

#### SCHEME INFORMATION DOCUMENT

# BNP PARIBAS FLEXI DEBT FUND (An Open ended Dynamic Debt Scheme investing across duration)

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

- Regular income in long term.
- Investments in debt and money market instruments.

# Riskometer for the Scheme^^



Investors understand that their principal will be at MODERATE RISK

#### Continuous Offer for Units at NAV based prices

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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 BNP Paribas Mutual Fund, tax and legal issues and general information on <a href="https://www.bnpparibasmf.in">www.bnpparibasmf.in</a>.

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

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

This Scheme Information Document is dated October 30, 2021.

<sup>\*</sup>Investors should consult their financial advisers if in doubt about whether the product is suitable for them. \*basis scheme portfolio as on September 30, 2021.



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# HIGHLIGHTS/SUMMARY OF THE SCHEME

Name of the Scheme	BNP Paribas Flexi Debt Fund (BNPPFDF)
Type of the Scheme	An Open ended Dynamic Debt Scheme investing across duration
'Category' as per	Dynamic Bond
SEBI circular dt.	
October 06, 2017	
<b>Investment objective</b>	The primary objective of the Scheme is to generate income through investments in a
	range of Debt and Money Market Instruments of various maturities with a view to
	maximising income while maintaining an optimum balance between yield, safety and
	liquidity.
	However, there can be no assurance that the investment objectives of the Scheme will
	be realized. The Scheme does not guarantee/indicate any returns.
Liquidity	The units may be purchased / switched in or redeemed / switched out on every
	business day at NAV based prices, subject to provisions of exit load, if any.
	The AMC reserves the right to reject further subscription / application for units of the
	schemes on an on-going basis, depending on the prevailing market conditions and to
	protect the interest of the investors. Such change will be notified to the investors by
	display of notice at various investor service centres of AMC and its website. The
	prevailing SEBI Regulations in the matter shall be complied with from time to time.
Benchmark	CRISIL Dynamic Debt Index
<b>AUM and Folios (as</b>	INR 116.84 Crs
on 30-Sept-2021)	Folios: 1,280
Transparency / NAV	The AMC shall declare the Net Asset Value (NAV) of the scheme on every Business
Disclosure	Day on AMFI's website (www.amfiindia.com) by 11.00 p.m. and also on its website
	(www.bnpparibasmf.in). The NAV shall be calculated for all Business Days. In case
	of any delay, the reasons for such delay would also be explained to AMFI & SEBI in
	writing and the number of such instances would also be reported to SEBI on a
	quarterly basis. If the NAVs are not available before the commencement of business
	hours of the following day due to any reason, the AMC/Mutual Fund shall issue a
	press release providing reasons and explaining when the AMC/Mutual Fund would
	be able to publish the NAVs. The NAV shall also be made available to Unit Holders through SMS upon receiving a specific request in this regard on its website.
	The AMC/Mutual Fund shall disclose portfolio (along with ISIN) on a fortnightly
	and monthly basis for the Scheme on its website and on the website of AMFI within
	5 days of every fortnight and within 10 days from the close of each month. The
	AMC/Mutual Fund shall also disclose portfolio (along with ISIN) as on the last day
	of the half-year (i.e. 31st March and on 30th September) for the Scheme on its website
	and on the website of AMFI within 10 days from the close of half-year.
	The AMC shall within one month from the close of each half year, i.e. 31st March &
	30th September, host a copy of its unaudited financial results on its website.
Plans & Options	The Scheme offers following two plans:
Times or options	(a) BNP Paribas Flexi Debt Fund
	(b) BNP Paribas Flexi Debt Fund - Direct Plan
	Each Plan offers Growth Option, Daily Income Distribution cum Capital Withdrawal
	(IDCW) Option^* with compulsory Re-investment, Weekly Income Distribution
	cum Capital Withdrawal (IDCW) Option^* with compulsory Re-investment,
	Monthly Income Distribution cum Capital Withdrawal (IDCW) Option^*, Quarterly
	Income Distribution cum Capital Withdrawal (IDCW) Option^* and Half-Yearly
	Income Distribution cum Capital Withdrawal (IDCW) Option^*. The Monthly
	IDCW, Quarterly IDCW and Half-Yearly IDCW Options offer Payout and Re-
	investment facilities.
	There shall be a single portfolio under the scheme.



Loads	^Pursuant to SEBI circular SEBI/HO/IMD/DF3/CIR/P/2020/194 dated October 05, 2020, 'Dividend option' under the Scheme has been renamed to "Income Distribution cum Capital Withdrawal option (IDCW) Option" effective April 01, 2021.  *Amounts under IDCW option can be distributed out of investors capital (equalization reserve), which is part of sale price that represents realized gains. However, investors are requested to note that amount of distribution under IDCW option is not guaranteed and subject to availability of distributable surplus.  Entry Load: Nil  Exit Load: Nil
	The above load shall also be applicable for switches between the schemes of the Fund and for Systematic Investment Plans, Systematic Transfer Plans, Systematic Withdrawal Plans etc. No exit load will be charged on switches between options of the same plan of the Fund. Please refer the section "Direct Plan" for load structure for switches within the Plan.  No load will be charged on units issued upon re-investment of amount of distribution under same IDCW option and bonus units.
	The exit load charged, if any shall be credited to the scheme.
	In accordance with the requirements specified by the SEBI circular no. SEBI/ IMD/CIR No. 4/ 168230/09 dated June 30, 2009 no entry load will be charged for purchase/additional purchase/ switch-in accepted by the Fund. 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.
	The AMC reserves the right to modify the load structure on a prospective.
Minimum Application Amount	<b>Lumpsum investment:</b> Rs. 5,000 and in multiples of Re. 1 thereafter. <b>SIP:</b> (i) Daily, Weekly, Monthly SIP: Rs. 300/- and in multiples of Re. 1/- thereafter; (ii) Quarterly SIP: Rs. 1000/- and in multiples of Re. 1/- thereafter. There is no upper limit.  The AMC reserves the right to change the minimum application amount from time to time.
Minimum Additional	Rs. 1,000 and in multiples of Re. 1 thereafter.
Application Amount	The AMC reserves the right to change the minimum additional application amount from time to time.
<b>Levy of Stamp Duty</b>	Investors/Unit holders are requested to note that that pursuant to Notification No. S.O.
on applicable Mutual	1226(E) and G.S.R 226 (E) dated March 30, 2020 issued by Department of Revenue,
Fund Transactions (effective July 01,	Ministry of Finance, Government of India, read with Part I of Chapter IV of The Finance Act, 2019, notified on February 21, 2019 issued by Legislative Department, Ministry of
2020)	Law and Justice, Government of India, <b>a stamp duty</b> @ <b>0.005% of the transaction value</b> would be levied on applicable mutual fund transactions. Accordingly, pursuant to levy of stamp duty, the number of units allotted on purchase/switch transactions (including reinvestment of amounts under IDCW option i.e. dividend reinvestment) to the Investors/Unit holders would be reduced to that extent.
Transaction charges	Pursuant to SEBI Circular No. Cir/ IMD/ DF/13/ 2011 dated August 22, 2011, the
(For Lumpsum Purchases and SIP Investments routed through distributor / agent)	AMC shall deduct transaction charges as per the following details from the subscription amount in case the investor invests through distributor / agent. The amount so deducted shall be paid to the distributor/agent of the investor (in case they have "opted in") and the balance shall be invested. In accordance with SEBI circular no. CIR/IMD/DF/21/2012 dated September 13, 2012, the distributors shall have an option either to opt in or opt out of levying transaction charge based on type of the product.



- 1. **First time investor in Mutual Fund (across all the Mutual Funds):** Transaction charge of Rs. 150/- for subscription of Rs. 10,000 and above shall be deducted.
- 2. **Existing investor in Mutual Funds (across all the Mutual Funds):** Transaction charge of Rs. 100/- per subscription of Rs. 10,000 and above shall be deducted.
- 3. **For SIP** The transaction charges in case of investments through SIP shall be deducted only if the total commitment (i.e. amount per SIP installment x No. of installments) amounts to Rs. 10,000/- and above. The transaction charges shall be deducted in 3-4 installments.
- 4. Transaction charges shall not be deducted for:
  - (i) purchases /subscriptions for an amount less than Rs. 10,000/-
  - (ii) transaction other than purchases/ subscriptions relating to new inflows such as Switch/ Systematic Transfer Plan (STP), Systematic Withdrawal Plan (SWP) etc.
  - (iii) purchases/ subscriptions made directly with the Fund (i.e. not through any distributor/agent).
  - (iv) transactions through stock exchange.
- 5. The statement of account shall reflect the net investment as gross subscription less transaction charge and the number of units allotted against the net investment.
- 6. As per SEBI circular no. SEBI/ IMD/ CIR No. 4/168230/09 dated June 30, 2009, the upfront commission to distributors shall be paid by the investor directly to the distributor by a separate cheque based on the investor's assessment of various factors including service rendered by the distributor.

# Option to hold units in dematerialized (demat) form

Pursuant to SEBI Circular no. CIR/IMD/DF/9/2011 dated May 19, 2011; the unit holders of the scheme shall be provided an option to hold units in demat form in addition to physical form. The following shall be applicable:

- 1. The unit holder opting to hold units in demat form must provide their demat account details in the specified section of the application form. Such unit holder should have a beneficiary account with the depository participant (DP) (registered with NSDL / CDSL) and shall be required to indicate in the application form the name of the DP, DP ID Number and the beneficiary account number. The unit holder must mandatorily provide latest client investor master or demat account statement along with the application form.
- 2. Units held in demat form are transferable (except for Equity Linked Savings Scheme) in accordance with the provisions of SEBI (Depositories and Participants) Regulations, 1996 as may be amended from time to time. Transfer can be made only in favor of transferees who are capable of holding units and having a valid demat account.
- 3. In case, the unit holder desires to hold the units in a demat/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 the DP directly and not to the AMC or the Registrar and Transfer Agent (RTA) of the Fund. The AMC shall then issue units in the desired form within two working days of the receipt of valid documents from the respective DP. The credit of the converted units shall be reflected in the transaction statement provided by the DP to its client. Similarly, request for redemption or any other non financial request shall be submitted directly to the DP and not to the AMC/RTA of the Fund.
- 4. For the units held in demat form investors will receive an account statement from their respective DPs and not from AMC / RTA of the Fund.
- 5. Units will be credited in the demat account only based on fund realization.
- 6. The facility of availing the units in demat / remat form is available subject to such processes, operating guidelines and terms & conditions as may be prescribed by the DPs and the depositories from time to time.
- 7. Presently, the option to hold units in demat form shall not be available for systematic transactions like Systematic Transfer Plan (STP), Systematic



- Withdrawal Plan (SWP) etc. Similarly, such option shall not be provided to investors investing in plans with daily, weekly and fortnightly IDCW frequency, if any, under the scheme. Such investors shall be mandatorily allotted units in physical form.
- 8. Pursuant to SEBI circular no. CIR/IMD/DF/9/2011 dated May 19, 2011 and AMFI communication no. 35P/MEM-COR/35/11-12 dated December 23, 2011 an option to hold units in demat form shall be available for SIP transactions. However, the units will be allotted based on the applicable NAV as per the SID and will be credited to investors demat account on weekly basis upon realization of funds. For e.g. units will be credited to investors demat account every Monday (or immediate next business day in case Monday happens to be a non-business day) for realization status received in last week from Monday to Friday. If an investor has opted to hold units in demat form for SIP transactions, he will be able to redeem / transfer only those units which are credited to his demat account till the date of submission of redemption / transfer request. Accordingly, redemption / transfer request shall be liable to be rejected in case of non-availability of sufficient units in the investor's demat account as on date of submission of redemption / transfer request.

#### Direct Plan

Direct Plan is available under all the existing open-ended schemes of the Fund for investors who purchase /subscribe units in a scheme directly with the Fund and is not available for investors who route their investments through a Distributor. Following provisions shall be applicable for investments in Direct Plan:

- 1. Switch of investments from distributor plan to Direct Plan within the scheme shall be subject to applicable exit load if any, if the investment had come through a Distributor. However, any subsequent switch out or redemption / repurchase of such investments from the Direct Plan will not be subject to any exit load.
- 2. If the investment had come direct without any distributor code, then no exit load will be charged on switches from distributor plan to Direct Plan within the scheme. However, any subsequent switch out or redemption / repurchase of such investment from the distributor plan shall be subject to exit load based on the original date of investment in the distributor Plan.
- 3. No exit load shall be levied in case of switches from Direct Plan to distributor plan within the scheme. However, any subsequent switch out or redemption / repurchase of such investment from the distributor plan shall be subject to exit load based on the original date of investment in the Direct Plan.
- 4. Direct Plan shall have a lower expense ratio excluding distribution expenses, commission, etc. and no commission for distribution of units will be paid / charged under Direct Plan.
- 5. Investors wishing to transfer their accumulated unit balance held under distributor plan (through lumpsum / systematic investments made with or without Distributor code) to Direct Plan will have to initiate a switch request which shall be processed in the normal course as per timelines applicable for switch transactions.
- 6. Investments under Direct Plan can be made through various modes offered by the Fund for investing directly with the Fund {except Stock Exchange Platform(s) and all other Platform(s) where investors' applications for subscription of units are routed through Distributors}.
- 7. Investors, who have invested without Distributor code and have opted for IDCW reinvestment facility under distributor plan prior to the January 01, 2013 ('Effective Date'), may note that the amount will continue to be reinvested in the existing plan with the applicable terms and conditions.
- 8. In case of Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) / Systematic Transfer Plan (STP), etc. registered prior to the Effective Date without any distributor code under the distributor plan, installments falling on or after the Effective Date will be automatically processed under the Direct Plan with the applicable terms and conditions.



- 9. In case of the following facilities which were registered under the distributor plan prior to the Effective Date the future installments shall continue under the distributor plan: (i) Systematic Transfer Facilities (registered with Distributor Code) (ii) Transfer of Income Distribution cum Capital Withdrawal Plan (TIDCW) (erstwhile Dividend Transfer Plans) (registered from a folio where investments were made both with and without Distributor code) In case such investors wish to invest under the Direct Plan through these facilities, they would have to cancel their existing enrolments and register afresh for such facilities.
- 10. Investors who have registered for SIP facility prior to the Effective Date with distributor code and wish to invest their future installments into the Direct Plan shall make a written request to the Fund for the same. The Fund will take at least 15 working days to process such requests. Intervening installment, if any, will continue in the distributor plan.
- 11. Where units under a scheme are held under both distributor and Direct Plan and the redemption / switch request pertains to the Direct Plan, the same must clearly be mentioned on the request (along with the folio number), failing which the request would be processed from the distributor plan. However, where units under the requested option are held only under one plan, the request would be processed under such plan.
- 12. Switch / redemption / repurchase may entail tax consequences. Investors should consult their professional tax advisor before initiating such requests. Further, exit load shall be applicable for switches between the two schemes. The exit load shall not be charged for inter option switch within the same plan.

# Single Plan Structure

Pursuant to SEBI directive that all the schemes shall have a single plan and shall be subject to single expense structure, the Scheme shall have only one surviving plan as per the following details with effect from October 01, 2012:

Scheme	Plan/s not available for fresh	New name of Surviving Plan
Name	subscriptions (Discontinued Plan)	
BNPPFDF	1	BNP Paribas Flexi Debt Fund

- 1. Redemptions / switch outs shall be permitted in the plans not available for fresh subscriptions with effect from 1st October, 2012.
- 2. The Plans not available for fresh subscription shall be in existence till the existing investors remain invested in the respective Plans. Accordingly, only the surviving plan shall be available to the investors for subscription.
- 3. The Systematic Registrations like Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) in the existing plans has been discontinued from the effective date, November 1, 2012.
- 4. The Systematic Transfer Plan (STP) enrolled for "Transfer Out" under Discontinued Plans are being / shall be processed as per the instructions given by the investors. However, STP instructions for "Transfer In" to the Discontinued Plans have been terminated.
- 5. The Systematic Withdrawal Plan (SWP) enrolled under Discontinued Plans are being / shall be processed as per the instructions given by the investors.

Any transaction requests (viz. redemption, switches, STP) submitted with respect to such investments should clearly specify Plan / Option of the Scheme of which units are to be processed accordingly.



#### I. INTRODUCTION

#### A. RISK FACTORS

#### **Standard Risk Factors**

- (i) Investments in mutual fund units involves investment risks such as market risk, credit & default risk, liquidity risk, trading volumes, settlement risk, including the possible loss of principal.
- (ii) As the price/value/interest rates of the securities in which the scheme invests fluctuate, the value of your investment in the scheme may go up or down. The various factors which impact the value of the scheme's investments include, but are not limited to, fluctuations in the stock markets, bond markets, fluctuations in interest rates, prevailing political and economic environment, changes in government policy, factors specific to the companies and issuer of the securities, tax laws, liquidity of the underlying instruments, settlement periods, trading volumes etc.
- (iii) Past performance of the Sponsor/ AMC/ Mutual Fund does not guarantee future performance of the scheme.
- (iv) BNP Paribas Flexi Debt Fund is the name of the scheme and does not in any manner indicate either the quality of the scheme or its future prospects and returns.
- (v) The sponsor / associates are not responsible or liable for any loss resulting from the operation of the scheme beyond the initial contribution of Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One lakh only) to the corpus of the Mutual Fund made by it towards setting up the Fund.
- (vi) The present scheme is not a guaranteed or assured return scheme.

#### **Scheme Specific Risk Factors**

#### Market Risk:

All mutual funds and securities investments are subject to market risk and there can be no assurance / guarantee that the scheme's objectives will be achieved. The securities that the scheme invests in would be exposed to price changes on a day-to-day basis. These price changes may occur due to instrument-specific factors as well as general macroeconomic conditions.

Markets are volatile and can decline significantly in response to adverse issuer, political, regulatory, market or economic developments. The scheme may be subject to price volatility due to factors such as interest sensitivity, market perception, and creditworthiness of issuer and market liquidity.

Different parts of the market can react differently to these developments. The value of an individual security or particular type of security can be more volatile than the market as a whole and can perform differently from the value of the market as a whole.

#### - Concentration Risk

The scheme may pursue only a limited degree of diversification. It may invest a greater proportion of assets in the securities of very few issuers (within the limits permitted by regulation) or be concentrated on a few market sectors. This could have implications on the performance of the scheme. The scheme may be more sensitive to economic, business, political or other changes and this may lead to sizeable fl uctuation in the Net Asset Value of the scheme.

#### Risks associated with investing in fixed income securities:

 Credit and Counterparty risk: Credit risk or default risk refers to the risk that an issuer of a fixed income security may default (i.e., will be unable to make timely principal and interest payments on the security or honor its contractual obligations).

