#### **GENERAL**

In this contract, "you" or "your" will refer to the owner of this policy and "we", "us", "our", "insurer" or "the Company" will refer to Aditya Birla Sun Life Insurance Company Limited (ABSLI), or any of its successors.

This is a Unit Linked Group Insurance Policy. The actual payment of benefits in this policy will vary based on the actual performance of the segregated fund/s offered under this policy and as selected by you

Please read this policy document carefully.

#### **IRDAI PRIOR APPROVAL**

Unless specifically stated otherwise, we reserve the right to increase each charge applicable to your policy at any time. We, however, need to get prior approval from the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) before such charge increase is effective.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

- **1. "Act"** refers to the Insurance Act 1938 as amended from time to time and shall include the Insurance Laws (Amendment) Act 2015.
- 2. "charges" means or refers to the charges as detailed in Policy Charges section of Part E of this policy.
- **3.** "free-look period" means the period as specified in the Policy Contract, during which you can return the policy in case you are not satisfied with the terms and conditions of the policy
- **4."master policyholder"** means the Policyholder who would administer the scheme on behalf of the Member(s) and as defined in the Policy Schedule
- **5.**"member(s)" refers to the person(s) who are member(s) of the Master Policyholder's scheme and are covered by this policy.
- **6.Nomination"** is the process of nominating a person who is named as "Nominee" in the proposal/application form or subsequently included/ changed by an endorsement. Nomination should be in accordance with provisions of Section 39 of the Insurance Act, 1938 as amended from time to time.
- **7."Nominee**" is the person who is nominated by You in accordance with Part F and whose name is mentioned in the Policy Schedule, to receive the Death Benefit under this Policy. Nomination can only be effected if You are also the Life Insured under the Policy
- 8."net asset value (NAV)" means the price per unit of the Segregated Fund.
- **9."policy anniversary"** corresponds to the date after a year from the Policy Effective Date and every anniversary thereafter.
- **10.** "policy effective date" means the date on which your rights and benefits under this policy begin, as shown in the Policy Schedule.
- 11."policy issue date" means the date on which this policy is issued by the Company.
- 12." *policy year and policy month*" are measured from the policy effective date and are periods of twelve calendar months and one calendar month, respectively.

- 13. "Segregated Fund" means funds earmarked in respect of Unit Linked business.
- 14. "surrender" means complete withdrawal of the policy.
- **15.** "unit" is a specific portion or a part of the underlying segregated unit linked Fund which is representative of the policyholder's entitlement in such funds.

16."unit price" is the Net Asset Value (NAV) per Unit of the Fund.

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#### **POLICY VALUE PROVISIONS**

#### 1. Policy Premium

Your Policy Schedule shows initial premium. This policy is effective only once the initial premium has been credited to one of our bank accounts.

### 2.Premium Allocation Percentage

The premium allocation percentage specifies the percentage of each premium that will be allocated to Policy Fund Value.

# 3.Policy Fund Value

The Policy Fund Value is at all times equal to the sum of the number of units allocated to each segregated fund multiplied by their respective unit price prevailing at that time.

# **4.Partial Withdrawals**

Partial withdrawals are not allowed under this policy.

Except for fund withdrawals allowed due to Member's exit in accordance with the scheme rules, no other withdrawal shall be permitted.

# **POLICY BENEFIT PROVISIONS**

#### 5.Death Benefit

On death of the Member while the policy is in force, ABSLI shall pay, an amount, as decided by the Master Policyholder, in accordance with the scheme rules.

# **6.Guaranteed Additions**

On each policy anniversary, a guaranteed addition will be added to the Policy Fund Value. The Guaranteed Additions will be the average of the Policy Fund Value in the twelve policy months immediately preceding the policy anniversary date, multiplied by the annual Guaranteed Additions Rate given below:

	Guaranteed Additions Rate		
Average Policy Fund Value (Rs. Crore)	All Funds		
Less than 1	0.00%		
1 to less than 5	0.10%		
5 to less than 20	0.20%		
20 to less than			
50	0.30%		
50 and above	0.40%		

# 7. Vesting Benefit

Vesting will be as per the scheme rules, upon which ABSLI shall pay, an amount, as decided by the Master Policyholder, in accordance with the scheme rules.

Where the scheme rules require the purchase of an immediate annuity, the Master Policyholder will purchase such an annuity from ABSLI. However if the Master Policyholder maintains superannuation funds with other insurers as well the Master Policyholder shall have the option to choose the insurer to purchase the immediate annuity as permitted by the then prevailing regulations.

