed based on SEBI guidelines issued from time to time. The Scheme may invest in various types of Foreign Securities including, but not limited to, any of the following:
  - (i) Foreign debt securities (non-convertible) in the countries with fully convertible currencies.
  - (ii) Overseas short term as well as long term debt instruments with rating not below investment grade by accredited/registered credit rating agencies.
  - (iii) Overseas Money market instruments rated not below investment grade.
- m) The Fund may also enter into "Repo", hedging or such other transactions as may be allowed to Mutual Funds from time to time.

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

In line with Clause 12.18 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023 read with SEBI Circular no. SEBI/HO/IMD/IMD PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/85 dated June 8, 2023 and SEBI Circular no. SEBI/HO/IMD/IMD PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/87 dated June 13, 2023 and RBI circular dated July 24, 2018 investments in corporate bond repo shall be made basis the policy approved by the Board of NAM India and NLITL. The significant features are as follows:

- i. As specified in the Clause 12.18.1.3 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023, the base of eligible securities for mutual funds to participate in repo in Corporate Bond Securities, is from AAA rated to AA and above rated Corporate Bond Securities.
- ii. Commercial Papers (CPs) and Certificate of Deposits (CDs)
- iii. Category of counterparty & Credit rating of counterparty NIMF schemes shall enter in lending via Repo only with Investment Grade counterparties.
- iv. The Gross exposure of the scheme to repo transactions in corporate debt securities shall not be more than 10% of the net asset scheme.

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

#### **Applicable haircut**

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

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

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

iii. Securities issued by a local authority shall carry a minimum haircut of 2% of market value.

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

- n) The schemes may also enter into repurchase and reverse repurchase obligations in all securities (including Repos in corporate bonds) held by them as per the guidelines and regulations applicable to such transactions. It is the intention of the scheme to trade in the derivatives market as per the Regulations. The scheme may also invest into tri-party Repo as per the prescribed guidelines of RBI.
- o) Overseas derivatives traded on recognized stock exchanges overseas (currently permitted only for hedging and portfolio balancing with underlying as securities).
- p) Short term deposits with banks overseas where the issuer is rated not below investment grade.
- q) Units/securities issued by overseas mutual funds or unit trusts registered with overseas regulators and investing in permitted Foreign Securities.
- r) Any other permitted overseas securities/ instruments that may be available from time to time. The scheme shall not invest in foreign securitized debts. Investment in Foreign Securities shall be in accordance with the guidelines issued by SEBI from time to time.
- s) Overseas Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs)
- t) **Investment in CDMDF-**

In accordance with the requirement of regulation 43A of SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 read with SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/IMD/PoD2/P/CIR/2023/129 dated July 27, 2023 on Investment by Mutual Fund Schemes and AMCs in units of Corporate Debt Market Development Fund, scheme shall invest 25 bps of its AUM.

**CDMDF Framework-**

CDMDF shall comply with the Guarantee Scheme for Corporate Debt (GSCD) as notified by Ministry of Finance vide notification no. G.S.R. 559(E) dated July 26, 2023 and SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/IMD/PoD2/P/CIR/2023/128 dated July 27, 2023 and circulars / guidelines/ Letters issued by SEBI and AMFI from time to time, which includes the framework for corporate debt market development fund. The framework will inclusive of following points-

- a) The CDMDF shall deal only in following securities during normal times:
  - Low duration Government Securities
  - Treasury bills
  - Tri-party Repo on G-sec
  - Guaranteed corporate bond repo with maturity not exceeding 7 days
- b) The fees and expenses of CDMDF shall be as follows:
  - During Normal times: (0.15% + tax) of the Portfolio Value charged on daily pro-rata basis.
  - During Market stress: (0.20% + tax) of the Portfolio Value charged on daily pro-rata basis.
  - "Portfolio Value" means the aggregate amount of portfolio of investments including cash balance without netting off of leverage undertaken by the CDMDF.
- c) Corporate debt securities to be bought by CDMDF during market dislocation include listed money market instruments. The long term rating of issuers shall be considered for the money market instruments. However, if there is no long term rating available for the same issuer, then based on credit rating mapping of CRAs between short term and long term ratings, the most conservative long term rating shall be taken for a given short term rating.
- d) CDMDF shall follow the Fair Pricing document, while purchase of corporate debt securities during market dislocation as specified in SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/IMD/PoD2/P/CIR/2023/128 dated July 27, 2023 and circulars / guidelines/ Letters issued by SEBI and AMFI from time to time
- e) CDMDF shall follow the loss waterfall accounting and guidelines w.r.t. purchase allocation and trade settlement of corporate debt securities bought by CDMDF, specified in SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/IMD/PoD2/P/CIR/2023/128 dated July 27, 2023 and circulars / guidelines/ Letters issued by SEBI and AMFI from time to time.

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

**Macaulay Duration:**

Measure of the weighted average time taken to get back the cash flows is called 'Macaulay Duration' and is one comprehensive parameter portraying the risk-return profile of the bond. The weight of each cash flow is determined by dividing the present value of the cash flow by the price. It is expressed in number of years or days.

**For Example:**

Take a bond with Rs. 100 face value, 10% coupon rate and tenor of the bond is 5 years and the discount factor is 10%.

No of Yrs (T)	Cash Flow (Coupon + Principal)	Discount Factor ((1+YTM) <sup>-t</sup> )	Present Value of Cash Flows (Cash Flow/Discount Factor)	Weight of Cash Flows (Present Value of Cash Flow/ Current Price)	Duration (Yrs) (Weight of Cash Flows * T)
1	10	1.10	9.09	9.09%	0.09
2	10	1.21	8.26	8.26%	0.17
3	10	1.33	7.51	7.51%	0.23

No of Yrs (T)	Cash Flow (Coupon + Principal)	Discount Factor ((1+YTM) <sup>t</sup> )	Present Value of Cash Flows (Cash Flow/Discount Factor)	Weight of Cash Flows (Present Value of Cash Flow/ Current Price)	Duration (Yrs) (Weight of Cash Flows * T)
4	10	1.46	6.83	6.83%	0.27
5	110	1.61	68.30	68.31%	3.42
	Current market Price of the Bond		100	100.00%	4.17

Macaulay duration is 4.17 Years, considering a YTM discount factor of 10%.

Macaulay duration = Sum of (Present value of cash flow)\*T/market price of the bond

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

Nippon India Short Term Fund is positioned as an intermediate product positioned between the long term Income Fund (Nippon India Income Fund) and the very short term liquid Fund (Nippon India Liquid Fund). Accordingly, investments will be made mainly in short to medium term maturity debt instruments in line with the investment objective of the Scheme of achieving stable returns.”

The fund management team will endeavor to maintain a consistent performance in the scheme by maintaining a balance between safety, liquidity and profitability aspects of various investments. The fund manager will try to achieve an optimal risk return balance for management of the fixed income portfolios.

The investments in debt instruments carry various risks like interest rate risk, liquidity risk, default risk, purchasing power risk etc. While they cannot be done away with, they can be minimized by diversification and effective use of hedging techniques.

The fund management team will take an active view of the interest rate movement by keeping a close watch on various parameters of the Indian economy, as well as developments in global markets.

Investment views / decisions will be taken on the basis of the following parameters:

1. Prevailing interest rate scenario
2. Quality of the security / instrument (including the financial health of the issuer)
3. Maturity profile of the instrument
4. Liquidity of the security
5. Growth prospects of the company / industry
6. Any other factors in the opinion of the fund management team

Investments may be in listed or unlisted debt instruments, as permitted under SEBI Regulations. These would cover secondary market purchases, Initial Public Offers (IPOs), other public offers, placements, rights offers, negotiated deals etc. Investments in debentures and bonds will usually be in instruments which have been assigned investment grade ratings by an approved rating agency. The instruments may be rated / unrated and listed / unlisted. In cases where the debt instrument is unrated, specific approval from the Investment Committee of NAM India shall be obtained.

#### Risk Measurement /Control

The Fund Management proposes to use analytic risk management tools like VAR / convexity/ modified duration for effective portfolio management.

#### Portfolio Turnover

The Investment Manager does not have a policy statement on portfolio turnover. It is presently anticipated that the portfolio turnover rate will be low. However, trading opportunities may emerge from time to time due to inefficiencies in the market causing the portfolio turnover rate to rise. A high portfolio turnover rate may be representative of arbitrage opportunities that exist for securities in the portfolio rather than an indication of the Investment Manager's view on a sector or security.

#### Debt Market in India

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

At present, the Indian debt market is dominated by issues of Central Government bonds, Corporate Debentures and PSU Bonds. The new Securitised instruments are also very attractive in the primary market. Risk associated with securitized Debt or PTCs are credit risk, liquidity risk and price risk/interest rate risk. The other instruments available for investment are Commercial Papers, Certificate of Deposits, Government guaranteed bonds, etc.

Brief details about the instruments are given below as on Oct 3, 2023.

Instruments	Listed/ Unlisted	Current Yield Range As on Oct 3, 2023	Liquidity	Risk profile
Central Government Securities	Listed	6.73% - 7.43%	High	Low
Corporate Debentures / PSU Bonds	Listed	7.50%-7.75%	Moderate	Low
CDs (short term)	Unlisted	6.92% - 7.53%	High	Low
Call Money	Unlisted	5.00%- 6.90%	High	Low

Mibor linked Papers*	Listed	80-100 bps	Low	Low
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**\* Range of spread of 5 year AAA Corporate bond and OIS papers of similar maturity**

A brief description about yields presently available on Central Govt. Securities /Bonds & Debentures of various maturities is as follows: Annualised yields (as on Oct 3, 2023) are:

Yrs	=< 1yr	1yr - 5yr	5yr - 10yrs	10yr - 30 yrs
Central Government securities	6.84%-7.27%	7.23%-7.44%	7.36%-7.45%	7.42%-7.57%
Debentures / Bonds (AAA rated)	7.50%-7.55%	7.65%-7.70%	7.70%-7.75%	-

THE PRICE AND YIELD ON VARIOUS DEBT INSTRUMENTS FLUCTUATE FROM TIME TO TIME DEPENDING UPON THE MACRO ECONOMIC SITUATION, INFLATION RATE, OVERALL LIQUIDITY POSITION, FOREIGN EXCHANGE SCENARIO, ETC. ALSO, THE PRICE AND YIELD VARIES ACCORDING TO MATURITY PROFILE, CREDIT RISK ETC

**Derivatives and Hedging Products**

The scheme may use derivative instruments like Interest rate swaps, Forward rate agreements or such other derivative instruments as may be introduced from time to time for the purpose of hedging and portfolio balancing as may be permitted under the Regulations and Guidelines.

The sum total of derivative contracts outstanding shall not exceed 50% of the net assets of the scheme.

An interest rate swap is a financial contract between two parties exchanging a stream of interest payments for a notional principal amount on multiple occasions during a specified period.

Typically, one party receives a pre-determined fixed rate of interest while the other party, receives a floating rate, which is linked to a mutually agreed benchmark with provision for mutually agreed periodic resets.

The fund intends to use derivatives for hedging & portfolio balancing as permitted under the SEBI Regulations & Guidelines.

To hedge & balance the portfolio derivative instruments like interest rate swaps & forward rate agreements would be used to create synthetic fixed rate bonds/ floating rate bonds. We wish to submit that, creation of synthetic fixed rate bonds/floating rate bonds is a hedging and portfolio rebalancing technique.

**An example is stated below to explain the said proposition.**

Swaps can be used to create synthetic fixed rate instruments.

Let us take the example of a 3 Yr floating rate bond with a spread of 50 bps (basis points) over a benchmark. Ordinarily, this fetches the investor a yield of the benchmark (which is floating) plus 50 bps on an annualized basis. However, by receiving the 3 yr fixed rate on the swap side, what happens is that the bond gets converted into a fixed rate bond. Let us assume that the 3 yr swap on the same benchmark is received for the same principal amount at the rate 7.25%. Broadly then, the investor receives fixed cash flows of 7.25%, pays the floating benchmark rate, and receives the floating rate of the bond (which comprise the benchmark rate and the "spread" of 50 bps). The floating cash flows of the benchmark cancel each other out and the investor is left with a synthetic fixed rate bond yielding him 7.75% (7.25% plus the 'spread' of 50bps). Thus through the swap, the floating rate bond gets converted 'synthetically' into a fixed rate bond.

Accounts are generally settled on a net basis on predetermined settlement dates. Accordingly, on each agreed payment date, amounts owed by each party is calculated by applying the agreed rate i.e. fixed in one case and floating in the other, on the notional amount. The party, who owes the higher amount i.e. the difference between the interest rate amount and the floating interest rate amount or vice versa, makes a payment of the net amount, no principal amount is exchanged.

Generally, interest rate swaps involve exchange of a fixed rate to a floating rate of interest or vice versa. These are known as Plain Vanilla Swaps. The RBI has currently allowed only these swaps in the Indian market.

**Example**

The most common type of swaps is where one party agrees to pay a fixed rate of interest (fixed-rate payer) to the other party who agrees to pay a floating rate of interest (floating-rate payer). The payments are exchanged on designated dates during the life of the contract at agreed rates.

Suppose, the view on interest rate is that they would come down over the next three months if a particular investment is yielding a rate of return at 10% p.a. currently, the Fund Manager would like to lock-in this rate of return which in a downward interest rate scenario would appear attractive.

He, then, enters into a swap transaction with a counterparty that is willing to pay a fixed rate of 10% p.a. and accept a floating rate linked to say, MIBOR which would vary everyday but is currently at 7% p.a. The transaction would be represented thus:

Receives fixed rate@10% p.a.

NIMF Counterparty B

Pays Floating Rate MIBOR

**Note**

1. No principal amount is exchanged. A notional principal amount is agreed upon for interest calculation purposes.
2. Only the difference between the two rates is exchanged at agreed intervals or payment dates. When fixed interest rate amount is higher, the fixed rate payer pays the difference amount i.e. fixed interest rate amount minus the floating interest rate amount or vice-versa.

**Interest Rate Futures:**

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

- 1) **Perfect Hedging** - We hedge the underlying using IRF contract of same underlying.
- 2) **Imperfect hedging** - the Underlying being hedged and the IRF contract has correlation of more than 90% of closing prices for past 90 days.

In case of correlation is below 90% at any time the same may be rebalanced within 5 working days and if not rebalanced within the timeline, the derivative position created for hedging would be counted as an exposure. SEBI allows maximum of 20% imperfect hedging, subject to applicable conditions mentioned in Clause 12.25.9 of SEBI Master circular dated May 19, 2023.

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

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

Assuming the Fund manager intends to hedge the portfolio using IRF and uses contracts on IGB 6.79% 2027 as it is most liquid.

The maximum short position that can be taken = (Portfolio modified duration\* Market Value (MV) of portfolio)/Futures Modified duration\* Future price/PAR)

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

#### Illustration of Perfect & Imperfect Hedge Positions:

Case 1

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

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

Case 2

Security name	Amount (in Crs)	Price	MV (in Crs)	90 day historical correlation to IRF 6.79% 2027	Comments
IGB 6.79% 2027	100	94.42	97.457	1	Perfect hedge
IGB 7.17% 2028	30	97.95	29.235	0.95	Imperfect hedge
IGB 8.15% 2026	45	102.95	46.327	0.91	Imperfect hedge
IGB 6.68% 2031	25	91.39	22.937	0.85	Unhedge
Cash	50		50		Unhedge
IRF 6.79 2027	120	94.38	117.457		
Total	250		245.95		

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



**Case 3**

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

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

**Forward Rate Agreements (FRAs)**

A FRA is a financial contract between parties agreeing to exchange interest payments for a notional principal amount on settlement dates for a specified period from start date to maturity date.

A FRA enables parties to fix interest cost on a future borrowing or fix an interest rate for a future investment.

**Hedging a future asset**

Example: Suppose, NIMF has funds to invest after two months for a period of three months. The Fund Manager expects interest rates to soften in the next two months. He, therefore, would like to lock-in the interest rate today for his investment to be made after two months. The instrument in which he wishes to invest is a 91-day Treasury Bill at 8.25% p.a. He, therefore, enters into an agreement where he sells a 2 x 5 FRA for a notional principal amount. 2 represents the start date of the FRA and 5 represents the maturity date or end date.

**The details will be as under**

**Asset :** 91-day T' Bill

**Tenor :** 3 months commencing from 2 months from date of agreement.

**Indicative 2 x 5 :** 8.25% p.a.

**Benchmark :** 91-day T' Bill cut-off yield on the last auction preceding settlement date

So NIMF receives 8.25% p.a. on the notional amount on settlement date. Counterparty will receive 91-day T' Bill cut-off rate on the 91-day T' Bill auction, on the auction just preceding the settlement date.

Both, IRS and FRAs can be thus effectively used as hedging products for interest rate risks.

**Risk Factors**

Derivatives products carry credit risk (risk of default by counterparty), market risk (due to market movements) and liquidity risk (due to lack of liquidity in derivatives).

- No principal amount is exchanged. A notional principal amount is agreed upon for interest calculation purposes.
- Only the difference between the two rates is exchanged at agreed intervals or payment dates. When fixed interest rate amount is higher, the fixed rate payer pays the difference amount i.e. fixed interest rate amount minus the floating interest rate amount or vice-versa.
- Hedging through derivatives may be rendered ineffective by the inability of derivatives to correlate perfectly with underlying assets, rates and indices.

**The Scheme will comply with provisions specified in Clause 12.25 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023 related to overall exposure limits as stated below:**

- The cumulative gross exposure through equity, debt and derivative positions should not exceed 100% of the net assets of the scheme.
- Mutual Funds shall not write options or purchase instruments with embedded written options.
- Cash or cash equivalents with residual maturity of less than 91 days may be treated as not creating any exposure.
- Mutual Funds may enter into plain vanilla interest rate swaps for hedging purposes. The counter party in such transactions has to be an entity recognized as a market maker by RBI. Further, the value of the notional principal in such cases must not exceed the value of respective existing assets being hedged by the scheme. Exposure to a single counterparty in such transactions should not exceed 10% of the net assets of the scheme.

**Investment in overseas financial assets**

SEBI vide its clause 12.19 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023 has issued guidelines pertaining to investments in overseas financial

assets. Accordingly all the investments in ADRs/GDRs/Foreign Securities/Overseas ETFs shall be made in compliance with the above referred circular. It is the investment manager's belief that overseas securities offer new investment and portfolio diversification opportunities into multi-market and multi-currency products. However, such investments also entail additional risks. Offshore investment will be made subject to any/all approvals / conditions thereof as may be stipulated by SEBI/ RBI/ other regulatory authorities. Mr. Shiv Chanani has been appointed as the Fund Manager for Overseas Investments, as prescribed in the aforesaid SEBI circular. The fund may, where necessary, appoint other intermediaries of repute as advisors, sub-custodians, etc. for managing and administering such investments. The fees and expenses of such appointment would be part of the recurring expenses of the scheme. The appointment of such intermediaries shall be in accordance with the applicable requirements of SEBI and within the permissible ceilings of expenses. The fees and expenses would include, besides the investments management fees, custody fees and costs, fees of appointed advisors and sub managers, transaction costs and overseas regulatory costs. Investment in foreign securities offers more opportunities and diversification for investments.

#### **Advantages and Risks attached with investments in Overseas Financial Assets**

It is AMC's belief that the investment in ADRs/GDRs/ overseas securities offer new investment and portfolio diversification opportunities into multi-market and multi-currency products. However, such investments also entail additional risks.

Such investment opportunities may be pursued by the AMC provided they are considered appropriate in terms of the overall investment objectives of the schemes. Since the Scheme would invest only partially in ADRs/ GDRs/overseas securities, there may not be readily available and widely accepted benchmarks to measure performance of the Scheme.

1. To manage risks associated with foreign currency and interest rate exposure, the Fund may use derivatives for efficient portfolio management including hedging and in accordance with conditions as may be stipulated by SEBI/RBI from time to time.
2. To the extent that the assets of the Schemes will be invested in securities denominated in foreign currencies, the Indian Rupee equivalent of the net assets, distributions and income may be adversely affected by the changes in the value of certain foreign currencies relative to the Indian Rupee. The repatriation of capital also may be hampered by changes in regulations concerning exchange controls or political circumstances as well as the application to it of the other restrictions on investment.
3. Offshore investments will be made subject to any/all approvals, conditions thereof as may be stipulated by SEBI/RBI and provided such investments do not result in expenses to the Fund in excess of the ceiling on expenses prescribed by and consistent with costs and expenses attendant to international investing. The Fund may, wherever necessary, appoint other intermediaries of repute as advisors, custodian/sub-custodians etc. for managing and administering such investments.
4. The appointment of such intermediaries shall be in accordance with the applicable requirements of SEBI and within the permissible ceilings of expenses. The fees and expenses would illustratively include, besides the investment management fees, custody fees and costs, fees of appointed advisors and sub-managers, transaction costs, and overseas regulatory costs.

#### **F. FUNDAMENTAL ATTRIBUTES**

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

##### **1. Type of scheme**

An open ended short term debt scheme investing in instruments such that the Macaulay duration of the portfolio is between 1 to 3 years. Relatively High interest rate risk and moderate Credit Risk. refer to the page number 20 of the Scheme Information Document on which the concept of Macaulay's Duration has been explained)

##### **2. Investment Objectives**

- i. **Main Objective: Refer to Section II - B : What is the Investment Objective of the Scheme?**
- ii. **Investment pattern : Refer to Section C: How will the Scheme allocate its assets?**

##### **3. Terms of Issue**

###### **i. Liquidity provisions such as listing, repurchase, redemption**

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

The redemption or repurchase proceeds shall be transferred to the unit holders within 3 working Days from the date of redemption or repurchase.

The Scheme will offer for Subscription/ Switch-in and Redemption / Switch-out of Units on every Business Day on an ongoing basis.

###### **ii. Aggregate fees and expenses charged to the scheme**

- a. **New Fund Offer (NFO) Expenses : Refer to Section IV - A : New Fund Offer (NFO) Expenses**
- b. **Annual Scheme Recurring Expenses : Refer to Section IV - B : Annual Scheme Recurring Expenses**

###### **iii. Any safety net or guarantee provided**

Not Applicable

In accordance with Regulation 18(15A) of the SEBI (MF) Regulations, the Trustees shall ensure that no change in the fundamental attributes of the Scheme(s) and the Plan(s) / Option(s) there under or the trust or fee and expenses payable or any other change which would modify the Scheme(s) and the Plan(s) / Option(s) there under and affect the interests of Unitholders is carried out unless:

- 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 above conditions specified under Regulation 18 (15A), for bringing change in the fundamental attributes of any scheme(s) and the Plan(s) / Option(s), trustees shall take comments from SEBI before bringing such change(s).

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

CRISIL Short Duration Debt B-II Index

The scheme intends to have similar instruments as constituted in the CRISIL Short Duration Debt B-II Index. The portfolios are similar not only in term of the construct but also in terms of risk return parameters in question. Using this benchmark shall provide the investor with an independent and representative comparison with the fund portfolio.