Counterparty risk refers to the counterparty's inability to honor its commitments (payment, delivery, repayment, etc.) and to risk of default. This risk relates to the quality of the counterparty to which the scheme has exposures. Losses can occur in particular for the settlement/delivery of financial instruments or the conclusion of financial derivatives contracts.

The value of a fixed income security will fluctuate depending upon the changes in the perceived level of credit and counterparty risk as well as any actual event of default.

If the credit rating of an issue, issuer or counterparty is downgraded this may cause the value of the related debt securities in which the scheme has invested to fall.



The severity of the risk varies depending on the quality of the securities in the scheme. To the extent that the scheme invests in high-yield bonds, this presents a higher than average risk. There are different types of debentures available in the market. Some of them could be more risky. Lower-quality debt securities and certain types of securities involve greater risk of default or price changes due to changes in the credit quality of the issuer. They are not in the first rank of debts in case of default. The value of lower-quality debt securities and certain types of other securities can be more volatile due to increased sensitivity to adverse issuer, political, regulatory, market or economic developments.

# 2. Liquidity Risk:

The liquidity of the scheme's investment is inherently restricted by trading volumes in the securities in which the scheme invests.

A lower level of liquidity affecting an individual security or an entire market at the same time, may have an adverse bearing on the value of the scheme's assets. More importantly, this may affect the Fund's ability to sell particular securities quickly enough to minimise impact cost, as and when necessary to meet requirements of liquidity or to sell securities in response to triggers such as a specific economic/corporate event.

Trading volumes, settlement periods and transfer procedures may restrict the liquidity of a few or all of the investments and may affect the liquidity of the investments of the scheme.

The scheme may be unable to implement purchase or sale decisions when the markets turn illiquid, missing some investment opportunities or limiting ability to face redemptions. The lack of liquidity could also lead to the risk that the sale price of a security could be substantially lower than the fair value of the security.

#### 3. Interest Rate Risk & Re-investment Risk:

The value of an investment may be affected by interest rate fluctuations. Interest rates may be influenced by several elements or events, such as monetary policy, the discount rate, inflation, etc.

The value of debt and fixed income securities held by the Scheme generally will vary inversely with the changes in prevailing interest rates. In general, price of debt and fixed income securities go up when interest rates fall, and vice versa.

Securities of any issuer that has higher duration could be more risky in terms of price movements relative to those with lower duration. Thus any impact of interest rate changes would be higher on securities with higher duration irrespective of the status of the issuer of the security.

The investments made by the Scheme are subject to reinvestment risk. This risk refers to the interest rate levels at which cash flows received from the securities in the Scheme are reinvested. The additional income from reinvestment is the "interest on interest" component. The risk is that the rate at which interim cash flows can be reinvested may be lower than that originally assumed.

There have been times in the past, when settlements have been unable to keep pace with the volume of securities transactions, making it difficult to conduct further transactions. Delays or other problems in settlement of transactions could result in temporary periods when the assets of the scheme are not invested and no return is earned thereon

#### 4. Sovereign risk:

The Central Government of India is the issuer of the local currency debt in India. The Government raises money to meet its capital and revenue expenditure by issuing debt or discounted securities. Since payment of interest and principal amount has a sovereign status implying least probability of a default, such securities are known as securities with sovereign credit. It also implies that the credit risk on such Government securities is even lower than that on non-government securities with "AAA" rating and hence yields on government securities are even lower than yields on non-government securities with "AAA" rating.

- **Risk associated with investment in unrated instruments:** The scheme may invest in lower rated/unrated instruments considering the overall risk of the portfolio. This may increase the absolute level of risk of the portfolio. The credit risk & liquidity risk will be relatively higher for lower/unrated instruments as compared to the instruments that have been assigned investment grade ratings. Lower rated/ unrated securities also tend to be more sensitive to economic conditions than instruments that have been assigned investment grade ratings.



#### - Risks associated with Securities Lending

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

# - Risk associated with investments in derivatives (including Imperfect Hedging with investments in Interest rate Futures (IRFs)):

The scheme may use various derivative instruments and techniques, permitted within SEBI Regulation from time to time only for portfolio balancing and hedging purpose, which may increase the volatility of scheme's performance. Usage of derivatives will expose the scheme to certain risks inherent to such derivatives. Derivative products are specialized instruments and can provide disproportionate gains as well as disproportionate losses to the investor. Execution of such strategies depends upon the ability of the fund manager to identify such opportunities. Identification and execution of the strategies to be pursued by the fund manager involve uncertainty and decision of fund manager may not always be profitable. No assurance can be given that the fund manager will be able to identify or execute such strategies. The risks associated with the use of derivatives are different from or possibly greater than the risks associated with investing directly in securities and other traditional investments.

The use of a derivative requires an understanding not only of the underlying instrument but also of the derivative itself. There is a possibility that a loss may be sustained by the Scheme 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, interest rates and indices. Even a small price movement in the underlying instrument could have a large impact on their value. This could increase the volatility of the Scheme's performance.

In case of hedge, it is possible that derivative positions may not be perfectly in line with the underlying assets they are hedging. As a consequence the derivative cannot be expected to perfectly hedge the risk of the underlying assets. This also increases the volatility of the Scheme's performance.

Some of the risks inherent to derivatives investments include:

- 1. **Price Risk**: Despite the risk mitigation provided by various derivative instruments, there remains an inherent price risk which may result in losses exceeding actual underlying.
- 2. **Default Risk**: This is the risk that losses will be incurred due to default by counter party. This is also known as credit risk or counterparty risk.
- 3. **Basis Risk**: This risk arises when the derivative instrument used to hedge the underlying asset does not match the movement of the underlying being hedged for e.g. mismatch between the maturity date of the futures and the actual selling date of the asset.
- 4. **Limitations on upside**: Derivatives when used as hedging tool can also limit the profits from a genuine investment transaction.
- 5. **Liquidity risk:** This risk pertains to how saleable a security is in the market. All securities/instruments irrespective of whether they are equity, bonds or derivatives may be exposed to liquidity risk (when the sellers outnumber buyers) which may impact returns while exiting opportunities.

#### - Risks associated with investing in securitised debt:

The scheme may invest in domestic securitized debt such as asset backed securities (ABS) or mortgage backed securities (MBS). ABS means securitized debts wherein the underlying assets are receivables arising from personal loans, automobile loans, etc. MBS means securitized debts wherein the underlying assets are receivables arising from loans backed by mortgage of properties which can be residential or commercial in nature. ABS / MBS instruments reflect the undivided interest in the underlying of assets and do not represent the obligation of the issuer of ABS / MBS or the originator of the underlying receivables. The ABS / MBS holders have a limited recourse to the extent of credit enhancement provided. Securitized debt may suffer credit losses in the event of the delinquencies and credit losses in the underlying pool exceeding the credit



enhancement provided. As compared to the normal corporate or sovereign debt, securitized debt is normally exposed to a higher level of reinvestment risk.

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

# How the risk profile of securitized debt fits into the risk appetite of the scheme

Securitized debt is a form of conversion of normally non-tradable loans to transferable securities. This is done by assigning the loans to a special purpose vehicle (a trust), which in turn issues Pass-Through-Certificates (PTCs). These PTCs are transferable securities with fixed income like characteristics. The risk of investing in securitized debt is similar to investing in debt securities. In addition, securitized debt may also carry prepayment risk and has a relatively higher liquidity risk (the same are explained in the sections that follow). However, if the fund manager evaluates that the additional risks are suitably compensated by the higher returns, he may invest in securitized debt up to the limits specified in the asset allocation table. The investment shall be in securitized instruments that are top rated (AAA/ A1+) or its equivalent, by a recognised credit rating agency for the retail pool, and for single loan securitization, limits will be assigned as per the internal credit policy of the Fund.

# Policy relating to originators

The originator is the person who has initially given the loan. The originator is also usually responsible for servicing the loan (i.e. collecting the interest and principal payments). An analysis of the originator is especially important in case of retail loans as this affects the credit quality and servicing of the PTC. Originators may be: Banks, Non Banking Finance Companies, Housing Finance Companies, etc. The fund manager's evaluation will be based on the track record of the originator, delinquencies in the pool and the seasoning of the pool. Other factors that will be considered are loan type, size of the loan, average original maturity of the pool, Loan to Value Ratio, geographical distribution, liquid facility, default rate distribution, credit enhancement facility and structure of the pool.

#### Risk associated with each kind of originator:

- (a) <u>Prepayment risk:</u> MBS and ABS are subject to prepayment risk. When the underlying loans are paid off by the borrower prior to their respective due dates, this is known as a prepayment. It could be triggered on account of various factors particularly in periods of declining interest rates. The possibility of such prepayment may require the scheme to reinvest the proceeds of such investments in securities offering lower yields, thereby reducing the scheme's interest income.
- (b) <u>Interest rate risk</u>: MBS carry interest rate risk. Home loan borrowers are provided the facility of refinancing their loans at the prevailing interest rates. A lowering of interest rates could induce a borrower to pay his loan off earlier than the scheduled tenure, whereas if the interest rates move upward, the borrower would tend to hold on to his loan for a longer period, thus increasing the maturity of the bond. The maturity of the bond could therefore shorten or lengthen, depending on the prevailing interest rates.
- (c) <u>Credit risk / default risk</u>: MBS and ABS also carry credit or default risk. MBS and structures carry built —in credit enhancement in different forms. However, any delinquencies would result in reduction of the principal amount if the amount available in the credit enhancement facility is not enough to cover the shortfall. Historically, housing loans have had lower default rates than other forms of credit.
- (d) <u>Price risk / liquidity risk</u>: MBS and ABS are subject to prepayment risk. Limited volumes of trading in securitized paper in secondary market could restrict or affect the ability of the scheme to re-sell them. Thus these trades may take place at a discount, depending on the prevailing interest rates.

In case of securitization involving single loans or a small pool of loans, the credit risk of the underlying borrower is analyzed. In case of diversified pools of loans, the overall characteristic of the loans is analyzed to assess the credit risk. Securitization transactions may include some risk mitigants (to reduce credit risk). These may include interest subvention (difference in interest rates on the underlying loans and the PTC serving as margin against defaults), overcollateralization (issue of PTCs of lesser value than the underlying



loans, thus even if some loans default, the PTC continues to remain protected), presence of an equity / subordinate tranche (issue of PTCs of differing seniority when it comes to repayment - the senior tranches get paid before the junior tranche) and / or guarantees.

# Level of diversification with respect to the underlying assets and risk mitigation measures for less diversified investments:

Currently, the following parameters are used while evaluating investment decision relating to a pool securitization transaction. These parameters may be revised the from time to time.

Characteristics/ Type	1 10.00		Car	Two	Micro Personal		Single Sell	Others
of Pool	Loan	Vehicle and		wheelers		Loans	Downs	
		Construction			Pools			
		Equipment						
Approximate Average maturity (in	Up to 10	Up to 3 yrs	Up to 3 yrs	Up to 3 yrs	NA	NA		
Months)	yrs							
Collateral margin (including cash,	>10%	>10%	>10%	>10%	NA	NA		
guarantees, excess interest spread,							Refer to	Refer to
subordinate tranche)								
Average Loan to Value Ratio	<90%	<80%	<80%	<80%	NA	NA	Note a	Note b
Average seasoning of the Pool	>3 mths	>3 mths	>3 mths	>3 mths	NA	NA		
Maximum single exposure range	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	NA	NA		
Average single exposure range %	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	NA	NA		

#### **Notes**

- a. In case of securitization involving single loans or a small pool of loans, the credit risk of the borrower is analyzed. The investment limits applicable to the underlying borrower are applied to the single loan selldown.
- b. Other investments will be decided on a case-to-case basis.

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

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

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

RBI norms cover the "true sale" criteria including credit enhancement and liquidity enhancements, including maximum exposure by the originator in the PTCs. In addition, RBI has proposed minimum retention requirement of between five and ten percent of the book value of the loans by the originator. The minimum retention requirement depends on the tenure and structure of the securitization transaction. The Scheme will invest in securitized debt that is in compliance with the regulations.

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

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

# The resources and mechanism of individual risk assessment with the AMC for monitoring investments in securitised debt

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



#### - Risk factors specific to investments in foreign securities:

To the extent that the assets of the scheme may invest in foreign securities, there may be risks associated with currency movements, restrictions on repatriation and transaction procedures in overseas market, lack of complete or reliable information, market irregularities or high taxation. Further, the repatriation of capital to India may also be hampered by changes in regulations or political circumstances. Market risks can be greater with respect to political instability, lack of complete or reliable information, market irregularities or high taxation. As the investment will be in securities, which are denominated in foreign currencies, fluctuation in the exchange rates of the foreign currencies may have an impact on the income and value of the fund. It may be noted that if rupee appreciates, it will lead to reduction in returns to investor. The liquidation of securities where investments will be made by the schemes shall be subject to the liquidity / settlement issues of the country of investment / settlement. Non-business days in country of investment / settlement may impact the liquidity of the scheme's investments

#### - Risks associated with investing in liquid funds:

To the extent of the investments in liquid mutual funds, the risks associated with investing in liquid funds like market risk, credit & default risk, liquidity risk, redemption risk including the possible loss of principal; etc. will exist.

# Risk factors associated with investments in REITs and InvITS:

- Price Risk / Market Risk: REITs and InvITs Investments are volatile and subject to price fluctuations on a daily basis owing to factors impacting the underlying assets. The valuation of the REIT/InvIT units may fluctuate based on economic conditions, fluctuations in markets (eg. real estate) in which the REIT/InvIT operates and the resulting impact on the value of the portfolio of assets, regulatory changes, force majeure events etc. REITs & InvITs may have volatile cash flows. As an indirect shareholder of portfolio assets, unit holders rights are subordinated to the rights of creditors, debt holders and other parties specified under Indian law in the event of insolvency or liquidation of any of the portfolio assets.
- Liquidity Risk: As the liquidity of the investments made by the Scheme(s) could, at times, be restricted by trading volumes, settlement periods, dissolution of the trust, potential delisting of units on the exchange etc, the time taken by the Mutual Fund for liquidating the investments in the scheme may be high in the event of immediate redemption requirement. Investment in such securities may lead to increase in the scheme portfolio risk. Further, there is no assurance that an active secondary market will develop or be maintained. Hence there would be time when trading in the units could be infrequent. The subsequent valuation of illiquid units may reflect a discount from the market price of comparable securities for which a liquid market exists
- **Risk of lower than expected distributions:** The distributions by the REIT or InvIT will be based on the net cash flows available for distribution. The amount of cash available for distribution principally depends upon the amount of cash that the REIT/InvIT receives as dividends or the interest and principal payments from portfolio assets. The cash flows generated by portfolio assets from operations may fluctuate based on, among other things:
  - success and economic viability of tenants and off-takers
  - economic cycles and risks inherent in the business which may negatively impact valuations, returns and profitability of portfolio assets
  - force majeure events related such as earthquakes, floods etc. rendering the portfolio assets inoperable
  - debt service requirements and other liabilities of the portfolio assets
  - fluctuations in the working capital needs of the portfolio assets
  - ability of portfolio assets to borrow funds and access capital markets
  - changes in applicable laws and regulations, which may restrict the payment of dividends by portfolio assets
  - amount and timing of capital expenditures on portfolio assets
  - insurance policies may not provide adequate protection against various risks associated with operations
    of the REIT/InvIT such as fire, natural disasters, accidents.
- **Interest Rate Risk:** Generally, when interest rates rise, prices of units fall and when interest rates drop, such prices increase.
- **Reinvestment Risk:** Investments in REITs & InvITs may carry reinvestment risk as there could be repatriation of funds by the Trusts in form of buyback of units or dividend pay-outs, etc. Consequently, the proceeds may get invested in assets providing lower returns.



- Credit Risk: In simple terms this risk means that the issuer of a debenture/ bond or a money market
  instrument may default on interest payment or even in paying back the principal amount on maturity. REITs
  & InvITs are likely to have volatile cash flows as the repayment dates would not necessarily be pre
  scheduled.
- **Regulatory/Legal Risk:** REITs and InvITs being new asset classes, rights of unit holders such as right to information etc may differ from existing capital market asset classes under Indian Law.

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

#### - Risks associated with segregated portfolio:

- 1) Investor holding units of segregated portfolio may not able to liquidate their holding till the time recovery of money from the issuer.
- 2) Security comprises of segregated portfolio may not realise any value.
- 3) 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.
- 4) Trading in the units of segregated portfolio on the Exchange may be halted because of market conditions, including any halt in the operations of Depository Participants or for reasons that in view of the Exchange Authorities or SEBI, trading in the units is suspended and / or restricted. In addition, trading in units is subject to trading halts caused by extraordinary market volatility and pursuant to stock exchange rules of 'circuit filter'. There can be no assurance that the requirements of Stock Exchange necessary to maintain the listing of units of scheme will continue to be met or will remain unchanged.

#### - Other Risks:

- (a) **Risk associated with inflation:** Over time, yields of short-term investments may not keep pace with inflation, leading to a reduction in an investment's purchasing power.
- (b) **Legal risk:** The scheme may be affected by the actions of government and regulatory bodies. Legislation could be imposed retrospectively or may be issued in the form of internal regulations which the public may not be aware of. Legislation (including legislation relating to tax) or regulation may be introduced which inhibits the scheme from pursuing their strategies or which renders an existing strategy less profitable than anticipated. Such actions may take any form, for example nationalization of any institution or restrictions on investment strategies in any given market sector or changing requirements and imposed without prior warning by any regulator.
- (c) **Taxation risk:** The value of an investment may be affected by the application of tax laws, including withholding tax, or changes in government or economic or monetary policy from time to time. As such, no guarantee can be given that the financial objectives will actually be achieved. The tax information described in this Scheme Information Document (SID) is as available under the prevailing taxation laws. This could be changed at any moment by regulation. Further, there can be no guarantee that the tax position or the proposed tax position prevailing at the time of an investment in the scheme will endure indefinitely.
- (d) **Operational Risk:** Operational risk addresses the risk of trading and back office or administration issues that may result in a loss to the Scheme. This could be the result of oversight, ineffective securities processing procedures, computer systems problems or human error. There could also be risk associated with grouping of orders. For instance, at the time of placing the trades, the fund manager shall group orders on behalf of all schemes managed by him, provided it is unlikely to be detrimental overall for any of the schemes whose orders have been included. However, such grouping may have a detrimental effect to the scheme compared to the execution of an individual order for the scheme.
- (e) Valuation risk: This risk relates to the fact that markets, in specific situations and due to lack of volumes of transactions, do not enable an accurate assessment of the fair value of invested assets. In such cases, valuation risk represents the possibility that, when a financial instrument matures or is sold in the market, the amount received is less than anticipated, incurring a loss to the portfolio and therefore impacting negatively the NAV of the scheme.
- (f) Risk factors associated with processing of transaction in case of investors investing in mutual fund units through Stock Exchange Mechanism: The trading mechanism introduced by the stock exchange(s) is configured to accept and process transactions for mutual fund units in both Physical and Demat Form. The



allotment and/or redemption of Units through NSE and/or BSE or any other recognized stock exchange(s), on any Business Day will depend upon the modalities of processing viz. collection of application form, order processing / settlement, etc. upon which the Fund and the AMC have no control. Moreover, transactions conducted through the stock exchange mechanism shall be governed by the operating guidelines and directives issued by respective recognized stock exchange(s) upon which the Fund and the AMC have no control. Accordingly, there could be negative impacts to the investors such as delay or failure in allotment / redemption of Units. The Fund and the AMC are not responsible for the negative impacts.