#### 8.Other Benefits

Member's exit is only permissible as per the scheme rules, should a Member exit for any reason other than death or vesting. The benefit payable on Member's exit shall be in accordance with the scheme rules but limited to Policy Fund Value.

# 9.Surrender Benefit

At any time you can request to surrender this policy for its Surrender Benefit. Upon surrender, we will pay the Policy Fund Value and the policy will be terminated.

# **10.Limit on Liability**

At any point of time the liability of the Company under this policy is limited to the Policy Fund Value. This is irrespective of the liability of the Master Policyholder towards the Members of the scheme.

# **POLICY PROVISIONS**

# 1.Free-look Period

You will have the right to return your policy to us within 30 days from the date of receipt of the policy document, in case you disagree with the terms & conditions of your policy. We will pay the Fund Value plus non allocated premiums plus all charges levied by cancellation of units, once we receive your written notice of cancellation (along with reasons thereof) together with the original policy documents. Depending on our then current administration rules, we shall reduce the amount of the refund by the expense incurred by us on stamp duty charges in accordance with IRDAI (Protection of Policyholders' Interests, Operations and Allied Matters of Insurers) Regulations, 2024.

# 2.Policy Loans

Not Allowed

# 3.Termination of Policy

Your policy will terminate at the earliest of:

- (a) the date of payment of the surrender value, if any
- (b) the date of payment of policy fund value on automatic termination as specified above
- (c) the date of payment of free look cancellation amount

#### **POLICY CHARGES**

#### 1.Premium Allocation Charge

0.5 % of the premium (Initial / Regular Premium) subject to maximum of Rs. 10 lakh per annum.

#### 2.Fund Management Charge

The daily unit price of each segregated fund is adjusted to reflect the fund management charge. This may be increased by us in the future subject to IRDAI approval and maximum up to 1.35% per annum.

The current fund management charge:

1.00% p.a. for all funds

#### 3.Surrender Charge

No surrender charge is applicable under this policy.

# 4. Mortality Charge

No mortality charge is applicable under this policy

#### SEGREGATED FUND PROVISIONS

#### 5.Investment Philosophy

The premium paid (net of premium allocation charges, if any) will be allocated towards the fund account. The policyholder can choose to allocate all or any proportion of the contribution in any of the funds available at any time during the policy term.

The policyholder will have the option to switch part or all of the allocated units in one segregated fund to another segregated fund at any time. Policyholder will be entitled to unlimited switches without any charge.

## **6.Segregated Funds**

Current segregated fund/s under this policy:

# a. Group Fixed Interest Fund

**Objective:** The segregated fund option with full exposure in debt market instrument aims to achieve value creation at low risk over a long-term horizon by investing into high quality fixed interest securities.

**Strategy:** Active fund management at a medium level of risk by having entire exposure to government securities, corporate bonds maintaining medium to long-term duration of the portfolio to achieve capital conservation.

#### b. Group Bond Fund

**Objective**: This BSLI Fund Option aims to achieve capital preservation along with stable returns by investing in corporate bonds over medium-term period.

**Strategy**: This BSLI Fund Option follows a strategy to invest in high credit rated corporate bonds, maintaining a short-term duration of the portfolio at a medium level of risk to achieve capital conservation

# c. Group Gilt Fund

**Objective**: This BSLI Fund Option aims to deliver safe and consistent returns over a long-term period by investing in Government Securities for capital preservation of the Policyholder.

**Strategy**: This BSLI Fund Option strategy is to invest in government securities, maintaining a medium to long-term duration of the portfolio to achieve capital conservation.

#### d. Group Money Market Fund

**Objective**: The primary objective of this BSLI Fund Option is to provide reasonable returns, at a high level of safety and liquidity for capital conservation for the Policyholder.

**Strategy**: The strategy of this BSLI Fund Option is to make judicious investments in high quality debt and money market instruments protect capital of the Policyholder with very low level of risk.

# e. Group Secure Fund

**Objective**: This BSLI Fund Option helps build your capital and generate better returns at moderate level of risk, over a medium or long-term period through a balance of investment in equity and debt.

**Strategy**: Generate better return with moderate level of risk through active management of fixed income portfolio and focus on creating long term equity portfolio which will enhance yield of composite portfolio with low level of risk appetite.

#### f. Group Stable Fund:

**Objective**: This BSLI Fund Option helps you grow your capital through enhanced returns over a medium to long term period through investments in equity and debt instruments, thereby providing a good balance between risk and return. This fund is suitable for those who want to earn higher return on investment through balanced exposure to equity and debt securities.