**H. WHO MANAGES THE SCHEME?**

Name of the Fund Manager	Age	Educational Qualification	Type and Nature of past experience including assignments held during the past 10 years	Name of the Other Scheme managed
<b>Sushil Hari Prasad Budhia</b> Senior Fund Manager – Debt Investments (Managing the Scheme - Since March 31, 2020)	46	Chartered Accountant	<b>Over 22 years of experience across Debt Markets</b> <b>January 2019 - till date</b> : NAM India: Senior Fund Manager <b>March 2006 to January 2019</b> YES Bank Ltd.: Senior President Financial Markets. Handled Debt Capital Markets and prop trading book of the Bank. <b>December 2002 to March 2006</b> Axis Bank (Erstwhile UTI Bank) : Manager, Merchant Banking. Handled Corporate Bond Desk of the Bank <b>May 2001 to December 2002</b> UTI Mutual Fund (Erstwhile Unit Trust of India) : Dealer – Debt Market	Nippon India Equity Hybrid Fund Nippon India Credit Risk Fund Nippon India Hybrid Bond Fund Nippon India Equity Savings Fund Nippon India Strategic Debt Fund Nippon India Multi Asset Fund Nippon India Balanced Advantage Fund Nippon India Asset Allocator FoF
<b>Vivek Sharma</b> Fund Manager- Fixed Income (Managing the Scheme - Since Jun 2020)	41	B.E (Electronics), PGDBM - Finance	<b>Over 17 years of experience</b> <b>Sep 2016 - till date</b> - Fund Manager <b>September 2013 - Sep 2016</b> - NAM India: <b>Asst.Fund Manager</b> - Managing investments for Debt Schemes <b>February 22, 2010 - September 2013,</b> NAM India, – Responsible for investment/ trading – Fixed Income. <b>May 2007 – February 2010</b> NAM India, - Assistant Manager – Fixed Income. Responsible for Assisting Fund Managers in FMP/Open ended portfolio analysis & MIS related activities. <b>June, 2006 to April 2007</b> NAM India, - Management Trainee – Sales & Distribution. Responsible for Product support to corporate sales team across country.	Nippon India Ultra Short Duration Fund Nippon India Low Duration Fund Nippon India Corporate Bond Fund Nippon India Income Fund Nippon India Dynamic Bond Fund Nippon India Banking & PSU Debt Fund Nippon India ETF Nifty CPSE Bond Plus SDL - 2024 Maturity Nippon India ETF Nifty SDL 2026 Maturity Nippon India Nifty AAA CPSE Bond Plus SDL - Apr 2027 Maturity 60:40 Index Fund
<b>Kinjal Desai</b> Fund Manager - Overseas Investment (Managing the Scheme - Since May, 2018)	34	MSc (Economics)	<b>10 years of experience</b> <b>From May 25, 2018 onwards</b> Fund Manager - Overseas Investment, NAM India <b>December 2012 to May 24, 2018</b> Associate Equity Investments at NAM India Assisting Lead Analyst in Equity Research, idea generation and sector Monitoring., assisting Fund Managers in stock selection and monitoring of overseas investments	Dedicated Fund Manager for Overseas Investments Nippon India ETF Hang Seng BeES Nippon India US Equity Opportunities Fund Nippon India Japan Equity Fund Nippon India Multi Asset Fund Nippon India Taiwan Equity Fund
<b>Akshay Sharma</b> Fund Manager (Overseas Investment) (Managing the Scheme - Since Dec, 2022)	31	PGDM - Financial services Bachelor of Engineering - Mechanical	<b>Over 8 years of experience in Mutual Fund Products and Equity Investments</b> <b>From December 2022 onwards</b> Fund Manager - Overseas Investment - Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited <b>September 2017 - November 2022</b> Deputy Manager (Investment Research) - Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited <b>May 2016 - August, 2017</b> Assistant Manager (Product Management) - Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited	Dedicated Fund Manager for Overseas Investments Nippon India US Equity Opportunities Fund Nippon India Japan Equity Fund Nippon India ETF Hang Seng BeES Nippon India Multi Asset Fund Nippon India Taiwan Equity Fund

## I. WHAT ARE THE INVESTMENT RESTRICTIONS?

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

1. The scheme shall not invest more than 10% of its NAV in debt instruments comprising money market instruments and non-money market instruments issued by a single issuer which are rated not below investment grade by a credit rating agency authorized to carry out such activity under the Act. Such investment limit may be extended to 12% of the NAV of the scheme with the prior approval of the Board of Trustees and the Board of directors of the asset management company:

Provided that such limit shall not be applicable for investments in Government Securities, treasury bills and Tri-Party Repo : Provided further that investment within such limit can be made in mortgaged backed securitised debt which are rated not below investment grade by a credit rating agency registered with the Board:

Provided further that the schemes already in existence shall within an appropriate time and in the manner, as may be specified by the Board, conform to such limits.

As per Clause 12.8.3 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023, the scheme shall not invest more than:

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

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

2. Mutual Funds/AMCs shall ensure that total exposure of debt schemes of mutual funds in a group (excluding investments in securities issued by Public Sector Units, Public Financial Institutions and Public Sector Banks) shall not exceed 20% of the net assets of the scheme. Such investment limit may be extended to 25% of the net assets of the scheme with the prior approval of the Board of Trustees.
3. Investment in unrated debt and money market instruments, other than government securities, treasury bills, derivative products such as Interest Rate Swaps (IRS), Interest Rate Futures (IRF), etc. by mutual fund schemes shall be subject to the following:
  - a. Investments should only be made in such instruments, including bills re-discounting, usance bills, etc., that are generally not rated and for which separate investment norms or limits are not provided in SEBI (Mutual Fund) Regulations, 1996 and various circulars issued thereunder.
  - b. Exposure of mutual fund schemes in such instruments, shall not exceed 5% of the net assets of the schemes.
  - c. All such investments shall be made with the prior approval of the Board of AMC and the Board of trustees.
4. Transfers of investments from one scheme to another scheme in the Mutual Fund shall be allowed only if:
  - a. Such transfers are done at the prevailing market price for quoted instruments on spot basis;
  - b. The securities so transferred shall be in conformity with the investment objectives & policies of the Scheme to which such transfer has been made.

Such transfer would be in accordance with clause 12.30 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023 or any other circular issued by SEBI from time to time.

5. The Scheme may invest in another scheme under the same asset management company or in any other mutual fund without charging any fees, provided the aggregate inter scheme investments made by all Schemes under the same management company or in schemes under the management of any other AMC shall not exceed 5% of NAV of the Mutual Fund. [Provided that this clause shall not apply to any fund of funds scheme.
6. The Mutual Fund shall buy and sell securities on the basis of deliveries and shall in all cases of purchases, take delivery of relative securities and in all cases of sale, deliver the securities and shall in no case put itself in a position whereby it has to make short sale or carry forward transactions or engage in badla finance :  
Provided that a mutual fund may engage in short selling of securities in accordance with the framework relating to short selling and securities lending and borrowing specified by the Board.  
Provided further that a mutual fund may enter into derivatives transactions in a recognized stock exchange, subject to the framework specified by the Board.  
Provided further that sale of government security already contracted for purchase shall be permitted in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Reserve Bank of India in this regard.
7. The Fund shall get the securities purchased or transferred in the name of the Fund on account of the concerned scheme, wherever investments are intended to be of a long-term nature.
8. The fund's schemes shall not make any investment in:
  - a. Any unlisted security of an associate or group company of the sponsor
  - b. Any security issued by way of private placement by an associate or group company of the sponsor
  - c. The investments by debt mutual fund schemes in debt and money market instruments of group companies of both the sponsor and the asset management company shall not exceed 10% of the net assets of the scheme. Such investment limit may be extended to 15% of the net assets of the scheme with the prior approval of the Board of Trustees.
9. Mutual fund schemes may invest in unlisted Non-Convertible Debentures (NCDs) not exceeding 10% of the debt portfolio of the scheme subject to the condition that such unlisted NCDs have a simple structure (i.e. with fixed and uniform coupon, fixed maturity period, without any options, fully paid up upfront, without any credit enhancements or structured obligations) and are rated and secured with coupon payment frequency on monthly basis
10. The Scheme shall not invest in a fund of funds scheme.
11. Pending deployment of funds of the scheme in securities in terms of the investment objectives and policies of the scheme, the Mutual Fund can invest the fund of the scheme in short term deposits of scheduled commercial banks subject to the guidelines as applicable from time to time.

Pursuant to the Clause 12.16 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023, where the cash in the scheme is parked in short term deposits of Scheduled Commercial Banks pending deployment, the respective Plan(s) shall abide by the following guidelines:

- “Short Term” for parking of funds shall be treated as a period not exceeding 91 days.
- Such short-term deposits shall be held in the name of the respective Plan(s) of the Scheme.
- The respective Plan(s) shall not park more than 15% of the net assets in short term deposit(s) of all the scheduled commercial banks put together. However, such limit may be raised to 20% with prior approval of the Trustee.
- Parking of funds in short term deposits of associate and sponsor scheduled commercial banks together shall not exceed 20% of total deployment by the Mutual Fund in short term deposits.
- The respective Plan(s) shall not park more than 10% of the net assets in short term deposit(s), with any one scheduled commercial bank including its subsidiaries.
- The respective Plan(s) shall not park funds in short term deposit of a bank, which has invested in the Scheme. Further, the bank in which a scheme has short term deposit will not invest in the said scheme until the scheme has short term deposit with the bank.
- NAM India will not charge any investment management and advisory fees for parking of funds in short term deposits of scheduled commercial banks.

12. No term loans for any purpose will be advanced by the Scheme.

13. In case any company has invested more than 5% of the net asset value of a scheme, the investment made by that scheme or by any other scheme of the same Mutual Fund in that company or its subsidiaries, if any, shall be brought to the notice of the Trustees by NAM India and be disclosed in the half-yearly and annual accounts with justification for such investment provided that the latter investment has been made within one year of the date of the former investment calculated on either side.

14. As per Clause 12.19.1.1 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023, 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. 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.

15. The Scheme will comply with any other regulations applicable to the investments of mutual funds from time to time.

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

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

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

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

Further, to clarify please note that all the above mentioned provisions and investments made in line with the above mentioned circumstances/ variations are independent of this scenario

17. The Fund shall not borrow except to meet temporary liquidity needs of the Fund for the purpose of repurchase / Redemption of Units or payment of interest and IDCW to the Unitholders.

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

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

18. The investment of mutual fund schemes in the following instruments shall not exceed 10% of the debt portfolio of the schemes and the group exposure in such instruments shall not exceed 5% of the debt portfolio of the schemes:

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

19. Mutual Funds invest in certain debt instruments with special features viz. subordination to equity (absorbs losses before equity capital) and / or convertible to equity upon trigger of a pre-specified event for loss absorption. Additional Tier 1 bonds and Tier 2 bonds issued under Basel III framework are some instruments which may have above referred special features. The debt instruments having such special features as referred above, which otherwise are Non-Convertible Debentures, may be treated as debt instruments until converted to equity. The limit for such instruments are as follows

- i. No Mutual Fund under all its schemes shall own more than 10% of such instruments issued by a single issuer.
- ii. A Mutual Fund scheme shall not invest –
  - a. more than 10% of its NAV of the debt portfolio of the scheme in such instruments; and
  - b. more than 5% of its NAV of the debt portfolio of the scheme in such instruments issued by a single issuer.

20. Pursuant to regulation 43A of SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 and SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/IMD/PoD2/P/CIR/2023/129 dated July 27, 2023 on Investment by Mutual Fund Schemes and AMC in units of Corporate Debt Market Development Fund, AMC shall make a one-time contribution equivalent to 2 bps of the AUM of the specified debt oriented schemes as on December 31, 2022 in the units of the Corporate Debt Market Development Fund (“CDMDF”) within 10 working days of request from CDMDF. Contribution made to CDMDF, including the appreciations on the same, if any, shall be locked-in till winding up of the CDMDF.

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

21. The scheme shall participate Repo in corporate debt securities in accordance with Clause 12.18 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023 and such other directions issued by RBI and SEBI from time to time.

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

scheme.

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

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

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

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

These investment limitations / parameters as expressed / linked to the net asset / net asset value / capital, shall in the ordinary course, apply as at the date of the most recent transaction or commitment to invest. Changes do not have to be effected merely because of appreciation or depreciation in value or by reason of the receipt of any rights, bonuses or benefits in the nature of capital or of any scheme of arrangement or for amalgamation, reconstruction or exchange, or at any repayment or redemption or other reason outside the control of the Fund, any such limits would thereby be breached. If these limits are exceeded for reasons beyond its control, AMC shall adopt as a priority objective the remedying of that situation, taking due account of the interests of the Unitholders.

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

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

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

#### Investment by the AMC in the Scheme:

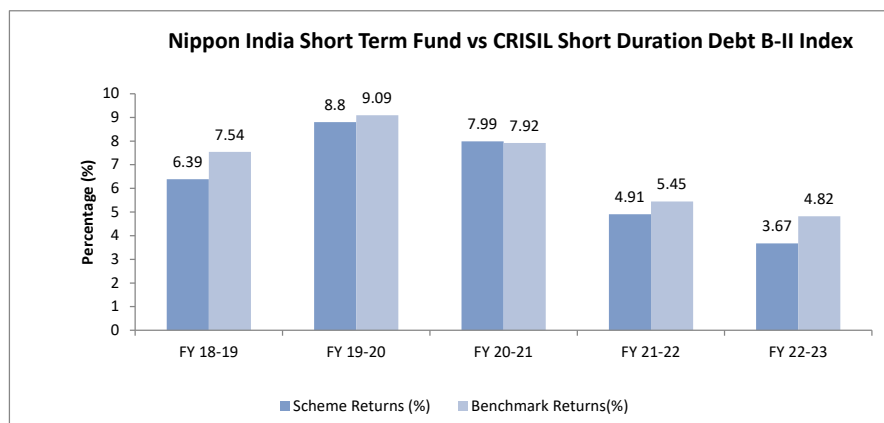
In line with SEBI Regulations and circulars issued by SEBI from time to time, the AMC may invest its own funds in the scheme(s). Further, the AMC shall not charge any fees on its investment in the Scheme (s), unless allowed to do so under SEBI Regulations in the future.

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

The Performance of the scheme is as on September 30, 2023

Compounded Annualised Returns	Scheme Returns %	Benchmark Returns %
Returns for the last 1 year	6.67	7.82
Returns for the last 3 years	5.02	5.78
Returns for the last 5 years	6.79	7.35
*Returns since inception (Allotment Date December 18, 2002)	7.60	7.13

Absolute Returns for each financial year for the last 5 years



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

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

All the returns are of Growth Plan - Growth Option

Face Value of the Scheme is Rs. 10/- Per unit

**K. ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES**

**a. Top 10 holdings by issuer and sectors (As on September 30, 2023)**

Top 10 Holdings	Weightage(%)
Government of India	26.41%
Clearing Corporation of India Ltd	11.33%
Small Industries Dev Bank of India	5.93%
REC Limited	5.82%
National Bank For Agriculture and Rural Development	5.76%
HDFC Bank Limited	5.57%
Power Finance Corporation Limited	3.40%
India Grid Trust InvIT Fund	3.39%
State Bank of India	3.11%
State Government Securities	3.01%

Sector	Allocation (%)
Financial Services	43.76%
Government of India	29.42%
Others	11.32%
Power	6.95%
Cash & Cash Equivalent:	2.41%
Automobile and Auto Components	1.46%
Construction Materials	1.46%
Services	1.35%
Telecommunication	0.82%
Construction	0.57%

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

**b. Portfolio Turnover Ratio : Not Applicable for Debt Schemes**

**c. Aggregate Investments in the scheme by Board of Directors / Fund Managers / Other Key Personnel as on September 30, 2023**

Particulars	Aggregate Investments (Rs. in lakhs)
Board of Directors	nil
Fund Managers	31.09
Other Key Personnel	186.19

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

**L. HOW THE SCHEME IS DIFFERENT FROM THE EXISTING OPEN ENDED FIXED INCOME SCHEMES OF Nippon India Mutual Fund**

Nippon India Short Term Fund is a product offered by Nippon India Mutual Fund and is not a minor modification of the existing scheme/fund product.

Scheme Name	Asset Allocation Pattern	Primary Investment Pattern	Investment Strategy	Differentiation	Month end AUM as on Sep 30, 2023 (Rs. Crs)	No. of Folios as on Sep 30, 2023
<b>Nippon India Overnight Fund</b>	Debt & money market instruments (including MIBOR linked instruments with daily put and call option) maturing on or before next business day: 0-100%	The primary investment objective of the scheme is to generate optimal returns consistent with low risk and high liquidity by investing in debt and money market instruments with overnight maturity.	The fund management team will endeavor to maintain a consistent performance in the scheme by maintaining a balance between safety, liquidity and profitability aspects of various investments. The fund manager will try to achieve an optimal risk return balance for management of the fixed income portfolios. The investments in debt instruments carry various risks like interest rate risk, liquidity risk, default risk, purchasing power risk etc. While they cannot be done away with, they can be minimized by diversification and effective use of hedging techniques. The fund management team will take an active view of the interest rate movement by keeping a close watch on various parameters of the Indian economy, as well as developments in global markets	An open-ended overnight fund that endeavors to provide investors with moderate income commensurate with relatively low risk along with higher liquidity by investing in debt and money market instruments maturing on or before next business day. It is suitable for investors with an investment horizon of 1 day to 7 days	6,074.37	11044

Scheme Name	Asset Allocation Pattern	Primary Investment Pattern	Investment Strategy	Differentiation	Month end AUM as on Sep 30, 2023 (Rs. Crs)	No. of Folios as on Sep 30, 2023
<b>Nippon India Liquid Fund</b>	Money market & debt instruments (including Tri-party Repo/ Reverse Repo (including corporate bond repo)) with maturity up to 91 days: 0-100%	The investment objective of the scheme is to generate optimal returns consistent with moderate levels of risk and high liquidity by investing in debt and money market instruments.	The fund management team will endeavor to maintain a consistent performance in the scheme by maintaining a balance between safety, liquidity and profitability aspects of various investments. The fund manager will try to achieve an optimal risk return balance for management of the fixed income portfolios. The investments in debt instruments carry various risks like interest rate risk, liquidity risk, default risk, purchasing power risk etc. While they cannot be done away with, they can be minimized by diversification and effective use of hedging techniques. The fund management team will take an active view of the interest rate movement by keeping a close watch on various parameters of the Indian economy, as well as developments in global markets.	An open-ended liquid fund that focuses on reasonable carry with a view to maximize returns while ensuring adequate liquidity through investments in various money market and debt instruments with maturity up to 91 days. The endeavor will be to maintain average maturity of the portfolio in the range of 40-70 days under normal market conditions. It is suitable for short term cash management & investors with an investment horizon of 7 days to 1 month	22,654.22	257318
<b>Nippon India Ultra Short Duration Fund (Number of Segregated Portfolios – 1)</b>	Debt instruments and money market instruments (including Tri-party Repo/ Repo (including corporate bond repo)): 0-100%	The investment objective of the scheme is to generate optimal returns consistent with moderate levels of risk and liquidity by investing in debt and money market instruments	The fund management team will endeavor to maintain a consistent performance in the scheme by maintaining a balance between safety, liquidity and profitability aspects of various investments. The fund manager will try to achieve an optimal risk return balance for management of the fixed income portfolios. The investments in debt instruments carry various risks like interest rate risk, liquidity risk, default risk, purchasing power risk etc. While they cannot be done away with, they can be minimized by diversification and effective use of hedging techniques. The fund management team will take an active view of the interest rate movement by keeping a close watch on various parameters of the Indian economy, as well as developments in global markets	An open ended ultra-short duration fund that endeavors to invests in debt and money market instruments with portfolio duration between 160-180 days. The fund aims to generate higher gross yield through a portfolio investing across credit categories. Carry will protect against volatility. This fund is ideal for investors with investment horizon of 3-6 months	5,301.48	60187
<b>Nippon India Low Duration Fund</b>	Debt instruments and money market instruments (including Tri-party Repo/ Repo (including corporate bond repo)): 0-100%	The investment objective of the scheme is to generate optimal returns consistent with moderate levels of risk and liquidity by investing in debt securities and money market securities	The fund management team will endeavor to maintain a consistent performance in the scheme by maintaining a balance between safety, liquidity and profitability aspects of various investments. The fund manager will try to achieve an optimal risk return balance for management of the fixed income portfolios. The investments in debt instruments carry various risks like interest rate risk, liquidity risk, default risk, purchasing power risk etc. While they cannot be done away with, they can be minimized by diversification and effective use of hedging techniques. The fund management team will take an active view of the interest rate movement by keeping a close watch on various parameters of the Indian economy, as well as developments in global markets.	An open-ended low duration fund that endeavors to invest more than 80% in higher rated (AAA/A1+/ equivalent) assets. A major part of the portfolio gets allocated in 0-9 months and 15-30% allocation is made in assets of 9-18 months maturity bucket, which aims to give the portfolio carry advantage and roll down benefit. The portfolio duration would be maintained between 180-365 days. The ideal investment horizon for the fund would be around 6 months – 1 year.	7,430.27	117329



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<b>Nippon India Money Market Fund</b>	Money market instruments having residual maturity up to 1 year: 0-100%	The investment objective of the scheme is to generate optimal returns consistent with moderate levels of risk and liquidity by investing in money market instruments	The fund management team will endeavor to maintain a consistent performance in the scheme by maintaining a balance between safety, liquidity and profitability aspects of various investments. The fund manager will try to achieve an optimal risk return balance for management of the fixed income portfolios. The investments in debt instruments carry various risks like interest rate risk, liquidity risk, default risk, purchasing power risk etc. While they cannot be done away with, they can be minimized by diversification and effective use of hedging techniques. The fund management team will take an active view of the interest rate movement by keeping a close watch on various parameters of the Indian economy, as well as developments in global markets.	An open-ended money market fund that endeavors to invest in money market instruments like Certificate of Deposits (CD), Commercial Papers (CP), etc. The portfolio duration would be maintained between 110 -160 days and is ideal for investors with an investment horizon of 1-3 months.	11,608.96	26068
<b>Nippon India Short Term Fund</b>	Debt & money market instruments 0-100%; Units issued by REITs & InvITs: 0-10%.	The primary investment objective of the scheme is to generate stable returns for investors with a short-term investment horizon by investing in debt and money market instruments.	The fund management team will endeavor to maintain a consistent performance in the scheme by maintaining a balance between safety, liquidity and profitability aspects of various investments. The fund manager will try to achieve an optimal risk return, balance for management of the fixed income portfolios. The investments in debt instruments carry various risks like interest rate risk, liquidity risk, default risk, purchasing power risk etc. While they cannot be done away with, they can be minimized by diversification and effective use of hedging techniques. The fund management team will take an active view of the interest rate movement by keeping a close watch on various parameters of the Indian economy, as well as developments in global markets.	An open-ended short duration fund that endeavors to maintain portfolio duration between 1.25 - 2.5 years. The portfolio will have allocations to G-Secs/ SDLs/ High grade bonds primarily in the 1-5 years duration bucket. The fund will tactically use G-Secs/ SDLs to generate alpha. Strategy is to enhance returns through asset allocation and shape of the curve. Portfolio Macaulay Duration is maintained between 1-3 years and is ideal for investors having investment horizon of 1-3 years.	6,141.44	48215
<b>Nippon India Strategic Debt Fund (Number of Segregated Portfolios – 2)</b>	Debt & money market instruments: 0-100%; Units issued by REITs & InvITs: 0-10%	To generate income through investments in a range of debt and money market instruments of various maturities with a view to maximizing income while maintaining the optimum balance of yield, safety and liquidity.	The fund management team will endeavor to maintain a consistent performance in the scheme by maintaining a balance between safety, liquidity and profitability aspects of various investments. The fund manager will try to achieve an optimal risk return balance for management of the fixed income portfolios. The investments in debt instruments carry various risks like interest rate risk, liquidity risk, default risk, purchasing power risk etc. While they cannot be done away with, they can be minimized by diversification and effective use of hedging techniques. The fund management team will take an active view of the interest rate movement by keeping a close watch on various parameters of the Indian economy, as well as developments in global markets.	This fund belongs to the family of medium duration funds. Core allocation of the portfolio is made into AA+ to AA rated Corporate Bonds. Focus is on carry with moderate duration. The fund intends to generate alpha through spread compression and rolldown over 3 years period. Portfolio Macaulay Duration is maintained between 3-4 years. It is ideal for investors having a holding period of 3 years and above.	121.89	3880