# B. REQUIREMENT OF MINIMUM INVESTORS IN THE SCHEME.

The Scheme shall have a minimum of 20 investors and no single investor shall account for more than 25% of the corpus of the scheme. However, if such limit is breached during the NFO of the scheme, the Fund will endeavour 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 does not have a minimum of 20 investors in the stipulated period, the provisions of Regulation 39(2)(c) of the Regulations would become applicable automatically without any reference from SEBI and accordingly the scheme shall be wound up and the units would be redeemed at applicable NAV. 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 scheme on the applicable Net Asset Value on the 15th day of the notice period. The scheme shall adhere to the requirements prescribed by SEBI from time to time in this regard.

#### C. SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 1. From time to time, the sponsor, their affiliates, associates, subsidiaries, the Mutual Fund and the AMC may invest directly or indirectly in the Scheme. These entities may acquire a substantial portion of the Scheme's units and collectively constitute a major investor in the Scheme. Accordingly, redemption / repurchase of Units held by such entities may have an adverse impact on the Scheme because the timing of such redemption / repurchase may impact the ability of other Unit holders to redeem their Units.
- 2. Redemption by the Unitholder due to change in the fundamental attributes of the Scheme or due to any other reasons or winding-up of the Scheme for reasons mentioned in this Document may entail tax consequences. The Trustee, AMC, Mutual Fund, their directors, officers or their employees shall not be liable for any such tax consequences that may arise.
- 3. Investment decisions made by the AMC may not always be profitable.
- 4. The tax benefits described in this Scheme Information Document are as available under the prevailing taxation laws. As is the case with any investment, there can be no guarantee that the tax position or the proposed tax position prevailing at the time of an investment in the Schemes will endure indefinitely
- 5. Investors should study this SID carefully in its entirety and should not construe the contents hereof as advice relating to legal, taxation, investment or any other matters. Investors are advised to consult their legal, tax, investment and other professional advisors to determine possible legal, tax, financial or other considerations of subscribing to or redeeming units, before making a decision to invest / redeem units.
- 6. As the liquidity of the investments made by the Scheme(s) could, at times, be restricted by trading volumes and settlement periods, the time taken by the Mutual Fund for Redemption of Units may be significant in the event of an inordinately large number of Redemption requests or of a restructuring of the Scheme(s). In view of the above, the Trustee has the right, in its sole discretion, to limit Redemptions (including suspending Redemptions) under certain circumstances, as described under the section pertaining to 'Restriction of Repurchase/Redemption under the Scheme'.
- 7. Neither this SID nor the Units have been registered in any jurisdiction. The distribution of this SID in certain jurisdictions may be restricted or totally prohibited to registration requirements and accordingly, persons who come into possession of this SID are required to inform themselves about and to observe any such restrictions.
- 8. No person has been authorised to issue any advertisement or to give any information, either oral or written to make any representations other than that contained in this SID. Any communication in connection with this offering not authorised by the Mutual Fund / Trustee / AMC and any information or representations not contained herein must not be relied upon as having been authorised by the Mutual Fund / Trustee / AMC.



- 9. **For Changes to SID and KIM of the Scheme:** Investors are requested to note that pursuant to SEBI Circular No. SEBI/IMD/CIR No.5/ 126096/08 dated May 23, 2008 read with Circular SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/ 2021/024 dated March 04, 2021, The procedure to be followed in case of changes to SID and KIM shall be as follows:
  - a. In case of change in fundamental attributes in terms of Regulation 18(15A):
    - i. An addendum to the SID shall be issued and displayed on AMC website (www.bnpparibasmf.in) immediately.
    - ii. SID shall be revised and updated immediately after completion of duration of the exit option (not less than 30 days from the notice date).
    - iii. 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.
    - iv. For further details on Fundamental attributes of the scheme, please refer Section <u>'II-F. Fundamental</u> Attributes' in this SID.
  - b. In case of other changes:
    - i. The AMC shall issue an addendum and display the same on its website (www.bnpparibasmf.in) immediately.
    - ii. The addendum shall be circulated to all the distributors/brokers/Investor Service Centre (ISC).
    - iii. Latest applicable addendum shall be a part of SID and KIM.

AMC / Mutual Fund shall adhere to the requirements prescribed by SEBI from time to time in this regard and investors can ensure that they avail of the last available version of this document from website of AMC, including addenda issued thereunder.

- 10. The Product labeling mandated by SEBI is to provide investors an easy understanding of the risk involved in the kind of product / scheme they are investing to meet their financial goals. The Risk-o-meter categorizes the schemes of Fund under different levels of risk in terms of parameters defined under SEBI circular SEBI/HO/IMD/DF3/CIR/P/2020/197 dated October 05, 2020. Investors are advised before investing to evaluate a scheme not only on the basis of the Product labeling (including the Risk-o-meter) but also on other quantitative and qualitative factors such as performance, portfolio, fund managers, asset manager, etc. and shall also consult their financial advisers, if they are unsure about the suitability of the scheme before investing. Further, in terms of SEBI circular dated October 05, 2020, Investors are requested to note that Risk-o-meter for the Scheme shall be evaluated on monthly basis and AMC shall disclose the Risk-o-meter along with monthly portfolio disclosure for the Scheme on its website and on AMFI website within 10 days from the close of each month. Additionally, in case of any change in the risk-o-meter upon such evaluation, which will be done on monthly basis, the same shall be communicated by way of Notice-cum-Addendum and by way of an e-mail or SMS to unitholders of the Scheme. Investors are requested to note that change in risk-o-meter will not be considered as a Fundamental Attribute Change of the Scheme in terms of regulation 18(15A) of SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996.
- 11. The AMC and/or its Registrar may have to disclose the investors' personal information and/or any part of it including the changes/updates that may be provided by the investors' with (a) the Sponsor/s, Trustees, AMC, its employees, agents and third party service providers as deemed necessary for conduct of business including Registrar, Bankers/its agents and / or authorised external third parties who are involved in transaction processing, dispatches, effecting payments etc. of investors' investment in the Scheme; (b) Distributors or subbrokers or Investment Advisors or intermediaries through whom applications of investors are received for the Scheme or whose stamp appears on the application form; or (c) Any other organisations or regulatory/statutory/judicial/quasijudicial entities (Indian or foreign) for compliance with any legal or regulatory requirements without any intimation/advice to the investors' or to verify the identity of investors for complying with anti-money laundering requirements.
- 12. Compliance with Foreign Accounts Tax Compliance Act ("FATCA") and Common Reporting Standards (CRS) requirements:

# FATCA and CRS requirements may require disclosure regarding your investment in the units of the Scheme.

Investors are further informed that the AMC / the Fund are required to adhere to various requirements interalia including submission of various information / details relating to the investors in the schemes of the mutual fund, to authorities/third parties including the U.S Internal Revenue Service ('IRS') or the Indian tax authorities, for the purpose of onward transmission to the U.S. Internal Revenue Service or such other authority as specified



under the applicable laws from time to time. The information disclosed may include (but is not limited to) the identity of investors and their direct or indirect beneficiaries, beneficial owners and controlling persons, their residential status / details. Accordingly, Investors are requested to provide all the necessary information / declarations and to comply with any reasonable request from the AMC/ the Fund to allow the AMC/ the Fund to comply with such information reporting requirements.

#### **FATCA DISCLOSURE - Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act**

Sections 1471 through 1474 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986 ("**FATCA**") impose a new reporting regime and, potentially, a 30% withholding tax with respect to certain payments to and by certain non-U.S. financial institutions ("**foreign financial institutions**", or "**FFIs**" (as defined by FATCA)). The AMC/Mutual Fund will be classified as an FFI.

The United States and India have entered into an intergovernmental agreement (the "IGA") with respect to FATCA. Pursuant to the IGA, the AMC/Mutual Fund expects not to be subject to withholding under FATCA on any payments it receives. Further, the AMC/Mutual Fund expects not to be required to withhold under FATCA from payments it makes. Under the IGA the AMC/Mutual Fund may be required to report certain information in respect of its investors to third parties, including the U.S Internal Revenue Service ('IRS') or the Indian tax authorities, for the purpose of onward transmission to the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. The information disclosed may include (but is not limited to) the identity of investors and their direct or indirect beneficiaries, beneficial owners and controlling persons. An investor will therefore be required to comply with any reasonable request from the AMC/Mutual Fund for such information, to allow the AMC/Mutual Fund to comply with such information reporting requirements. Prospective investors should refer to the SAI/SID for further information.

TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH IRS CIRCULAR 230 AND SUCH OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS, EACH TAXPAYER IS HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT: (A) ANY TAX DISCUSSION HEREIN IS NOT INTENDED OR WRITTEN TO BE USED, AND CANNOT BE USED BY THE TAXPAYER FOR THE PURPOSE OF AVOIDING U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX PENALTIES OR ANY OTHER AUTHORITY THAT MAY BE IMPOSED ON THE TAXPAYER; (B) ANY SUCH TAX DISCUSSION WAS WRITTEN TO SUPPORT THE PROMOTION OR MARKETING OF THE TRANSACTIONS OR MATTERS ADDRESSED HEREIN; AND (C) THE TAXPAYER SHOULD SEEK ADVICE BASED ON THE TAXPAYER'S PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES FROM AN INDEPENDENT TAX ADVISOR.

#### **D. DEFINITIONS:**

"AMC" or Asset	BNP Paribas Asset Management India Private Limited, a company incorporated						
Management Company"	under the provisions of the Companies Act, 1956/2013 and approved by SEBI to						
or "Investment Manager"	act as the Asset Management Company for the Scheme of the Mutual Fund.						
"Business	A day other than:						
Day"/"Working day"	1. Saturday and Sunday;						
	2. A day on which the banks (including Reserve Bank of India, Banks in						
	Mumbai) are closed for business / clearing;						
	3. A day on which the Stock Exchange, Mumbai and / or the National Stock						
	Exchange of India Limited are closed;						
	4. A day which is a public and / or bank holiday at the Investor Service Centre where the application is received						
	5. A day on which sale and redemption/ repurchase of units is suspended by the Trustee / AMC.						
	6. A book closure period as may be announced by the Trustee / AMC.						
	7. A day on which normal business cannot be transacted due to storms, floods,						
	bandhs, strikes, unforeseen events / happenings or such other events as the						
	Trustee / AMC may specify from time to time.						
	The Trustee / AMC reserves the right to declare any day as a business day/ working						
	day or otherwise at any or all investor Service Centres.						

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"Credit Rating Agency"	A credit rating agency registered with Securities and Exchange Board of India
	under SEBI (Credit Rating Agencies) Regulations, 1999 as amended from time to
	time.
"Custodian"	The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited (HSBC) Mumbai,
Custouran	registered under the SEBI (Custodian of Securities) Regulations, 1996, currently
	acting as Custodian to the Scheme or any other custodian approved by the
	Trustees.
"Date of Application"	The date of receipt of a valid application complete in all respect for subscription
	of units of this scheme by BNP Paribas Mutual Fund at its various
	offices/branches/the designated centers of the Registrar or SCSBs.
"Distributor"	Such persons/firms/ companies/ corporates who fulfill the criteria laid down by
	SEBI / AMFI from time to time and empanelled by the AMC to distribute / sell
	/market the schemes of the Fund.
"Floating Rate Debt	Floating rate debt instruments are debt securities issued by Central and / or State
Instruments"	Government, Corporate Bodies or PSUs with interest rates that are reset
instruments	periodically. The periodicity of the interest reset could be daily, monthly,
	quarterly, half-yearly, annually or any other periodicity that may be mutually
	agreed with the issuer and the Mutual Fund. Floating rate debt instruments can be
	synthetically created by swapping Money Market Instruments & Fixed Rate Debt
	Instruments for floating rate returns. The interest payable on the instruments could
	also be in the nature of a fixed spread over benchmark yields.
"Foreign Security"	ADRs / GDRs issued by Indian companies, equity of overseas companies listed
·	on recognised stock exchanges overseas, foreign debt securities in the countries
	with fully convertible currencies, short term as well as long term debt instruments
	with highest rating (foreign currency credit rating) by accredited / registered credit
	rating agencies, say A-1/ AAA by Standard & Poor, P-1/AAA by Moody's, F1/
	AAA by Fitch IBCA, etc., government securities where the countries are AAA
	rated, units / securities issued by overseas mutual funds or unit trusts which invest
	in the aforesaid securities or are rated as mentioned above and are registered with
	overseas regulators or such other security / instrument as stipulated by SEBI / RBI
	/ other Regulatory Authority from time to time.
"Foreign Portfolio	Foreign Portfolio Investor as defined under Regulation 2(1)(h) of Security
Investor" or "FPI"	Exchange Board of India (Foreign Portfolio Investors) Regulations 2014, as
	amended from time to time.
"Gilts" or "Government	Securities created and issued by the Central Government and/or a State
Securities"	Government (including Treasury Bills) or Government Securities as defined in the
Securities	Public Debt Act, 1944, as amended or re-enacted from time to time.
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	Designated branches or service centres or representative offices of Registrar and
Centres" or "ISCs"	Transfer Agent or its associates or such other centres / offices as may be designated
	by the Trustee / AMC from time to time.
	The agreement dated February 15, 2011 entered into between BNP Paribas Trustee
Agreement" or "IMA"	India Private Limited and BNP Paribas Asset Management India Private Limited,
	as amended from time to time.
"InvIT" or	"InvIT" or "Infrastructure Investment Trust" shall have the meaning assigned in
"Infrastructure	clause (za) of sub-regulation (1) of regulation 2 of the Securities and Exchange
Investment Trust"	Board of India (Infrastructure Investment Trusts) Regulations, 2014.
"Market Capitalisation"	Market value of a listed company, which is calculated by multiplying its current
Market Capitalisation	
(CN / 1 TO 199 // - 1	market price by number of its shares outstanding
	BNP Paribas Mutual Fund, a trust set up under the provisions of the Indian Trusts
Fund"	Act, 1882 and registered with SEBI under the SEBI (Mutual Fund) Regulations,
	1996 vide Registration No. MF/049/04/01 dated October 20, 2010.
"NAV"	Net Asset Value per Unit of the scheme, calculated in the manner described in this
	SID or as may be prescribed by the SEBI Regulations from time to time.
"RBI"	Reserve Bank of India, established under the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934
"Register of Unitholders"	Register of unitholders for the purposes of distribution of amount under IDCW
Register of Chitholacts	option shall mean the Statement of Beneficiary Position as may be received from
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	the Depositories on the record date and the records of unitholders maintained by the
	Registrar and Transfer Agent in case of units not held in electronic (demat) form.
"Registrar and Transfer	KFin Technologies Private Limited, Hyderabad, registered under the Securities
Agent" or "RTA" or	and Exchange Board of India (Registrars to an Issue and Share Transfer Agents)
"KFin"	Regulations, 1993, currently acting as registrar and transfer agent to the scheme,
	or any other registrar and transfer agent appointed by the Mutual Fund acting
	through the AMC from time to time.
"REIT" or "Real Estate	"REIT" or "Real Estate Investment Trust" shall have the meaning assigned in
Investment Trust"	clause (zm) of sub-regulation 1 of regulation 2 of the Securities and Exchange
	Board of India (Real Estate Investment Trust) Regulations, 2014.
"Sale/Subscription"	Sale of units to the unit holder upon subscription by the investor / applicant under
_	the scheme.
"Scheme"	BNP Paribas Flexi Debt Fund (BNPPFDF)
"Scheme Information	This document issued by the Mutual Fund offering the units of the scheme for
Document" or "SID"	subscription. SID has to be read in conjunction with SAI.
"SEBI"	Securities and Exchange Board of India, established under the Securities and
	Exchange Board of India Act, 1992.
"SEBI Regulations" or	Securities and Exchange Board of India (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996, read
"Regulations"	with various amendments, circulars and guidelines issued from time to time.
"Sponsor" or "Settlor"	BNP Paribas Asset Management Asia Limited (erstwhile BNP Paribas Investment
_	Partners Asia Limited)
"Tri-party Repo" or	means a repo contract where a third entity (apart from the borrower and lender),
"TREPs"	called a Tri-Party Agent, acts as an intermediary between the two parties to the
	repo to facilitate services like collateral selection, payment and settlement, custody
	and management during the life of the transaction.
"Trust Deed"	The Trust Deed dated February 14, 2011 made by and between BNP Paribas Asset
	Management Asia Limited and BNP Paribas Trustee India Private Limited
	establishing the Mutual Fund, as amended from time to time.
"Time"	Indian Standard Time unless specifically mentioned otherwise
"Trustee"	BNP Paribas Trustee India Private Limited incorporated under the provisions of
	the Companies Act, 1956/2013 and approved by SEBI to act as the Trustee to the
	scheme of the Mutual Fund.
"Unit"	The interest of the unit holder, which consists of, each Unit representing one
	undivided share in the net assets of the Scheme.
"Unit holder" or	A person holding Unit(s) in the Scheme of the Mutual Fund.
"investor"	

# Interpretation

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

- All references to the masculine shall include the feminine and all references, to the singular shall include the plural and vice-versa.
- All references to "Euros" refer to the currency of some Member States of the European Union, Dollars" or"\$" refer to United States, "HKD" refers to Hong Kong Dollars and "Re"/"Rs."/"INR"/"₹" refers to Indian Rupee(s). A "crore" means "ten million" and a "lakh" means a "hundred thousand".
- Words and Expressions used and not defined in this SID shall have the same meaning as in the SEBI Regulations.