**Strategy**: To earn capital appreciation by maintaining diversified equity portfolio and seek to earn regular return on fixed income portfolio by active management resulting in wealth creation for Policyholders.

### g. Group Growth Advantage Fund

**Objective**: The Objective of the fund is to provide blend of fixed return by investing in debt & money market instruments and capital appreciation by predominantly investing in equities of fundamentally strong and large blue chip companies.

**Strategy**: The fund option will invest at least 40% and maximum of 60% in fundamentally strong and large blue chip companies and minimum 40% in Debt and money market Instruments. The Strategy of the fund is to build and actively manage a well-diversified equity portfolio of value & growth driven stocks by following a research-focused investment approach. While appreciating the high risk associated with equities, the fund would attempt to maximize the risk-return pay-off for the long-term advantage of the policyholders. The fund will also explore the option of having exposure to quality mid cap stocks. The Fund Manager would endeavour to outperform the benchmark. The non-equity portion of the fund will be invested in high rated debt and money market instruments and fixed deposits.

# h. Group Short Term Debt Fund

**Objective**: This BSLI Fund Option helps to provide capital preservation at a high level of safety & liquidity through judicious investments in high quality short-term debt instruments.

**Strategy**: To actively manage the fund by building a portfolio of fixed income instruments with short-term duration. The quality & duration of the assets purchased would aim to minimize the credit risk & liquidity risk of the portfolio. Fund will maintain reasonable level of liquidity.

#### i. Group Growth Fund

**Objective**: The objective of this BSLI Fund Option is to achieve optimum balance between growth and stability to provide long-term capital appreciation with balanced level of risk by investing in fixed income securities and high quality equity security. This fund option is for those who are willing to take average to high level of risk to earn attractive returns over a long period of time.

**Strategy**: The strategy is to invest into fixed income securities & maintaining diversified equity portfolio along with active fund management policyholder's wealth in long run.

The Company will manage the investment mix of these segregated funds according to Schedule A given in Part E

#### 7.Segregated Fund

A segregated fund is a specific and separate fund managed for the exclusive interest of all policyholders sharing the same segregated fund.

The Company has sole discretion on the investment and management of each segregated fund within the limits defined in Schedule A given below. The allocation of units in the segregated fund under this policy is notional and is solely for the purpose of determining the Policy Fund Value.

#### 8. Investment Risk

An investment by you in any segregated fund is subject to market and other risks. Other than the explicit guarantees provided by us, there is no assurance that the objectives of any segregated fund will be achieved.

The unit price of any segregated fund may increase or decrease as per the performance of the financial markets. The past performance of any segregated fund offered by us in this policy or otherwise does not indicate the future performance of any segregated funds. The name/s of the segregated fund/s and that of the policy do not in any way indicate the quality of the returns that can be expected from the segregated fund/s.

The Company will manage the investment mix of each segregated fund according to Schedule A given below.

# 9.Segregated Fund Valuation

We usually determine the value of each segregated fund at the end of every business day. The net asset value (NAV) is determined based on (the market value of investments held by the fund *plus* the value of any current assets *less* the value of any current liabilities & provisions) *divided by* the number of units existing at valuation date (before creation or redemption of any units)

This unit price will be published on our Company's website.

#### 10.Segregated Fund Unit Allocation and Unit Redemption

On each business day, the cut-off time is 3 p.m. by which time we must have received and accepted your instructions to invest in, or encash units from a segregated fund. Instructions accepted by us up to the cut-off time are executed using the unit price we determine at the end of that business day. Instructions accepted by us after the cut-off time will be executed using the unit price determined by us at the end of the next business day.

Instruction to invest is deemed accepted by us when we receive cash, demand draft or local cheque at any of our offices by duly authorized officials. For outstation cheque, instruction to invest is deemed accepted by us only on the day we receive credit in any of our bank accounts.

The number of units allocated equals the monetary amount invested in a segregated fund divided by its unit price at that time. Units are allocated when we receive a premium or when we execute your request to switch units from another segregated fund (as applicable to your policy).

The number of units redeemed equals the monetary amount encashed from a segregated fund divided by its unit price at that time. Units are redeemed when we execute your request to switch units to another segregated fund (as applicable to your policy).

In case a Guaranteed Addition is added to your policy, units will be allocated to all segregated funds under your policy in proportion to their value at that time. For the purpose of this paragraph, we will use the latest unit prices available.

Termination of your policy, for any reason, will result in the redemption of all units in all segregated funds under your policy at the time.