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<b>Nippon India Income Fund</b>	Debt & money market instruments: 0-100%; Units issued by REITs & InvITs: 0-10%	The primary investment objective of the scheme is to generate optimal returns consistent with moderate level of risk. This income may be complemented by capital appreciation of the portfolio. Accordingly, investments shall predominantly be made in Debt & Money Market Instruments.	The fund management team will endeavor to maintain a consistent performance in the scheme by maintaining a balance between safety, liquidity and profitability aspects of various investments. The fund manager will try to achieve an optimal risk return balance for management of the fixed income portfolios. The investments in debt instruments carry various risks like interest rate risk, liquidity risk, default risk, purchasing power risk etc. While they cannot be done away with, they can be minimized by diversification and effective use of hedging techniques. The fund management team will take an active view of the interest rate movement by keeping a close watch on various parameters of the Indian economy, as well as developments in global markets.	This fund belongs to the family of medium to long duration funds. The fund follows two-pronged strategy: Core and Tactical. Core strategy to reflect medium to long term view on interest rates and yield curve. Tactical strategy to benefit out of short-term opportunities in the market. Strategy is implemented through high grade assets like G-Secs/ SDLs/ Corporate Bonds to generate alpha by actively using G-Secs, IRF and IRS curve. Portfolio Macaulay Duration is maintained between 4-7 years. It is suitable for investors with an investment horizon of 3 years	286.30	8565
<b>Nippon India Dynamic Bond Fund</b>	Debt & Money market instruments: 0-100%; Units issued by REITs & InvITs: 0-10%	The primary investment objective of the scheme is to generate optimal returns consistent with moderate levels of risk. This income may be complemented by capital appreciation of the portfolio. Accordingly, investments shall predominantly be made in Debt and Money Market Instruments.	The fund management team will endeavor to maintain a consistent performance in the scheme by maintaining a balance between safety, liquidity and profitability aspects of various investments. The fund manager will try to achieve an optimal risk return balance for management of the fixed income portfolios. The investments in debt instruments carry various risks like interest rate risk, liquidity risk, default risk, purchasing power risk etc. While they cannot be done away with, they can be minimized by diversification and effective use of hedging techniques. The fund management team will take an active view of the interest rate movement by keeping a close watch on various parameters of the Indian economy, as well as developments in global markets	As per the current strategy this fund is suitable for investors with an investment horizon of more than 3 years. The fund invests predominantly in State Government Securities at the current yields. Most of the securities are held till maturity. Rebalancing of the portfolio is done to ensure that similar securities mix is maintained.	4,468.14	7852
<b>Nippon India Corporate Bond Fund</b>	Corporate bonds rated AA+ & above: 80-100%; Debt & money market Instruments (including corporate bonds rated below AA+, government securities issued by central and/or state government): 0-20%; Units issued by REITs and InvITs: 0-10%	To generate income through investments predominantly in debt instruments of various maturities with a view to maximizing income while maintaining the optimum balance of yield, safety and liquidity	The fund management team will endeavor to maintain a consistent performance in the scheme by maintaining a balance between safety, liquidity and profitability aspects of various investments. The fund manager will try to achieve an optimal risk return balance for management of the fixed income portfolios. The investments in debt instruments carry various risks like interest rate risk, liquidity risk, default risk, purchasing power risk etc. While they cannot be done away with, they can be minimized by diversification and effective use of hedging techniques. The fund management team will take an active view of the interest rate movement by keeping a close watch on various parameters of the Indian economy, as well as developments in global markets.	The fund seeks to benefit from opportunities available in the corporate bond market space at different points in time. Therefore, this fund invests based on short to medium term interest rate view and shape of the yield curve. It endeavors to maintain portfolio duration between 1.25-4 years and invests in well researched credits/structures for yield enhancement. The fund is suitable for investors with 2-3 years investment horizon.	2,458.21	16296

Scheme Name	Asset Allocation Pattern	Primary Investment Pattern	Investment Strategy	Differentiation	Month end AUM as on Sep 30, 2023 (Rs. Crs)	No. of Folios as on Sep 30, 2023
<b>Nippon India Floating Rate Fund</b>	Floating rate instruments (Including fixed rate instruments converted to floating rate exposure using swaps/derivatives): 65-100%; Fixed rate debt instruments (including securitized debt, money market instruments & floating rate debt instruments swapped for fixed rate returns): 0-35%; Units issued by REITs and InvITs: 0-10%	The primary objective of the scheme is to generate regular income through floating rate investment predominantly in floating rate and money market instruments and fixed rate debt instruments.	The fund management team will endeavor to maintain a consistent performance in the scheme by maintaining a balance between safety, liquidity and profitability aspects of various investments. The fund manager will try to achieve an optimal risk return balance for management of the fixed income portfolios. The investments in debt instruments carry various risks like interest rate risk, liquidity risk, default risk, purchasing power risk etc. While they cannot be done away with, they can be minimized by diversification and effective use of hedging techniques. The fund management team will take an active view of the interest rate movement by keeping a close watch on various parameters of the Indian economy, as well as developments in global markets.	The portfolio would predominantly invest in HFC/NBFC/Financial Institutions/Private Sector Corporate & Government Securities. The fund will endeavor to invest in high quality assets. The ideal investment horizon for the fund would be around 1-3 years and is ideal for investors who are looking to benefit from higher accrual with lower volatility by investing in a high-grade portfolio.	7,226.60	11550
<b>Nippon India Banking &amp; PSU Debt Fund</b>	Debt and money market instruments issued by Banks, Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) and Public Financial Institutions (PFIs) & Municipal Bonds: 80-100%; Debt and money market instruments issued by other entities, government securities issued by central & state government: 0-20%; Units issued by REITs and InvITs: 0-10%	To generate income over short to medium term horizon through investments in debt and money market instruments of various maturities, consisting predominantly of securities issued by entities such as Banks, Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) and Public Financial Institutions (PFIs) and Municipal Bonds.	The fund management team will endeavor to maintain a consistent performance in the scheme by maintaining a balance between safety, liquidity and profitability aspects of various investments. The fund manager will try to achieve an optimal risk return balance for management of the fixed income portfolios. The investments in debt instruments carry various risks like interest rate risk, liquidity risk, default risk, purchasing power risk etc. While they cannot be done away with, they can be minimized by diversification and effective use of hedging techniques. The fund management team will take an active view of the interest rate movement by keeping a close watch on various parameters of the Indian economy, as well as developments in global markets	An open-ended debt fund that invests predominantly in debt & money market instruments of varying maturities issued by entities such as Banks, Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs), Public Financial Institutions (PFIs) and Municipal Bonds. Strategy is to capture opportunity on the desired part of yield curve depending on the interest rate expectations going forward	5,302.01	15802
<b>Nippon India Credit Risk Fund (Number of Segregated Portfolios – 2)</b>	Corporate bonds rated AA and below: 65-100%; Debt & money market instruments (including corporate bonds rated AA+ & above, government securities issued by central and/or state Government): 0-35%; Units issued by REITs and InvITs: 0-10%	The primary investment objective of this option is to generate optimal returns consistent with a moderate level of risk. This income may be complemented by capital appreciation of the portfolio. Accordingly, investments will predominantly be made in Debt & Money Market Instruments	The fund management team will endeavor to maintain a consistent performance in the scheme by maintaining a balance between safety, liquidity and profitability aspects of various investments. The fund manager will try to achieve an optimal risk return balance for management of the fixed income portfolios. The investments in debt instruments carry various risks like interest rate risk, liquidity risk, default risk, purchasing power risk etc. While they cannot be done away with, they can be minimized by diversification and effective use of hedging techniques. The fund management team will take an active view of the interest rate movement by keeping a close watch on various parameters of the Indian economy, as well as developments in global markets.	This fund belongs to the family of credit risk funds. It intends to invest in well researched credits/structures for yield enhancement, with emphasis on credit risk diversification. It endeavors to generate returns through accrual and runs a low to moderate duration strategy. The fund is suitable for investors with an investment horizon of 3 years and above.	1,017.66	22561

Scheme Name	Asset Allocation Pattern	Primary Investment Pattern	Investment Strategy	Differentiation	Month end AUM as on Sep 30, 2023 (Rs. Crs)	No. of Folios as on Sep 30, 2023
<b>Nippon India Gilt Securities Fund</b>	Government securities issued by central and/or state Government: 80-100%; Debt & money market instruments: 0-20%	The primary investment objective of the scheme is to generate optimal credit risk-free returns by investing in a portfolio of securities issued and guaranteed by the central government and state government	The fund management team will endeavor to maintain a consistent performance in the scheme by maintaining a balance between safety, liquidity and profitability aspects of various investments. The fund manager will try to achieve an optimal risk return balance for management of the fixed income portfolios. The investments in debt instruments carry various risks like interest rate risk, liquidity risk, default risk, purchasing power risk etc. While they cannot be done away with, they can be minimized by diversification and effective use of hedging techniques. The fund management team will take an active view of the interest rate movement by keeping a close watch on various parameters of the Indian economy, as well as developments in global markets.	This fund belongs to the family of Gilt Funds. It predominantly invests in a portfolio comprising of securities issued and guaranteed by the Central and/or State Government, hence has a superior credit profile. The fund follows two-pronged strategy: Core and Tactical. Core strategy to reflect medium to long term view on interest rates and yield curve. Tactical strategy to benefit out of short-term opportunities in the market. Strategy is implemented through high grade assets like G-Secs/SDLs to generate alpha by actively using G-Secs, IRF and IRS curve. However, it can run moderate to long durations and therefore, bears interest rate risk. It is suitable for investors who have a positive view on falling interest rates with an investment horizon of 3 years and above	1,404.84	26437
<b>Nippon India Nivesh Lakshya Fund</b>	Debt & money market instruments: 0-100%; Units issued by REITs & InvITs: 0-10%	The primary investment objective of the scheme is to generate optimal returns consistent with moderate levels of risk. This income may be complemented by capital appreciation of the portfolio. Accordingly, investments shall predominantly be made in Debt & Money Market Instruments	The fund management team will endeavor to maintain a consistent performance in the scheme by maintaining a balance between safety, liquidity and profitability aspects of various investments. The fund manager will try to achieve an optimal risk return balance for management of the fixed income portfolios. The investments in debt instruments carry various risks like interest rate risk, liquidity risk, default risk, purchasing power risk etc. While they cannot be done away with, they can be minimized by diversification and effective use of hedging techniques. The fund management team will take an active view of the interest rate movement by keeping a close watch on various parameters of the Indian economy, as well as developments in global markets.	This fund belongs to the family of long duration funds. It is suitable for investors with a long-term investment horizon of 5-25 years. The fund predominantly invests in long term fixed income securities predominantly Government Securities at the current yields. Most of the securities are held till maturity. Rebalancing of the portfolio is done to ensure that similar securities mix is maintained. Portfolio Macaulay Duration is maintained at more than 7 years	6,361.18	15247

Scheme Name	Asset Allocation Pattern	Primary Investment Pattern	Investment Strategy	Differentiation	Month end AUM as on Sep 30, 2023 (Rs. Crs)	No. of Folios as on Sep 30, 2023
<b>Nippon India Hybrid Bond Fund (Number of Segregated Portfolios – 2)</b>	Debt and money market instruments: 75-90%; Equities and equity related securities: 10-25%; Units issued by REITs and InvITs: 0-10%	The primary investment objective of the scheme is to generate regular income in order to make regular IDCW payments to unitholders and the secondary objective is growth of capital	The fund management team will endeavor to maintain a consistent performance in the scheme by maintaining a balance between safety, liquidity and profitability aspects of various investments. The fund manager will try to achieve an optimal risk return balance for management of the fixed income portfolios. The investments in debt instruments carry various risks like interest rate risk, liquidity risk, default risk, purchasing power risk etc. While they cannot be done away with, they can be minimized by diversification and effective use of hedging techniques. The fund management team will take an active view of the interest rate movement by keeping a close watch on various parameters of the Indian economy, as well as developments in global markets. Equity portfolio shall be structured so as to keep risk at acceptable levels.	An open-ended debt-oriented hybrid fund with a marginal allocation to equity which may go up to maximum 25%. It is ideal for predominantly fixed income investors with a marginal appetite for equity risk. The fund intends to offer a predominantly fixed income investor the power of equity along with the stability of debt. The investment horizon should typically be 3 years or more so that the long-term benefit of having a marginal exposure to equity pays off.	776.11	33609
<b>Nippon India Retirement Fund - Income Generation Scheme</b>	Under normal circumstances, the anticipated asset allocation would be: Diversified equities and equity related securities: 5-30%; Debt and money market securities: 70-95%	The scheme endeavors to provide capital appreciation and consistent income to the investors which will be in line with their retirement goals by investing in a mix of securities comprising of equity, equity related instruments and fixed income securities.	The fund management team will endeavor to maintain a consistent performance in Income Generation Scheme by maintaining a balance between safety, liquidity and profitability aspects of various investments. The fund manager will try to achieve an optimal risk return balance for management of the fixed income portfolios. The investments in debt instruments carry various risks like interest rate risk, liquidity risk, default risk, purchasing power risk etc. While they cannot be done away with, they can be minimized by diversification and effective use of hedging techniques. The fund management team will take an active view of the interest rate movement by keeping a close watch on various parameters of the Indian economy, as well as developments in global markets.	An open-ended debt-oriented solution-oriented scheme which aims to provide consistent income along with long term growth by maintaining a balance between safety, liquidity and profitability aspects of various investments to help investors in achieving their retirement goals. The fund invests in debt and money market instruments with a low to moderate exposure (upto 30%) in equities. Thus, the fund attempts to generate potentially higher returns by combining stability of fixed income along with growth possibilities of equities	168.95	5870

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

### III - UNITS AND OFFER

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

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

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

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

Plans / Options offered	<p>The Scheme has following Plans / Options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. <b>Growth Plan / Direct Plan - Growth Option :</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Growth Option</li> </ul> </li> <li>ii. <b>Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan / Direct Plan - IDCW Option :</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Payout of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option and Reinvestment of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option</li> <li>b. Monthly Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan (Payout Option and Reinvestment Option)</li> <li>c. Quarterly Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan (Payout Option and Reinvestment Option)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>i. <b>Growth Plan:</b> This Plan is designed for investors interested in capital appreciation on their investment and not in regular income. Accordingly, the fund will not declare IDCWs under this plan. The income earned on the Plan's corpus will remain invested in the Plan. The Growth Plan has Growth option.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <b>Growth Option:</b> Under the Growth Option, there will be no distribution of income and the returns to the investor is only by way of capital gains/ appreciation, if any, through redemption at applicable NAV of the units held by them.</li> </ul> <p>ii. <b>Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan:</b> This plan has been designed for investors who require regular income in the form of IDCWs. Under the Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan, the fund will endeavor to make regular IDCW payments to the Unitholders.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <b>Payout of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option and Reinvestment of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option</b>  <p>The IDCW (Re-investment Option) the IDCW distributed under the plan will be automatically reinvested at the ex-IDCW NAV on the next transaction day and additional units will be allotted accordingly. Investors desirous of opting for the same should indicate the same in the space provided in the application form. There is no assurance or guarantee to Unitholders as to the rate of IDCW distribution nor that the IDCWs will be regularly paid, though it is the intention of the Mutual Fund to make regular IDCW distribution under the Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan. The IDCW declared (for payout option) will be paid to the unit holders within 7 working days from the record date in compliance to the Clause 11.4 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023. though the fund endeavors to pay the IDCW proceeds within three working days.</p> </li> <li>b. <b>Monthly Payout of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option :</b> In the Monthly Payout of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option, the scheme will endeavour to declare regular IDCWs on a monthly basis. IDCWs will be declared on 25th of the month or on the next working day if 25th of the month is a holiday. The IDCW declared will be paid to the unit holders within 7 working days from the record date though the fund endeavors to pay the IDCW proceeds within three working days.</li> <li>c. <b>Quarterly Payout of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option:</b> In the In the Quarterly Payout of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option, the scheme will endeavour to declare regular IDCWs on a quarterly basis in compliance with the CHAPTER 11 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023. IDCWs will be declared on the 3rd (third) Thursday of the last month of each calendar quarter or on the next working day if 3rd (third) Thursday of the last month of each calendar quarter is a holiday. The IDCW declared will be paid to the unit holders within 7 working days from the record date in compliance to the Clause 11.4 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023.</li> <li>d. <b>Monthly Reinvestment of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option:</b> In the Monthly Reinvestment of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option, the scheme will endeavour to declare regular IDCWs on a monthly basis. The IDCW declared under this option would be re-invested to the credit of the unitholder's account at the ex-IDCW NAV and no IDCW payout will take place. IDCWs will be declared on 25th of the month or on the next working day if 25th of the month is a holiday. There is no assurance or guarantee to Unitholders as to the rate of IDCW distribution nor that the IDCWs will be regularly paid, though it is the intention of the Mutual Fund to make regular IDCW distribution under the IDCW Option.</li> </ul>
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**e. Quarterly Reinvestment of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option:** In the Quarterly Reinvestment of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option, the scheme will endeavour to declare regular IDCWs on a quarterly basis in compliance with the CHAPTER 11 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023. The IDCW declared under this option would be re-invested to the credit of the unit holder's account at the ex-IDCW NAV and no IDCW payout will take place. IDCWs will be declared on the 3rd (third) Thursday of the last month of each calendar quarter or on the next working day if 3rd (third) Thursday of the last month of each calendar quarter is a holiday.

The unitholder is subsequently free to switch the units from the default plan / option to any other eligible plans / options of the Scheme, at the applicable price. IDCW will be distributed from the available distributable surplus after the deduction of TDS and applicable surcharge, if any.

There is no assurance or guarantee to Unit holders as to the rate of IDCW distribution nor that the IDCWs will be regularly paid, though it is the intention of the Mutual Fund to make regular IDCW distribution under the IDCW Option.

IDCWs declared under the above options will be paid to eligible unitholders, within 30 days of the declaration of IDCW. The actual date of declaration of IDCW will be notified by display at the designated investor service centers.

The IDCW amounts can be distributed out of investors capital (Equalization Reserve), which is part of sale price that represents realized gains.

Please note that if no Plan/Option is mentioned / indicated in the Application form, the units will, by default, be allotted under Growth Option. Similarly, if no option is mentioned in Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan then by default it will be considered as Monthly Reinvestment of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option of the Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan as the sub-option.

Investor may note that following shall be applicable for default plan

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

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

- a) Units applied under Daily Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan
- b) If the aforesaid units are Redeemed / Switched, fully / partially into another scheme / plan

**Reinvestment of Payout of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option for IDCW amount less than ₹ 100 (w.e.f. June 10, 2019)**

- In case a unitholder has opted for Payout of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option, the minimum amount for IDCW payout shall be ₹ 100 (net of withholding tax or any other statutory levy), else IDCW would be mandatorily reinvested. The IDCW would be reinvested in the same scheme / plan by issuing additional units of the scheme at the prevailing ex-IDCW Net Asset Value per unit on the record date. There shall be no exit load on the redemption of units allotted as a result of such reinvestment of IDCW.
- Mandatory reinvestment of IDCW would not be applicable to Unit holders holding units in Demat form, and if IDCW is declared in any applicable scheme, the amount will be paid out or reinvested as per the option selected by the unit holders.
- IDCW declared will be compulsorily paid out under the Payout of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option of all schemes, for which fresh subscriptions are discontinued with effect from October 01, 2012 as per notice-cum-Addendum no. 63 dated September 28, 2012.

**Effect of IDCWs:** As with the redemption of Units, when IDCWs are declared and paid with respect to the Scheme, the net assets attributable to Unitholders Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plan will stand reduced by an amount equivalent to the product of the number of units outstanding and the IDCW amount per unit declared on the record date. The NAV of the Unitholders in the Growth Plan will remain unaffected by the payment of IDCWs.