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

The AMC shall confirm that a Due Diligence Certificate duly signed by the Compliance Officer of the AMC has been submitted to SEBI, which reads as follows:

#### It is confirmed that:

(i) the revised and updated Scheme Information Document forwarded to SEBI is in accordance with SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 and the guidelines and directives issued by SEBI from time to time.





(ii) all legal requirements connected with the launching of the scheme as also the guidelines, instructions, etc., issued by the Government and any other competent authority in this behalf, have been duly complied with.

(iii) the disclosures made in the Scheme Information Document are true, fair and adequate to enable the investors to make a well informed decision regarding investment in the proposed scheme.

(iv) the intermediaries named in the Scheme Information Document and Statement of Additional Information are registered with SEBI and their registration is valid, as on date.

Signed: sd/-

Name: Dhawal Mehta

Designation: Compliance Officer

# II. INFORMATION ABOUT THE SCHEME

#### A. TYPE OF SCHEME

Date: October 30, 2021

Place: Mumbai

BNP Paribas Flexi Debt Fund is an Open ended Dynamic Debt Scheme investing across duration

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

The primary objective of the Scheme is to generate income through investments in a range of Debt and Money Market Instruments of various maturities with a view to maximising income while maintaining an optimum balance between yield, safety and liquidity.

However, there can be no assurance that the investment objectives of the Scheme will be realized. The Scheme does not guarantee/indicate any returns.

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

Under normal circumstances, the asset allocation under the Scheme would be as follows:

Type of Instruments	Minimum Allocation (% of Net Assets)	Maximum Allocation (% of Net Assets)	Risk Profile
Investment across duration in Debt & Money Market instruments	0	100	Low to Medium
Units issued by REITs & InvITs	0	10	Medium to High

Debt instruments may include securitized debt upto 50% of the net assets.

Exposure in interest rate derivatives shall be limited upto 50% of the net assets only for hedging and portfolio balancing. The Scheme may invest in foreign debt securities including foreign securitised debt upto 20% of the net assets.

The Scheme will not invest in equity, equity related securities and foreign equity securities including ADR / GDR. The scheme will not indulge in short selling and securities lending and borrowing.

The cumulative gross exposure through debt instruments, money market instruments and derivative instruments will not exceed 100% of the net assets of the scheme.

It may be noted that AMC has to adhere to the asset allocation pattern indicated in the Scheme Information Document under normal circumstances.

#### **Portfolio Rebalancing Strategy**

The AMC retains the option to alter the asset allocation depending on liquidity considerations or on account of high levels of subscriptions or redemptions relative to the fund size, or upon considerations that optimise returns of the scheme through investment opportunities within the permissible universe in line with the investment objectives of the scheme or upon various defensive considerations including market conditions, market opportunities, applicable regulations and political and economic factors.

In addition, as part of the investment process, the Investment Committee of the AMC will conduct a periodic review of the asset allocation at its monthly meetings and may suggest rebalancing of the portfolio.

# **Change in Investment Pattern**



Subject to the SEBI Regulations, the asset allocation pattern indicated above may change from time to time, depending on liquidity considerations or on account of high levels of repurchase or redemptions relative to fund size, or upon considerations that optimise returns of the scheme through investment opportunities or upon various defensive considerations including market conditions, market opportunities, applicable regulations and political and economic factors. It must be clearly understood that the percentages stated above are only indicative and not absolute. These proportions may vary substantially depending upon the perception of the AMC the intention being at all times to seek to protect the interests of the Unit holders. Such changes in the investment pattern will be for short term and only for defensive considerations. In addition, as part of the investment process, the Investment Committee of the AMC will conduct a periodic review of the asset allocation and may suggest rebalancing of the portfolio.

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

Subject to SEBI Regulations and other prevailing laws as applicable, the net assets of the Scheme can be invested in any (but not exclusively) of the following securities:

- 1. Debt securities of the Government of India, state and local governments, government agencies, statutory bodies, public sector undertakings, scheduled commercial banks, non-banking finance companies, development financial institutions, corporate entities & trusts.
- 2. Securitised debt including Pass Through, Pay Through, Asset Backed Securities, Mortgaged Backed Securities or other Participatory Certificates representing interest in a pool of assets.
- 3. Debt & money market instruments including bonds, debentures, treasury bills, commercial paper of public sector undertakings and private sector corporate entities, reverse repurchase agreements in government securities and treasury bills (the scheme presently does not intend to invest in reverse repurchase agreement in corporate debt securities), certificate of deposit of scheduled commercial banks and development financial institutions, bills of exchange / promissory notes of corporate entities, government securities as may be permitted by SEBI / RBI.
- 4. The debt component of convertible securities.
- 5. Indian Depository Receipts.
- 6. Debt Derivative instruments like Interest Rate Swaps, Forward Rate Agreements and such other derivative instruments permitted by SEBI/RBI.
- 7. Units issued by REITs & InvITs
- 8. Any other like instruments including Mutual Funds as may be permitted by RBI / SEBI / such other regulatory authority from time to time.

In terms of applicable SEBI circulars, pending deployment of funds of the Scheme in securities in terms of the investment objective of the Scheme, the Mutual Fund may invest the funds of the Scheme in short term deposits of scheduled commercial banks subject to restrictions laid down under the SEBI Regulations from time to time. The securities mentioned above and such other securities that the Scheme is permitted to invest in could be listed, unlisted, privately placed, secured, unsecured, rated and of any maturity. The securities may be acquired through initial public offerings (IPOs), follow on offers, secondary market operations and private placement, rights offers or negotiated deals.

# Comparison Of Existing Open Ended Fixed Income Schemes Of The Fund

	Comparison of Existing Open Ended Fixed Income Schemes of The Fund												
Name of the	'Category' as	Type of	Investment Objective	Asset .	Alloca	tion		Product Differentiation	Number	AUM as			
Scheme	per SEBI	Scheme	for the Scheme						of	on 30-Sep-			
	circular dt.								folios as	21			
	Oct 06, 2017								on 30-	(Rs. in			
	·								Sep-21	crores)			
<b>BNP Paribas</b>			The primary objective of	Type of	Alloca	tion		The Scheme will predominantly be		459.80			
Conservative	Hybrid Fund	Hybrid Scheme	the Scheme is to generate	Instruments	(as % c	f Net	Profile	invested in debt and money market					
<b>Hybrid Fund</b>	•	investing	regular returns through		Asse	ets)		instruments. The Debt portion of the					
(erstwhile		predominantly	investment primarily in		Min	Max		portfolio will be actively managed					
BNP Paribas		in debt	Debt and Money Market	Debt Instruments	75	90	Low to	based on the AMC's view on interest					
Monthly		instruments.	Instruments. The	& Money Market			Medium	rates. Some portion of the Scheme's					
Income Plan)		inou amonto.	secondary objective of the	Instruments				assets will be invested in equity and					
meome i un)			Cahama is to ganarata	(including cash /				equity related securities to fulfil the					
			long-term capital	call money)				secondary objective of the Scheme.					
			appreciation by investing a	Equity & Equity	10	25	Medium	The Scheme will invest 75-90% in					
			portion of the benefite b	related securities	10	_	to High	debt instruments & money market					
			assets in equity and equity	Units issued by	0		Modium	instruments and 10-25% in equity &					
			ileiateu seculities.	REITs & InvITs	U			equity related securities.		Į.			
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# SCHEME INFORMATION DOCUMENT

Name of the Scheme	'Category' as per SEBI	Type of Scheme	Investment Objective for the Scheme	Asset A	Asset Allocation			Product Differentiation	Number of	AUM as on 30-Sep-
	circular dt. Oct 06, 2017								folios as on 30- Sep-21	(Rs. in crores)
BNP Paribas Flexi Debt Fund	Dynamic Bond	Dynamic Debt Scheme investing	The primary objective of the Scheme is to generate income through investments in a range of Debt and Money Market Instruments of various maturities with a view to maximise income while maintaining an optimum balance between yield, safety and liquidity.	Investment across duration in Debt & Money Market instruments Units issued by REITs & InvITs	0	of P. (15) Max 100 L M	ow to Medium O High	The Scheme invests in debt and money market instruments to actively manage duration on the basis of interest rate movement views.	1,280	116.84
BNP Paribas Low Duration Fund (erstwhile BNP Paribas Money Plus Fund)	Low Duration Fund	An Open ended Low Duration Debt Scheme investing in instruments such that Macaulay duration of portfolio is between 6 months and 12 months.	The primary objective of the Scheme is to provide income consistent with the prudent risk from a portfolio comprising investment in Debt & Money Market instruments such that the Macaulay duration of the portfolio is between 6 months - 12 months.	Instruments	0 1	of Peets) Max 100 L N	tisk Profile Low to Medium	The net assets of the scheme will be predominantly invested in debt securities, money market instruments and government securities such that the Macaulay duration of the portfolio is between 6 - 12 months.	3,736	333.92
BNP Paribas Liquid Fund (erstwhile BNP Paribas Overnight Fund)	Liquid Fund		The primary investment objective of the Scheme is to generate regular returns in line with investments in Debt and money market securities with maturity of upto 91 days only.	Type of Instruments  Debt Securities and Money Market Instruments with maturity upto 91 days only	l O t	of of et ets) Max 100	Risk Profile Low to Medium	This Fund is a liquid fund and hence, it invests in Debt securities and Money Market instruments with maturity upto 91 days only.	20,073	815.40
BNP Paribas Short Term Fund (erstwhile BNP Paribas Short Term Income Fund)	Short Duration Fund	Short Term Debt Scheme	the Scheme is to provide income consistent with the prudent risk from a portfolio comprising various debt and money market instruments.	Type of Instruments (	0	f Net I (ts)  Max  100 I (t)	Medium to High Medium	The net assets of the scheme will be predominantly invested in debt and money market instruments such that the Macaulay duration of the portfolio will be between 1 - 3 years.	2,166	407.44
BNP Paribas Corporate Bond Fund	Corporate Bond Fund	Debt Scheme	The primary objective of the Scheme is to generate income and capital gains through investments predominantly in AA+ and above rated corporate bonds.	Type of Instruments	Alloca (as % Net As Min 1 80	tion I of I sets) Max 100 I	to High Risk Profile Low to Medium Medium Medium	The Scheme will predominantly be invested in corporate bonds of AA+ and above rated securities and the rest in other debt and money market instruments.	329	23.84
BNP Paribas Medium Term Fund (erstwhile BNP Paribas Medium Term Income Fund)	Medium Duration Fund	Medium Term Debt Scheme investing in instruments such that the Macaulay		Type of Instruments  Investment in Debt & Money Market instruments such that	Min 0	ation 6 of 1 ssets) Max	Risk Profile Low to	The scheme will invest in debt and money market securities with an intention to optimize risk adjusted returns. The portfolio's Macaulay Duration shall range from 3 to 4 years.	157	23.18





Name of the Scheme	'Category' as per SEBI circular dt. Oct 06, 2017	Scheme	Investment Objective for the Scheme	Asset Allocation				Product Differentiation	Number of folios as on 30- Sep-21	AUM as on 30-Sep- 21 (Rs. in crores)
		portfolio is between 3 years and 4 years.	portfolio is between 3 year and 4 years.	duration of the portfolio is between 3 years and 4 years Units issued b REITs & InvITs In case of anticipat impacting interest ra Manager may reduc range from 1 year to Asset allocation und situation shall be as  Type of Instruments  Investment in Debt & Money Market instruments such that the Macaulay duration of the portfolio is between 1 year and 4 years Units issued by REITs & InvITs	ed advette move the product of the p	erse si ement, ortfolios. icipates: tition (of Net ets)  Max  100	the Fund duration d adverse			
BNP Paribas Overnight Fund	Overnight Fund	An open ended debt scheme investing in	The primary investment objective of the Scheme is to generate regular	Type of Instruments	Alloc (as % o	of Net	Risk Profile	The scheme will invest in debt and money market instruments having overnight maturity.	422	22.85
		overnight securities	returns in line with investments in overnight securities maturing on or before next business day.	Debt Securities and Money Market Instruments with overnight maturity	Min 0	Max	Low			

For further details on asset allocation and investment pattern and investment strategy of each of the above schemes, please refer to the Scheme Information Document of the respective scheme.

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

The net assets of the Scheme will be invested in debt and money market instruments. The debt portion of the portfolio will be actively managed based on the AMC's view on interest rates. The price of fixed income instruments varies with changes in interest rates. As interest rates decline, the value of fixed income securities rise and as interest rates rise, their value declines. The AMC forms views on the likely direction of interest rates and the portfolio is structured consistent with these views. This may involve active duration management to take advantage of any opportunities that may arise on account of interest rate movements. The portfolio shall be thus actively managed to capture the spread and duration gains with a strong focus on credit quality of instruments. By actively managing the portfolio, the Scheme attempts to achieve its objective through both interest yield and capital appreciation. As such, the Scheme may not invest solely based on the best available yields in the market at all points in time. The Scheme aims to provide investors with an actively managed portfolio of debt & money market instruments.

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 valuation of Portfolios. The risk of loss on account of such active and dynamic management can thus be substantial. The extent of change in price shall depend on the rating, tenor to maturity, coupon, liquidity, and the extent of fall or rise in interest rates. Individual instruments are bought and sold based on the conformity with the interest rate view and the instrument specific factors (credit risk, exposure, etc.). The Government securities carry zero credit risk, but they carry interest rate risk like any other Fixed Income Securities. The portfolio may also include other liquid assets and other short maturity assets, especially in times of rising interest rates.

#### Risk control measures

Since investing requires disciplined risk management, the AMC would incorporate adequate safeguards for controlling risks in the portfolio construction process. While allocating and choosing securities, the Investment Manager will aim to diversify by gaining broad exposure to different industries and companies in order to reduce risk. For investments in fixed income instruments, a credit evaluation of each investment opportunity will be



undertaken to manage credit risk. The AMC will utilize ratings of recognized rating agencies as an input in the decision making process. The fund manager shall follow the asset allocation pattern in SID under normal circumstances and residual cash may be invested in the Tri-party repo on Government Securities or treasury bills/ repo market, units of mutual fund which seeks to ensure liquidity in the scheme under normal circumstances. There can however be no guarantee against liquidity risk within the Scheme. The AMC may also implement certain internal control procedures / risk exposure limits etc. for controlling risks which may be varied from time to time. The scheme may utilize derivative instruments for hedging & portfolio balancing purposes. All Interest Rate Swaps will be undertaken with approved counter parties under pre-approved International Swaps and Derivatives Association (ISDA) agreements. The scheme may also use various derivatives and hedging products from time to time, as would be available and permitted by SEBI/RBI for the purpose of hedging and portfolio rebalancing.

The above risk control measures shall be implemented by the AMC on best effort basis however there can be no guarantee that such measures can completely mitigate the risks involved in Scheme.

#### Portfolio turnover

Portfolio turnover is defined as lesser of purchases and sales as a percentage of the average corpus of the Scheme during a specified period of time. Portfolio turnover would depend upon the market conditions such as volatility of the market and inflows / outflows in the scheme. The Scheme is an open ended Scheme with subscriptions and redemptions expected on a daily basis. Hence, it will be difficult to estimate the portfolio turnover with any reasonable amount of accuracy.

# Position of debt & money market in India

The Indian debt market is today one of the largest in Asia and includes securities issued by the Government (Central & State Governments), public sector undertakings, other government bodies, financial institutions, banks and corporates. Government and public sector enterprises are the predominant borrowers in the markets. The major players in the Indian debt markets today are banks, financial institutions, mutual funds, insurance companies, primary dealers, trusts, pension funds and corporates. The Indian debt market is the largest segment of the Indian financial markets. The debt market comprises broadly two segments, viz. Government Securities market or G-Sec market and corporate debt market. The latter is further classified as market for PSU bonds and private sector bonds.

The G-Sec market is the oldest and the largest component of the Indian debt market in terms of market capitalization, outstanding securities and trading volumes. The G-Sec market plays a vital role in the Indian economy as it provides the benchmark for determining the level of interest rates in the country through the yields on the Government Securities which are referred to as the risk-free rate of return in any economy. Over the years, there have been new products introduced by the RBI like zero coupon bonds, floating rate bonds, inflation indexed bonds, etc.

The corporate bond market, in the sense of private corporate sector raising debt through public issuance in capital market, is only an insignificant part of the Indian Debt Market. A large part of the issuance in the non-Government debt market is currently on private placement basis.

The money markets in India essentially consist of the call money market (i.e. market for overnight and term money between banks and institutions), repo transactions (temporary sale with an agreement to buy back the securities at a future date at a specified price), commercial papers (CPs, short term unsecured promissory notes, generally issued by corporates), certificate of deposits (CDs, issued by banks) and Treasury Bills (issued by RBI). In a predominantly institutional market, the key money market players are banks, financial institutions, insurance companies, mutual funds, primary dealers and corporates. In money market, activity levels of the Government and nongovernment debt vary from time to time. Instruments that comprise a major portion of money market activity include but not limited to:

- Overnight Call
- Tri-party repo on Government Securities or treasury bills (TREPS).
- Repo/Reverse Repo Agreement
- Treasury Bills
- Government securities
- Commercial Paper
- Certificate of Deposit



Apart from these, there are some other options available for short tenure investments that include MIBOR linked debentures with periodic exit options and other such instruments. Though not strictly classified as money market instruments, PSU / DFI / corporate paper with a residual maturity of < 1 year, are actively traded and offer a viable investment option. The market has evolved in past 2-3 years in terms of risk premia attached to different class of issuers. Bank CDs have clearly emerged as popular asset class with increased acceptability in secondary market. PSU banks trade the tightest on the back of comfort from majority government holding. Highly rated manufacturing companies also command premium on account of limited supply. However, there has been increased activity in papers issued by private/foreign banks/NBFCs/companies in high-growth sector due to higher yields offered by them. Even though companies across these sectors might have been rated on a same scale, the difference in the yield on the papers for similar maturities reflects the perception of their respective credit profiles.

Instruments	Current yield as on 27 Oct 2021 (% per annum)
TREPS	3.35
3M T-Bill	3.55-3.60
1 Y T-Bill	4.00-4.05
10 Y G Sec	6.30-6.40
3M PSU Bank CD	3.65-3.70
3M NBFC CP	4.25-4.40
1 Y PSU Bank CD	4.15-4.25
1 Y NBFC CP	4.60-4.70
1Y Manufacturing Company CP	4.40-4.50
5 Y AAA Institutional Bond	6.00-6.10
10 Y AAA Institutional Bond	6.90-7.00

These yields are indicative and do not indicate yields that may be obtained in future as interest rates keep changing consequent to changes in macro-economic conditions and RBI policy. The price and yield on various debt instruments fluctuate from time to time depending upon the macro economic situation, inflation rate, overall liquidity position, foreign exchange scenario etc. Also, the price and yield vary according to maturity profile, credit risk etc.