# 11. Segregated Fund Additions and Closures

With the approval from the IRDAI we may from time to time add new segregated funds under your policy. All provisions in this policy will continue to apply unless specifically stated otherwise. We will inform you of such addition no later than 60 days after it is made available under your policy.

With the approval from the IRDAI we may at any time close a segregated fund available in your policy. We will inform you in writing of such closure no later than 60 days before we actually close the segregated fund.

Unless specified otherwise, all Units in the segregated fund will be switched to the conservative segregated fund then available in your policy. Similarly, reference to the segregated fund being closed in your premium allocation percentage will be changed to the most conservative segregated fund then available in your policy. Group Fixed Interest Fund is currently the conservative segregated fund. However, we can declare from time to time another segregated fund as the most conservative in your policy.

#### 12.Exceptional Circumstances

For premium or redemptions exceeding INR 5 crores, we reserve the right to suspend the valuation, allocation and/or redemption of units for up to 30 days under the following exceptional circumstances:

- When one or more stock exchanges which provide a basis for valuation for a substantial portion of the assets of the Fund are closed otherwise than for ordinary holidays.
- When, as a result of political, economic, monetary or any circumstances out of the control of the Company, the disposal of the assets of the Fund are not reasonable or would not reasonably be practicable without being detrimental to the interests of the remaining Policyholders.
- During periods of extreme market volatility during which Surrenders and Switches would be detrimental to the interests of the remaining Policyholders.
- In the case of natural calamities, strikes, war, civil unrest, riots and bandhs.
- In the event of any force majeure or disaster that affects the normal functioning of the Company.
- If so directed by the IRDAI

In such events, we shall give a written notice to the Master Policyholder within 48 hours of taking the decision to suspend valuation, allocation and/or redemption of units. Regular updates will be provided to the Master Policyholder till the time we resume normal business activities. We will suspend the valuation, allocation and/or redemption of units only with prior consultation with IRDAI.

Schedule A
List of Segregated Fund/s available under this policy

Segregate d Fund	Segregated Fund Identification No.	Risk Profile	Asset Allocation * Min. Max.
Group Fixed Interest	ULGF00416/07/02BSLGFIXINT10	Low	Debt Instruments Money Market & Cash Equities & Equity Related Securities  60% 100% 0% 40% 0% 0%
Group Bond	ULGF00530/05/03BSLIGRBOND1	Medium	Debt Instruments, Money Market & 100 & 100% Equities & Equity Related Securities
Group Gilt	ULGF00630/05/03BSLIGRGILT10	Low	Debt Instruments, Money Market & 100 & 100% Equities & Equity Related Securities
Group Money Market	ULGF00824/08/04BSLIGRMMKT	Very Low	Debt Instruments, Money Market & 100 & 100% Equities & Equity Related Securities
Group Secure	ULGF00212/06/01BSLGSECURE1	Medium	Debt Instruments, Money Market & Cash 80% 90% Equities & Equity Related 10% 20% Securities

			Debt Instr	umer	nts, Mone	y Market		
Group ULGF00312/06/01BSLGSTABLE Stable	ULGF00312/06/01BSLGSTABLE1	High	& Cash				65%	80%
			Equities	&	Equity	Related	20%	35%
			Securities					
Crave			Debt Instruments, Money Market					
Group ULGF010	ULGF01026/11/07BSLIGGRADV1	High	& Cash				40%	70%
		nigii	Equities	&	Equity	Related	30%	60%
Advantage			Securities					
Group Short Term Debt Fund			Debt Instruments, Money Market					
	ULGF01322/09/08BSLGSHTDBT1	Very	& Cash				100%	100%
	Low	Equities	&	Equity	Related	0%	0%	
			Securities					
			Debt Instruments, Money Market					
Group Growth	ULGF00112/06/01BSLGGROWT 09	High	& Cash				50%	70%
			Equities	&	Equity	Related	30%	50%
			Securities					



#### 1. Contract

Your contract includes this policy document, the application for the policy and any amendments agreed upon in writing after the policy is issued. The contract also includes declarations given by the Master Policyholder and written statements and answers furnished as evidence of insurability. We are bound only by statements that are part of the contract. Only our authorized officers can agree to any change in the contract and then only in writing.

This contract does not provide for participation in the distribution of profits or surplus declared by us.

All the communication/ documents including the Policy Document will be sent and issued in electronic form, unless a specific request is received from You to issue the Policy Document in physical form. It shall be Your responsibility to confirm Your address, email ID, mobile no, bank account details (contact information) or update any change in such contact information.