<p><b>IDCW Policy</b></p>	<p>When IDCWs are declared with respect to the Scheme, the net assets attributable to Unitholders in the respective Income Distribution cum Capital Withdrawa Plan/option will stand reduced by an amount equivalent to the product of the number of units eligible for IDCW and the gross amount of IDCW per unit declared on the record date. The NAV of the Unitholders in the Growth option will remain unaffected by the payment of IDCWs.</p> <p>NAM India, in consultation with the Trustees reserves the right to discontinue/ add more plans/ options at a later date subject to complying with the prevailing SEBI guidelines and Regulations.</p> <p><b>Process for declaration of IDCW in Unlisted Schemes/Plans</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Quantum of IDCW and the record date shall be fixed by the trustees in their meeting. IDCW so decided shall be paid, subject to availability of distributable surplus.</li> <li>ii. Record date shall be the date which will be considered for the purpose of determining the eligibility of investors whose names appear on the register of unit holders for receiving IDCWs. Further, the NAV shall be adjusted to the extent of IDCW distribution and statutory levy, if any, at the close of business hours on record date.</li> <li>iii. Within one calendar day of the decision by the trustees, AMC shall issue notice to the public communicating the decision including the record date.</li> <li>iv. The record date shall be 2 working days from the date of publication in at least one English newspaper or in a newspaper published in the language of the region where the Head Office of the mutual fund is situated, whichever is issued earlier.</li> <li>v. Before the issue of such notice, no communication indicating the probable date of IDCW declaration in any manner whatsoever may be issued by any mutual fund or distributors of its products.</li> </ol> <p>The IDCW amounts can be distributed out of investors capital (Equalization Reserve), which is part of sale price that represents realized gains.</p> <p>The requirement of giving notice shall not be compulsory for scheme/plan/option having frequency of IDCW distribution from daily upto monthly IDCW</p> <p>IDCWs as and when declared will be paid to eligible unitholders, within 7 working days from the record date. In the event of failure to initiate of IDCW payments within 7 working days from the record date, the AMC shall pay an interest @ 15 per cent per annum of the relevant IDCW amount to the applicable Unit holders. Interest for the delayed payment of IDCW shall be calculated from the record date.</p>
<p><b>Policy on Unclaimed Redemption and IDCW Amounts</b></p>	<p>In terms of Clause 14.3 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023, the unclaimed redemption amount and IDCW amounts (the funds) may be deployed by the Mutual Fund in money market instruments and separate plan of Overnight scheme / liquid scheme / Money Market Mutual Fund scheme floated by Mutual Funds specifically for deployment of the unclaimed amounts only, 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 as per Clause no. 17.5 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023. Investors who claim the unclaimed amounts during a period of three years from the due date shall be paid initial unclaimed amount along-with the income earned on its deployment. Investors, who claim these amounts after 3 years, shall be paid initial unclaimed amount along-with the income earned on its deployment till the end of the third year. After the third year, the income earned on such unclaimed amounts shall be used for the purpose of investor education. The AMC will make a continuous effort to remind the investors through letters to take their unclaimed amounts. The details of such unclaimed redemption/ IDCW amounts are made available to investors upon them providing proper credentials, on website of Mutual Funds and AMFI along with the information on the process of claiming the unclaimed amount and the necessary forms / documents required for the same. Further, the information on unclaimed amount along-with its prevailing value (based on income earned on deployment of such unclaimed amount), will be separately disclosed to investors through the periodic statement of accounts / Consolidated Account Statement sent to the investors. Further, the investment management fee charged by the AMC for managing the said unclaimed amounts shall not exceed 50 basis points.</p>
<p><b>Who can invest</b></p> <p>This is an indicative list and you are requested to consult your financial advisor to ascertain whether the scheme is suitable to your risk profile.</p>	<p>The units of the scheme are being offered to the public for subscription.</p> <p>The following persons (subject, wherever relevant, to purchase of units being permitted under their respective constitutions and relevant State Regulations) are eligible to subscribe to the units:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Resident Adult Individuals, either single or jointly (not exceeding three).</li> <li>ii. Non – resident Indians and persons of Indian origin residing abroad, on a full repatriation basis</li> <li>iii. Parents / Lawful guardians on behalf of Minors</li> <li>iv. Hindu Undivided Families (HUFs) in the name of HUF or Karta</li> <li>v. Companies (including Public Sector Undertakings), Bodies Corporate, Trusts (through Trustees) and Co-operative Societies</li> <li>vi. Banks (including Regional Rural Banks) and Financial Institutions</li> <li>vii. Religious and Charitable Trusts (through Trustees), Private Trusts authorised to invest in Mutual Fund schemes under their Trust Deeds</li> <li>viii. Special Purpose Vehicles (SPVs) approved by appropriate authority (subject to RBI approval)</li> <li>ix. International Multilateral Agencies approved by the Government of India</li> <li>x. Army/Navy/Air Force / Para Military Units and other eligible institutions</li> <li>xi. Unincorporated body of persons as may be accepted by Nippon Life India Trustee Limited</li> <li>xii. Partnership Firms</li> </ol>



	<p>xiii. Scientific and Industrial Research Organisations</p> <p>xiv. Trustee, AMC or Sponsor or their associates may subscribe to Units under the Schemes.</p> <p>xv. Qualified Foreign Investor (please refer SAI for further details.)</p> <p>xvi. Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPI) as defined in Regulation 2(1) (h) of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Foreign Portfolio Investors) Regulations, 2014.</p> <p>xvii. Such other individuals/institutions/body corporate etc., as may be decided by the AMC from time to time, so long as wherever applicable they are in conformity with SEBI Regulations.</p> <p>* Process for Investments made in the name of a Minor through a Guardian:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Payment for investment by means of Cheque, Demand Draft or any other mode shall be accepted from the bank account of the minor / Minor with guardian or from a joint account of the minor with the guardian only. For existing folios, in case the pay-out bank mandate is not held solely by minor or jointly by minor and guardian, the investors are requested to provide a change of Pay-out Bank mandate request before providing redemption request.</li> <li>• Upon the minor attaining the status of major, the minor in whose name the investment was made, shall be required to provide all the KYC / FATCA details, updated bank account details including cancelled original cheque leaf of the new account and his/her specimen signature duly authenticated by banker/guardian. Investors shall additionally note that, upon the minor attaining the status of major, no further transactions shall be allowed till the status of the minor is changed to major.</li> </ul> <p>Pursuant to SEBI circular dated May 12, 2023, payment for any 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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Investors are also requested to note that the process of transmission of units shall be in line with Clause 17.6 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023 and guidelines issued by SEBI in this regard from time to time.</li> </ul> <p>Note :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Non Resident Indians (NRIs) and Persons of Indian Origin (PIOs) residing abroad / Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) have been granted a general permission by Reserve Bank of India Schedule 5 of the Foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or Issue of Security by a Person Resident Outside India) Regulations, 2000 for investing in / redeeming units of the mutual funds subject to conditions set out in the aforesaid regulations.</li> <li>ii. In case of application under a Power of Attorney or by a limited company or a corporate body or an eligible institution or a registered society or a trust fund, the original Power of Attorney or a certified true copy duly notarised or the relevant resolution or authority to make the application as the case may be, or duly notarised copy thereof, alongwith a certified copy of the Memorandum and Articles of Association and/or bye-laws and / or trust deed and / or partnership deed and Certificate of Registration should be submitted. The officials should sign the application under their official designation. A list of specimen signatures of the authorised officials, duly certified / attested should also be attached to the Application Form. In case of a Trust / Fund it shall submit a resolution from the Trustee(s) authorising such purchases and redemptions.</li> </ol> <p>3. Neither this Scheme Information Document (“SID”)/ Key Information Document (“KIM”)/ Statement of Additional Information (“SAI”) [“Scheme Related Documents”] nor the units of the scheme(s) have been registered under the relevant laws, as applicable in the territorial jurisdiction of United States of America nor in any provincial/ territorial jurisdiction in Canada. It is being clearly stated that the Scheme Related Documents and/or the units of the schemes of Nippon India Mutual Fund have been filed only with the regulator(s) having jurisdiction in the Republic of India. The distribution of these Scheme Related Documents in certain jurisdictions may be restricted or subject to registration requirements and, accordingly, persons who come into possession of these Scheme Related Documents are required to inform themselves about, and to observe any such restrictions.</p> <p>No persons receiving a copy of these Scheme Related Documents or any KIM accompanying application form jurisdiction may treat such Scheme Related Documents as an invitation to them to subscribe for units, nor should they in any event use any such application form, unless in the relevant jurisdiction such an invitation could lawfully be made to them and such application form could lawfully be used without compliance with any registration or other legal requirements. Accordingly these Scheme Related Documents do not constitute an offer or solicitation by anyone in any jurisdiction in which such offer or solicitation is not lawful or in which the person making such offer or solicitation is not qualified to do so or to anyone to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation. It is the responsibility of such persons in possession of the Scheme Related Documents and any persons wishing to apply for units pursuant to these Scheme Related Documents to inform themselves of and to observe, all applicable laws and Regulations of such relevant jurisdiction.</p> <p>The NAM India shall accept such investments subject to the applicable laws and such other terms and conditions as may be notified by the NAM India . The investor shall be responsible for complying with all the applicable laws for such investments.</p> <p>The NAM India reserves the right to put the transaction requests on hold/reject the transaction request/reverse allotted units, as the case may be, as and when identified by the NAM India, which are not in compliance with the terms and conditions notified in this regard.</p> <p>NAM India reserves the right to invest its own funds in the Scheme(s) upto a maximum extent of its networth. As per SEBI Regulations, such investments are permitted, subject to disclosure being made in the respective Scheme Information Documents (s). Further, NAM India shall not charge any fees on its investment in the Scheme (s), unless allowed to do so under SEBI Regulations in the future.</p>
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	<p>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.</p> <p>NAM India reserves the right to include / exclude new / existing categories of investors to invest in this Scheme from time to time, subject to SEBI Regulations, if any.</p> <p><b>Foreign Account Tax Compliance</b></p> <p>In accordance with the relevant provisions of the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (“FATCA”) as contained in the United States Hiring Incentives to Restore Employment (“HIRE”) Act, 2010, there is a likelihood of withholding tax being levied on certain income/ receipt sourced from the subjects of United States of America (“US”) with respect to the schemes, unless such schemes are FATCA compliant.</p> <p>In this regard, the respective governments of India and US have signed an Inter Governmental Agreement-1 (IGA) on July 9, 2015. In the terms of this proposed IGA, Nippon India Mutual Fund (“NIMF”) and/ or Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited (“NAM India”/ “AMC”) classified as a “Foreign Financial Institution” and in which case NIMF and/ or NAM India would be required, from time to time, to (a) undertake the necessary due-diligence process; (b) identify US reportable accounts; (c) collect certain required information/ documentary evidence (“information”) with respect to the residential status of the unit holders; and (d) directly or indirectly disclose/ report/ submit such or other relevant information to the appropriate Indian authorities. Such information may include (without limitation) the unit holder’s folio detail, identity of the unit holder, details of the beneficial owners and controlling persons etc</p> <p>In this regard and in order to comply with the relevant provisions under FATCA, the unit holders would be required to fully cooperate &amp; furnish the required information to the AMC, as and when deemed necessary by the latter in accordance with IGA and/ or relevant circulars or guidelines etc, which may be issued from time to time by SEBI or any other relevant &amp; appropriate authorities.</p> <p>The applications which do not provide the necessary information are liable to be rejected. The applicants/ unit holders/ prospective investors are advised to seek independent advice from their own financial &amp; tax consultants with respect to the possible implications of FATCA on their investments in the scheme(s).</p> <p>The underlying FATCA requirements are applicable from July 1, 2014 or such other date, as may be notified.</p> <p>In case required, NIMF/ NAM India reserves the right to change/ modify the provisions (mentioned above) at a later date.</p>
<b>How to Apply</b>	Please refer to the SAI and Application form for the instructions.
<b>Listing</b>	The Scheme is an open ended Income Scheme under which sale and repurchase will be made on a continuous basis and therefore listing on stock exchanges is not envisaged. However, the Trustee reserves the right to list the units as and when open-end Schemes are permitted to be listed under the Regulations, and the Trustee considers it necessary in the interest of Unitholders of the Fund.
<b>The policy regarding reissue of repurchased units, including the maximum extent, the manner of reissue, the entity (the scheme or the AMC) involved in the same.</b>	Not applicable.
<b>Restrictions, if any, on the right to freely retain or dispose of units being offered.</b>	If the Securities are held in dematerialised form the rules of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Depositories Participants) Regulations, 1996 will apply. However, since scheme is an open ended scheme, presently the same is not listed in any stock exchange.

## B. ONGOING OFFER DETAILS

<p><b>Ongoing Offer Period</b> This is the date from which the scheme will reopen for subscriptions/ redemptions after the closure of the NFO period.</p>	The Units of the Scheme(s) are available for subscription / redemption at applicable NAV based prices, subject to prevalent load provisions, if any.
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<p><b>Ongoing price for subscription (purchase)/switch-in (from other schemes/plans of the mutual fund) by investors.</b></p> <p>This is the price you need to pay for purchase/switch-in.</p>	<p>Purchase Price = Applicable NAV</p> <p>In accordance with the requirements specified by the Clause no. 10.4 of the SEBI Master circular dated May 19, 2023 no entry load will be charged for purchase / additional purchase / switch-in accepted by the Fund. Similarly, no entry load will be charged with respect to applications for registrations under systematic investment plans/ systematic transfer plans accepted by the Fund.</p> <p>With reference to Clause 10.4.2.d of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023, there shall be no entry load for investments under SIPs registered before August 01, 2009.</p> <p>The upfront commission on investment made by the investor, if any, shall be paid to the ARN Holder directly by the investor, based on the investor's assessment of various factors including service rendered by the ARN Holder.</p> <p>Pursuant to Clause 10.6 of SEBI Master circular dated May 19, 2023, no entry load or exit load shall be charged in respect of units allotted on reinvestment.</p>
<p><b>Ongoing price for redemption (sale) /switch outs (to other schemes/plans of the Mutual Fund) by investors.</b></p> <p>This is the price you will receive for redemptions/switch outs.</p>	<p>At the applicable NAV subject to prevailing exit load, if any.</p> <p><b>Redemption Price :</b> The Redemption Price will be calculated in the following way :</p> <p>Redemption Price = Applicable NAV x (1- Exit Load)</p> <p>Example: If the applicable NAV is Rs. 10.00, sales/entry load is 2 per cent and the exit / repurchase load is 2 percent then the sales price will be Rs. 10.20 and the repurchase price will be Rs. 9.80.</p> <p>The mutual fund shall ensure that the repurchase price of the scheme is not lower than 95 per cent of the Net Asset Value.</p>
<p><b>Cut off timing for subscriptions/ redemptions/ switches</b></p> <p>This is the time before which your application (complete in all respects) should reach the official points of acceptance.</p>	<p>As per Clause 8.4.6.2 of SEBI Master circular dated May 19, 2023, in respect of purchase of units of mutual fund schemes (except liquid and overnight schemes), closing NAV of the day shall be applicable on which the funds are available for utilization irrespective of the size and time of receipt of such application subject to cut-off timing provisions.</p> <p>Considering the above, cut-off timings with respect to Subscriptions/Purchases including switch – ins shall be as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Purchases / subscriptions (including Switch-in) in the scheme of any amount</b> <p>In respect of valid application received before up to 3.00 p.m. and funds for the entire amount of subscription / purchase as per the application are credited to the bank account of the scheme and are available for utilization before the cut-off time of 3.00 p.m., the closing NAV of the day shall be applicable;</p> <p>In respect of valid application received after 3.00 p.m. and funds for the entire amount of subscription / purchase as per the application are credited to the bank account of the scheme either on the same day or before the cut-off time on the next business day i.e. available for utilization before the cut-off time of the next business day, the closing NAV of the next business day shall be applicable;</p> <p>Irrespective of the time of receipt of application, where funds for entire amount are credited to the bank account of the scheme before the cut-off time on any subsequent business day i.e. available for utilization before the cut-off time on any subsequent business day - the closing NAV of such subsequent business day shall be applicable subject to applicability of cut-off timing for application.</p> </li> <li><b>2. For switch-in in the scheme of any amount:</b> <p>The following shall be ensured for determining the applicability of NAV:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Application for switch-in is received before the applicable cut-off time of 3.00 p.m</li> <li>b. Funds for the entire amount of subscription/purchase as per the switch-in request are credited to the bank account of the respective switch-in schemes before the cut-off time;</li> <li>c. The funds are available for utilization before the cut-off time, by the respective switch-in schemes</li> <li>d. In case of Switch transactions from one scheme (Switch-out scheme) to other scheme (Switch-in scheme), NAV applicability shall be in line with redemption pay-outs of switch-out scheme</li> </ol> </li> </ol> <p><b>Redemptions including switch - outs</b></p> <p>In respect of valid applications received upto 3.00 p.m. by the Mutual Fund, closing NAV of the day of receipt of application, shall be applicable.</p> <p>In respect of valid applications received after 3.00 p.m. by the Mutual Fund, the closing NAV of the next business day shall be applicable.</p>

<p><b>Where can the applications for purchase/redemption switches be submitted?</b></p>	<p>Applications for purchase/redemption/switches be submitted at any of the Designated Investor Service Centres mentioned in this Scheme Information Document or any other location designated as such by the AMC, at a later date. The addresses of the Designated Investor Service Centres are given at the end of this Scheme Information Document and also on the website, mf.nipponindiam.com.</p> <p>Alternatively, the investor can transact through NAM India's digital assets (website and app) for the aforesaid transactions.</p> <p>Investors in cities other than where the Designated Investor Service Centres (DISC) are located, may forward their application forms to any of the nearest DISC, accompanied by Demand Draft/s payable locally at that DISC.</p>
<p><b>Minimum amount for purchase/redemption/switches</b></p>	<p><b>i. Purchase</b>  <b>For First Purchase (All Options / Plans)</b>  Rs.100 &amp; in multiples of Re. 1 thereafter  <b>Additional Purchase (All Options / Plans)</b>  Rs.100 &amp; in multiples of Re. 1 thereafter</p> <p><b>ii. Redemption / Switch – out</b>  Redemption / Switch – out (for all the plans / options) can be of minimum amount of Rs 100 or any number of units.</p> <p><b>iii. Minimum Redemption Amount</b>  Redemptions can be of minimum amount of Rs.100 or any number of units.</p> <p>Note – Pursuant to notice cum addendum dated October 30, 2021, for investments made by designated employees in terms of Clause 6.10 of SEBI Master circular dated May 19, 2023, requirement for minimum application/ redemption amount will not be applicable.</p> <p><b>iv. Minimum Switch Amount :</b>  Available, subject to minimum Rs. 100/- (for opening a new folio/ account) and minimum Rs.100 &amp; any amount thereafter for additional switch in</p> <p><b>A. Switch-in facility into applicable ETF schemes from eligible open-ended (Non-ETF) Liquid and Debt/Income Schemes.</b>  For availing this facility, Investors are requested to note the following operational modalities:</p> <p>a. Based on number of baskets the Investor wants to switch in to the scheme, switch-out amount from Liquid or Debt/Income Fund should be calculated as follows:  (No. of Baskets opted by investor x Units creation size x Previous business day (of the Switch-out day) NAV of Switch-in scheme) + upto 7% markup.  E.g. Investor wants to purchase 2 baskets of Nippon India ETF Nifty BeES on Friday through Switch-out from eligible open -ended Liquid Scheme of NIMF. Hence Switch day would be Thursday, previous business day's (i.e. Wednesday) NAV of Nippon India ETF Nifty BeES is Rs.1,244.84  The switch amount would be calculated as below:  <math>[2 \times 5000(\text{unit Basket}) \times 1244.84] + 2\% = \text{Rs. } 12,697,368.</math></p> <p>b. Accordingly investor should provide the switch request for Rs.12,697,368 as illustrated in point "a" above (should always be in nearest rupee term in case the amount as per calculation has some fractional part).</p> <p>c. Switch-In to the ETF Scheme will be in terms of number of basket specified in the application form.</p> <p>d. Switch transaction will be processed at the applicable NAV of the switch- out scheme and only if the value is available in the switch-out scheme.</p> <p>e. The applicability of the NAV in the ETF (transferee) Scheme will be the NAV of the business day on which the Funds are realized in Scheme's account before the cut-off time.</p> <p>f. In case the amount of portfolio deposit and cash component is less than the switch funding amount, excess amount will be refunded to investor within 5 business days of transaction. Units of the switch-in scheme shall be credited to investors demat account within 5 business days of transaction.</p> <p>g. Investors to note that the pattern and sequence of holding both in the open-ended (Non-ETF) Folio and in demat account (used for ETF units) should be same.</p> <p><b>B. Switch-out facility from applicable ETF schemes to Nippon India Short Term Fund</b>  For availing this facility, investors are requested to note the following operational modalities:</p> <p>a. Switch-out from the Scheme will be allowed only in terms of Basket size (unit).</p> <p>b. Switch transaction will be processed subject to availability of all details as per regulatory guidelines.</p> <p>c. The applicability of the NAV in the transferee Scheme will be the NAV of the business day on which the Funds are realized in Scheme's account before cut-off time.</p> <p>d. In case of any rejection in Switch-in to the transferee Scheme, the amount will be paid to the investor as redemption proceeds.</p>

	<p>e. Investors to note that the pattern and sequence of holding both in the open-ended (Non-ETF) Folio and in demat account (used for ETF unit holding) should be same. However, in case there is no existing Folio, the investor has to provide the details and signatures of all holders for Folio creation in the open-ended (Non-ETF) Scheme.</p> <p>f. Investors should have the clear balance of ETF units in their demat account for execution of the Switch-out transaction from the selected ETF Scheme.</p> <p>NIMF/NAM India reserves the right to introduce, change, modify or withdraw any of the features available in this facility from time to time.</p>
<p><b>Minimum balance to be maintained and consequences of non maintenance.</b></p>	<p>The Fund may revise the minimum/maximum amounts and methodology for redemptions as and when necessary. Such modifications shall be carried out on a prospective basis from the date of notification of such change and would not, in any manner, be prejudicial to the interests of the investors who have joined the scheme before such notification. Changes if any would be suitably communicated to the unitholders.</p>
<p><b>Special Products / facilities available</b></p>	<p><b>A. SPECIAL PRODUCTS</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Systematic Investment Plan (SIP)</li> <li>ii. Systematic Transfer Plan (STP)</li> <li>iii. Salary Advantage</li> <li>iv. Transfer of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal plan (TIDCWP)</li> <li>v. Systematic Withdrawal Plan</li> <li>vi. Trigger Facility</li> <li>vii. Nippon India SMART STEP</li> </ol> <p><b>B. SPECIAL FACILITIES</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Transactions through website of Nippon India Mutual Fund mf.nipponindiaim.com, Nippon India Mutual Fund mobile applications and other digital assets / platforms</li> <li>ii. Facilitating transactions through Stock Exchange Mechanism</li> <li>iii. Official Points of Acceptance of Transaction through MF utility</li> <li>iv. Transactions through Electronic Platform of Registrar and Transfer Agent</li> <li>v. Official Point of Acceptance through MF Central</li> </ol> <p><b>A. SPECIAL PRODUCTS</b></p> <p><b>i SYSTEMATIC INVESTMENT PLAN (SIP)</b></p> <p>An investor can benefit under this facility by investing specified amounts regularly. By investing a fixed amount of rupees at regular intervals, one would end up buying more units of the Fund when the price is low and fewer units when the price is high. As a result, over a period of time, the average cost per unit to the unitholder may tend to be less than the average subscription price per unit, irrespective of whether it is a rising, falling or fluctuating market. Thus, the unitholder automatically tends to gains and averages out the fluctuations of the market, without having to monitor prices on a day-to-day basis. This concept is called "Rupee Cost Averaging".</p> <p>Minimum investment amount for investing SIP route is as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Rs.100/- per month and in multiples of Re. 1/- thereafter for minimum 60 months</li> <li>(2) Rs.500/- per month and in multiples of Re. 1/- thereafter for minimum 12 months</li> <li>(3) Rs.1000/- per month and in multiples of Re. 1/- thereafter for minimum 6 months</li> <li>(4) Rs.500/- per quarter and in multiples of Re. 1/- thereafter for minimum 12 quarters</li> <li>(5) Rs.1500/- per quarter and in multiples of Re. 1/- thereafter for minimum 4 quarters</li> <li>(6) Rs. 5000/- per year and in multiples of Rs. 500/- thereafter for minimum 2 years</li> </ol> <p>The cheques should be drawn in favour of "Nippon India Short Term Fund A/c PAN" or "Nippon India Short Term Fund A/c First Investor Name" and crossed "Account Payee Only" and must be payable at the centre where the applications are submitted to the Customer Service Centre. In case of fresh/additional purchases, if the name of the Scheme on the application form/transaction slip differs with the name on the Cheque/Demand Draft, then the application may be processed and units shall be allotted at applicable NAV of the scheme mentioned in the application / transaction slip</p> <p>An investor shall have the option of choosing for 1 or more than 1 SIP in the same scheme and same plan in the same month however on different cycle dates. SIP debit dates shall be any date from 1st to 28th of a month. Investor can also avail more than one SIP for the same debit date.</p> <p><b>Daily and Weekly frequencies for SIP:</b></p> <p>Nippon India Mutual Fund ("NIMF")/ Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited ("NAM India") has introduced Daily and Weekly Frequencies in SIP (Systematic Investment Plan) in all the eligible open-ended Schemes w.e.f. June 24, 2022. Details of the same are as listed below:</p> <p><b>Daily SIP</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SIP Shall Commence after 25 calendar days of submission of new OTM (One Time Mandate).</li> <li>• In case of OTM registered already, Daily SIP shall commence after 12 calendar days.</li> <li>• If Start date is not mentioned in the mandate SIP would commence from 25th calendar day in case of new OTM and 12th calendar day in case of OTM registered already.</li> <li>• SIP Date could be any date between 1st to 28th of a month. In case of mandates received with dates between 29th to 31st of a month, the SIP would commence from 1st of the subsequent month.</li> <li>• Units will not be created in cases of Non Transaction Day / Holiday in case of Daily SIP.</li> </ul>

- Daily SIP Frequency would not be available in case of Daily IDCW Plans of the Schemes.
- Termination of SIP due to 3 Consecutive reversals would defer based on the confirmation from banks. In the meantime, if any debits for subsequent installments is effected by banker, then units would get created for the same.