#### **Overseas Debt Market**

The nature and number of debt instruments available in international debt markets is very wide. In terms of diverse instruments as well as liquidity, overseas debt markets offer great depth and are extremely well developed.

Investment in international debt greatly expands the universe of top quality debt, which is no longer restricted to the limited papers available in the domestic debt market. The higher rated overseas sovereign, quasigovernment and corporate debt offer lower default risk in addition to offering a high degree of liquidity since these are traded across major international markets.

Investments in rated international debt offer multiple benefits of risk reduction, a much wider universe of top quality debt and also potential gains from currency movements. Investments in international markets are most often in U.S. dollars, though the Euro, Pound Sterling and the Yen are also major currencies. Though this market is geographically well-spread across global financial centres, the markets in the U.S., European Union and London offer the most liquidity and depth of instruments.

Besides factors specific to the country / issuer, international bond prices are influenced to a large extent by a number of other factors; chief among these are the international economic outlook, changes in interest rates in major economies, trading volumes in overseas markets, cross currency movements among major currencies, rating changes of countries / corporations and major political changes globally.

The overseas securities markets offer new investment and portfolio diversification opportunities by enabling investments in the overseas markets. However, such investments also entail additional risks. Such investment opportunities may be pursued by the Scheme provided they are considered appropriate in terms of the overall investment objectives of the Scheme.

#### **Trading In Derivatives**

The Scheme intends to use derivatives for the purposes, which may be permitted by SEBI Mutual Fund Regulations from time to time, which will include hedging & portfolio balancing. Hedging does not mean maximisation of returns but only reduction of systematic or market risk inherent in the investment. SEBI has vide its Circular SEBI/MFD/CIR No.03/158/03 dated June 10, 2003, specified the guidelines pertaining to trading by Mutual Fund in Exchange Traded Derivatives. Accordingly, the scheme may use derivative



instruments viz. Interest Rate Swaps, Forward Rate Agreements, Options or such other derivative instruments as may be introduced from time to time as permitted under the SEBI Regulations and guidelines for hedging and portfolio rebalancing.

The following information provides a basic idea as to the nature of the derivative instruments proposed to be used by the scheme and the benefits and risks attached therewith.

# Interest Rate Swaps (IRS) and Forward Rate Agreements (FRA)

#### Why invest in IRS & FRA:

Bond markets in India are not very liquid. Investors run the risk of illiquidity in such markets. Investing for short-term periods for liquidity purposes has its own risks. Investors can benefit if the Fund remains in call market for the liquidity and at the same time take advantage of fixed rate by entering into a swap. It adds certainty to the returns without sacrificing liquidity.

#### IRS

All swaps are financial contracts, which involve exchange (swap) of a set of payments owned by one party for another set of payments owned by another party, usually through an intermediary (market maker). An IRS can be defined as a contract between two parties (counter parties) to exchange, on particular dates in the future, one series of cash flows, (fixed interest) for another series of cashflows (variable or floating interest) in the same currency and on the same principal for an agreed period of time. The exchange of cashflows need not occur on the same date.

Risk: The risk in relation to associated counter parties of the respective contracts.

# FRA

A FRA is an agreement between two counter parties to pay or to receive the difference between an agreed fixed rate (the FRA rate) and the interest rate prevailing on a stipulated future date, based on a notional amount, for an agreed period. In short, in a FRA, interest rate is fixed now for a future period. The special feature of FRA is that the only payment is the difference between the FRA rate and the reference rate and hence is single settlement contracts. As in the case of IRS, notional amounts are not exchanged. However, there is the possibility that a loss may be sustained by the portfolio as a result of the failure of another party to comply with the terms of the contract. To the extent that settlements of contracts are not guaranteed by an exchange or clearing corporation, hence, there is the risk of counterparty to a deal defaulting in payment.

Risk: The risk in relation to associated counter parties of the respective contracts.

#### Illustrations

#### Basic Structure of a Swap

Assume that the scheme has a Rs.20 crore floating rate investment linked to MIBOR (Mumbai Inter Bank Offered Rate). Hence, the scheme is currently running an interest rate risk and stands to lose if the interest rate moves down. To hedge this interest rate risk, the scheme can enter into a 6 month MIBOR swap. Through this swap, the Scheme will receive a fixed predetermined rate (assume 12%) and pays the "benchmark rate" (MIBOR), which is fixed by the National Stock Exchange of India Limited (NSE) or any other agency such as Reuters. This swap would effectively lock-in the rate of 12% for the next 6 months, eliminating the daily interest rate risk. This usually is routed through an intermediary who runs a book and matches deals between various counterparties.

The steps will be as follows -

- Assuming the swap is for Rs. 20 crore June 1, 2020 to December 1, 2020. The Scheme is a fixed rate receiver at 12% and the counterparty is a floating rate receiver at the overnight rate on a compounded basis (say NSE MIBOR).
- On June 1, 2020, the Scheme and the counterparty will exchange only a contract of having entered this swap. This documentation would be as per International Swap Dealers Association (ISDA).
- On a daily basis, the benchmark rate fixed by NSE will be tracked by them.



- On December 1, 2020, they will calculate the following -
  - The Scheme is entitled to receive interest on Rs. 20 crore at 12% for 184 days i.e. Rs.1.21 crore, (this amount is known at the time the swap was concluded) and will pay the compounded benchmark rate.
  - The counterparty is entitled to receive daily compounded call rate for 184 days and pay 12% fixed.
  - On December 1, 2020, if the total interest on the daily overnight compounded benchmark rate is higher than Rs. 1.21 crore, the Scheme will pay the difference to the counterparty. If the daily compounded benchmark rate is lower, then the counterparty will pay the Scheme the difference.
  - Effectively the Scheme earns interest at the rate of 12% p.a. for six months without lending money for 6 months fixed, while the counterparty pays interest @ 12% p.a. for 6 months on Rs. 20 crore, without borrowing for 6 months fixed.

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

# Numerical example explaining Imperfect Hedging with investments in IRFs:

# **Perfect hedging:**

Date: 18th January 2020

Spot price of Govt. security (6.79% 2027) = Rs. 95.55

Price of IRF - January Contract (expiry on 25-Jan-2020) = Rs. 95.57

On 18-Jan-2020, the fund holds 1000 units of the government security from the spot market at Rs. 95.55. Subsequently, it is anticipated that yields may rise in the near future. Thus, to hedge the underlying position taken, the fund sells January 2020 IRF. The price at the Futures contract is Rs. 95.57.

On 23-Jan-2020, assuming due to increase in yields:

Spot price of the security (6.79% 2027) = Rs. 95.10 Price of IRF - January Contract (expiry on 25-Jan-2020) = Rs. 95.07

Thus, due to hedging the portfolio:

Loss in the underlying security: (Rs. 95.10- Rs. 95.55) \* 1000 = (Rs. 450) Profit in the futures market: (Rs. 95.57 – Rs. 95.07) \* 1000 = Rs. 500.

### **Imperfect hedging:**

D = The duration of the portfolio (measure of the interest rate sensitivity of the portfolio) = 7

P = Portfolio's market value = Rs. 100

Y = underlying interest rate or portfolio yield = 8.00%

Change in market value of portfolio = P\*D\*Change in Y

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.

Spot price of the security  $(6.79\%\ 2027) = Rs.\ 95.10$ Futures price of the contract = Rs. 95.07 Duration of the underlying security of the futures contract = 6 % of the portfolio hedged in this strategy = 10%

Thus, due to hedging the portfolio: In case the interest rates rise by 50 bps point, then;

Change in the market value of the portfolio = 100 \* 7 \* (0.50%) = (Rs. 3.50)



Duration risk managed due to hedge in IRF = % of portfolio hedged \* portfolio's market value \* duration of the underlying security \* Change in the interest rates

$$= 10\% * 100 * 6 * (0.50) = Rs. 0.30$$

Thus net change in the market value of the portfolio = Rs. 100 - Rs. 3.50 + Rs. 0.30 = Rs. 96.80

#### Policy on Offshore Investments by the Scheme

As per circular SEBI/IMD/CIR No.7/104753/07 dated September 26, 2007 and SEBI/IMD/CIR No.2/122577/08 dated April 8, 2008 issued by SEBI, the Schemes, with the approval of SEBI, may invest in:

- i. ADRs/ GDRs issued by Indian or foreign companies
- ii. Equity of overseas companies listed on recognized stock exchanges overseas
- iii. Initial and follow on public offerings for listing at recognized stock exchanges overseas
- iv. Foreign debt securities in the countries with fully convertible currencies, short term as well as long term debt instruments with rating not below investment grade by accredited/registered credit rating agencies
- v. Money market instruments rated not below investment grade
- vi. Repos in the form of investment, where the counter party is rated not below investment grade; repos should not however, involve any borrowing of funds by mutual funds
- vii. Government securities where the countries are rated not below investment grade
- viii.Derivatives traded on recognized stock exchanges overseas only for hedging and portfolio balancing with underlying as securities
- ix. Short term deposits with banks overseas where the issuer is rated not below investment grade
- x. Units/securities issued by Overseas Mutual Funds or unit trusts registered with overseas regulators and investing in (a) aforesaid securities, (b) Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) listed in recognized stock exchanges overseas or (c) unlisted overseas securities (not exceeding 10% of their net assets).

Further, pursuant to SEBI circular SEBI/HO/IMD/DF3/CIR/P/2020/225 dated November 05, 2020 and SEBI/HO/IMD/IMD-II/DOF3/P/CIR/2021/571 dated June 03, 2021, the following limits shall be applicable for making investments in in the above mentioned overseas securities:

- 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. Further, US \$ 50 million would be reserved for each Mutual Fund individually, 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.

The Sponsors of BNP Paribas Mutual Fund i.e. BNP Paribas Asset Management Asia Limited specializes in the Asian markets for both investment funds' advisory and discretionary mandates. It also promotes BNP Paribas's global products in the Asian region to both institutional investors and private clients. BNP Paribas Asset Management Asia Limited is the Asian asset management centre for BNP Paribas's global asset management business, hence, have adequate experience of investing in foreign securities.

The Fund has appointed a dedicated Fund Manager for making investments in foreign securities & Overseas Exchange Traded Funds. Subject to the approval of the RBI / SEBI and conditions as may be prescribed by them, the Mutual Fund may open one or more foreign currency accounts abroad either directly, or through the custodian/ sub-custodian, to facilitate investments and to enter into/deal in forward currency contracts, interest rate futures/swaps for the purpose of hedging the risks of assets of a portfolio or for its efficient management.

The securities mentioned above and such other securities that the scheme is permitted to invest in, could be listed / unlisted, privately placed, secured / unsecured, rated / unrated of any maturity. The securities may be acquired through Initial Public Offerings (IPO's), secondary market operations, private placements, rights offers (including renunciation) or negotiated deals. Investment in overseas securities shall be made in accordance with the requirements stipulated by SEBI and RBI from time to time.

# **Benefits of International Investing:**

- **Diversification of risk:** Investing in Foreign Debt Securities allows the investor to move away from a single country, single currency and single market format.



- Better credit quality: Since the investment in Foreign Debt Securities will only be in papers rated AAA by S&P or Moody's or Fitch IBCA etc. the credit quality of such papers will be much superior to the papers available domestically.
- **Wider choice of investment opportunities:** The overseas debt market allows investors access to a choice of investment avenues / instruments. These markets are also typically more liquid than domestic markets.

#### PROVISIONS FOR CREATION OF SEGREGATED PORTFOLIO

#### **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.

# 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) Segregated portfolio of unrated debt or money market instruments may be created only in case of actual default of either the interest or principal amount.
- 4) In terms of SEBI Circular SEBI/HO/IMD/DF4/CIR/P/2020/165 dated September 02, 2020, the date of proposal for restructuring of debt received by AMCs shall be treated as the trigger date for the purpose of creation of segregated portfolio till 31st December 2020 or any other timeline as specified by SEBI.
- 5) Creation of segregated portfolio is optional and is at the discretion of the AMC.

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

- 1) On the date of credit event or actual default, AMC should decide on creation of segregated portfolio. Once AMC decides to segregate portfolio, it would:
  - a) seek approval of the 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. BNP Paribas 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 (www.bnpparibasmf.in).
  - 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 or actual default, 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 or actual default.
  - 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 portfolio and main portfolio will be disclosed from the day of the credit event or actual default.
  - e) All existing investors in the scheme as on the day of the credit event or actual default 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. However, upon recovery of any money from segregated portfolio, it will be immediately distributed to the investors in proportion to their holding 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
- h) 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.
- 3) If the Trustees do not approve the proposal to segregate portfolio, AMC will issue a press release immediately informing investors of the same.
- 4) 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.

# **Processing of Subscription and Redemption Proceeds:**

All subscription and redemption requests for which NAV of the day of credit event or subsequent day is applicable will be processed as per the existing SEBI guidelines/circular on applicability of NAV as under:

- 1) 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.
- 2) 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.

#### Disclosure:

In order to enable the existing as well as the prospective investors to take informed decision, the following, as mandated by SEBI vide SEBI circular dated December 28, 2018 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 or actual default 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 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 shall clearly reflect the fall in NAV to the extent of the portfolio segregated due to the credit event or actual default 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 at point (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:**

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 for every segregated portfolio created.

In order to avoid mis-use of segregated portfolio, Trustees will put in place a mechanism to negatively impact the performance incentives of Fund Managers, Chief Investment Officers (CIOs) etc. involved in the investment process of securities under the segregated portfolio, mirroring the existing mechanism for performance incentives of AMC, including claw back of such amount to the segregated portfolio of the scheme.

#### Total Expense Ratio (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.in addition to the TER mentioned above, the legal charges related to recovery of the investments of the segregated portfolio may be charged to the segregated portfolio as mentioned below.
- 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.

Illustration of Segregated Portfolio (Please note that the illustration does not consider the impact of expenses on the NAV)

Downgrade Security: 9.25% D NCD from 'AA+' to 'B'

Valuation Mark Down: 25%

Total Portfolio Before Downgrade Event:

Security	Rating	Quantity	Price per unit (Rs.)	Market Value (Rs.)	% of Net Assets
8.00% A NCD 18-OCT-21	AAA	500,000	102.6670	51,333,500.00	17.00%
7.80% B NCD 23-MAR-29	AAA	500,000	99.2022	49,601,100.00	16.42%
8.59% C SDL 23-JAN-23	Sovereign	500,000	100.0240	50,012,000.00	16.56%
9.25% D NCD 11-APR-22	AA+	500,000	98.2711	49,135,550.00	16.27%
0% E 04-APR-22	AA+	500,000	98.4682	49,234,100.00	16.30%
F CD 04-DEC-19	A1+	500,000	104.3529	52,176,450.00	17.28%
Cash & Cash Equivalents				500,000.00	0.17%
		Net Assets		301,992,700.00	
		Unit Capital (no of units)		10,000,000.00	
		NAV (Rs)		30.1993	

#### Main Portfolio

Security	Rating	Quantity	Price per unit (Rs.)	Market Value (Rs.)	% of Net Assets
8.00% A NCD 18-OCT-21	AAA	500,000	102.6670	51,333,500.00	20.30%
7.80% B NCD 23-MAR-29	AAA	500,000	99.2022	49,601,100.00	19.62%
8.59% C SDL 23-JAN-23	Sovereign	500,000	100.0240	50,012,000.00	19.78%
0% E 04-APR-22	AA+	500,000	98.4682	49,234,100.00	19.47%
F CD 04-DEC-19	A1+	500,000	104.3529	52,176,450.00	20.63%
Cash / Cash Equivalents				500,000.00	0.17%
		Net Assets		252,857,150.00	
		Unit Capital (no of units)		10,000,000.00	
		NAV (Rs)		25.2857	_

Segregated Portfolio (before Mark down@25%)

Security	Rating	Quantity	Price per unit (Rs.)	Market Value (Rs.)	% of Net Assets
9.25% D NCD 11-APR-22	AA+	500,000	98.2711	49,135,550.00	100.00%
		Net Assets		49,135,550.00	
		Unit Capital (no of units)		10,000,000.00	
		NAV (Rs)		4.9136	•

Segregated Portfolio after Downgrade event (after Mark down@25%)

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Security	Rating	Quantity	Price per unit (Rs.)	Market Value (Rs.)	% of Net Assets
9.25% D NCD 11-APR-22	В	500,000	73.7033*	36,851,662.50	100.00%
		Net Assets		36,851,662.50	
		Unit Capital (no of units)		10,000,000.00	
		NAV (Rs)		3.6852	

<sup>\*</sup>Price per unit after Mark down on the security by 25% which was valued at Rs. 98.2711 per unit.

#### F. FUNDAMENTAL ATTRIBUTES

Following are the fundamental attributes of the scheme, in terms of Regulation 18(15A) of the SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996:

- (i) Type of a scheme An open ended Dynamic Debt Scheme investing across duration
- (ii) Investment Objective



- Main Objective –As stated in Section II of the SID.
- Investment Pattern As stated in Section II of the SID.
- (iii) Terms of Issue
  - Liquidity provisions such as listing, repurchase, redemption as indicated in this SID.
  - Aggregate fees and expenses charged to the scheme as indicated in this SID.
  - The scheme does not guarantee any assured returns.

In accordance with Regulation 18(15A) of the SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 the Trustees shall ensure that no change in the fundamental attributes of the Scheme or the trust or fee and expenses payable or any other change which would modify the Scheme and affect the interests of Unit holders is carried out unless:

- (i) A written communication about the proposed change is sent to each unit holder 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
- (ii) The unit holders are given an option for a period of 30 days to exit at the prevailing Net Asset Value without any exit load.

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

The performance of the scheme will be benchmarked to the performance of **CRISIL Dynamic Debt Fund Index.** 

The CRISIL Dynamic Debt Fund Index seeks to track the performance of an across maturity debt portfolio comprising of government securities and AAA/AA+/AA rated corporate bonds.

Performance comparisons for the Scheme will be made vis-à-vis the aforesaid Benchmark. However, the Scheme's performance may not be strictly comparable with the performance of the Benchmark due to the inherent differences in the construction of the portfolios. The Trustee / AMC reserve the right to change the Benchmark for evaluation of performance of the Scheme from time to time in conformity with the investment objectives and appropriateness of the Benchmark subject to the SEBI Regulations, and other prevailing guidelines, if any.

# H. WHO MANAGES THE SCHEME?

Mr. Mayank Prakash and Mr. Vikram Pamnani would be the designated Fund Managers for the Scheme. Mr. Mayank Prakash has been managing this fund since August 23, 2017 i.e. 4.19 years and Mr. Vikram Pamnani has been managing this fund since December 27, 2017 i.e. 3.84 years.