# 2. Currency and Place of Payment

All payments to or by us will be in accordance with the prevailing Exchange Control regulations and other relevant laws and regulations of India.

Indian Rupee (INR) is the currency of this policy. We will make or accept payments relating to this policy at any of our offices in India or such other locations as determined by us from time to time.

#### 3. Nomination

Nomination will be governed as per the provisions of Section 39 of the Insurance Act, 1938 and as amended from time to time.

For more details on the nomination, please refer to Annexure A.

It is responsibility of the policyholder to maintain the nominee details under this policy and to pay the benefit amount to the nominee. We will not recognize a nomination unless we receive nominee details along with the claim forms.

# 4. Exclusions

Not Applicable

#### 5. Claim Procedures

The Policyholder/Nominee should notify the claim with proof of claim to the "Claims Department" at ABSLI at the nearest Aditya Birla Sun Life Insurance Company Limited or to the Claims Department at <a href="mailto:BSLI.Notificationclaims@adityabirlacapital.com">BSLI.Notificationclaims@adityabirlacapital.com</a>, and the claim documents to be simultaneously sent at the registered office or any branch of ABSLI or at Aditya Birla Sun Life Insurance Company Limited, G- Corp Tech Park, 5th & 6th Floor, Kasar Vadavali, Near Hypercity Mall, Ghodbunder Road, Thane (West) – 400601.

We will be able to proceed with the claim intimation request only on receipt of the following mandatory claim documents –

For processing a claim (be it on vesting or death) under this policy the following documents are required as may be relevant:

For Death Claim:

- In force Certificate of Insurance, issued at the inception of the Cover
- Copy of Death Certificate issued by Municipal Authority / Gram Panchayat of the Member duly attested by Master Policyholder
- · Death Claim Form filled by the Master Policyholder,
- Credit Account Statement
- Outstanding Loan Account Statement

- KYC of Beneficiary and KYC establishing relationship with Member
- Claimant's statement to be filled by the nominee of the Member
- Cancelled Cheque/Copy of Passbook detailing Account information for Electronic payment,
- Medical Attendant's Certificate, if any

Additional Requirements: (Claims within 3 years from date of issue/Revival)

- Hospital or treatment records, if any (Self attested copy)
- Employer's Certificate, if applicable

In case of Unnatural / Accidental Death following additional requirements shall be called for, copies of which need to be attested with seal and signature of the Policyholder.

- First Information Report
- Post Mortem Report
- Final Police Inquest Report
- News Paper Cutting (if any)

ABSLI may request additional information or requirement to support a proof of claim along with proof of death/. If the information or requirements are not provided, benefits will not be payable till such information or requirements are received. However, ABSLI may waive any requirement in its sole discretion on such terms and conditions, as it deems appropriate.

For claiming the benefits you can download the claim request documents from our website https://lifeinsurance.adityabirlacapital.com or contact us.

In case you are unable to provide any or all of the above documents, in exceptional circumstances such as a natural calamity, we may at our own discretion conduct an investigation and subsequently settle the claim.

More details on the Turn Around Time (TAT) for claims settlement and brief procedure can be found on https://lifeinsurance.adityabirlacapital.com/customer-service/service-tats. For any further queries, You can call us at our toll free no. 1800 270 7000 or email us at Aditya Birla Capital - Life Insurance BSLI.Notificationclaims@adityabirlacapital.com.The link for downloading claim form and list of documents required is <a href="https://lifeinsurance.adityabirlacapital.com/customer-service/claim-procedure/online-claim/claim-forms-and-downloads">https://lifeinsurance.adityabirlacapital.com/customer-service/claim-procedure/online-claim/claim-forms-and-downloads</a>.

# 6. Policy Servicing

All servicing related requests should be in writing and delivered to Us through any of the following modes:

- You can email us at absli.grouphelpline@adityabirlacapital.com
- Visit Our nearest Branch Office

More details on the Turn Around Time (TAT) for processing any servicing related request can be found on https://lifeinsurance.adityabirlacapital.com/customer-service/service-tats. The link for downloading applicable forms and list of documents for servicing related request is https://lifeinsurance.adityabirlacapital.com/group-insurance-policy. For any further assistance that You may require, You can call us at our toll free no. 1800 270 7000.

#### 7. Member Register

You are responsible to maintain a register of Members covered in prescribed format. We reserve the right to inspect the register of Members at any time.

# 8. Discharge Receipt

A receipt signed by any person authorized in writing by the Master Policyholder shall be good, valid and sufficient discharge with respect to any payments made by us under this policy.