SIP Frequency	SIP Period	Minimum Amount
Daily	Minimum 3 months	100 per Instalment and in multiples of Rs.1 thereafter
Daily	Minimum 1 month	500 per Instalment and in multiples of Rs.1 thereafter

#### Weekly SIP

- SIP Dates for Weekly Frequency would be 1st, 8th, 15th & 22nd of a month.
- If Start date is not mentioned in the mandate, SIP would commence from next eligible week day after 25 calendar days in case of New OTM & 12 calendar days in case of existing OTM.

SIP Frequency	SIP Period	Minimum Amount
Weekly	Minimum 1 year	100 per Instalment and in multiples of Rs.1 thereafter
Weekly	Minimum 3 months	500 per Instalment and in multiples of Rs.1 thereafter

In case of Retirement & Tax saver schemes, the minimum amount of SIP would be Rs.500/- and in multiples of Rs.500/- for daily and weekly SIP.

Additional features like Flex SIP & Pause Facility will not be applicable in case of daily and weekly SIP Frequencies.

#### MICRO SYSTEMATIC INVESTMENT PLAN (“MICRO SIP”)/ PAN EXEMPT INVESTMENTS

In line with Clause 14.11 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023 addressed to AMFI, Investments in the mutual fund schemes {including investments through Systematic Investment Plans (SIPs)} up to Rs. 50,000/- per investor per year shall be exempted from the requirement of PAN.

The maximum installment amount in case of Micro SIP shall be as follows:

1. Rs.4000 per month for Monthly frequency.
2. Rs.12000 per quarter for Quarterly frequency.
3. Rs.50000 per year for Yearly frequency.

Accordingly, for considering the investments made by an investor up to Rs. 50,000/-, an aggregate of all investments including SIPs made by an investor in a Financial Year i.e. from April to March, shall be considered and such investors shall be exempted from the requirement of PAN. However, requirements of Know Your Customer (KYC) shall be mandatory and investors seeking the above exemption of PAN will need to submit the PAN Exempt KYC Reference No (PEKRN)/ KYC Identification NO (KIN) acknowledgement issued by KRA / (Central KYC Registry) along with the application form.

This exemption is applicable only for individuals including NRIs, minors acting through guardian, Sole proprietorship firms and joint holders\*. Other categories of investors e.g. PIOs, HUFs, QFIs, non - individuals, etc. are not eligible for such exemption.

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

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

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

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

Post Dated Cheques will not be accepted as a mode of payment for application of MICRO SIP.

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

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

**SIP registration TAT:****- For registrations through Online mode:**

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

**- For registrations through Physical mode:**

The TAT for SIP registration through physical mode through One Time Bank Mandate / Invest Easy Mandate where the mandate status is 'Registered' shall remain 10 days (excluding the application date and the SIP start date).

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

**Any day SIP:**

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

**Any Day SIP facility is available in SIP.****SIP Pause facility:**

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

For availing this facility following points are to be noted:

- a. Pause facility shall be available only for SIPs registered under monthly frequency with a SIP installment amount of Rs.1,000/- and above;
- b. Investor can opt for pause facility only from 7th installment onwards;
- c. Investor can opt for pause facility only twice during the tenure of a particular SIP;
- d. The minimum gap between the pause request and next SIP installment date should be atleast 10 days (excluding the request date and the next SIP installment date);
- e. Pause facility shall get activated from immediate next eligible installment from the date of receipt of SIP Pause request;
- f. SIP can be discontinued for minimum 1 installment and up to a maximum of 6 installments;
- g. If the pause period is coinciding with the Nippon India STEP-UP facility, the SIP installment amount post completion of pause period would be inclusive of Nippon India STEP-UP amount.

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

**The above features of SIP pause facility shall be applicable for SIP.****Modify SIP facility:**

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

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

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

**This facility is not available for Micro SIP.****Default SIP date:**

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

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

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

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

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

**Termination of SIP:**

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

In accordance with the requirements specified by the Clause no. 10.4 of the SEBI Master circular dated May 19, 2023 no entry load will be charged with respect to applications for enrolment / registrations accepted by NIMF. Exit Load as applicable in the Scheme at the time of enrolment / registration will be applicable.

With reference to Clause 10.4.2.d of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023, there shall be no entry load for investments under SIPs registered before August 01, 2009.

This is purely for operational convenience. The unit holder is however free to discontinue from the SIP facility at any point of time by giving necessary written instructions atleast 10 business days prior to the next due date of the SIP.

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

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

Additional features in the Systematic Investment Plan facility:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Nippon India STEP-UP facility shall be applicable for SIP.**



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

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

- SIP Period: 02-Jan-2014 to 02-Dec-2015(2 Years)
- Scheme Name: Nippon India Short Term Fund
- Monthly SIP Installment Amount: Rs 1,000 SIP
- Date: 2nd of every month (24 installments)
- Nippon India STEP-UP Amount: Rs. 1,000
- Nippon India STEP-UP Frequency: Half Yearly
- Nippon India STEP-UP Count: 2

**SIP Installments shall be as follows:**

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

**N.A.** - Not Applicable

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

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

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

Single Cheque for Multiple SIPs” facility enables investors to start investments under SIP (including Micro SIP) for various eligible schemes (one or multiple) using a single cheque. Customized Multiple SIP Common Application Form and Multiple SIP Enrolment Form have been designed by NAM India for new and existing investors respectively. Investor has an option to invest up to five schemes. Single Cheque provided by investor will be considered for the

purpose of first instalment purchase under/ across the schemes opted by the investor. Terms and conditions applicable for investments through SIP shall also be applicable for availing Single Cheque for Multiple SIPs facility.

This facility is available for all the investors.

Following are the additional requirements:

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

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

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

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

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

- To register Flex SIP, OTBM cap amount should be twice or more of the SIP base amount.
- Calculation of FLEX SIP Installment:**
  - Fixed amount as per installment; or
  - The amount determined by the formula: {Fixed amount to be transferred per installment (x) Number of Installments (Installments already paid along with the current installment payable)} – market value of the investments through FLEX SIP in the Designated Scheme.  
Whichever is higher.  
However, debit amount cannot be more than two times of installment amount.

**Illustration:**

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

- SIP Dates Frequency:
  - Monthly – SIP dates between 1st to 28th of each month.
  - Quarterly - SIP dates between 1st to 28th for first month of each rolling quarter.
  - Yearly - SIP dates between 1st to 28th for first month of each year or as per investors' request.
- On the Flex SIP due date, the installment value of FLEX SIP shall be determined on the basis of Net Asset Value (NAV) on 5th day (T-5) before the installment date. If T-5th falls on a Non-Business day or falls during a book closure period, then valuation will be done based on last NAV. For e.g., if an investor opts Flex SIP cycle as 15th of each month, NAV as per process shall be considered as of 9th day (T-5). If 9th day is falling on non-business day, we consider previous latest NAV i.e., if 9th is a Sunday, we consider Friday's NAV as latest NAV.
- The first Flex SIP installment will be processed for the fixed installment amount specified by the unit holder at the time of enrolment. From the second Flex SIP installment onwards, the investment amount shall be computed as per formula.
- For all Flex SIPs received with initial investment, the calculations are made based on excluding initial cheque investment.
- The total Flex SIP installment amount invested in the designated Scheme shall not exceed the total enrollment amount specified by the unit holder at the time of enrollment i.e. amount per installment X number of installments.
- If the NAV falls continuously throughout the SIP period, no. of installments would be less than those mentioned in the application form.
- The redemption/ switch-out of units allotted in the designated Scheme shall be processed on First in First out (FIFO) basis. If there are redemption or switch transactions processed from units created under Flex SIP during the tenure of Flex SIP, the Flex SIP will be rejected and future SIP's will be suspended.
- In case the Flex SIP transaction is rejected with reason "Insufficient funds" or any other valid rejection reason (including installment defaults), the Flex SIP will be stopped immediately.
- Once the Flex SIP has been stopped the unit holder needs to provide a new request to start Flex SIP. In case the unit holder wants to suo moto discontinue the Flex SIP, the normal SIP cancellation process shall be applicable.
- In case transaction charges are applicable, the Flex SIP amount will be calculated against as on date allotted units.

<p><b>General Conditions:</b></p> <p>a) Flex SIP is available only in “Growth” option.</p> <p>b) For FLEX SIP, investors are requested to refer the One Time Bank Mandate cum Flex SIP Enrollment Form respectively available on the website of Nippon India Mutual Fund. For any clarifications, investors are requested to consult their financial advisors or contact the Customer Care no.: 1860 266 0111 (charges applicable)</p> <p>c) Currently, FLEX SIP facility shall be available on submission of physical application forms at Designated Investor Service Centres of the AMC. A single Flex SIP Enrolment Form can be filled for investing into one Scheme/Plan/Option only. NIMF / NAM India reserve the right to introduce, change, modify or withdraw any features/provisions with respect to the said facilities in any scheme/(s) from time to time.</p> <p><b>ii. SYSTEMATIC TRANSFER PLAN (STP)</b></p> <p>STP is a facility wherein unit holders of designated open ended schemes of NIMF can opt to transfer a Fixed amount (capital) or variable amount (capital appreciation) at regular intervals to another designated open ended scheme of NIMF.</p> <p><b>A. Plans / Options available</b> - There are two plans available Fixed Systematic Transfer Plan and Capital Appreciation Systematic Transfer Plan. Details of which are provided as below:</p> <p><b>(1) Fixed Systematic Transfer Plan</b> - Investor has the option to transfer a fixed amount of his choice as per the options available from one any of the eligible Transferor scheme to any of the Transferee scheme. Unit holders are required to select any one of the following options under Fixed Systematic Transfer Plan.</p> <p>(i) <b>Daily Option</b> – where STP will be executed on Daily basis,</p> <p>(ii) <b>Weekly Option</b> – where STP will be executed on 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd of every month,</p> <p>(iii) <b>Fortnightly Option</b> – where STP will be executed on 1st and 15th of every month,</p> <p>(iv) <b>Monthly Option</b> – where STP will be executed on any pre-specified date of every month to be chosen by the unit holders,</p> <p>(v) <b>Quarterly Option</b> - where STP will be executed on any pre-specified date of the first month of the quarter to be chosen by the unitholder.</p> <p><b>(2) Capital Appreciation Systematic Transfer Plan</b> - Investor has the option to transfer only the appreciated amount from one any of the eligible Transferor scheme to any of the Transferee scheme. Unit holders are required to select any one of the following options under Capital Appreciation Systematic Transfer Plan.</p> <p>(i) <b>Monthly Option</b> – where STP will be executed on 1st of every month,</p> <p>(ii) <b>Quarterly Option</b> – where STP will be executed 1st of the starting month of every quarter</p> <p><b>(3) Perpetual STP option:</b> An investor who opts for perpetual option, his STP will continue forever with no end date unless a written request for cancellation is given by the investor in this regard.</p> <p><b>B. Minimum amount of transfer</b> – The following minimum amount will be transferred in the selected Transferee Scheme under various plans / options.</p> <p><b>(1) Fixed Systematic Transfer Plan</b> - The following amount will be transferred on STP execution date, subject to applicable exit load in the Transferor Scheme:</p> <p>(i) <b>Daily Option</b> - Minimum of Rs. 100 and in multiples of Rs. 1 thereof</p> <p>(ii) <b>Weekly / Fortnight / Monthly option</b> - Minimum of Rs. 1000 and in multiples of Rs 1 thereof</p> <p>(iii) <b>Quarterly option</b> – Minimum of Rs. 3000 and in multiples of Rs 1 thereof</p> <p><b>(2) Capital Appreciation STP</b> - Monthly option or Quarterly option – A minimum of Rs. 500 and above thereof will be transferred on STP execution date, subject to applicable exit load of the transferor Scheme. In case the capital appreciation amount is less than Rs.500 on any STP due date, the systematic transfer will not be processed for that due date.</p> <p><b>C. Loads</b> – the following load structure will be applicable.</p> <p>(1) <b>Entry Load</b> - In accordance with the requirements specified by the Clause no. 10.4 of the SEBI Master circular dated May 19, 2023 no entry load will be charged.</p> <p>(2) <b>Exit Load</b> - as applicable in the respective Transferor and Transferee Scheme at the time of enrolment of STP will be applicable.</p> <p><b>D. Other Important Points</b></p> <p>(1) All valid transfer requisitions would be treated as switch-out / redemption for the transferor scheme and switch-in/ subscription transactions for the transferee scheme and would be processed at the applicable NAV of the respective schemes. The difference between the NAVs of the two Schemes/ Plans will be reflected in the number of units allotted.</p> <p>(2) This facility is not available for units which are under any Lien/Pledged or any lock-in period.</p> <p>(3) NAM India in consultation with the Trustees, reserves the right to modify the procedure, load structure in accordance with the SEBI Regulations and any such change shall be applicable only to units transacted pursuant to such change on a prospective basis.</p>
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- (4) The unit holders may approach/ consult their tax consultants in regard to the treatment of the transfer of units from the tax point of view.
- (5) Minimum number of transfers required for a STP shall be two. In case of daily STP, minimum number of transfer is one month.
- (6) Unitholder has to ensure to maintain minimum balance in accordance with Plans selected in the Transferor Scheme on the transfer date / execution date under Fixed Systematic Transfer Plan. In case of insufficient balance / unclear units on the date of transfer in the folio, STP for that particular due date will be processed based on the clear balance available in the scheme. However, future STPs will continue to be active. This will help the investor to continue his STP facility seamlessly. Also if the investor continues to have insufficient balance / unclear units for three consecutive months, NAM India will have the right to discontinue the future STPs at its own discretion.
- (7) Investor can discontinue STP by providing a written notice to DISC atleast 7 calendar days (excluding of submission) prior to the due date of the next transfer date. In case of Daily STP, the cancellation will effect from the date falling after 7 calendar days.
- (8) The registered STP will be automatically terminated if units are pledged or upon receipt of intimation of death of the unit holder.
- (9) **Frequency of STP** : If an investor does not mention any frequency or mentions multiple frequencies on the STP application form or the frequency is unclear on the STP application form, the default frequency shall be monthly
- (10) **Default STP Date**: If an investor opts for Monthly or Quarterly frequency of STP but does not mention the STP Date or mentions multiple STP dates on the mandate or the STP date is unclear on the STP Mandate, the default STP date shall be treated as 10th of every month/quarter as per the frequency defined by the investor
- (11) **Default STP Enrollment period when start date is not provided**: If an investor does not mention STP start date, or the STP start date is unclear/not expressly mentioned on the STP Application form, then by default STP would start from the next subsequent cycle after meeting the minimum registration requirement of 7 working days as per the defined frequency by the investor.
- (12) **Default STP Enrollment period when end date is not provided**: If an investor does not mention STP end date or the STP end date is unclear, it will be considered as perpetual STP.
- (13) **Application processing of Systematic Transfer Plan (“STP”)**: The Enrolment form completed in all respects can be submitted at any of the Designated Investor Service Centre (DISC) of NAM India at least seven calendar days before the commencement of first execution date of STP. In case the required time of seven calendar days are not met then the STP will be processed from the next STP cycle.
- (14) NAM India in consultation with Trustees reserves the right to withdraw this facility, modify the procedure, frequency, dates, load structure in accordance with the SEBI Regulations and any such change will be applicable only to units transacted pursuant to such change on a prospective basis.

**Note:** It may be noted that all the transfers to Nippon India Gold Savings Fund have been termed as Nippon India Golden Transfer Step with effect from May 21, 2011. All other features under these facilities remain unchanged. Also In case if the investor exercises an option of STP - Out from Nippon India Gold Savings Fund, the same shall be termed as STP - Out and not Nippon India Golden Transfer Step.

**MULTIPLE SYSTEMATIC TRANSFER PLAN:**

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Minimum amount of transfer –**

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

- (i) Daily Option - Minimum of Rs. 100 and in multiples of Rs 1 thereof

(ii) Weekly / Fortnight / Monthly option - Minimum of Rs. 500 and in multiples of Rs 1 thereof

(iii) Quarterly option – Minimum of Rs. 1500 and in multiples of Rs 1 thereof

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

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

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

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

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

- Calculation of FLEX STP Installment:
  - Fixed amount as per installment; or
  - The amount determined by the formula: {Fixed amount to be transferred per installment (x) Number of Installments (Installments already paid along with the current installment payable)} – market value of the investments through FLEX STP in the Transferee Scheme on the date of transfer.  
Whichever is higher.  
However, STP amount cannot be more than two times of fixed installment amount.

- Illustration:

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

## STP Amount transferred from Transferor Scheme to Transferee Scheme

- On the Flex STP due date, the installment value of FLEX STP shall be determined on the basis of NAV on the installment date (T day). If T day falls on a Non-Business day or falls during a book closure period, then valuation will be done based on NAV of Next business day. For e.g., if an investor has opted Flex STP cycle as 15th. NAV as per process shall be considered as of 15th (T day). If 15th day is falling on non-business day, we shall consider NAV as per next business day NAV i.e., if 15th is a Sunday, we shall consider NAV of next business day i.e. Monday.
- In case the amount (as specified by the formula) to be transferred under STP is not available in the Transferor Scheme in the unit holder’s account for any reason, the residual amount will be transferred to the Transferee Scheme and Flex STP will be ceased.
- The redemption/ switch-out of units allotted in the Transferee Scheme shall be processed on First in First out (FIFO) basis. If there are any redemption or switch transactions processed from units created under Flex STP during the tenure of Flex STP, the Flex STP will be rejected and future STP’s will be suspended.

- Once the Flex STP have been stopped the unit holder needs to provide a new request to start Flex STP. In case the unit holder wants to suo moto discontinue the Flex STP, the normal STP cancellation process shall be applicable.
- The first Flex STP installment will be processed for the fixed installment amount specified by the unit holder at the time of enrolment. From the second Flex STP installment onwards, the transfer amount shall be computed as per formula.
- The total Flex STP installment amount invested in the Transferee Scheme shall not exceed the total enrollment amount specified by the unit holder at the time of enrollment i.e. amount per installment X number of installments.
- If the NAV falls continuously throughout the STP period, no. of installments would be less than those mentioned in application form.
- Exit load shall be applicable in the transferor scheme as per Scheme Information Document (SID) of the respective schemes.

**General Conditions:**

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

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

**Nippon India STP+**

Under this feature, STP amount to be transferred from Transferor scheme to the specified transferee scheme will be dynamic and will be based on the prevailing market conditions.

Transferor schemes under this feature shall include for all open-ended schemes of Nippon India Mutual Fund other than the ETF schemes and specified transferee scheme shall be Nippon India Index Fund - Nifty 50 Plan, Nippon India Index Fund - S&P BSE Sensex Plan, Nippon India Nifty Smallcap 250 Index Fund and Nippon India Nifty Midcap 150 Index Fund.

**Calculation of STP+ instalment/amount:**

It will be determined based on NIMF’s Quant based Proprietary Model. The model will take into consideration Valuations and other market indicators to derive a multiplier for amount to be transferred. Accordingly, the STP instalment can vary between 0.3X to 3X of the base STP amount opted by the investor.

For example: If base monthly STP amount is Rs 10,000 then monthly STP can range between Rs 3,000 to Rs 30,000.

The feature will be available for all the investors of all the plans and options of above mentioned schemes.

It will be offered for STPs with monthly frequency falling on 10th or 28th of every month. If the investor does not select the date, 10th will be considered as the default date.

Instalment calculation day: The instalment value of Nippon India STP+ will be determined 7 days before the instalment date (T-7). If T-7th falls on a Non-Business day or falls during a book closure period, then instalment value will be determined on the previous working day prior to the T-7th day. Similarly, if the instalment date happens to be on a Non-Business day then instalment will be invested on the next working day falling after the instalment date

Minimum number of STP instalments and STP amount shall be as follows:

STP minimum instalment	STP minimum amount
12 months	Rs 1000

**Note:** Nippon India STP+ is a smart STP offered by NIMF which will increase the STP instalment during favorable market conditions and vice versa. However, the feature does not guarantee any/better returns.

NIMF / NAM India reserves the right to introduce, change, modify or withdraw any features/ provisions with respect to the said facilities from time to time.

### iii. NIPPON INDIA SALARY ADVANTAGE

The Salient Features of Nippon India Salary AdvVantage are as follows

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

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

### iv. TRANSFER OF INCOME DISTRIBUTION CUM CAPITAL WITHDRAWAL PLAN (TIDCWP)

All the unit holders in the Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal Plans whether in Reinvestment of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option or Payout of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option with any IDCW frequency can transfer their IDCW to any other open ended Scheme by availing such facility.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### Notes

It may be noted that IDCW transfer facility under Nippon India Gold Savings Fund has been termed as Golden TIDCWP with effect from May 21, 2011. All other features under this facility remain unchanged

The Trustee/AMC reserves the right to modify the facilities at any time in future on a prospective basis.

### v. SYSTEMATIC WITHDRAWAL PLAN (SWP)

Unitholders may utilize the SWP to receive regular monthly / quarterly / Half yearly/ Yearly payments their account. The minimum amount, which the unitholder can withdraw, is Rs.500/- and in multiples of Rs. 1/-, thereafter, subject to revision by NAM India. The amount thus withdrawn will be considered as redemption and shall be converted into units and will be deducted from the unit balance in the account, of the unitholder.

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

All SWP transactions would be reported on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> transaction day<sup>^</sup> of the respective month/ quarter / Half year/ Year. The same shall be calculated from the date of execution of first SWP transaction. The redemption proceeds will be posted within normal service standards to the investors. No post-dated cheques will be issued against SWP transactions. There is no limitation on the amount of withdrawals

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

The unitholder will define the frequency of withdrawals and the amount of withdrawal per SWP transaction. SWP forms received without this information will be treated as incomplete and are liable for rejection. The unitholder needs to specify the start date and the end date for SWP. In cases where the start date and the end date has not been specified in the SWP form, the SWP will continue till the balance in the account becomes nil.

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

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

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

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

**vii. TRIGGER FACILITY**

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

**A. NAV reaches or crosses a particular value:**

E.g. NAV reaches or crosses Rs 11.00

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

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

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

**B. Change in the value of units held by unit holders at least by certain percentage:**

E.g. Change in the value of Investment by at least by (+ or - or +/-) 10%

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

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

Trigger request is required to be given per transaction by filling in the relevant form. In the event of multiple triggers for a particular transaction, the trigger request will be considered invalid and rejected. NIMF / NAM India reserve the right to introduce, change, modify or withdraw the features available in this facility from time to time.

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

**viii. Nippon India SMART ST<sub>E</sub>P**

Nippon India SMART ST<sub>E</sub>P works on a proprietary scientific model, which consolidates bull & bear phases in one cycle, so as to portray the current positioning of the market. Thus, Nippon India SMART ST<sub>E</sub>P works on a simple concept of “INVEST MORE when the current stock market is positioned at lower levels, INVEST LESS when current stock market is positioned at higher levels.