Name &	Age	Educational	Previous Work Experience	Period
Designation		Qualification		
Mr. Mayank	41	<ul> <li>ACA and</li> </ul>	Fund Manager, BNP Paribas Asset Management	August 2015 till
Prakash	years	MBA from	India Private Limited	date
Fund		Kanpur	Fund Manager, Kotak Mahindra Asset	February 2011 -
Manager		University	Management Co. Ltd.	August 2015
			Dealer - Fixed Income, Kotak Mahindra Asset	February 2007-
			Management Co. Ltd.	February 2011
			Investment Operations, Kotak Mahindra Asset	September 2005 -
			Management Co. Ltd.	January 2007
Mr. Vikram	34	PGDM	Fund Manager (Fixed Income) - BNP Paribas Asset	December 22, 2017
Pamnani -	years	(Finance)	Management India Private Limited	onwards
Fund			Fund Manager (Fixed Income) - Essel Finance	August 2014 –
Manager			AMC Limited	December 2017
			Dealer (Fixed Income) - Canara Robeco Asset	February 2011 –
			Management Company Limited	August 2014
			Process Executive, Trade Finance - Deutsche Bank	August 2007 – June
				2009

Other Schemes jointly managed by the Fund Managers of the Scheme:

- BNP Paribas Corporate Bond Fund
- BNP Paribas Low Duration Fund
- BNP Paribas Liquid Fund
- BNP Paribas Medium Term Fund



BNP Paribas Short Term Fund

• BNP Paribas Overnight Fund

Mr. Mayank Prakash also manages the following schemes of the Fund:

- BNP Paribas Arbitrage Fund\$
- BNP Paribas India Consumption Fund (Fixed Income Portfolio)\$
- BNP Paribas Substantial Equity Hybrid Fund\*
- BNP Paribas Dynamic Equity Fund (Fixed Income Portfolio)\$
- BNP Paribas Conservative Hybrid Fund (Fixed Income Portfolio)\$

\$Equity Portion is managed jointly by Mr. Chockalingam Narayanan and Mr. Karthikraj Lakshmanan

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

Pursuant to the SEBI Regulations, the following investment restrictions are applicable to the scheme:

- 1) The Scheme shall not invest in equity and equity related securities.
- 2) <u>Issuer level exposure limits:</u> A mutual fund scheme shall not invest more than 10% of its NAV in debt instruments comprising money market instruments and non-money market instruments issued by a single issuer which are rated not below investment grade by a credit rating agency authorised to carry out such activity under the Act.

Such investment limit may be extended to 12% of the NAV of the scheme with the prior approval of the Trustees or Board of AMC or a Committee constituted in this behalf. Provided that such limit shall not be applicable for investments in Government Securities, treasury bills and triparty repo on Government securities or treasury bills:

Provided further that 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 SEBI.

<u>Sector level exposure limits:</u> The Mutual Fund/AMC shall ensure that total exposure of the Scheme in a particular sector (excluding investments in Bank CDs, tri-party repo on government securities or treasury bills, G-Secs, TBills, short term deposits of Scheduled Commercial Banks and AAA rated securities issued by Public Financial Institutions and Public Sector Banks) shall not exceed 20% of the net assets of the scheme;

Provided that 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) only; 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/ an affordable housing loan portfolio. However the overall exposure in HFCs shall not exceed the sector exposure limit of 20% of the net assets of the scheme.

Provided further that the additional exposure to such securities issued by HFCs are rated AA and above and these HFCs are registered with National Housing Bank (NHB) and the total investment/ exposure in HFCs shall not exceed 20% of the net assets of the Scheme.

<u>Group level exposure limits:</u> The total exposure of the Scheme 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.

The investments by the Scheme in debt and money market instruments of group companies of both the sponsor and the AMC shall not exceed 10%. Such investment limit may be extended to 15% with the prior approval of the Board of Trustees.

For this purpose, a group means a group as defined under regulation 2 (mm) of SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 and shall include an entity, its subsidiaries, fellow subsidiaries, its holding company and its associates.

3) A mutual fund scheme shall not invest in unlisted debt instruments including commercial papers, except Government Securities, other money market instruments and derivative products such as Interest Rate Swaps (IRS), Interest Rate Futures (IRF), etc. which are used by mutual funds for hedging:

Provided that Mutual Fund Schemes may invest in unlisted non-convertible debentures up to a maximum of 10% of the debt portfolio of the scheme subject to such conditions as may be specified by SEBI vide SEBI circular SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/2019/104 dated October 01, 2019 as amended from time to time.

Provided further that for investments by mutual fund schemes in unrated debt instruments maybe made subject to such conditions as may be specified by SEBI vide SEBI circular SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/2019/104 dated October 01, 2019 as amended from time to time.

<sup>\*</sup>Equity portion of the scheme managed by Mr. Karthikraj Lakshmanan



In accordance with the SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/2019/104 dated October 01, 2019, 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 Regulations 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) In terms of SEBI circular No. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/2019/104 dated October 1, 2019, 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.

For the purpose of this provision, 'Group' shall have the same meaning as defined in paragraph B(3)(b) of SEBI Circular No. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/2016/35 dated February 15, 2016 which states a group means a group as defined under regulation 2 (mm) of SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 and shall include an entity, its subsidiaries, fellow subsidiaries, its holding company and its associates.

- 5) Pursuant to SEBI circular SEBI/HO/IMD/DF4/CIR/P/2021/032 dated March 10, 2021, Mutual Fund may 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 subject to following prudential limits as prescribed under said SEBI circular or such other circular issued by SEBI from time to time:
  - (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.

The above investment limit for a mutual fund scheme shall be within the overall limit for debt instruments issued by a single issuer, as specified at clause 1 of the Seventh Schedule of SEBI (Mutual Fund) Regulations, 1996, and other prudential limits with respect to the debt instruments.

- 6) Pursuant to SEBI Circular SEBI/HO/IMD/DF3/CIR/P/2020/229 dated November 06, 2020 read with SEBI circular SEBI/HO/IMD/IMD-II DOF3/P/CIR/2021/583 dated June 25, 2021, the scheme shall hold at least 10% of its net assets in liquid assets. For this purpose, 'liquid assets' shall include Cash, Government Securities, T-bills and Repo on Government Securities.
- 7) Transfer of investments from one scheme to another scheme in the same Mutual Fund, shall be allowed only if,-
  - (iii) such transfers are done at the prevailing market price for quoted instruments on spot basis. Explanation: "Spot basis" shall have the same meaning as specified by stock exchange for spot transactions.
  - (iv) the securities so transferred shall be in conformity with the investment objective of the scheme to which such transfer has been made.
  - Further, provisions of SEBI circular SEBI/HO/IMD/DF4/CIR/P/2020/202 dated October 08, 2020 and such other guidelines, shall also be complied with for such transfers.
- 8) A scheme may invest in another scheme under the same AMC or any other mutual fund without charging any fees, provided that aggregate inter-scheme investment made by all schemes under the same management or in schemes under the management of any other asset management company shall not exceed 5% of the net asset value of the mutual fund. Provided that this clause shall not apply to any Fund of Fund schemes and investment in Mutual Funds in Foreign Countries made in accordance with guideline issued by SEBI from time to time.

this regard.



- 9) The Mutual Fund will buy and sell securities on the basis of deliveries and shall in all cases of purchase, take delivery of relevant securities and in all cases of sale, deliver the securities.

  Provided that a mutual fund may enter into derivatives transactions in a recognised stock exchange, subject to the framework specified by SEBI. Provided further that sale of government security already contracted for purchase shall be permitted in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Reserve Bank of India in
- 10) The Mutual Fund shall get the securities purchased or transferred in the name of the Mutual Fund on account of the concerned scheme, wherever investments are intended to be of a long term nature.
- 11) In terms of SEBI circular no. SEBI/IMD/CIR No. 1/91171/07 dated April 16, 2007, SEBI/IMD/CIR No. 8/107311/07 dated October 26, 2007, SEBI/IMD/CIR No. 7/129592/08 dated June 23, 2008, SEBI/HO/IMD/DF4/CIR/P/2019/093 dated August 16, 2019 and SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/2019/101 dated Sept 20, 2019, pending deployment of funds of the Scheme in securities in terms of the investment objective of the Scheme, the Mutual Fund may invest the funds of the Scheme in short term deposits of scheduled commercial banks subject to restrictions laid down under the SEBI Regulations from time to time. The following provisions shall be complied with:
  - a. Short Term" for parking of funds by Mutual Fund shall be treated as a period not exceeding 91 days.
  - b. Such short term deposits shall be held in the name of the concerned scheme.
  - c. No mutual fund scheme shall park more than 15% of the net assets in Short term deposit(s) of all the scheduled commercial banks put together. However, it may be raised to 20% with prior approval of the trustees. Also, 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.
  - d. No mutual fund scheme shall park more than 10% of the net assets in short term deposit(s), with any one scheduled commercial bank including its subsidiaries.
  - e. Trustee/AMC shall ensure that no funds of a scheme may be parked in short term deposit of a bank which has invested in that scheme. Trustee/AMC shall also ensure that the bank in which a scheme has short term deposit do not invest in the said scheme until the scheme has short term deposit with such bank.
  - f. AMC shall not charge any investment management and advisory fees for parking of funds in short term deposits of scheduled commercial banks.
- 12) A scheme shall not make any investments in:
  - a. any unlisted security of an associate or group company of the Sponsor; or
  - b. any security issued by way of private placement by an associate or group company of the Sponsor; or
  - c. the listed securities of group companies of the sponsor which is in excess of 25% of the net assets.
- 13) The Scheme shall not make any investment in any fund of funds scheme.
- 14) The Scheme may invest in the units of REITs and InvITs subject to the following:
  - a. No mutual fund under all its schemes shall own more than 10% of units issued by a single issuer of REIT and InvIT; and
  - b. A mutual fund scheme shall not invest
    - i. more than 10% of its NAV in the units of REIT and InvIT; and
    - ii. more than 5% of its NAV in the units of REIT and InvIT issued by a single issuer

Provided that the limits mentioned in (i) and (ii) above shall not be applicable for investments in case of index fund or sector or industry specific scheme pertaining to REIT and InvIT.

- 15) Save as otherwise expressly provided under SEBI Regulations, the mutual fund shall not advance any loans for any purpose.
- 16) The mutual fund having an aggregate of securities, which are worth Rs. 10 crore or more, as on the latest balance sheet date, shall subject to such instructions as may be issued from time to time by SEBI, settle their transactions entered on or after January 15, 1998 only through dematerialised securities.
- 17) The mutual fund shall not borrow except to meet temporary liquidity needs of the mutual fund for the purpose of repurchase, redemption of units or payment of interest or dividend to the unit holders. Provided that the mutual fund shall not borrow more than 20% of the net asset of the scheme and the duration of such a borrowing shall not exceed a period of six months.
- 18) SEBI has permitted Mutual Funds to participate in derivatives trading subject to observance of guidelines issued by it in this behalf. Accordingly, Mutual Funds may use various derivative products from time to time, as would be available and permitted by SEBI. The Mutual Fund would comply with the provisions of SEBI Circular Ref. No. DNPD/Cir-29/2005 dated September 14, 2005 and SEBI circular Ref. No.



Cir/IMD/DF/11/2010 dated August 18, 2010 and such other amendments issued by SEBI from time to time while trading in derivatives.

- 19) Pursuant to the SEBI Circular dated August 18, 2010 and June 18, 2021 the following norms for investment in derivatives shall be applicable.
  - 1. The cumulative gross exposure through debt and derivative positions should not exceed 100% of the net assets of the scheme.
  - 2. The scheme shall not write options or purchase instruments with embedded written options.
  - 3. The total exposure related to option premium paid must not exceed 20% of the net assets of the scheme.
  - 4. Cash or cash equivalents with residual maturity of less than 91 days may be treated as not creating any exposure.
  - 5. Exposure due to hedging positions may not be included in the above mentioned limits subject to the following:
    - (i) Hedging positions are the derivative positions that reduce possible losses on an existing position in securities and till the existing position remains.
    - (ii) Hedging positions cannot be taken for existing derivative positions. Exposure due to such positions shall have to be added and treated under limits mentioned in point 1 above.
    - (iii) Any derivative instrument used to hedge has the same underlying security as the existing position being hedged.
    - (iv) The quantity of underlying associated with the derivative position taken for hedging purposes does not exceed the quantity of the existing position against which hedge has been taken.
  - 6. Exposure due to derivative positions taken for hedging purposes in excess of the underlying position against which the hedging position has been taken, shall be treated under the limits mentioned in point 1 above.
  - 7. As per SEBI Circular dated June 18, 2021:
    - (a) The Scheme may enter into plain vanilla Interest Rate Swaps (IRS) for hedging purposes. The value of the notional principal in such cases must not exceed the value of respective existing assets being hedged by the scheme.
    - (b) In case of participation in IRS is through over the counter transactions, the counter party has to be an entity recognized as a market maker by RBI and exposure to a single counterparty in such transactions should not exceed 10% of the net assets of the scheme. However, if mutual funds are transacting in IRS through an electronic trading platform offered by the Clearing Corporation of India Ltd. (CCIL) and CCIL is the central counterparty for such transactions guaranteeing settlement, the single counterparty limit of 10% shall not be applicable.
  - 8. Definition of Exposure in case of Derivative Positions

Each position taken in derivatives shall have an associated exposure as defined under. Exposure is the maximum possible loss that may occur on a position. However, certain derivative positions may theoretically have unlimited possible loss. Exposure in derivative positions shall be computed as follows:

Position	Exposure
Long Future	Futures Price * Lot Size * Number of Contracts
Short Future	Futures Price * Lot Size * Number of Contracts
Option bought	Option Premium Paid * Lot Size * Number of Contracts.

The scheme shall comply with the requirements stated in SEBI circular no. Cir/IMD/DF/11/2010 dated August 18, 2010 and circular no. SEBI/HO/IMD/IMD-I DOF2/P/CIR/2021/580 dated June 18, 2021 as amended from time to time.

20) To reduce interest rate risk, the Scheme may hedge the portfolio or part of the portfolio (including one or more securities) on weighted average modified duration basis by using Interest Rate Futures (IRFs). The maximum extent of short position that may be taken in IRFs to hedge interest rate risk of the portfolio or part of the portfolio shall be as per the formula given below:

(Portfolio Modified Duration\*Market Value of the Portfolio)

(Futures Modified Duration\*Futures price/PAR)

Imperfect hedging using IRFs shall be considered to be exempted from the gross exposure, upto maximum of 20% of the net assets of the scheme, subject to the following:

- a. Exposure to IRFs is created only for hedging the interest rate risk based on the weighted average modified duration of the bond portfolio or part of the portfolio.
- b. The Scheme may resort to imperfect hedging, without it being considered under the gross exposure limits, if and only if, the correlation between the portfolio or part of the portfolio (excluding the hedged



portions, if any) and the IRF is at least 0.9 at the time of initiation of hedge. In case of any subsequent deviation from the correlation criteria, the same shall be rebalanced within 5 working days and if not rebalanced within the timeline, the derivative positions created for hedging shall be considered under the gross exposure computed in terms of Para 3 of SEBI circular dated August 18, 2010. The correlation shall be calculated for a period of last 90 days.

Explanation: If the fund manager intends to do imperfect hedging upto 15% of the portfolio using IRFs on weighted average modified duration basis, either of the following conditions needs to be complied with:

- (i) The correlation for past 90 days between the portfolio and the IRF is at least 0.9 or
- (ii) The correlation for past 90 days between the part of the portfolio (excluding the hedged portions, if any) i.e. at least 15% of the net asset of the Scheme (including one or more securities) and the IRF is at least 0.9.
- c. At no point of time, the net modified duration of part of the portfolio being hedged should be negative.
- d. The portion of imperfect hedging in excess of 20% of the net assets of the Scheme shall be considered as creating exposure and shall be included in the computation of gross exposure in terms of Para 3 of SEBI circular dated August 18, 2010.

Further, it shall be ensured that the basic characteristics of the Scheme shall not be affected by hedging the portfolio or part of the portfolio (including one or more securities) based on the weighted average modified duration and that the interest rate hedging of the portfolio shall be in the interest of the investors.

Explanation: In case of long term bond fund, after hedging the portfolio based on the modified duration of the portfolio, the net modified duration should not be less than the minimum modified duration of the portfolio as required to consider the fund as a long term bond fund.

All investment restrictions shall be applicable at the time of making investment. Apart from the investment restrictions prescribed under the SEBI Regulations, internal risk parameters for limiting exposure to a particular scrip or sector may be prescribed from time to time to respond to the dynamic market conditions and market opportunities. The AMC / Trustee may alter the above investment restrictions from time to time to the extent that changes in the SEBI Regulations may allow and as deemed fit in the general interest of the unit holders.

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

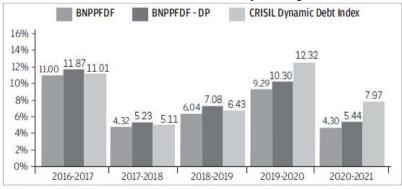
#### I. Compounded annualised returns (%) of Growth Option as at September 30, 2021:

Particulars	Since Inception	Last 5 Years	Last 3 Years	Last 1 Year*
BNPPFDF	7.92	5.85	7.05	3.30
Benchmark Index#	8.15	7.80	10.13	6.57
BNPPFDF-DP	8.53	6.89	8.18	4.62
Benchmark Index#	8.67	7.80	10.13	6.57

#CRISIL Dynamic Debt Index \*Absolute Returns

Inception Date: BNPPFDF: September 23, 2004; BNPPFDF - DP: January 01, 2013

#### II. Absolute Returns for each financial year (Apr-Mar):

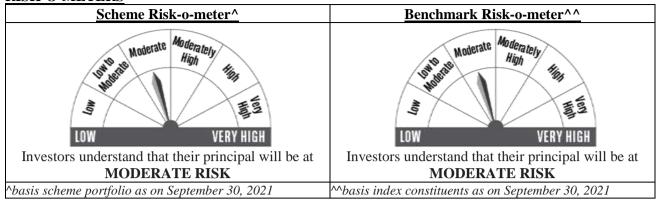


<sup>#</sup> Benchmark Index : CRISIL Dynamic Debt Index

Past performance may or may not be sustained in future and should not be used as a basis of comparison with other investments. Since inception returns are calculated on Rs. 10/- invested at inception. The returns are calculated for the growth option considering the movement of the NAV during the period. Performance of IDCW option under the scheme for the investors would be net of distribution tax, if any. Returns do not take into account load and taxes, if any.