# 9. Taxation

The income tax on your policy will be as per prevailing Income Tax laws in India and any amendment(s) made thereto from time to time. As per the applicable laws and any amendments made thereto from time to time, we reserve the right to:

- deduct or withhold tax as the case may be; and
- recover levies, taxes, cess and duties including but not limited to GST from you or adjust the same from the amounts paid by you or accrued or payable to you under the policy.

# 10. Fraud and Misrepresentation

As per provisions of Section 45 of the Insurance Act, 1938 and as amended from time to time. For more details on Section 45 of the Insurance Act, 1938 please refer to Annexure B.

# 11. Governing Laws

This policy shall be interpreted in accordance with and governed by the laws of India and only competent courts at the place of issue of this policy shall have jurisdiction to entertain legal action.

# 12. Electronic Transactions

You will comply with all the terms and conditions with respect to all transactions effected by or through facilities for conducting remote transactions including the internet, world wide web, electronic data interchange, call centre, teleservice operations or by other means of telecommunication established by Us or on Our behalf, for and in respect of the Policy or services, which will constitute legally binding and valid transactions when executed in adherence to and in compliance with the terms and conditions for such facilities.

# 13.Legislative Changes

The terms and conditions under this Policy including the premiums and benefits payable are subject to variation in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations.

#### **Grievance or Complaint**

You may register your grievance or complaint with nearest branches or with Our Grievance Officer at Customer Care Unit / Aditya Birla Sun Life Insurance Company Ltd at G- Corp Tech Park, 5th & 6th Floor, Kasar Vadavali, Near Hypercity Mall, Ghodbunder Road, Thane (West) – 400601 or at Company's registered address at One World Centre, Tower 1, 16th Floor, Jupiter Mill Compound, 841, Senapati Bapat Marg, Elphinstone Road, Mumbai – 400013.

You may also lodge your grievance or complaint with any of our nearest branches or also call our toll free no. 1-800-270-7000 or on Whatsapp no. 8828800040 or email: care.lifeinsurance@adityabirlacapital.com

In case you are dissatisfied with the decision of the above office or have not received any response within 07 days, you may contact **Head Service Assurance** at Customer Care Unit / Aditya Birla Sun Life Insurance Company Ltd at 5th & 6th Floor, Kasar Vadavali, Near Hypercity Mall, Ghodbunder Road, Thane (West) — 400601 or at Company's registered address at One World Centre, Tower 1, 16th Floor, Jupiter Mill Compound, 841, Senapati Bapat Marg, Elphinstone Road, Mumbai — 400013. You may also call our toll free no. 1-800-270-7000 or email: grievance.lifeinsurance@adityabirlacapital.com

The complaint should be made in writing duly signed or through email by the complainant or by his/her legal heirs with full details of the complaint and the contact information of complainant.

You can contact the Grievance Redressal Officer on the details provided on https://lifeinsurance.adityabirlacapital.com/grievance-redressal

If you are not satisfied with the response or do not receive a response from us within 14 days, you may approach the Grievance Cell of the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) on the following contact details:

IRDAI Grievance Call Centre (IGCC) TOLL FREE NO: 155255

Email ID: complaints@irda.gov.in

You can also register your complaint online at

http://www.igms.irda.gov.in/

By Phone : 155255 or 1800 4254 732

Address for communication for complaints:

Policyholder's protection & Grievance Redressal Department – Grievance Redressal Cell Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India,

4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Sy No. 115/1, Financial District,

Nanakramguda, Gachibowli, Hyderabad – 500032

Ph: (040) 20204000

# **Insurance Ombudsman**

In case you are dissatisfied with the decision/resolution of the Company, you may approach the Insurance Ombudsman located nearest to you The details of the existing offices of the Insurance Ombudsman are provided in Appendix-I below. You are requested to visit http://www.cioins.co.in/Ombudsman for updated details.