**Investment process flow:** At the time of enrolment of the facility, the investor selects any one of the Transferor (Liquid/Debt) Scheme, any one of the Transferee (Equity) Scheme and one plan out of the 4 plans. The investment is made initially in any of the Transferor (Liquid/Debt) Schemes selected by the investor either in lump sum or SIP mode. The system would calculate the monthly amount to be transferred under the selected plan, 2 trading days before the transfer date (10th of every month), based on the scientific model. However actual amount shall be transferred from Transferor (Liquid/Debt) Scheme and invested in the Transferee (Equity) Scheme on 10th of every month. In case 10th is a non – transaction day, the amount shall be transferred on next working day.

**Plans Available:** Investor may choose one of the following plans

Plan	Low	Medium	High
Plan A	Rs.500	Rs.1,000	Rs.1,500
Plan B	Rs.1,500	Rs.3,000	Rs.4,500
Plan C	Rs.8,000	Rs.12,000	Rs.16,000
Plan D	Rs.15,000	Rs.22,500	Rs.30,000
Plan E	X	1.5X	2X

The lowest amount (X) will be decided by the investor at the time of enrollment for “Plan E”. The lowest investment amount (X) in “Plan E” will be Rs.30,000 & in multiples of Rs.500 thereafter. Please note that Nippon India Tax Saver (ELSS) Fund will not be considered as eligible Transferee Scheme in Plan E.

Investor should clearly indicate plans as mentioned above. Please note that if no Plan is mentioned/ indicated in the application form, Plan A shall be considered as default Plan.

**Eligible Transferor :** All Open ended Liquid and Debt Schemes of NIMF.

**Eligible Transferee(Equity) Schemes:** All Open ended Equity Schemes except Nippon India Balanced Advantage Fund.

**Minimum Investment Amount in Transferor (Liquid/ Debt) Scheme:**

**For new investors**

- i. **Lumpsum Investment** – As applicable in respective Scheme
- ii. **Systematic Investment Plan (SIP)** - As applicable in respective Scheme. SIP Facility is presently available in Nippon India Floating Rate Fund, Nippon India Liquid Fund, Nippon India Corporate Bond Fund, Nippon India Gilt Securities Fund, Nippon India Hybrid Bond Fund, Nippon India Income Fund and Nippon India Credit Risk Fund and Nippon India Low Duration Fund.

**For existing investors** - Existing investors have to maintain the minimum investment amount (as applicable in the respective SID) to keep the account in operation. Existing investors have to maintain below mentioned minimum balance for starting Nippon India SMART ST<sub>E</sub>P.

**Minimum Balance Amount in Transferor (Liquid/Debt) Scheme for starting Nippon India SMART ST<sub>E</sub>P**

Investors shall have to maintain below mentioned minimum balance in a particular option of the transferor scheme. In case of insufficient balance in the account / folio, the application for Nippon India SMART ST<sub>E</sub>P shall be rejected.

**a. For new investors**

Non-Liquid scheme: Rs. 10,000/- or the minimum amount as stated in the Scheme Information Document of the respective transferor scheme, whichever is higher.

**Liquid scheme** : No minimum balance shall be required for Nippon India Liquid Fund to start investing via Nippon India SMART ST<sub>E</sub>P.

**b. For existing investors**

**Non-Liquid scheme:** Rs. 10,000/-

**Liquid scheme** : No minimum balance shall be required for Nippon India Liquid Fund to start investing via Nippon India SMART ST<sub>E</sub>P.

**Minimum Tenure of Investment in Transferor (Liquid/Debt) Scheme:** For lumpsum investment is not applicable. For SIP, minimum tenure is as applicable in the respective scheme. Tenure of Investment under Nippon India SMART ST<sub>E</sub>P: Minimum tenure is 1 year & in multiples of 1 year thereafter. There is no maximum tenure of investment under Nippon India SMART ST<sub>E</sub>P.

**Load structure:**

**Entry Load** – Not Applicable (Transferor (Liquid/Debt) Scheme and Transferee (Equity) Scheme)

**Exit Load** – As applicable in the respective Transferor (Liquid/Debt) Scheme and Transferee (Equity) Scheme

**Scheme Other Important Points:**

1. Nippon India SMART ST<sub>E</sub>P shall be automatically terminated if all the units are liquidated or withdrawn from the Transferor (Liquid/Debt) Scheme or pledged or upon receipt of intimation of death of the unit holder.
2. Investors have to maintain minimum balance in accordance with Plans selected in the Transferor (Liquid/Debt) Scheme on the transfer date. In case of insufficient balance / unclear units on the date of transfer in the folio the transaction will be rejected. However, Nippon India SMART ST<sub>E</sub>P will be continued.
3. Nippon India SMART ST<sub>E</sub>P facility shall be available for all sub options (wherever applicable) of the above mentioned Transferor (Liquid/Debt) Scheme.
4. Application shall be submitted atleast fifteen calendar days before the commencement of first execution date of Nippon India SMART ST<sub>E</sub>P.
5. Investors can discontinue Nippon India SMART ST<sub>E</sub>P facility by providing a written notice to the Designated Investor Service Centers atleast 15 calendar days prior to the due date of the next transfer date.
6. Investors should clearly indicate from and to which scheme / option he / she wish to transfer their investment. Please note that if no Transferor (Liquid/Debt) Scheme is mentioned in the application form the application shall be rejected. However if no Transferee (Equity) Scheme is mentioned, Nippon India Growth Fund - Growth Option shall be considered as default scheme.

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

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

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

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

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

- I. Transfer of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal plan (TIDCWP)
- II. Trigger Facility
- III. Nippon India SMART Step

**B. SPECIAL FACILITIES**

**I. TRANSACTIONS THROUGH WEBSITE OF NIPPON INDIA MUTUAL FUND MF.NIPPONINDIAIM.COM, NIPPON INDIA MUTUAL FUND MOBILE APPLICATIONS AND OTHER DIGITAL ASSETS / PLATFORMS**

• **ALTERNATE MEANS OF TRANSACTIONS - ONLINE TRANSACTIONS**

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

• **TRANSACTIONS THROUGH NIPPON INDIA MUTUAL FUND APPLICATION**

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

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

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

• **ONE TIME BANK MANDATE REGISTRATION**

In order to ease out operational hassle, NAM India has introduced this facility which enables the investors to register a onetime bank mandate. Through this facility an Investor can instruct NAM India to honour any nature of investment instruction i.e. investment either through lumpsum additional investment or an SIP. To avail this facility, an Investor has to furnish the required details / confirmation / signatures etc. in a “One time bank mandate form” and subsequently for every purchase instruction he / she is required to explicitly mention to debit the investment amount from the designated Bank which has been mentioned in the “One time bank mandate form”. Investor is also required to ensure that the amount specified in the Additional Purchase Application / SIP application is less than or equal to the upper cap limit specified in the said form. Investors who are currently registered under Invest Easy - Individuals facility may avail this facility without registering the One Time Bank Mandate.

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

• **Whatsapp Facility**

- i. Existing investors (Resident Individuals) will now be allowed to Purchase in the Open Ended schemes (except ETFs and Interval Funds) of NIMF (any plan/option).
- ii. Further this facility will also allow existing investors (Resident Individuals) to Redeem, Switch and Register a SIP in the Open Ended schemes (except ETFs and Interval Funds) including Nippon India Liquid Fund of NIMF (any plan/option). To avail this facility existing, investors (Resident Individuals) will have to save “+91 8433938264” on their mobile phones and send “Hi” on WhatsApp through their registered mobile number. For the said purpose, “Nippon India WhatsApp Facility” shall be considered as an “official point of acceptance”. Please note the uniform cut - off timing as prescribed by SEBI from time to time and mentioned in the Scheme Information Document (“SID”) shall be applicable for transactions received through this facility.
- iii. We have also introduced facilities like check the current KYC status, Get Statement of Account, Get Account Balance & Check the Summary of Last 5 transactions.
- iv. With Additional features stated, Explore Digital Platforms feature stands removed.

All Transactions through this facility are subject to such limits, operating guidelines, Terms and Conditions as may be prescribed by NIMF from time to time. NIMF/NAM India reserves the right to introduce, change, modify or withdraw the features available in this facility from time to time.

• **TRANSACTION THROUGH “INVEST EASY - INDIVIDUALS”**

This facility is available only to the individual investor having folio with the mode of holding as single/ anyone or Survivor. Such category of investors can perform the following transactions subject to features, terms and conditions as mentioned below.

- (i) Transact on Phone through NIMF Call Centre
- (ii) Transactions through SMS
- (iii) Website of Nippon India Mutual Fund [mf.nipponindiaim.com](http://mf.nipponindiaim.com)

**a) Who can apply**

1. Existing investors having a folio (including zero balance folio)
2. New Investor(s) to Nippon India Mutual Fund
3. Investor(s) with Mobile Number issued in India and/or valid Email ID.

**b) Features/Process**

1. Existing Investor(s) of the Fund can register for this Facility by duly filling the Invest Easy Registration Form and submit it at any of the Designated Investor Service Centre ("DISC") of NIMF.
2. New Investors to Nippon India Mutual Fund can register for this facility by filling the common application form along with Invest Easy Registration Form and submit it at any of the DISC of NIMF.
3. This Facility is available with bank/branches that participate in Reserve Bank of India's Electronic Clearing Service (ECS) / Regional Electronic Clearing Services (RECS). Investor are requested to check with your bank / branch to check if your bank/branch participates in this facility. In addition to this, the NAM India/NIMF also has an auto debit tie up with ICICI Bank, IDBI Bank and State Bank of India. NAM India/NIMF may reserve right to add / delete the banks from time to time.  
Investors are advised to mention their Core Banking Account number in the Invest Easy Registration Form else the form may be rejected.
4. Investor has to provide the per transaction Upper Cap Limit in the Invest Easy Registration Form. The Per transaction Upper Cap Limit is restricted up to Rupee One Crore. Mandate with per transaction Upper Cap limit above Rupee one Crore will be rejected. The Per Transaction Upper Cap Limit is applicable only for subscription / SIP. If no amount is mentioned on the registration form then the request will be rejected.
5. Investor(s) needs to submit the Invest Easy Registration Form Twenty Five (25) calendar days in advance for activation of this facility.
6. Investor(s) can start using this Facility only after successful registration of the Invest Easy Registration Form with their bankers. NIMF will endeavour to provide a confirmation over email/sms/letter on successful registration with the investor bank.
7. Folio with status Minor and Non Individuals cannot register for Invest Easy - Individuals.
8. Transactions reported through Invest Easy – Individual facility (Transaction through NIMF SMS / Call Center / NIMF Website / NIMF Mobile Site) will be processed under the ARN code of the distributor/broker that is mentioned in the Invest Easy Registration Form. Investors may be charged with transaction charges if the distributor/broker has opted for the same. Investors are advised to check with the distributor/broker.
9. If the Invest Easy Registration Form is successfully accepted by NIMF but is rejected by the Investor bank. Subscription, Redemption and SIP through SMS will be deactivated for the investor to make an Investment in the folio. Invest easy pay mode on NIMF website will also be deactivated. However, investor can only redeem through call center with the IPIN issued by NIMF.
10. It is mandatory for investor to provide an original cancelled cheque or a copy of the cheque of the bank account to be registered failing which registration may not be accepted.
11. It is the responsibility of the investor bank / branch to ensure the Invest Easy Registration Form is registered and confirmed to the NAM India. If no confirmation of registration or rejection is received, the NAM India its agents will deem the same to be registered and confirm the registration to Unit holder(s) entirely at the risk of Unit holder(s).
12. In case the Investor wishes to cancel the Invest Easy Individual - Mandate for Purchase / SIP through Invest Easy facility. Investor will have to submit an Invest Easy Cancellation Form 21 business days prior to discontinue the Mandate.
13. In case the Investor wishes to change the Debit Bank Mandate for Purchase / SIP through Invest Easy facility. Investor will have to submit an Invest Easy change of bank form 25 calendar day prior to discontinue the existing mandate and re-register with the new bank mandate for subsequent debits to be initiated with the new bank.

**c) Unitholder Information**

1. Invest Easy – Individuals facility through SMS is available to the investor with the mode of holding as single/ anyone or Survivor and the SMS instruction being received from registered Mobile number in the folio.
2. Invest Easy – Individuals facility through Call Centre and website is available only for folio with mode of Holding as single/ anyone or Survivor
3. Investor should specify the(ir) Folio No, Full Name, in the Applicant Details of Invest Easy Registration Form. The applicant name and the folio number should match with the details in the existing folio. In case of mismatch of details, the Invest Easy Registration Form is liable to be rejected
4. Investors Mobile Number issued in India and/or Email ID is to be provided in the Invest Easy Registration Form or is available in the folio to avail this facility, subject to certain conditions. The Mobile Number and / or Email Id provided in the Invest Easy Registration Form will super cede the existing Mobile Number and / or Email ID available in the folio.

5. The mode of allotment for transactions reported through NIMF Call Centre or through SMS will be allotted only in physical mode. Investors cannot opt for units in Demat mode. However Investors will have an option in our website for allotment in Demat Mode
6. Investors holding units in Demat mode cannot report redemption through Invest Easy – Individual.
7. Investors who have been transacting only through the exchange platform ie Bombay Stock Exchange / National Stock Exchange cannot register for Invest Easy – Individuals.
8. Once registered under the Invest Easy – Individuals facility, the Investor would be registered for all eligible schemes. Investor(s) do not have an option to selectively choose the Scheme(s) they would like to be registered under the Invest Easy – Individuals facility.
9. The bank mandate mentioned in the Invest Easy – Individuals Form is limited/ applicable only for Purchases through Invest Easy Facility and will not be added to the registered bank details for transactions through other modes, in the folio. Third party payments are not permitted.
10. Any transaction request on a non-transaction Day will be processed on the next transaction Day in accordance with the provisions provided in the SID of the Schemes and/or Statement of Additional Information ('SAI').
11. The bank account of the customer may be debited towards purchases either on the same day of transaction or within seven business days depending on ECS cycle of RBI / Auto Debit arrangement with the bank. However, in case of non receipt of the funds, for whatsoever reasons, the transaction shall stand rejected and the units allotted, if any would be reversed.

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

1. Purchase / Redemption, SIP registration through call centre is accepted only in Rupee Amount.
2. Applicable NAV for the redemption will be dependent upon the time of completion of the call with the investor; the transaction will be electronically time-stamped.
3. The uniform cutoff time as prescribed by SEBI and mentioned in the SID of the respective schemes shall be applicable for application received through such facilities
4. The Investor will have to call the dedicated call centre of NIMF and authenticate oneself using the folio number and PIN issued by NIMF.
5. On successful authentication over the IVR, the investor would be guided over to the call centre agent to place the redemption request.
6. A confirmation message over the IVR would be read out to the investor to confirm the scheme/amount before confirming the redemption.
7. If the call cannot be connected to the call centre for whatsoever reason, the Unit holder(s) will not hold the NIMF/NAM India responsible for the same.
8. If investor email is available with NAM India/NIMF, he/she can also transact through call centre, IPIN will be issued only in physical mode and mandate registration / transaction confirmation / account statement and such other forms of communications in line with Securities & Exchange (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996, will be dispatched through electronic mode in line with the applicable regulations as amended from time to time. Investor may please note that the confirmation of mandate registration shall be informed to the investor through Physical Mode also.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**ii. FACILITATING TRANSACTIONS THROUGH STOCK EXCHANGE MECHANISM**

In terms of Clause 16.2 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023, units of the Scheme can be transacted through all the registered stock brokers of the National Stock Exchange of India Limited and / or Bombay Stock Exchange Limited who are also registered with Association of Mutual Funds of India and are empanelled as distributors with NAM India. Accordingly such stock brokers shall be eligible to be considered as 'official points of acceptance' of NIMF.

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

Time stamping as evidenced by confirmation slip given by stock exchange mechanism shall be considered for the purpose of determining applicable NAV and cut off timing for the transaction. Where units are held by investor in dematerialised form, the demat statement issued by the DP would be deemed adequate compliance with the requirements in respect of dispatch of statements of account. In case investors desire to convert their existing physical units (represented by statement of account) into dematerialised form, NAM India will facilitate the same with Registrar and Transfer Agents, Depositories and DPs. In case the units are desired to be held by investor in dematerialised form, the KYC performed by DP shall be considered compliance with Clause 16.2.4.4 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023.

In Terms of Clause 16.2.4.6 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023 with effect from December 30, 2010:

1. In addition to the trading members of NSE and BSE, clearing members of registered Stock Exchanges shall be eligible to offer purchase and redemption of units of specified Schemes of NIMF on NMF II Platform and BSE Star MF System.
2. Depository participants of registered Depositories shall be eligible to process only redemption request of units held in demat form.
3. Clearing members and depository participants will be eligible to be considered as Official Points of Acceptance of NIMF in accordance with the provisions of Clause 16.2.4.8.a of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023 and shall be required to comply with conditions stipulated for stock brokers viz. AMFI /NISM certification, code of conduct prescribed by SEBI for Intermediaries of Mutual Fund. Further, Clearing members and depository participants shall comply with the operating guidelines issued by Stock Exchange and Depositories in this regards as may be applicable.
4. Investors having demat account and purchasing and redeeming mutual fund units in demat mode through trading/ clearing members, shall receive redemption proceeds (if units are redeemed) and units (if units are purchased) through trading/ clearing member's pool account. NIMF/NAM India/ its Registrar will pay redemption proceeds to the trading/ clearing member (in case of redemption) and trading/ clearing member in turn will pay redemption proceeds to the respective investor. Similarly, units shall be credited by NIMF/ NAM India/Registrar into trading/ clearing member's pool account (in case of purchase) and trading/ clearing member in turn will credit the units to the respective investor's demat account.
5. Payment of redemption proceeds to the trading/ clearing members by NIMF/ NAM India/ its Registrar shall discharge NIMF/ NAM India of its obligation of payment of redemption proceeds to individual investor. Similarly, in case of purchase of units, crediting units into trading/ clearing member pool account shall discharge NIMF/ NAM India of its obligation/ to allot units to individual investor.
6. It may be noted that Stock exchanges and Depositories shall provide investor grievance handling mechanism to the extent they relate to disputes between their respective regulated entity and their client and shall also monitor the compliance of code of conduct specified in the Clause 16.2.4.8.b of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023 regarding empanelment and code of conduct for intermediaries of Mutual Funds.
- 7 Pursuant to Clause 16.2.7 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023 Clause 16.2.7 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023.
  - a. Mutual fund Distributor (MF distributor) registered with Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI) and permitted by the concerned recognized stock exchanges shall be eligible to use recognized stock exchanges' infrastructure to purchase, redeem and switch mutual fund units on behalf of their clients, directly from NIMF/ NAM India.
  - b. The MF distributors shall not handle payout and pay in of funds as well as units on behalf of investor. Pay in will be directly received by recognized clearing corporation and payout will be directly made to investor account. In the same manner, units shall be credited and debited directly from the demat account of investors.
  - c. Non-demat transactions are also permitted through stock exchange platform.
- 8 At Present, the switch facility in the units of NIMF schemes shall be made available only on BSE StAR MF platform (for other Stock Exchanges platform this facility will be made available as and when it will be introduced by them). Further, Switch transactions shall be accepted for units held in demat mode as well as in physical mode.

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

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

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

**iii. Official Points of Acceptance of Transaction through MF utility:**

NAM India has entered into an agreement with MF Utilities India Private Limited ("MFUI"), a "Category II - Registrar to an Issue" under SEBI (Registrars to an Issue and Share Transfer Agents) Regulations, 1993, for usage of MF Utility ("MFU") - a shared services initiative of various asset management companies, which acts as a transaction aggregator for transacting in multiple schemes of various mutual funds with a single form and a single payment instrument.

Accordingly, all the authorized POS and website/mobile application of MFUI (available currently and also updated from time to time) shall be eligible to be considered as 'official points of acceptance' for all financial and non-financial transactions in the schemes of NIMF either physically or electronically with effect from February 6, 2015. The list of POS of MFUI is published on the website of MFUI at [www.mfuindia.com](http://www.mfuindia.com).

Applicability of NAV shall be based on time stamping as evidenced by confirmation slip given by POS of MFUI and also the realization of funds in the Bank account of Nippon India Mutual Fund (and NOT the time of realization of funds in the Bank account of MFUI) within the applicable cut-off timing. The Uniform Cut - off time as prescribed by SEBI and mentioned in the SID / KIM shall be applicable for applications received through such facilities.