#### **RISK-O-METERS**



#### K. OTHER DISCLOSURES

#### a. Investment by the AMC, Trustee, Sponsor, or their associates in the Scheme

The AMC, Trustee, Sponsor, or their associates may invest in the Scheme during the continuous offer period subject to the SEBI Regulations & circulars issued by SEBI and to the extent permitted by its Board of Directors from time to time. As per the existing SEBI Regulations, the AMC will not charge investment management and advisory fee on the investment made by it in the Scheme. As per SEBI regulations, the sponsor or AMC has invested not less than one percent of the assets under management of the scheme or fifty lakh rupees, whichever is less, in the growth option of the scheme and such investment shall not be redeemed unless the scheme is wound up. Accordingly, AMC has invested in the scheme and complying with the said provisions.

#### b. Investment by the Designated Employees of AMC in the Scheme:

Pursuant to SEBI circular dated April 28, 2021 and September 20, 2021 pertaining to 'Alignment of interest of Designated Employees of Asset Management Companies (AMCs) with the Unitholders of the Mutual Fund Schemes', investors are requested to note that a part of compensation of the Designated Employees of AMC, as defined by SEBI, shall be mandatorily invested in units of the schemes in which they have a role/oversight effective October 01, 2021. Further, investors are requested to note that such mandatory investment in units of the scheme shall be made on the day of payment of salary and in proportion to the AUM of the schemes in which such Designated Employee has a role/oversight. AMC shall ensure compliance with the provisions of the said circular and further, the disclosure of such investment shall be made at monthly aggregate level showing the total investment across all relevant employees in scheme on website of AMC (<a href="www.bnpparibasmf.in">www.bnpparibasmf.in</a>) Further, in accordance with the said regulatory requirement, the minimum application amount and minimum redemption amount as specified for the scheme will not be applicable for investment made in scheme in compliance with the aforesaid circular(s).

- c. Aggregate investment in the scheme as on September 30, 2021 by:
  - 1. AMC's Board of Directors: Nil
  - 2. Scheme's Fund Manager: Nil
  - 3. Other Key personnel (excluding 1 and 2 above): Nil

### d. Scheme's portfolio holdings (top 10 holdings by issuer and fund allocation towards various sectors) as on September 30, 2021:

#### 1) TOP 10 HOLDINGS BY ISSUER

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Security Name	As % of net assets
GOI 5.63% 12.04.2026 GOV	17.08%
Gujarat 6.28% 01.09.2027 SDL	12.86%
GOI 6.67% 15.12.2035 GOV	9.73%
Rajasthan 6.05% 16.06.2026 SDL	9.44%
KARNATAKA 7.86% 15.03.2027 SDL	9.22%
Maharashtra 7.33% 13.09.2027 SDL	8.99%
Maharashtra 7.15% 13.10.2026 SDL	4.49%
Maharashtra 8.26% 02.01.2029 SDL	0.00%^
HARYANA 7.64% 29.03.2027 SDL	0.00%^

^Less than 0.005%

### 2) FUND ALLOCATION TOWARDS VARIOUS SECTORS\*

Industry / Sector*	As % of Net Assets
Sovereign	71.81%

\*Industry Classification as recommended by AMFI



Investment in Top 10 scrips constitutes 71.81% (of net assets) of the portfolio as September 30, 2021.

Scheme's Portfolio turnover ratio is 11.14 times as on September 30, 2021.

To view the Scheme's latest monthly portfolio holding, please visit our website at <a href="https://www.bnpparibasmf.in/downloads/monthly-portfolio-scheme">https://www.bnpparibasmf.in/downloads/monthly-portfolio-scheme</a>

#### III. UNITS AND OFFER

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

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

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

#### **B. ONGOING OFFER DETAILS**

Ongoing Offer Period.	The continuous offer for the Scheme commenced from <b>September 23, 2004.</b>		
This is the date from which			
the Scheme reopened for			
subscriptions/ redemptions			
after the closure of the NFO			
period.			
	The Sale Price will be the Applicable NAV of the Scheme / Plan/ Option.		
subscription (purchase)			
/switch-in (from other	The Sale Price per Unit will be calculated using the following formula:		
schemes /plans of the	Sale Price = Applicable NAV *(1 + Entry Load, if any)		
Mutual Fund) by	Example:		
investors.	(1) If the applicable NAV is Rs. 10, entry load is 'Nil' then Sale Price will be		
This is the price you need to			
	As mutual funds no longer charge any entry load, the Sale price will be the		
	Applicable NAV of the Scheme / Plan/ Option.		
	The investors should also note that stamp duty at the applicable rate will be levied		
	on applicable transactions. Accordingly, pursuant to levy of stamp duty, the		
	number of units allotted will be lower to that extent. For more details & impact		
	of stamp duty on number of units allotted, please refer section 'IV-E. Levy of Stamp		
	Duty'		
Ongoing puice for	Repurchase/Redemption price for each Plan/Option will be calculated on the basis		
	* * *		
	of Applicable NAV and Exit load, if any		
switch outs (to other	The Repurchase/Redemption Price per Unit will be calculated using the following		
· -	formula: Repurchase/Redemption Price = Applicable NAV *(1 - Exit Load, if any)		
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investors.	E1-1-16 (b11-11-NAY '- D1011-1-1-20/ (b/		
	price you will Example 1: If the applicable NAV is Rs. 10, exit load is 2%, then repurchase/		
receive for redemptions	redemption price will be: Rs. $10*$ (1-0.02) = Rs. 9.80.		
/switch outs.			
	Example 2: If the applicable NAV is Rs. 10, exit load is Nil, then repurchase/		
	redemption price will be: Rs. $10*(1-0) = Rs. 10$ .		
	The securities transaction tax, if any, levied under the Income-tax Act, 1961 at the		
	applicable rate on the amount of redemption will be reduced from the amount of		
	redemption.		
Cut off timing for	Subscriptions and Switch-ins* Applicable NAV		
Subscriptions /	(irrespective of application amount):		
	( September of the sept		
redemptions/switches	** 7*		



(This is the	ne time b	efore v	hich
your appli	cation (co	mplete	in all
respects)	should	reach	the
official po	ints of ac	ceptanc	e).

	In respect of valid application received up to 3.00 p.m.	The NAV of the day on
l	on a Business Day and funds for the entire amount of	which the funds are
	subscription/purchase/switch-in as per	available for utilization.
:	application/request are credited to the bank account of	
	the Scheme before cut-off time i.e. available for	
	utilization before the cut-off time (of 3.00 p.m.).	
	In respect of valid application is received after 3.00 p.m.	The NAV of the
	on a Business Day and funds for the entire amount of	subsequent day on
	subscription/purchase/switch-in as per application	which the funds are
	/request are credited to the bank account of the Scheme	available for utilization.
	after cut-off time i.e. available for utilization after the	
	cut-off time (of 3.00 p.m.)	
	Irrespective of the time of receipt of application, where	The NAV of such
	the funds for the entire amount of subscription/	subsequent Business
	purchase/ switch-in as per application/request are	Day on which the funds
	credited to the bank account of the Scheme before cutoff	are available for
	time on any subsequent Business Day i.e. available for	utilization.
	utilization before the cut-off time (of 3.00 p.m.) on any	
	subsequent Business Day.	

\*In case of Switch transactions, funds will be made available for utilization in the switch-in scheme based on redemption payout cycle of the switch-out scheme.

Please note the aforesaid provisions shall also apply to systematic transactions i.e. Systematic Investment Plan (SIP), Systematic Transfer Plan (STP) etc. To clarify, for investments through systematic investment routes such as SIP, STP, myTrigger STP, Transfer of Income Distribution cum Capital Withdrawal Plan (TIDCW), etc. the units will be allotted as per the NAV of the day on which the funds are available for utilization by the Target Scheme irrespective of the installment date of the SIP, STP or record date for amount of distribution under IDCW option etc.

Redemptions and Switch-outs	Applicable NAV
Receipt of valid application up to 3	The NAV of the day on which the
p.m. on a Business Day	application is received.
Receipt of valid application after 3	The NAV of the next Business Day on
p.m. on a Business Day	which the application is received.

Please note the following provisions with respect to applicability of NAV for the subscription / switch ins for receipt of the closing NAV of the same Business Day:

- 1. Valid applications for subscription / switch-ins is received before the applicable cut-off time, i.e. 3 p.m.
- Funds for the entire amount of subscription/switch-ins as per the application are credited to the bank account of the Scheme before the cut-off time i.e. 3 p.m.

The funds are available for utilization before the cut-off time without availing any credit facility whether intra-day or otherwise, by the Scheme.

# Where can the applications for purchase/ redemption/ switches be submitted?

The applications for purchase/redemption/ switches can be submitted at any of the official points of acceptance of transactions of AMC & KFin. The list of official points of acceptance of transactions of both AMC & KFin is provided on the back page of this SID and also available on website of the AMC, www.bnpparibasmf.in

This facility of online transaction is available subject to provisions stated in SAI, SID & KIM of respective schemes, operating guidelines, terms and conditions as may be prescribed by AMC from time to time.

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#### Plans / Option Offered

The scheme offers following plans:

- (a) BNP Paribas Flexi Debt Fund
- (b) BNP Paribas Flexi Debt Fund Direct Plan

Each Plan offers following options:

- i) Growth Option
- ii) Income Distribution cum Capital Withdrawal (IDCW) Option^\*
  - a. Daily IDCW Option^\*
  - b. Weekly IDCW Option^\*
  - c. Monthly IDCW Option^\*
  - d. Quarterly IDCW Option^\*
  - e. Half Yearly IDCW Option^\*
- Daily & Weekly IDCW option shall have compulsory reinvestment facility.
- Monthly, Quarterly & Half Yearly IDCW options shall have payout & reinvestment facilities.

There shall be a single portfolio under the scheme.

^Pursuant to SEBI circular SEBI/HO/IMD/DF3/CIR/P/2020/194 dated October 05, 2020, 'Dividend option' under the Scheme has been renamed to "Income Distribution cum Capital Withdrawal option (IDCW) Option" effective April 01, 2021.

\*Amounts under IDCW option can be distributed out of investors capital (equalization reserve), which is part of sale price that represents realized gains. However, investors are requested to note that amount of distribution under IDCW option is not guaranteed and subject to availability of distributable surplus.

#### **Growth Option:**

The Scheme will not declare any Dividend under this Option. The income attributable to Units under this Option will continue to remain invested in the Option and will be reflected in the Net Asset Value of Units under this Option.

**IDCW Option:** <u>(erstwhile 'Dividend Option', name changed in accordance with</u> SEBI circular dated October 05, 2020 effective April 01, 2021)

Under IDCW Option, the amount of distribution, if any, shall be declared by Trustees from time to time. The NAV of the unit holders in any of the IDCW options will stand reduced by the amount so distributed and statutory levy, if any, under said IDCW option. The NAV of the Growth Option will remain unaffected.

Following shall be the record dates for the purpose of declaration of distribution rate under the IDCW options of the Scheme:

Sr. No.	IDCW frequency	Record Date
1.	Daily IDCW	Every business day.
2.	Weekly IDCW	Every Wednesday (or the next business day, if
		Wednesday is not a business day.
3.	Monthly IDCW	Last Thursday* of the month.
4.	Quarterly IDCW	Last Thursday* of each quarter (i.e. quarter ending
		June, September, December and March)
5.	Half Yearly	Last Thursday* of each half year (i.e. half year ending
	IDCW	September and March)

<sup>\*</sup>If the last Thursday as stated above is a non-business day, then the preceding business day shall be considered as record date for the purpose of declaration of distribution rate.



It may be noted that the amount of distribution, if any, under IDCW option will be subject to the availability of distributable surplus as computed in accordance with the SEBI Regulations and discretion of the Trustees/ AMC. Investors are further requested to note that the AMC will endeavor to declare distribution rates under IDCW options on the aforesaid record dates. There is no assurance or guarantee to unitholders as to the rate of distribution nor that the amounts shall be distributed regularly. The Trustees / AMC reserve the right to distribute the amounts under IDCW option in addition to the above stated frequency and/or change the aforesaid record dates from time to time. The Trustee's/AMC's decision with regards to the rate, timing and frequency of distribution shall be final. In case of such additional declaration, if any, the distribution policy (i.e. dividend policy) shall be ensured. The AMC may announce a book closure period for the purpose of distribution of amounts under IDCW option. Amount of distribution, if declared, will be paid to the unit holders appearing in the register of unit holder on the Record Date and for units held in demat form, the names appearing in the beneficial owners master with the Depository as on the record date. To the extent the entire net income and realised gains are not distributed, the same will remain invested in the option and will be reflected in the NAV.

Unitholders opting for the IDCW Option may choose to reinvest the amounts to be received by them under IDCW option in additional Units of the said Option. Under the re-investment facility, the amount due and payable to the unit holders will be compulsorily and without any further act by the unit holders, reinvested in the Schemes (under the respective IDCW option) by crediting units to unit holders account, at a price based on the ex-distribution Net Asset Value per unit. The amount reinvested will be net of tax deducted at source, wherever applicable. The amounts so reinvested shall constitute a constructive payment of the income distribution cum capital withdrawal under IDCW option to the Unitholders and a constructive receipt of the same amount from each Unitholder for reinvestment in Units. Under the payout facility, the amount of distribution shall be paid to the unitholders within regulatory timelines.

#### **Default Plan:**

The following matrix shall apply for default plan:

Scenarios	Broker Code mentioned	Plan mentioned by	Default Plan to
	by the investor in application form	the investor in application form	apply
1	Not mentioned	Not mentioned	Direct Plan
2	Not mentioned	Direct	Direct Plan
3	Not mentioned	Distributor Plan	Direct Plan
4	Mentioned	Direct	Direct Plan
5	Direct	Not Mentioned	Direct Plan
6	Direct	Distributor Plan	Direct Plan
7	Mentioned	Distributor Plan	Distributor Plan
8	Mentioned	Not Mentioned	Distributor Plan

Direct Plan shall be the default plan if the investor doesn't indicate any plan and distributor code in the application form or incase of any ambiguity.

In cases of wrong/ invalid/ incomplete ARN codes mentioned on the application form, the application shall be processed under Distributor Plan. The AMC shall endeavor to 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 (remediation period), the AMC shall re-process the transaction under Direct Plan from the date of application without any exit load, subject to following exceptions/ conditions:



- 1. Such re-processing **shall not** be carried out in case of already redeemed units. i.e. re-processing shall only be carried out for balance units as maybe available after 30 calendar days.
- Any subsequent switch-out or STP (transfer out) request for units allotted under wrong/invalid/incomplete ARN codes shall not be processed unless:
  - Such switch or STP request is for 'switching-in' to direct plan of target scheme / same scheme, as maybe applicable or
  - Correct ARN code is provided and verified by AMC/Mutual Fund, to its satisfaction, prior to processing of such switch request or registration of STP request.
- 3. In case of SIP transaction, the above time period for remediation shall be applicable from first installment/registration only. In case correct ARN code is not provided within 30 calendar days of such first installment, re-processing shall be carried out and subsequent SIP triggers shall happen in Direct Plan.
- Notwithstanding any of the clauses as above, re-processing shall not be carried out, for units allotted under wrong/ invalid/ incomplete ARN codes under IDCW option, in case any amount for distribution has been declared during the aforesaid remediation period of 30 calendar days.
- Subject to above, once the units are re-processed under Direct Plan, no submission of correct ARN code shall be accepted by AMC for such reprocessed units.
- Investors are requested to note that pursuant to such re-processing, the number of units to the credit of such investors may change and AMC / Mutual Fund/ Trustees /Sponsors shall not be liable for any loss that may occur to investors/distributors or any scheme of Mutual Fund consequent to such reprocessing.

Investors are strongly advised to provide the correct ARN codes in case they wish to subscribe to units of the Scheme under Distributor Plan.

#### **Default Option/Facility:**

In case no option is indicated in the application form, then Growth option shall be considered as default option. Further, under dividend option, Quarterly IDCW Option shall be the default Option.

Investors may also opt to simultaneously invest in any / all option(s) of the Scheme subject to minimum subscription requirements under such option(s)/ Scheme.

Minimum	amount	for
subscriptio	ns/	
redemption	ns/ switche	es

Purchase	Lumpsum investment: Rs. 5,000 and in multiples of Rs. 1		
	thereafter.		
	Systematic Investment Plan: (i) Daily, Weekly, Monthly SIP:		
	Rs. 300/- and in multiples of Re. 1/- thereafter;		
	(ii) Quarterly SIP: Rs. 1000/- and in multiples of Re. 1/-		
	thereafter.		
Additional	Rs. 1,000 and in multiples of Re. 1 thereafter		
Purchase	_		
Redemption /	Rs. 1,000 and in multiples of Re. 1 thereafter		
Switch Out	There will be no minimum redemption criterion for Unit based		
	redemption		

There is no upper limit on the amount for application. The Trustee / AMC reserves the right to change the minimum amount for application and the additional amount for application from time to time in the Scheme and these could be different under different plan(s) / option(s).

#### Minimum balance to be Not Applicable maintained consequences of nonmaintenance



### **Dividend Policy**)

**Distribution Policy** (i.e. Distribution of amounts under IDCW option shall be in line with provisions mentioned in SEBI Circular IMD/Cir. No. 1/64057/06 dated April 4, 2006 read with further guidelines/clarifications issued by SEBI from time to time.

#### Who can invest

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The following persons are eligible and may apply for subscription to the Units of the Scheme (subject, wherever relevant, to purchase of units of mutual funds being This is an indicative list permitted under relevant statutory regulations and their respective constitutions):

- and you are requested to 1. Resident adult individuals either singly or jointly (not exceeding three) or on an anyone or survivor basis;
  - ascertain 2. Minors through parent / legal guardian;
- whether the scheme is 3. Karta of Hindu Undivided Family (HUF);
  - risk 4. Partnership Firms & Limited Liability Partnerships (LLPs);
    - 5. Companies, Bodies Corporate, Public Sector Undertakings, Association of Persons or Bodies of Individuals (whether incorporated or not) and Societies registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860;
    - 6. Banks & Financial Institutions;
    - 7. Mutual Funds / Alternative Investment Funds registered with SEBI:
    - 8. Religious and Charitable Trusts, Wakfs or endowments of private trusts (subject to receipt of necessary approvals as required) and Private trusts authorised to invest in mutual fund schemes under their trust deeds & applicable statutory
    - 9. Non-resident Indians (NRIs)/Persons of Indian Origin residing abroad (PIO) either on repatriation basis or non-repatriation basis;
    - 10. Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs) registered with SEBI on full repatriation basis (subject to RBI approval, if any) /Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) registered with SEBI.
    - 11. Army, Air Force, Navy and other paramilitary units and bodies created by such institutions;
    - 12. Scientific and Industrial Research Organisations;
    - 13. Multilateral Funding Agencies approved by the Government of India/Reserve Bank of India:
    - 14. Other Scheme of BNP Paribas Mutual Fund subject to the conditions and limits prescribed by the SEBI Regulations;
    - 15. Non-Government Provident / Pension / Gratuity Funds as and when permitted
    - 16. Trustee, AMC, Sponsor and their associates may subscribe to Units under this Scheme:
    - 17. Such other individuals/institutions/body corporate etc, as may be decided by the AMC from time to time, so long as wherever applicable they are in conformity with the SEBI Regulations.