The Ombudsman, as per Insurance Ombudsman Rules, 2017, can receive and consider complaints or disputes relating to the matters such as:

- a) Delay in settlement of claims, beyond the time specified in the regulations, framed under the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India Act, 1999
- b) Any partial or total repudiation of claims by the life insurer, General insurer or the health insurer;
- c) Disputes over premium paid or payable in terms of insurance policy;
- d) Misrepresentation of policy terms and conditions at any time in the policy document or policy contract;
- e) Legal construction of insurance policies insofar as the dispute relates to claim;
- f) Policy servicing related grievances against insurers and their agents and intermediaries;

- g) Issuance of life insurance policy, general insurance policy including health insurance policy which is not in conformity with the proposal form submitted by the proposer;
- h) Non-issuance of insurance policy after receipt of premium in life insurance and general insurance including health insurance; and
- i) Any other matter arising from non-observance of or non-adherence to the provisions of any regulations made by the Authority with regard to protection of policyholders' interests or otherwise, or of any circular, guideline or instruction issued by the Authority, or of the terms and conditions of the policy contract, insofar as such matter relates to issues referred to in clauses (a) to (h)

As per provision 14(3) of the Insurance Ombudsman Rules 2017, the complaint to the Ombudsman can be made only if:

- (a) the complainant has made a representation in writing or through electronic mail or online through website of the insurer named in the complaint and
- (i) either the insurer had rejected the complaint; or
- (ii) the complainant had not received any reply within a period of one month after the insurer received his representation; or
- (iii) the complainant is not satisfied with the reply given to him by the insurer;
- (b) The complaint is made within one year
- (i) after the order of the insurer rejecting the representation is received; or
- (ii) after receipt of decision of the insurer which is not to the satisfaction of the complainant;
- (iii) after expiry of a period of one month from the date of sending the written representation to the insurer if the insurer named fails to furnish reply to the complainant

#### **Risk Factors / Disclaimers**

This policy is underwritten by Aditya Birla Sun Life Insurance Company Limited (ABSLI). This is a unit linked group life insurance plan. Aditya Birla Sun Life Insurance - ABSLI Group Assured Pension Plan – Segregated Fund Options are only the names of the Company, Policy and Segregated Funds and do not in any way indicate their quality, future prospects or returns. The policy charges mentioned above are applicable to the base policy. Unless specifically stated as guaranteed, policy charges can be modified by the company subject to the specified limits and prior IRDAI approval. The value of the Segregated Fund reflects the value of the underlying investments. These investments are subject to market risks and change in fundamentals such as tax rates etc affecting the investment portfolio. The premium paid in unit linked life insurance policies are subject to investment risk associated with capital markets and the unit price of the units may go up or down based on the performance of Segregated Fund and factors influencing the capital market and the policyholder is responsible for his/her decisions. There is no guarantee or assurance of returns from the Segregated Funds. ABSLI reserves the right to recover levies such as the GST levied by the authorities on insurance transactions. If there be any additional levies, they too will be recovered from you. Tax benefits are subject to changes in the tax laws.

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# **ANNEXURE A**

# Section 39 - Nomination by Policyholder

Nomination of a life insurance Policy is as below in accordance with Section 39 of the Insurance Act, 1938 as amended by Insurance Laws (Amendment) Act, 2015The extant provisions in this regard are as follows:

- 1. The policyholder of a life insurance on his own life may nominate a person or persons to whom money secured by the policy shall be paid in the event of his death.
- 2. Where the nominee is a minor, the policyholder may appoint any person to receive the money secured by the policy in the event of policyholder's death during the minority of the nominee. The manner of appointment to be laid down by the insurer.
- 3. Nomination can be made at any time before the maturity of the policy.

- 4. Nomination may be incorporated in the text of the policy itself or may be endorsed on the policy communicated to the insurer and can be registered by the insurer in the records relating to the policy.
- 5. Nomination can be cancelled or changed at any time before policy matures, by an endorsement or a further endorsement or a will as the case may be.
- 6. A notice in writing of Change or Cancellation of nomination must be delivered to the insurer for the insurer to be liable to such nominee. Otherwise, insurer will not be liable if a bonafide payment is made to the person named in the text of the policy or in the registered records of the insurer.
- 7. Fee to be paid to the insurer for registering change or cancellation of a nomination can be specified by the Authority through Regulations.
- 8. On receipt of notice with fee, the insurer should grant a written acknowledgement to the policyholder of having registered a nomination or cancellation or change thereof.
- 9. A transfer or assignment made in accordance with Section 38 shall automatically cancel the nomination except in case of assignment to the insurer or other transferee or assignee for purpose of loan or against security or its reassignment after repayment. In such case, the nomination will not get cancelled to the extent of insurer's or transferee's or assignee's interest in the policy. The nomination will get revived on repayment of the loan.
- 10. The right of any creditor to be paid out of the proceeds of any policy of life insurance shall not be affected by the nomination.
- 11. In case of nomination by policyholder whose life is insured, if the nominees die before the policyholder, the proceeds are payable to policyholder or his heirs or legal representatives or holder of succession certificate.
- 12. In case nominee(s) survive the person whose life is insured, the amount secured by the policy shall be paid to such survivor(s).
- 13. Where the policyholder whose life is insured nominates his
  - a. parents or
  - b. spouse or
  - c. children or
  - d. spouse and children
  - e. or any of them

the nominees are beneficially entitled to the amount payable by the insurer to the policyholder unless it is proved that policyholder could not have conferred such beneficial title on the nominee having regard to the nature of his title.