	<p>Investors are requested to note that MFUI will allot a Common Account Number (“CAN”) i.e. a single reference number for all investments in the mutual fund industry for transacting in multiple schemes of various mutual funds through MFU and to map existing folios, if any. Investors can create a CAN by submitting the CAN Registration Form and necessary documents at the POS. The AMC and/ or its Registrar and Transfer Agent shall provide necessary details to MFUI as may be needed for providing the required services to investors/distributors through MFU. Investors are requested to visit the website of MFUI i.e. <a href="http://www.mfuindia.com">www.mfuindia.com</a> to download the relevant forms.</p> <p>For any queries or clarifications related to MFU, please contact the Customer Care of MFUI on +91-22-61344316 (during the business hours on all days except Sunday and public holidays) or send an email to <a href="mailto:clientservices@mfuindia.com">clientservices@mfuindia.com</a>.</p> <p><b>iv. Transactions through Electronic Platform of Registrar and Transfer Agent</b></p> <p>NAM India has introduced this facility w.e.f. July 13, 2018. Investors will be allowed to transact in the schemes of Nippon India Mutual Fund (NIMF) through the Electronic platform of Kfintech, Registrar and Transfer Agent of NIMF, i.e. website <a href="http://mfs.kfintech.com">mfs.kfintech.com</a> and mobile application ‘Kfinkart’ (or any other name as specified from time to time). Consequent to this, the said website and mobile application shall be declared to be an “official point of acceptance” for applications for subscriptions, redemptions, switches and other facilities. The Uniform Cut -off time as prescribed by SEBI and as mentioned in the Scheme Information Documents of respective schemes shall be applicable for applications received on the website / mobile application.</p> <p><b>v. Official Point of Acceptance through MF Central:</b></p> <p>Pursuant to the Clause 16.6 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023, to comply with the requirements of RTA inter-operable Platform for enhancing investors’ experience in Mutual Fund transactions / service requests, the QRTA’s, KFin Technologies Limited and Computer Age Management Services Limited (CAMS) have jointly developed MFCentral – A digital platform for Mutual Fund investors.</p> <p>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 / phygital services to Mutual fund investors across fund houses subject to applicable T&amp;Cs of the Platform. MFCentral will be enabling various features and services in a phased manner. MFCentral may be accessed using <a href="https://mfcentral.com/">https://mfcentral.com/</a> and a Mobile App in future.</p> <p>With a view to comply with all provisions of the aforesaid circular and to increase digital penetration of Mutual funds, NIMF / NAM India designates MFCentral as its Official point of acceptance (DISC – Designated investor Service Centre) w.e.f. 23rd September 2021.</p> <p>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 Kfintech or CAMS.</p> <p>NIMF/NAM India reserves the right to introduced, change, modify or withdraw the features available in these facilities from time to time.</p>
<p><b>Accounts Statements</b></p>	<p>In accordance with Clause 14.4 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023 the investor whose transaction has been accepted by the NAM India/NIMF shall receive a confirmation by way of email and/or SMS within 5 Business Days from the date of receipt of transaction request, same will be sent to the Unit holders registered e-mail address and/or mobile number.</p> <p>Thereafter, a Consolidated Account Statement (“CAS”) shall be issued in line with the following procedure:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Consolidation of account statement shall be done on the basis of PAN. In case of multiple holding, it shall be PAN of the first holder and pattern of holding.</li> <li>2. The CAS shall be generated on a monthly basis and shall be issued on or before 10th of the immediately succeeding month to the unit holder(s) in whose folio(s) transaction(s) has/have taken place during the month.</li> <li>3. In case there is no transaction in any of the mutual fund folios then CAS detailing holding of investments across all schemes of all Mutual Funds will be issued on half yearly basis [at the end of every six months (i.e. September/ March)] on or before 21st of the immediately succeeding month.</li> <li>4. Investors having MF investments and holding securities in Demat account shall receive a Consolidated Account Statement containing details of transactions across all Mutual Fund schemes and securities from the Depository by email / physical mode.</li> <li>5. Investors having MF investments and not having Demat account shall receive a Consolidated Account Statement from the MF Industry containing details of transactions across all Mutual Fund schemes by email / physical mode.</li> </ol> <p>The word ‘transaction’ shall include purchase, redemption, switch, IDCW payout, IDCW reinvestment, systematic investment plan, systematic withdrawal plan, and systematic transfer plan.</p> <p>CAS shall not be received by the Unit holders for the folio(s) wherein the PAN details are not updated. The Unit holders are therefore requested to ensure that the folio(s) are updated with their PAN. For Micro SIP and Sikkim based investors whose PAN details are not mandatorily required to be updated Account Statement will be dispatched by NAM India/NIMF for each calendar month on or before 10th of the immediately succeeding month.</p> <p>The Consolidated Account statement will be in accordance to Clause 14.4.3 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023.</p> <p>In case of a specific request received from the Unit holders, NAM India / NIMF will provide the account statement to the investors within 5 Business Days from the receipt of such request.</p> <p>Investors are requested/encouraged to register/update their email id and mobile number of the primary holder with the AMC/RTA through our Designated Investor Service Centres (DISCs) in order to facilitate effective</p>



<b>IDCW</b>	The IDCW warrants shall be dispatched or payment shall be initiated to the Unitholders within 7 working days from the record date in compliance to the Clause 11.4 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023.
<b>Redemption</b>	<p>The redemption or repurchase proceeds shall be transferred to the unit holders within 3 working Days from the date of redemption or repurchase.</p> <p>Further, investors are requested to note that processing of Redemption or Repurchase transactions without PAN in respect of Non-PAN-Exempt folios has been restricted with effect from September 30, 2019.</p> <p>For all such Non-PAN-Exempt folios, investors are requested to update PAN by submitting suitable request along with PAN card copy at any of the Designated Investor Service Centre ("DISC") of Nippon India Mutual Fund (NIMF) and then submit Redemption or new Systematic Withdrawal Plans (SWPs) requests.</p> <p>With respect to existing SWPs registered without PAN in Non-PAN-Exempt folios, the same shall be restricted with effect from October 16, 2019 till PAN is updated in the folio.</p> <p>Investors are also requested to note further that it is mandatory to complete the KYC requirements for all unit holders, including for all joint holders and the guardian in case of folio of a minor investor.</p> <p>Accordingly, completion of KYC requirements shall be mandatory and with effect from February 28, 2020, all financial transactions (including redemptions, switches etc.) will be processed only if the KYC requirements are completed.</p> <p>Unit holders are advised to use the applicable KYC Form for completing the KYC requirements and submit the form at the Designated Investor Service Centre ("DISC") of Nippon India Mutual Fund or KFin Technologies Limited</p>
<b>Delay in payment of redemption / repurchase / subscription proceeds</b>	<p>The Asset Management Company shall be liable to pay interest to the unit holders at such rate as may be specified by SEBI for the period of such delay (presently @ 15% per annum).</p> <p>No interest will be payable on any subscription money refunded within five working days. If the Fund refunds the amount after five working days interest @ 15% p.a. will be paid to the applicant and borne by the AMC for the period from the day following the date of expiry of 5 working days until the actual date of the refund.</p> <p>The period of five working days for computation of interest payable for delay in refund of subscription amounts during on-going offer period shall be reckoned from the date of purchase transaction as per timestamp / applicable NAV, provided the application form / online transaction is received along with the payment and the funds have been realized.</p> <p>Where the subscription amount and the application / online transaction are received separately, the period of five working days for computation of interest payable for delay in refund of subscription amounts shall be reckoned from the later of the date of identifying the remitter details, based on the credit provided by the bank or receipt and time stamping of application / online transaction.</p> <p>It is clarified that the interest will be payable only in those cases where the credit pertains to a subscription in the scheme backed by a transaction request by the customer and such subscription is rejected by the AMC.</p> <p>Refund will be initiated in the name of the applicant in the case of a sole applicant and in the name of the first applicant in all other cases. In both cases, the bank account number and bank name, as specified in the application, will be mentioned in the refund order. The bank and/ or collection charges, if any, will be borne by the applicant. All the refund payments will be initiated in the manner as may be specified by SEBI from time to time.</p>
<b>How to Redeem</b>	<p>The Units can be redeemed at the Redemption Price.</p> <p>A Unitholder has the option to request for a redemption either by amount (in Rupees) or by number of Units. If the redemption request indicates both amount (in Rupees) and number of Units, the latter will be considered. Where a Rupee amount is specified or deemed to be specified for redemption, the number of Units redeemed will be the amount redeemed divided by the Redemption Price. Alternatively, a unitholder can request closure of his account, in which case, the entire unit balance lying to the credit of his account will be redeemed.</p> <p>The number of Units so redeemed will be subtracted from the unitholder's account balance and a statement to this effect will be issued to the unitholder. In case the balance in unitholder's account does not cover the amount of redemption request the Fund may close the unitholder's account and send the entire such (lesser) balance to the unitholders. If an investor has purchased Units on more than one working day, the Units purchased prior in time (i.e. those Units which have been held for the longest period of time), will be deemed to have been redeemed first, i.e. on a First in First out Basis.</p> <p>Units purchased by cheque /DD will be marked under lien and will not be redeemed until after realisation of the cheques/DD.</p> <p><b>Note :</b> The processing of Redemption/Switch/Various transaction request (s) where realization status is not available, NIMF shall keep the units allotted to investor on hold for redemption/switch/Various transactions till the time the payment is realized towards such purchase transaction(s).</p> <p>In case if the customer submits a redemption / switch / Various other transaction request like SWP, STP when the units are on hold, NIMF reserves the right to reject/ partially process the redemption/ switch/ Various transaction request, as the case may be, based on the realization status of the units held by the investor. In all the above cases (i.e., rejection/partial processing), intimation will be sent to the investor accordingly. Whenever a redemption/switch/ Various transaction request is rejected then an investor needs to submit a fresh request for reprocessing the same.</p>

	<p>Units which are not redeemed /switched out on account of the request being rejected due to non realization of funds, will be processed only upon confirmation of realization status and submission of a fresh redemption/switch request for such transactions.</p> <p>The transaction slip can be used by the investor to make a redemption or Inter scheme Switch or Inter plan Switch or Inter Option Switch by entering the requisite details in the transaction slip and submitting the same at the Designated Investor Service Centre. Transaction slips can be obtained from any of the Designated Investor Service Centres. Alternatively, the investor can transact through NAM India's digital assets (website and app) for the aforesaid transactions..</p> <p>While submitting the details for processing any transactions which inter alia includes redemptions, switch out, and systematic transfers etc. there has to be a specific mention about the plan (Direct Plan or Other than Direct Plan) from which the transactions has to be initiated. If no plan is mentioned, redemption request will be processed on a first in first out (FIFO) basis considering both the plans.</p> <p>NAM India reserves the right to provide the facility of redeeming units of the Scheme through an alternative mechanism as may be decided by the Fund from time to time. The alternative mechanism may include electronic means of communication such as redeeming units online through the website(s) etc.</p>
<b>Where to submit the Redemption request</b>	The unitholder should submit the transaction slip for a redemption / switch or request for closure of his / her account at any of the Designated Investor Service Centres. Alternatively, the investor can transact through NAM India's digital assets (website and app) for the aforesaid transactions.
<b>Payment of Redemption Proceeds</b>	<p>Payment of Redemption proceeds, for all open ended schemes, also enclosed SID</p> <p><b>Resident Investors</b></p> <p>The Fund proposes to pay redemption proceeds in the following manner:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Directly to the bank account of unitholders through Direct Credit / RTGS / NEFT: Direct credit facility will be available only with select bankers with whom the Mutual Fund currently has a tie-up in place or will tie-up for such a facility at a later date. As per the directive issued by SEBI, it is mandatory for an investor to declare his / her bank account number and accordingly, investors are requested to give their bank account details in the application form. The Mutual Fund, on a best effort basis, and after scrutinizing the names of the banks where unitholders have their accounts, will instruct the bank for the payment of redemption proceeds to the unitholder's bank account.</li> <li>For cases not covered above: Unitholders will receive redemption proceeds by cheques, marked "A/c. Payee only" and drawn in the name of the sole holder / first-named holder (as determined by the records of the Registrar). The Bank Name and Bank Account No., as specified in the Registrar's records, will be mentioned in the cheque. In case any investor does not give his bank details, for any reason whatsoever, the Fund shall in no way be responsible for any loss, on payment made without the Payee Bank details in the instrument. The cheque will be payable at par in all the cities where such facility is available with the specified bankers. For other cities, Demand Drafts will be issued payable at the city of his residence after deducting the Demand Draft charges.</li> </ol> <p><b>Non Resident Investors</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Repatriation Basis: When units have been purchased through remittance in foreign exchange from abroad by cheque / draft issued from proceeds of the unitholders' FCNR deposit or from funds held in the unitholders' Non Resident (External) account kept in India, the proceeds can be remitted to the unitholder in foreign currency (any exchange rate fluctuation will be borne by the unitholder).The proceeds can also be sent to his Indian address for crediting to his NRE / FCNR / non-resident (Ordinary) account or NRSR account, if desired by the unitholder.</li> <li>Non Repatriation Basis: When units have been purchased from funds held in the unitholders' non-resident (Ordinary) account, the proceeds will be sent to the unitholders Indian address for crediting to the unitholders' Non-Resident (Ordinary) account.</li> </ol> <p>It may be noted that the investors of NIMF shall be given the payout of redemption as an additional mode of payment through electronic mode as may be specified by Reserve Bank of India from time to time. This is an additional mode of payments over and above existing mode. In order to effect such payments through electronic mode, data validation exercise will be carried out by NAM India through one of the banking channels which will enable NAM India to validate the investor data with the Bank records. It may be noted that if NAM India unable to provide such credits due to various reasons, then payment will be made in accordance with the mode as specified.</p> <p>The Fund may make other arrangements for effecting payment of redemption proceeds in future.</p>
<b>Dispatch of Proceeds</b>	As per SEBI Regulations, the Mutual Fund shall transfer the redemption proceeds within the maximum period allowed, which is currently 3 working days from the date of receipt of a valid redemption request at the Designated Investor Service Centers. In case of exceptional situations listed in AMFI Circular No.AMFI/35P/MEM-COR/74/2022-23 dated January 16, 2023, redemption payment would be made within the permitted additional timelines. All payments shall be dispatched by ordinary mail (with or without UCP) or Registered Post or by Courier, unless otherwise required under the Regulations, at the risk of the unitholder.
<b>Effect of Redemptions</b>	<p><b>On the Fund:</b> The Unit capital and Reserves of the Scheme will stand reduced by an amount equivalent to the product of the number of Units redeemed and the Applicable NAV as on the date of redemption.</p> <p><b>On the unitholder's account:</b> The balances in the unitholder's account will stand reduced by the number of Units redeemed.</p>

<b>Additional Purchases/ Inter Scheme Switch / Inter Plan Switch / Inter Option Switch</b>	<p>The transaction slip can be used by the investor to make additional purchases / Inter Scheme Switches / Inter Plan Switches or Inter Option Switches by entering the requisite details in the transaction slip and submitting the same along with the payment instrument (wherever applicable) at the Designated Investor Service Centre. The transaction slip is attached at the bottom of the Account Statement or can also be obtained from any of the Designated Investor Service Centres. Alternatively, the investor can quote his existing folio number and use a common application form to make additional purchases under the same plan/option in the Scheme.</p> <p>Unitholders may switch their repurchase able holdings (which are not under any lien) in this scheme to any other eligible NIMF Scheme and vice versa. The transfer would be done at the applicable NAV based prices. The difference in the applicable net asset values of the two schemes / plans / options will be reflected in the number of Units allotted.</p> <p>However, NAM India, in consultation with the Trustees, reserves the right to modify this structure, in accordance with SEBI Regulations. However, any such change shall be applicable only to units transacted pursuant to such change.</p> <p>As per the directives issued by SEBI, it is mandatory for an investor to declare his/her bank account number in the application form. NAM India / NIMF is also providing a facility to the investors to register multiple bank accounts. By registering multiple bank accounts, the investors can use any of the registered bank accounts to receive redemption / IDCW proceeds. These account details will be used by the NAM India / NIMF for verification of instrument used for subscription to ensure that third party payments are not used for mutual fund subscription, except as permitted. Investors are requested to avail the facility of registering multiple bank accounts by filling in the Application Form for Registration of Multiple Bank Accounts available at our DISC or on our website at <a href="http://mf.nipponindiaim.com">mf.nipponindiaim.com</a></p> <p>This is to safeguard the interest of unitholders from loss or theft of their redemption cheques / DDs. Investors are requested to provide their bank details in the Application Form failing which the same will be rejected as per current Regulations.</p> <p>a) Switch / systematic transfer of investments made with ARN code, from Other than Direct Plan to Direct Plan of a Scheme shall be subject to applicable exit load, if any. (subject to statutory taxes and levies, if any)</p> <p>b) No Exit Load shall be levied for switch / systematic transfer of investments made without ARN code, from Other than Plan to Direct Plan of the Scheme or vice versa. (subject to statutory taxes and levies, if any)</p> <p>NAM India reserves the right to change the procedures in respect of subscriptions or Inter-Scheme Switches or Inter- Plan/option Switches, from time to time.</p> <p>Please refer SAI for further details.</p>
<b>Accounting of Units on Flexible / First In First Out (FIFO) Basis</b>	<p>Should a unitholder, who holds Units allotted during the Initial Offer or on an ongoing basis, buy more Units subsequently and later opt for redemption, the unitholder shall need to advise the Fund as to which of his units he is redeeming. In the absence of any such advice, it shall be redeemed on a first in-first out basis, i.e. the Units allotted first shall be redeemed first.</p>
<b>Fractional Units</b>	<p>Allotment of units against subsequent purchases / redemption of Units on an ongoing basis shall be done in fractional units, rounded off upto three decimal places.</p>
<b>Transfer, Transmission, Nomination, Lien, Pledge, Duration of the Scheme, Mode of Holding, Borrowing and Underwriting</b>	<p><b>Please refer SAI for details.</b></p>
<b>Applicability of Stamp Duty</b>	<p>Pursuant to Notification No. S.O. 1226(E) and G.S.R. 226(E) dated March 30, 2020 issued by Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance, Government of India, read with Part I of Chapter IV of Notification dated February 21, 2019 issued by Legislative Department, Ministry of Law and Justice, Government of India on the Finance Act, 2019 and Clause 10.1 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023, a stamp duty @ 0.005% of the transaction value would be levied on applicable mutual fund transactions, with effect from July 01, 2020. Accordingly, pursuant to levy of stamp duty, the number of units allotted on purchase/switch-in transactions (including IDCW reinvestment) to the unitholders would be reduced to that extent.</p>
<b>Third party Cheques</b>	<p>Third party Cheques Investment/subscription made through third party cheque(s) will not be accepted for investments in the units of Nippon India Mutual Fund barring few exception issued by AMFI from time to time for the 'third party payments'. For more details refer to SAI.</p>
<b>Multiple Bank accounts</b>	<p>The unit holder/ investor can register multiple bank account details under its existing folio by submitting separate form available on the website of the AMC at <a href="http://mf.nipponindiaim.com">mf.nipponindiaim.com</a>. For more details refer to SAI.</p>

<p><b>Know Your Client (KYC) Norms</b></p>	<p>Know Your Client (KYC) Norms With effect from 1st January 2011, KYC (Know Your Customer) norms are mandatory for investors for making investments in Mutual Funds, irrespective of the amount of investment Further, in order to reduce hardship and help investors dealing with SEBI intermediaries, SEBI vide its Clause 16.2.4.4 of Master Circular dated May 19, 2023 informing SEBI registered intermediaries as mentioned therein to follow, with effect from January 01, 2012, a uniform KYC compliance procedure for all the investors dealing with them on or after that date. SEBI also issued KYC Registration Agency ( "KRA") Regulations 2011 and the guidelines in pursuance of the said Regulations and for In-Person Verification ("IPV"). SEBI has issued circular no. CIR/MIRSD/ 66 /2016 dated July 21, 2016 and no. CIR/MIRSD/120 /2016 dated November 10, 2016 for uniform and smooth implementation of CKYC norms for onboarding of new investors in Mutual funds with effect from 1st Feb 2017. For more details refer to SAI.</p> <p><b>Implementation of the Prevention of Money-laundering (Maintenance of Records) Second Amendment Rules, 2017 with respect to seeding of Aadhaar number:</b></p> <p>Investors are requested to note the following requirements in relation to submission of Aadhaar number and other prescribed details to Nippon India Mutual Fund (NIMF) / Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited ("the AMC") / KFin Technologies Limited (KFintech) its Registrar and Transfer Agent:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Where the investor is an individual, who is eligible to be enrolled for Aadhaar number, the investor is required to submit the Aadhaar number issued by UIDAI. If such an individual investor is not eligible to be enrolled for Aadhaar number, and in case the Permanent Account Number (PAN) is not submitted, the investor shall submit the PAN or one certified copy of an officially valid document containing details of his identity and address and one recent photograph along with such other details as may be required by the Mutual Fund.  The investor is required to submit PAN as defined in the Income Tax Rules, 1962.</li> <li>ii. Where the investor is a non-individual, Aadhaar numbers and PANs (as defined in Income-tax Rules, 1962) of managers, officers or employees or persons holding an attorney to transact on the investor's behalf is required to be submitted, apart from the constitution documents. In case PAN is not submitted, an officially valid document is required to be submitted. If a person holding an authority to transact on behalf of such an entity is not eligible to be enrolled for Aadhaar and does not submit the PAN, certified copy of an officially valid document containing details of identity, address, photograph and such other documents as prescribed is required to be submitted.</li> </ol> <p>It may be noted that the requirement of submitting Form 60 is not applicable for investment in mutual fund units. For more details kindly refer SAI and FAQs on our website mf.nipponindiaim.com</p> <p>Investors are requested to note that pursuant to the direction issued by Hon'ble Supreme Court on March 13, 2018 in Writ Petition (Civil) no. 494/ 2012 and Notification No. 1/2018/F. No. P.12011/24/2017-ES Cell-DoR from Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue) dated March 31, 2018 the effective date for mandatory submission of Aadhaar has been deferred till further notice.</p>
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**C. PERIODIC DISCLOSURES**

<p><b>Net Asset Value</b></p> <p>This is the value per unit of the scheme on a particular day. You can ascertain the value of your investments by multiplying the NAV with your unit balance.</p>	<p>The AMC will calculate and disclose the first NAV within 5 working days from the date of allotment. Subsequently, the NAV will be calculated and disclosed at the close of every Business Day and uploaded on the AMFI website www.amfiindia.com and Nippon India Mutual Fund website i.e. mf.nipponindiaim.com by 11.00 p.m. on the on the same business day. Further, AMC will extend facility of sending latest available NAVs to unitholders through SMS, upon receiving a specific request in this regard. In case NAV of Corporate Debt Market Development Fund ('CDMDF') units is not available by 9:30 p.m. of same Business Day, NAV declaration timing for Mutual Fund Schemes holding units of CDMDF shall be 10 a.m. on next business day instead of 11 p.m. on same Business Day.</p>
<p><b>Half yearly Disclosures: Portfolio / Financial Results</b></p> <p>This is a list of securities where the corpus of the scheme is currently invested. The market value of these investments is also stated in portfolio disclosures.</p>	<p><b>(i) Half Yearly disclosure of Un-Audited Financials for the Schemes of NIMF:</b></p> <p>Before expiry of one month from the close of each half year i.e. on March 31 or September 30, the Fund shall host a soft copy of half – yearly unaudited financial results on the website of the NIMF i.e. mf.nipponindiaim.com and that of AMFI www.amfiindia. com. A notice advertisement communicating the investors that the financial results shall be hosted on the website shall be published in one national English daily newspaper and in a newspaper in the language of the region where the Head Office of the fund is situated.</p> <p><b>(ii) Half Yearly disclosure of Scheme's Portfolio:</b></p>
<p><b>Half Yearly Results</b></p>	<p>The fund shall disclose the scheme's portfolio in the prescribed format as on the last day of the Half year for all the Schemes of NIMF on or before the tenth day of the succeeding month or within such timelines and manner as prescribed by SEBI from time to time on the NIMF Website i.e. mf.nipponindiaim.com and AMFI site www.amfiindia.com</p> <p>In case of unitholders whose e-mail addresses are registered, the Mutual Funds/ AMCs shall send via email the half-yearly statement of scheme portfolio within 10 days from the close of each half-year respectively.</p> <p>AMC will provide a physical copy of the statement of its scheme portfolio, without charging any cost, on specific request received from a unitholder.</p>