- 14. If nominee(s) die after the policyholder but before his share of the amount secured under the policy is paid, the share of the expired nominee(s) shall be payable to the heirs or legal representative of the nominee or holder of succession certificate of such nominee(s).
- 15. The provisions of sub-section 7 and 8 (13 and 14 above) shall apply to all life insurance policies maturing for payment after the commencement of Insurance Laws (Amendment) Ordinance, 2014 (i.e 26.12.2014).
- 16. If policyholder dies after maturity but the proceeds and benefit of the policy has not been paid to him because of his death, his nominee(s) shall be entitled to the proceeds and benefit of the policy.
- 17. The provisions of Section 39 are not applicable to any life insurance policy to which Section 6 of Married Women's Property Act, 1874 applies or has at any time applied except where before or after Insurance Laws (Ordinance) 2014, a nomination is made in favour of spouse or children or spouse and children whether or not on the face of the policy it is mentioned that it is made under Section 39. Where nomination is intended to be made to spouse or children or spouse and children under Section 6 of MWP Act, it should be specifically mentioned on the policy. In such a case only, the provisions of Section 39 will not apply.

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#### **ANNEXURE B**

#### Section 45 – Policy shall not be called in question on the ground of mis-statement after three years

Provisions regarding policy not being called into question in terms of Section 45 of the Insurance Act, 1938, as amended by Insurance Laws (Amendment) Act, 2015 are as follows:

- 1. No Policy of Life Insurance shall be called in question on any ground whatsoever after expiry of 3 yrs from
  - a. the date of issuance of policy or
  - b. the date of commencement of risk or
  - c. the date of revival of policy or
  - d. the date of rider to the policy

whichever is later.

- 2. On the ground of fraud, a policy of Life Insurance may be called in question within 3 years from
  - a. the date of issuance of policy or
  - b. the date of commencement of risk or
  - c. the date of revival of policy or
  - d. the date of rider to the policy

whichever is later.

For this, the insurer should communicate in writing to the insured or legal representative or nominee or assignees of insured, as applicable, mentioning the ground and materials on which such decision is based.

- 3. Fraud means any of the following acts committed by insured or by his agent, with the intent to deceive the insurer or to induce the insurer to issue a life insurance policy:
  - a. The suggestion, as a fact of that which is not true and which the insured does not believe to be true;
  - b. The active concealment of a fact by the insured having knowledge or belief of the fact;
  - c. Any other act fitted to deceive; and
  - d. Any such act or omission as the law specifically declares to be fraudulent.
- 4. Mere silence is not fraud unless, depending on circumstances of the case, it is the duty of the insured or his agent keeping silence to speak or silence is in itself equivalent to speak.
- 5. No Insurer shall repudiate a life insurance Policy on the ground of Fraud, if the Insured / beneficiary can prove that the misstatement was true to the best of his knowledge and there was no deliberate intention to suppress the fact or that such mis-statement of or suppression of material fact are within the knowledge of the insurer. Onus of disproving is upon the policyholder, if alive, or beneficiaries.
- 6. Life insurance Policy can be called in question within 3 years on the ground that any statement of or suppression of a fact material to expectancy of life of the insured was incorrectly made in the proposal or other document basis which policy was issued or revived or rider issued. For this, the insurer should communicate in writing to the insured or legal representative or nominee or assignees of insured, as applicable, mentioning the ground and materials on which decision to repudiate the policy of life insurance is based.
- 7. In case repudiation is on ground of mis-statement and not on fraud, the premium collected on policy till the date of repudiation shall be paid to the insured or legal representative or nominee or assignees of insured, within a period of 90 days from the date of repudiation.
- 8. Fact shall not be considered material unless it has a direct bearing on the risk undertaken by the insurer. The onus is on insurer to show that if the insurer had been aware of the said fact, no life insurance policy would have been issued to the insured.
- 9. The insurer can call for proof of age at any time if he is entitled to do so and no policy shall be deemed to be called in question merely because the terms of the policy are adjusted on subsequent proof of age of life insured. So, this Section will not be applicable for questioning age or adjustment based on proof of age submitted subsequently.

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