<b>Disclosure of Schemes' Portfolio Statement</b>	<p>The fund shall disclose the scheme's portfolio in the prescribed format as on the last day of the month for all the Schemes of NIMF on or before the tenth day of the succeeding month or within such timelines and manner as prescribed by SEBI from time to time on the NIMF Website i.e. mf.nipponindiaim.com and AMFI site www.amfiindia.com</p> <p>The fund shall disclose the scheme's portfolio on fortnightly basis within 5 days of every fortnight in the prescribed format for all the debt Schemes of NIMF or within such timelines and manner as prescribed by SEBI from time to time on the NIMF Website i.e. mf.nipponindiaim.com and AMFI site www.amfiindia.com. The same shall be send via email to the unitholders whose email addresses are registered with AMC/Mutual Fund.</p> <p>AMC will provide a physical copy of the statement of its scheme portfolio, without charging any cost, on specific request received from a unitholder.</p>												
<b>Monthly &amp; Annual Disclosure of Riskometer</b>	<p>In accordance with Clause 17.4 of SEBI Master circular dated May 19, 2023. The Risk-o-meter shall have following six levels of risk:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Low Risk</li> <li>ii. Low to Moderate Risk</li> <li>iii. Moderate Risk</li> <li>iv. Moderately High Risk</li> <li>v. High Risk and</li> <li>vi. Very High Risk</li> </ol> <p>The evaluation of risk levels of a scheme shall be done in accordance with the aforesaid circular.</p> <p>The fund shall communicate any change in risk-o-meter by way of Notice cum Addendum and by way of an e-mail or SMS to unitholder.</p> <p>Further Risk-o-meter of scheme shall be evaluated on a monthly basis and Risk-o-meter along with portfolio shall be disclosed on NIMF website and on AMFI website within 10 days from the close of each month. Additionally, NIMF shall disclose the risk level of all schemes as on March 31 of every year, along with number of times the risk level has changed over the year, on its website and AMFI website.</p>												
<b>Disclosure of Benchmark Riskometer</b>	<p>Pursuant to Clause 5.16 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023, the AMC shall disclose risk-o-meter of the scheme and benchmark in all disclosures including promotional material or that stipulated by SEBI wherever the performance of the scheme vis-à-vis that of the benchmark is disclosed to the investors in which the unit holders are invested as on the date of such disclosure.</p>												
<b>Disclosure of Potential Risk Class (PRC) Matrix</b>	<p>Pursuant to Clause 17.5 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023, the AMC shall disclose PRC Matrix for the scheme on front page of initial offering application form, Scheme Information Document (SID), Key Information Memorandum (KIM), Common Application Form and Scheme Advertisements.</p>												
<b>Annual Report</b>	<p>The scheme wise annual report shall be hosted on the website of the AMC and on the website of the AMFI soon as may be possible but not later than four months from the date of closure of the relevant accounting year. The AMC shall publish an advertisement every year in all India edition of at least two daily newspapers, one each in English and Hindi, disclosing the hosting of the scheme wise annual report on the website of the AMC.</p> <p>The AMC shall email the annual report or an abridged summary thereof to the unitholders whose email addresses are registered with the Fund. The unitholders whose e-mail addresses are not registered with the Fund are requested to update / provide their email address to the Fund for updating the database. Physical copy of scheme wise annual report or abridged summary shall be provided to investors who have opted to receive the same.</p> <p>AMC shall provide a physical copy of the abridged summary of the annual report, without charging any cost, on specific request received from a unitholder.</p> <p>As per regulation 56(3A) of the Regulations, copy of scheme wise Annual Report shall be also made available to unitholder on payment of nominal fees.</p> <p>A link of the scheme annual report or abridged summary shall be displayed prominently on the website of NAM India i.e. at mf.nipponindiaim.com</p>												
<b>Scheme Summary Document</b>	<p>The AMC has provided on its website a standalone scheme document for all the Schemes which contains all the details of the Scheme viz. Scheme features, Fund Manager details, investment details, investment objective, expense ratios, portfolio details, etc.</p>												
<b>Associate Transactions</b>	<p>Please refer to Statement of Additional Information (SAI).</p>												
<b>Taxation</b> The information is provided for general information only. However, in view of the individual nature of the implications, each investor is advised to consult his or her own tax advisors/authorised dealers with respect to the specific amount of tax and other implications arising out of his or her participation in the schemes.	<p><b>Taxation of income earned on mutual fund units under the Income Tax Act 1961 as amended by The Finance Act, 2023.</b></p> <p><b>Other than Equity Oriented Funds <sup>3</sup> - For FY 2023-24</b></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="456 1661 1495 1786"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="456 1661 743 1695">Income in the hands of →</th> <th data-bbox="743 1661 983 1695">Individual &amp; HUF</th> <th data-bbox="983 1661 1206 1695">Other than Individual &amp; HUF</th> <th data-bbox="1206 1661 1495 1695">NRI</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="456 1695 743 1729">Nature of Income ↓</td> <td data-bbox="743 1695 983 1729"></td> <td data-bbox="983 1695 1206 1729"></td> <td data-bbox="1206 1695 1495 1729"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="456 1729 743 1786">Income Distribution</td> <td data-bbox="743 1729 983 1786">As per applicable tax rates</td> <td data-bbox="983 1729 1206 1786">As per applicable tax rates</td> <td data-bbox="1206 1729 1495 1786">As per applicable tax rates</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The Finance Act, 2020, abolished dividend distribution tax (DDT) and tax exemption on Income received from mutual fund in the hands of investor as provision of section 10 (35) is rescinded. Further, Income distribution is taxable in the hands of investor as mentioned above.</p>	Income in the hands of →	Individual & HUF	Other than Individual & HUF	NRI	Nature of Income ↓				Income Distribution	As per applicable tax rates	As per applicable tax rates	As per applicable tax rates
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<b>Capital Gain For FY 2023-24</b>			
Long Term Capital Gain <sup>1</sup> (Investment made in Specified Mutual Fund Scheme on or before March 31, 2023)	20% with indexation + Surcharge + Health & Education cess (as applicable <sup>5</sup> )	20% with indexation + Surcharge + Health & Education cess (as applicable <sup>5</sup> )	<b>In case of Listed Mutual Fund Units</b> 20% with indexation + Surcharge + Health & Education cess (as applicable <sup>5</sup> )  <b>In case of Non-Listed Mutual Fund Units</b> 10% without indexation+ Surcharge + Health & Education cess (as applicable <sup>5</sup> )
Short Term Capital Gain <sup>1</sup>	Will be taxed at the normal rates depending upon the slab of each individual + Surcharge + Health & Education cess (as applicable <sup>5</sup> )	Will be taxed as per applicable rate + Surcharge + Health & Education cess (as applicable <sup>5</sup> )	Will be taxed at the normal rates depending upon the slab of each individual + Surcharge + Health & Education cess (as applicable <sup>5</sup> )
<b>Securities Transaction Tax</b>			
Securities Transaction Tax (STT)	Nil	Nil	Nil
<b>Notes</b>			
<p>1. The Finance Act, 2012 provides for tax on long-term capital gains in case of non-residents @ 10% on transfer of capital assets, being unlisted securities, computed without giving effect to first &amp; second proviso to section 48 i.e., without taking benefit of foreign currency fluctuation and indexation benefit. Listed Securities mean securities defined in clause (h) of section 2 of the Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 (32 of 1956) and which are listed on any recognised stock exchange in India.</p> <p>Further, Finance (No.2) Act 2014 amends the definition of short-term capital assets for a unit of Mutual fund (other than equity-oriented fund). Accordingly, short term capital gain will be taxable if assets are held for less than 36 months, and Long-term Capital Gain would mean gain other than Short Term Capital Gain. The amendment is effective from July 11, 2014.</p> <p><b>However, w.e.f. 1 April 2023, The Finance Act 2023 has removed indexation benefit on long term capital gain for the investment made in specified mutual fund schemes. In such a case, any capital gains would be considered as short term in nature and taxed as per applicable tax rate slab of the investor irrespective of the holding period. This provision is applicable only for any investments made on or after 1 April 2023.</b></p> <p><b>“Specified Mutual Fund” means a Mutual Fund scheme which does not invest more than 35% in equity shares of domestic companies.</b></p> <p>2. The Finance Act, 2020 introduced a new section 194K to provide that any person responsible for paying to a resident investor any income in respect of units of a Mutual Fund specified under clause (23D) of section 10 shall at the time of credit of such income to the account of the payee or at the time of payment thereof by any mode, whichever is earlier, deduct income-tax there on at the rate of 10%.</p> <p>3. Equity oriented funds has been defined under sections 10(38) of the Indian Income Tax Act 1961 as under</p> <p>“Equity-oriented fund” means a fund —</p> <p>(i) where the investible funds are invested by way of equity shares in domestic companies to the extent of more than sixty-five per cent of the total proceeds of such fund; and</p> <p>(ii) which has been set up under a scheme of a Mutual Fund specified under clause (23D)</p> <p>Provided that the percentage of equity shareholding of the fund shall be computed with reference to the annual average of the monthly averages of the opening and closing figures;”</p> <p><b>Other than equity-oriented funds shall be construed accordingly.</b></p> <p>4. The expression “money market mutual fund” has been defined under Explanation (d) to Section 115T of the Act, which means a scheme of a mutual fund which has been set up with the objective of investing exclusively in money market instruments as defined in sub-clause (p) of clause (2) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996. The expression “liquid fund” has been defined under Explanation (e) to Section 115T which means a scheme or plan of a mutual fund which is classified by the Securities and Exchange Board of India as a liquid fund in accordance with the guidelines issued by it in this behalf under the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 or regulations made there under.</p>			

**5. Surcharge applicable for long term capital gain FY 2023-24:**

Assessee	If income below Rs. 0.50 crore	If income exceeds Rs. 0.50 crore but less than Rs. 1 crore	If income exceeds Rs. 1 crore but less than Rs. 2 crores	If income exceeds Rs. 2 crores but less than Rs. 5 crores	If income exceeds Rs. 5 crores but less than Rs. 10 crores	If income exceeds Rs.10 crores
	Surcharge	Surcharge	Surcharge	Surcharge	Surcharge	Surcharge
Individual (including proprietorships), Hindu Undivided Family (HUF), Association of Persons (AOP) and Body of Individual (BOI)	NIL	10%	15%	15%	15%	15%
Co-operative Society, Local Authority and Partnership Firms (including LLPs)	NIL	NIL	12%	12%	12%	12%
Indian Corporate	Nil	NIL	7%	7%	7%	12%
Foreign Companies	Nil	NIL	2%	2%	2%	5%

**6. Surcharge applicable for short term capital gain FY 2023-24:**

Assessee	If income below Rs. 0.50 crore	If income exceeds Rs. 0.50 crore but less than Rs. 1 crore	If income exceeds Rs. 1 crore but less than Rs. 2 crores	If income exceeds Rs. 2 crores but less than Rs. 5 crores	If income exceeds Rs. 5 crores but less than Rs. 10 crores	If income exceeds Rs.10 crores
	Surcharge	Surcharge	Surcharge	Surcharge	Surcharge	Surcharge
Individual (including proprietorships), Hindu Undivided Family (HUF), Association of Persons (AOP) and Body of Individual (BOI)	NIL	10%	15%	25%	37%	37%
Co-operative Society, Local Authority and Partnership Firms (including LLPs)	NIL	NIL	12%	12%	12%	12%
Indian Corporate	Nil	NIL	7%	7%	7%	12%
Foreign Companies	Nil	NIL	2%	2%	2%	5%

7. Finance Act, 2018 had discontinued "Education Cess on income-tax" and "Secondary and Higher Education Cess on income-tax". However, a new Cess introduced "Health and Education Cess" applicable at the rate of 4% of income tax including surcharge wherever applicable w.e.f April 1, 2018.
8. Non-Listed securities mean securities other than Listed Securities.
9. Nippon India Mutual Fund is registered with SEBI and as such is eligible for benefits under Section 10 (23D) of the Income Tax Act 1961. Accordingly, its entire income is exempt from tax.
10. For further details on Taxation please refer to the Clause on Taxation in the SAI.

**Investor services**

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	<p><b>Online Dispute Resolution Platforms</b></p> <p><b>1. SCORES</b></p> <p>SCORES is a web based centralized grievance redressal system which enables investors to lodge and follow up their complaints and track the status of redressal of such complaints online. Through this system, the investor should be able to submit his/her complaint on an online basis, which shall then be monitored and forwarded by the concerned Desk Officer(s) at SEBI to the concerned AMC's, who would then in-turn be required to suitably redress &amp; upload status thereof on this platform itself, within the stipulated time period. For redressal of complaints, Investors can visit <a href="http://www.scores.gov.in">www.scores.gov.in</a>.</p> <p><b>2. Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) Portal:</b></p> <p>Pursuant to SEBI Circular no. SEBI/HO/OIAE/OIAE_IAD-1/P/ CIR/2023/131 dated July 31, 2023 read with SEBI Circular no. SEBI/HO/OIAE/OIAE_IAD-1/P/CIR/2023/135 dated August 04, 2023, common Online Dispute Resolution ('ODR') Portal has been established in order to harnesses online conciliation and online arbitration for resolution of disputes arising in the Indian Securities Market.</p> <p>The investors can access the link to ODR portal viz. <a href="https://smartodr.in">https://smartodr.in</a> which is also made available on our website.</p>
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**D. COMPUTATION OF NAV**

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

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

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

**Rounding off policy for NAV**

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

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

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

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



## IV - FEES AND EXPENSES

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

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

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

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

### B. ANNUAL SCHEME RECURRING EXPENSES

These are the fees and expenses for operating the scheme. These expenses include Investment Management and Advisory Fee charged by the AMC and other expenses as given in the table below:

As specified under section II – C of this document, the investments in equity and equity related instruments is less than sixty-five per cent of the net assets of the scheme, hence the scheme will be considered as other than equity oriented scheme as per sub regulation 5A of regulation 52 of the SEBI (MF) Regulations for the purpose of limits of total expenses ratio.

The AMC has estimated that following % of the daily net assets of the scheme will be charged to the scheme as expenses. The AMC would update the current expense ratios on the website of the mutual fund at least three working days prior to the effective date of the change. Further Actual Expense ratio will be disclosed at the following link <https://mf.nipponindiaim.com/investor-services/downloads/total-expense-ratio-of-mutual-fund-schemes>

Particulars	% of Net Assets
Investment Management and Advisory Fees	Upto 2.00%
Trustee fee	
Audit fees	
Custodian fees	
RTA Fees	
Marketing & Selling expense incl. agent commission	
Cost related to investor communications	
Cost of fund transfer from location to location	
Cost of providing account statements and dividend redemption cheques and warrants	
Costs of statutory Advertisements	
Cost towards investor education & awareness (at least 2 bps)	
Brokerage and transaction cost over and above 12 bps and 5 bps for cash and derivative market trades resp.	
Goods & Service Tax on expenses other than investment and advisory fees	
Other Expenses #	
<b>Maximum total expense ratio (TER) permissible under Regulation 52 (6) (c)</b>	<b>Upto 2.00%</b>
<b>Additional expenses under Section 52 (6A) (b) for gross new inflows from specified investors and cities</b>	<b>Upto 0.30%</b>

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

Particulars	Regular Plan	Direct Plan
Amount Invested at the beginning of the year	10,000	10,000
Returns before Expenses	1,500	1,500
Expenses other than Distribution Expenses	150	150
Distribution Expenses	50	-
Returns after Expenses at the end of the Year	1,300	1350

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

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

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

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

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

Direct Plan shall have a lower expense ratio excluding distribution expenses, commission, and no commission shall be paid from such plan. However, no Investment Management fees would be charged on NAM India's investment in the Scheme.

The Trustee Company, shall be entitled to receive a sum computed @ 0.05% of the Unit Capital of all the Schemes of NIMF on 1st April each year or a sum of Rs.5,00,000/- which ever is lower or such other sum as may be agreed from time to time in accordance with the SEBI Regulations or any other authority, from time to time.

The total expenses of the scheme including the investment management and advisory fee shall not exceed the limits stated in Regulation 52(6) which are as follows:

- On the first Rs.500 crores of the daily net assets - 2.00%
- On the next Rs.250 crores of the daily net assets - 1.75%
- On the next Rs.1,250 crores of the daily net assets - 1.50%
- On the next Rs.3,000 crores of the daily net assets - 1.35%
- On the next Rs.5,000 crores of the daily net assets - 1.25%
- On the next Rs.40,000 crores of the daily net assets - Total expense ratio reduction of 0.05% for every increase of Rs.5,000 crores of daily net assets or part thereof.
- On balance of the assets – 0.80%

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

In terms of Regulation 52(1) of SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996, all scheme related expenses including commission paid to distributors, by whatever name it may be called and in whatever manner it may be paid, will necessarily be paid from the scheme only within the regulatory limits and not from the books of AMC, its associate, sponsor, trustee or any other entity through any route. Provided that the expenses that are very small in value but high in volume may be paid out of AMC's books. Such expenses shall be paid out of AMC books at actuals or not exceeding 2 bps of respective scheme AUM, whichever is lower. List of such miscellaneous expenses may be provided by AMFI in consultation with SEBI or as specified /amended by AMFI/SEBI from time to time.

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

- (a) Brokerage and Transaction costs incurred for the execution of trades may be expensed out in the scheme to the extent of 0.12 per cent of the value of trades in case of cash market transactions and 0.05 per cent of the value of trades in case of derivatives transactions. Any payment towards brokerage and transaction costs incurred for the execution of trades, over and above the said 0.12 per cent and 0.05 per cent for cash market transactions and derivatives transactions respectively may be charged to the scheme within the maximum limit of Total Expense Ratio (TER) as prescribed under Regulation 52 of the SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996. Any expenditure in excess of the said prescribed limit (including brokerage and transaction costs, if any) shall be borne by the AMC or by the Trustee or Sponsors.;
- (b) expenses not exceeding of 0.30 per cent of daily net assets, if the new inflows from such investors and cities as specified by SEBI from time to time are at least -
  - (i) 30 per cent of gross new inflows in the scheme, or;
  - (ii) 15 per cent of the average assets under management (year to date) of the scheme, whichever is higher:

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

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

Provided further that amount incurred as expense on account of inflows from such cities shall be credited back to the scheme in case the said inflows are redeemed within a period of one year from the date of investment;

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

All other terms & conditions, if any, will remain same.

### C. LOAD STRUCTURE

Load is an amount which is paid by the investor to redeem the units from the scheme. This amount is used by the AMC to pay commissions to the distributor and to take care of other marketing and selling expenses. For the current applicable structure, please refer to the website of the AMC [mf.nipponindiaim.com](http://mf.nipponindiaim.com) or may call at Customer Service Centre 1860-266-0111 (charges applicable), and Investors outside India can call at 91-22-69259696 (charges applicable) or your distributor.

Type of Load	Load chargeable (as %age of NAV)
Entry <sup>1</sup>	Not Applicable
Exit <sup>2</sup>	Nil W.E.F. October 01, 2012, Exit Load If charged to the scheme shall be credited to the scheme immediately net of Goods & Service Tax, if any.
Inter scheme Switch	At the applicable load in the respective Schemes.

Inter Plan/Inter Option Switch/ Systematic Transfer Plan (STP)	<p>a) Switch / Systematic Transfer of investments made with ARN code, from Other than Direct Plan to Direct Plan of a Scheme shall be subject to applicable exit load, if any.</p> <p>b) No Exit Load shall be levied for switch / Systematic Transfer of investments made without ARN code, from Other than Direct Plan to Direct Plan of the Scheme or vice versa.</p>
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### **<sup>1</sup>Entry Load**

In accordance with the requirements specified by the Clause no. 10.4 of the SEBI Master circular dated May 19, 2023 no entry load will be charged for purchase / additional purchase / switch-in accepted by NIMF. Similarly, no entry load will be charged with respect to applications for registrations under Systematic Investment Plans / Systematic Transfer Plans (including Salary AddVantage and Recurring Investment Plan for Corporate Employees and Transfer of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal plan) accepted by NIMF. The upfront commission on investment made by the investor, if any, will be paid to the ARN Holder (AMFI registered Distributor) directly by the investor, based on the investor's assessment of various factors including service rendered by the ARN Holder.

With reference to Clause 10.4.2.d of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023, there shall be no entry load for investments under SIPs registered before August 01, 2009.

### **<sup>2</sup>Exit Load**

Pursuant to Clause 10.6 of SEBI Master circular dated May 19, 2023, no entry load or exit load shall be charged in respect of units allotted on reinvestment of IDCW.

The investor is requested to check the prevailing load structure of the scheme before investing. For any change in load structure NAM India will issue an addendum and display it on our website [mf.nipponindiaim.com](http://mf.nipponindiaim.com) or Investor Service Centres.

Any imposition or enhancement in the load shall be applicable on prospective investments only. However, AMC shall not charge any load on issue of units allotted on reinvestment of IDCW for existing as well as prospective investors. At the time of changing the load structure, the mutual funds may consider the following measures to avoid complaints from investors about investment in the schemes without knowing the loads:

- i. The addendum detailing the changes may be attached to Scheme Information Documents and key information memorandum. The addendum may be circulated to all the distributors/brokers so that the same can be attached to all Scheme Information Documents and key information memoranda already in stock.
- ii. Arrangements may be made to display the addendum in the Scheme Information Document in the form of a notice in all the investor service centres and distributors/brokers office.
- iii. The introduction of the exit load alongwith the details may be stamped in the acknowledgement slip issued to the investors on submission of the application form and may also be disclosed in the statement of accounts issued after the introduction of such load.
- iv. A public notice shall be given in respect of such changes in one English daily newspaper having nationwide circulation as well as in a newspaper published in the language of region where the Head Office of the Mutual Fund is situated.
- v. Any other measures which the mutual funds may feel necessary.

The investor is requested to check the prevailing load structure of the scheme before investing.

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

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

Pursuant to Clause no. 10.4 of the SEBI Master circular dated May 19, 2023, no entry load shall be charged for all the mutual fund schemes. Therefore the procedure for the waiver of load for direct application is no longer applicable.

### **E. TRANSACTION CHARGES:**

In accordance with Clause 10.5 of SEBI Master Circular dated May 19, 2023, Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited (NAM India)/ NIMF shall deduct a Transaction Charge on per purchase / subscription of Rs. 10,000/- and above, as may be received from new investors (an investor who invests for the first time in any mutual fund schemes) and existing investors. The distributors shall have an option to either "Opt-in / Opt-out" from levying transaction charge based on the type of product. Therefore, the "Opt-in / Opt-out" status shall be at distributor level, basis the product selected by the distributor at the Mutual Fund industry level.

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

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

The transaction charge shall be deducted from the subscription amount and paid to the distributor/agent, as the case may be and the balance shall be invested. The statement of account shall clearly state that the net investment as gross subscription less transaction charge and give the number of units allotted against the net investment.

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

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

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

## V - RIGHTS OF UNITHOLDERS

Please refer to SAI for details.

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

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

NIL

2. In case of Indian Sponsor(s), details of all monetary penalties imposed and/ or action taken during the last three years or pending with any financial regulatory body or governmental authority, against Sponsor(s) and/ or the AMC and/ or the Board of Trustees /Trustee Company; for irregularities or for violations in the financial services sector, or for defaults with respect to share holders or debenture holders and depositors, or for economic offences, or for violation of securities law. Details of settlement, if any, arrived at with the aforesaid authorities during the last three years shall also be disclosed.

Not Applicable

3. Details of all enforcement actions taken by SEBI in the last three years and/ or pending with SEBI for the violation of SEBI Act, 1992 and Rules and Regulations framed there under including debarment and/ or suspension and/ or cancellation and/ or imposition of monetary penalty/ adjudication/enquiry proceedings, if any, to which the Sponsor(s) and/ or the AMC and/ or the Board of Trustees /Trustee Company and/ or any of the directors and/ or key personnel (especially the fund managers) of the AMC and Trustee Company were/ are a party. The details of the violation shall also be disclosed.

There was no enforcement actions taken by SEBI in the last three years and/ or pending with SEBI for the violation of SEBI Act, 1992 and Rules and Regulations framed there under including debarment and/ or suspension and/ or cancellation and/ or imposition of monetary penalty/ adjudication/enquiry proceedings, if any, to which the Sponsor(s) and/ or the AMC and/ or the Board of Trustees /Trustee Company and/ or any of the directors and/ or key personnel (especially the fund managers) of the AMC and Trustee Company were/ are a party except the below investigation

There is an ongoing investigation by SEBI with respect to Nippon India Mutual Fund's (formerly Reliance Mutual Fund) investments in AT1 bonds issued by Yes Bank Limited.

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

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

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

There was no deficiency in the systems and operations of the Sponsor(s) and/ or the AMC and/ or the Board of Trustees/Trustee Company which SEBI has specifically advised to be disclosed in the SID, or which has been notified by any other regulatory agency.

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

For and behalf of the Board of Directors of  
**NIPPON LIFE INDIA ASSET MANAGEMENT LIMITED**  
[Asset Management Company for Nippon India Mutual Fund]

Mumbai  
October 31, 2023

Sd/-  
(Sundeep Sikka)  
Executive Director & Chief Executive Officer