The list given above is indicative and the applicable law, if any, shall supersede the list. The Trustee, reserves the right to recover from an investor any loss caused to the Scheme on account of dishonour of cheques issued by the investor for purchase of Units of this Scheme. Prospective investors are advised to satisfy themselves that they are not prohibited by any law governing such entity and any Indian law from investing in the Scheme and are authorized to purchase units of mutual funds as per their respective constitutions, charter documents, corporate / other authorizations and relevant statutory provisions.

The Mutual Fund reserves the right to include / exclude new / existing categories of investors to invest in the Scheme from time to time, subject to the SEBI Regulations and other prevailing statutory regulations, if any.

#### Who cannot invest?

The AMC reserves the right to reject any application irrespective of the category of investor without stating any reason for such rejection.

It should be noted that the following persons cannot invest in the Scheme:

Any person who is a foreign national.



- 2. Overseas Corporate Bodies (OCBs) shall not be allowed to invest in the Scheme. These would be firms and societies, which are held directly or indirectly but ultimately to the extent of at least 60% by NRIs and trusts in which at least 60% of the beneficial interest is similarly held irrevocably by such persons (OCBs).
- 3. Non-Resident Indians residing in the United States of America and Canada. (Kindly note that units of the Scheme are not being offered in US and Canada)
  - . Individual investors defined as US persons which shall include the following:
    - Designation of the unitholder as a US citizen or resident; or
    - Unitholder with a US place of birth; or
    - Unitholder with a current US residence address or US mailing address (including a US post office box); or
    - Unitholder with a current US telephone number (regardless of whether such number is the only telephone number associated with the account holder); or
    - Unitholder with a current power of attorney or signatory authority granted to a person with a US address as above;
- (i) Accordingly, no fresh purchases in the Scheme would be allowed to be made by US persons as defined above.
- (ii) In case AMC / Fund subsequently identifies, that the subscription amount has been received from US person, then the AMC/ Fund at its sole discretion shall reject the application at the applicable NAV (at the time of investment) without any load, within 10 working days of identification of their status as US person.
- (iii) If an existing unit holder(s) subsequently becomes a US person, then such unit holder(s) will not be able to purchase any additional Units in any of the Schemes of the Fund. In case the AMC / Fund subsequently identifies, that the subscription amount has been received from US person, either through its own source or through intimation from the investor, then the AMC/ Fund at its sole discretion shall redeem all the existing investment at the applicable NAV on date of redemption, subject to exit load, if any, within 10 working days of identification of such change.
- It is further clarified that the provisions in clause (ii) and (iii) as above shall, mutadis mutandis, also be applicable for investments received from Non-Resident Indians residing in Canada.
- 5. NRIs residing in Non-Compliant Countries and Territories (NCCTs) as determined by the Financial Action Task Force (FATF), from time to time.
- 6. Religious and charitable trusts, wakfs or other public trusts that have not received necessary approvals and a private trust that is not authorised to invest in Mutual Fund schemes under its trust deed. The Mutual Fund will not be responsible for or any adverse consequences as a result of an investment by a public or a private trust if it is ineligible to make such investments.
- 7. Investors are requested to note that the Fund/AMC and its Group companies (in India and outside India) are required to and may take any action to meet their obligations pertaining to (i) laws or international guidance and internal policies or procedures, (ii) any demand or request from authorities or reporting, disclosure or other obligations under laws, and (iii) laws requiring us to verify the identity of our customers relating to or in connection with the detection, investigation and prevention of money laundering and other financial crimes in accordance with the laws, regulations and requests of public and regulatory authorities operating in various jurisdictions which relate to money laundering and other financial crimes.

Accordingly, the Fund/AMC may take, and may instruct (or be instructed by) any of its Group Companies to take, any action which it or such other member, in its sole and absolute discretion, considers appropriate to take in accordance with all such laws, regulations and requests. Such action may include but is not limited to (a) combining investor information with other related information in the possession of the BNP Paribas Group, and/or (b) making further enquiries as to the status of a person or entity, whether they are subject to a sanctions



regime, or confirming investor's identity and status (c) share information on a confidential basis with such Group offices whether located in India or overseas in relation to prevention of money laundering and other financial crimes.

Further, the Fund/AMC shall restrict investments from investors, in case such investor and/or its/their Related Parties<sup>(1)</sup> who are subject to sanctions, or have any of their citizenship or addresses or residing in major sanctioned countries and such other sensitive countries. The AMC/the Fund may also seek additional information/perform additional due diligence for such investor (and/or its/their Related Parties) having any of their citizenship or addresses or residing in any of the sensitive countries. Considering the above obligations, the Fund and/or AMC shall be entitled to:

- (a)(i) reject any application/transaction, prevent further transactions\* by a unit holder; (ii) to mandatorily redeem the units held by the unit holder at the applicable NAV prevalent at the time of such redemption and/or (iii) reject the transaction/redemption/freeze or seize Unit holder's account. \*(including Systematic Investment Plans, Systematic Transfer Plans and Dividend Transfer Plans)/additional purchases/switches in any Schemes of BNP Paribas Mutual Fund. In case AMC/the Fund subsequently identifies, that the subscription amount or any existing SIP subscription has been received from investors (i.e. NRIs/PIOs/OCIs/FPIs) citizens of, residing and/or having place of business in such countries, either through its own source or through intimation from the investor, then the AMC/the Fund at its sole discretion may take any necessary action enumerated in point (i) till (iii) as above including cancelling any such existing SIP instruction. Also, if an existing Unit Holder(s) subsequently becomes a resident/citizen/establishes a place of business in such countries, then such Unit Holder(s) may not be able to purchase any additional Units in any of the Schemes of BNP Paribas Mutual Fund.
- (b) Seek additional information/perform additional due diligence on subscriptions (including fresh or existing SIP applications) received from investors. Accordingly, the AMC shall (i) scrutinize and verify the identity of the investor (including its/their Related Parties), unit holder, person making the payment on behalf of the investor and the source of the funds invested, to be invested in the Fund; (ii) ask for the required additional information to substantiate that the source of investments is genuine; (iii) In case of any existing SIP in any scheme of BNP Paribas Mutual Fund, the AMC reserves the right to take necessary actions in line with point (i) and (ii) in this para. In case AMC is not satisfied with the details provided available, the AMC/Mutual Fund at its sole discretion shall reserve the right to reject the application/ transaction received and/or force redeem the investments at the applicable NAV (at the time of investment) without any load and/or cancel the fresh or existing SIP instruction and/or reject the SIP subscription amount and/or freeze or seize Unit holder's account/transaction.

BNP Paribas Mutual Fund/AMC reserves the right to make changes as required to the above provisions at a later date.

- (1)Related Parties would include but not limited to any joint holder, any legal representative, beneficial owners for an entity, any senior representative(s) of the investor who is/are in a position to respond on behalf of the entity and/or responsible for managing affairs of the entity for eg. MD, Director, CEO, CFO, COO, President, Treasurer, Legal or Compliance Representative, or other authorized representative.
- 8. Investors are requested to note that it is a general policy of the AMC/Fund, based on the internal assessment of the risks and the economic situation, to generally not process or otherwise engage in any activity (even when such activity may be legally permitted) for, on behalf of, or for the benefit of, a sanctioned individual, entity, or organization (including an entity directly or



indirectly controlled by such sanctioned individual, entity or organization or an individual or entity acting on behalf of such sanctioned individual, entity or organization) targeted by French, European Union, or United States authorities, or other applicable sanctions regimes, notably any activity involving directly or indirectly, CRIMEA/SEVASTOPOL, CUBA, IRAN, NORTH KOREA or SYRIA (collectively, "Subject Transactions").

Investors are further requested to note that by subscribing to units of the Schemes of BNP Paribas Mutual Fund, the investor confirms, to the best of his/her/its knowledge, that (i) the investor or any entity controlled by the investor shall only conduct a Subject Transaction when legally permissible, exempted, licensed, or authorized, (ii) the funds relating to the investments do not origin from any Subject Transaction conducted by the investor or any entity controlled by the investor and (iii) the investor or any entity controlled by the investor shall not directly or indirectly use the proceeds of his/her/its investment for a Subject Transaction even if legally permissible, exempted, licensed, or authorized by the relevant authorities.

For this purpose, control means directly or indirectly ownership of 50% or more of the shares, the right to exercise 50% or more of the voting rights or otherwise exercising de facto control over another entity.

9. Any other person determined by the AMC or the Trustee as not being eligible to invest in the Scheme

The Fund reserves the right to include / exclude new / existing categories of investors to invest in the Schemes from time to time, subject to SEBI Regulations and other prevailing statutory regulations, if any. As Units may not be held by any person in breach of the SEBI Regulations, any law or requirements of any governmental, statutory authority including, without limitation, exchange control regulations, the Mutual Fund / Trustee / AMC may mandatorily redeem all the Units of any Unitholder where the Units are held by a Unitholder in breach of the same.

The Mutual Fund / Trustee / AMC may redeem Units of any Unitholder in the event it is found that the Unitholder has submitted information either in the application or otherwise that is false, misleading or incomplete.

#### Note:

- RBI has vide Schedule 5 of the Foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or Issue of Security by a Person Resident Outside India) Regulations, 2000, granted a general permission to NRIs / Persons of Indian Origin residing abroad (PIOs) and FIIs for purchasing/ redeeming Units of the mutual fund subject to conditions stipulated therein.
- Returned cheques are liable not to be presented again for collection, and the accompanying application forms are liable to be rejected. In case the returned cheques are presented again, the necessary charges are liable to be debited to the investor.

#### How to Apply

Please refer to the SAI and Application form for the instructions.

SEBI circular No. CIR/IMD/DF/21/2012 dated September 13, 2012 read with SEBI Circular No. CIR/IMD/DF/10/2014 dated May 22, 2014 permits cash investments in mutual funds upto the extent of Rs. 50,000/- per investor, per mutual fund, per financial year subject to **subject to** (i) compliance with Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 and Rules framed there under; the SEBI Circular(s) on Anti Money Laundering (AML) and other applicable AML rules, regulations and guidelines and (ii) sufficient systems and procedures in place. **However, the Fund, currently, does not permit cash investments in the Scheme.** 

#### Special Products/facilities available

#### SYSTEMATIC INVESTMENT PLAN (SIP)

- 1. Under SIP the investor can invest for a continuous period of time invest a fixed amount at regular intervals for purchasing additional units of the Scheme at the applicable NAV, subject to applicable load.
- 2. SIP offers investors the following facilities:



The following facilities are currently available to unitholders of BNP Paribas Mutual Fund Schemes.

The AMC reserves the right to modify/amend any of the terms and conditions of these facilities on a prospective basis. Daily Systematic Investment Facility (DSIF)
Weekly Systematic Investment Facility (WSIF):
Monthly Systematic Investment Facility (MSIF):
Ouarterly Systematic Investment Facility (OSIF):

Quarterly Systematic Investment Lucinity (QSIL).					
Frequency	SIP Date	Minimum investment required			
DSIF	All Business Days^	(a) Minimum amount Rs.	300/- and in		
WSIF	Any day of the week	multiples of Re. 1/- thereaft	er.		
	from Monday to	(b) Minimum no. of installment	nts shall be as		
	Friday	follows:			
MSIF	Any date of the	From – To Amount	Minimum		
	month		Installments		
		For SIP Installment amount of	Minimum 20		
		Rs. 300 to Rs. 499	installments		
		For SIP Installment amount of	Minimum 12		
		Rs. 500 to Rs. 999	installments		
		For SIP Installment amount of	Minimum 6		
		equal to or greater than Rs.	installments		
		1000			
QSIF	Any date of the	Rs. 1000/- and in multiples of R	Re.1/- thereafter		
	month for each	on a quarterly basis by (i.e.,	January, April,		
	quarter (i.e. January,\	July, October) providing for a	minimum of 6		
	April, July, October)	installments.			

^Where the start date of Daily SIP is not mentioned, then the start date shall be deemed to be the 31st day (or immediately next business day in case that day is a non-business day) from the date of submission of the Daily SIP request.

In case the date falls on a non-business day or falls during a book closure period, the immediate next business day will be considered for the purpose of determining the applicability of NAV subject to the realization of cheques. Units will be allotted on the above applicable dates.

- 3. The provisions of entry and exit load as applicable to the normal investments as on the date of enrollment will be applicable to fresh SIP investments.
- 4. Top-Up SIP facility: 'Top-Up SIP' facility is an optional, add-on, feature of 'Top-Up SIP' to enhance current SIP facility available under the designated schemes of the Fund. This feature enables the investors to enhance/increase SIP installment at pre-defined intervals by a fixed amount, thus, providing the investors a simplified method of aligning SIP installments amounts with increase in earnings over the tenure of SIP.

The terms and conditions for availing the 'Top-Up SIP' shall be as follows:

- a. Frequency for Top-Up SIP
- (i) For Monthly SIP:
  - (a) Half Yearly Top-Up SIP: Under this option, the amount of investment through SIP installment shall be increased by amount chosen / designated by Investor post every 6th (sixth) SIP installment.
  - (b) Yearly Top-Up SIP: Under this option, the amount of investment through SIP installment shall be increased by amount chosen / designated by Investor post every 12th (twelfth) SIP installment.
- (ii) For Quarterly SIP:
  - (a) Yearly Top-Up SIP: Under this option, the amount of investment through SIP installment shall be increased by amount chosen / designated by Investor post every 4th (fourth) SIP installment. In case the investor who has registered under Quarterly SIP opts for Half Yearly Top-Up SIP, the same shall be registered and processed as Yearly Top-Up SIP.
- b. Minimum Top-Up SIP Amount: Rs. 500 and in multiples of Rs. 500 thereafter.
- c. Default Top-Up SIP Frequency and amount: In case the investor fails to specify either the frequency or amount for Top-Up SIP, the same shall be deemed as



- Yearly Top-Up SIP and Rs. 500 respectively and the application form shall be processed accordingly. In case the investor fails to specify both, i.e. the frequency for Top-Up SIP and amount for Top-Up SIP, the application form may be processed as conventional SIP, subject to it being complete in all other aspects.
- d. Top-Up SIP shall be available for SIP Investments through NACH / ECS (Debit Clearing) only. Top-Up SIP shall not be available under SIP facility availed by Investors through Standing Instructions / PDCs or investing through Channel Partners or through Stock Exchange Platforms.
- e. Top-Up SIP facility shall not be available under Weekly SIP option.
- f. Top-Up SIP facility can be availed by the investors only at the time of registration of SIP or renewal of SIP.
- g. Investors should note that for modification of any of the details of Top-Up SIP details, the existing SIP with Top-Up facility shall be required to be cancelled and investor would be required to enroll a fresh SIP with modified Top-Up facility details.

To Illustrate: The calculation and advantages of Top-Up SIP

Conventional SIP	Top-Up SIP
	By providing/choosing the following additional
• SIP Period: 01-Sep-2015 till 30-Sept-18 (3	details, an investor can opt for Top-Up SIP:
	Example:
• SIP date: 1st of every month (36 installments)	Top-Up SIP Amount: Rs. 500/-
• SIF date. 1st of every month (30 instanments)	Top-Up SIP Frequency: Every 6 months

The impact on the total invested value under both cases can be as explained below:

CID Terrore	Total Invested Value (in Rs.)			
SIP Tenure	Conventional SIP	Top-Up SIP		
First 6 installments	6,000	6,000		
Next 6 Installments	6,000	9,000		
Next 6 Installments	6,000	12,000		
Next 6 Installments	6,000	15,000		
Next 6 Installments	6,000	18,000		
Next 6 Installments	6,000	21,000		
Total Amount Invested after 3 years	36,000	81,000		

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.

- 5. Separate SIP Enrolment Forms are required to be filled for WSIF, MSIF and OSIF.
- 6. The cheques should be drawn in favour of the Scheme i.e. "BNP Paribas Flexi Debt Fund" and crossed "A/c Payee Only" and must be payable at the locations where applications are submitted at the Official Points of Acceptance of transactions. Unit holders must write the SIP Enrolment Form number, if any, on the reverse of the cheques accompanying the SIP Enrolment Forms. Outstation cheques will not be accepted and applications accompanied by such cheques are liable to be rejected. No cash, money orders or postal orders will be accepted.
- 7. Returned cheque(s) will not be presented again for collection. In case of bouncing of cheque / no credit receipt for SIP for 6 consecutive times, such SIP application shall be rejected.
- 8. Investors have the right to discontinue the SIP facility at any time by sending a written request to any of the Official Points of Acceptance of transactions. Such notice should be received at least 15 working days prior to the due date of the next SIP date. On receipt of such request, the SIP facility will be terminated and the remaining unutilized post-dated cheque(s) will be returned to the investor.



- 9. The enrolment period of SIP will be as per the instruction given by the investor. In case it is instructed to continue SIP "Till instruction to discontinue the SIP is submitted". Investors will have to submit SIP cancellation request to discontinue the SIP. In case of any ambiguity in enrolment period or if the end date of SIP is not mentioned, the default period for SIP will be 5 years.
- 10. Incase investor has not selected any frequency or incase of any ambiguity, monthly frequency shall be considered as default option. Similarly, 7th day shall be considered as default execution date. In case of any ambiguity in the enrolment form, the SIP enrolment request shall be liable to be rejected.
- 11. In case of minor application, AMC will register standing instructions till the date of the minor attaining majority, though the instructions may be for a period beyond that date. Prior to minor attaining majority, AMC shall send advance notice to the registered correspondence address advising the guardian and the minor to submit an application form along with prescribed documents to change the status of the account to "major". The account shall be frozen for operation by the guardian on the day the minor attains the age of majority and no fresh transactions shall be permitted till the documents for changing the status are received.
- 12. Change in debit bank account details for SIP transactions: (i) Investors are requested to note that in case they wish to change their bank account details for any of their ongoing SIP, the following documents should be submitted atleast 30 days in advance of the next SIP debit date: (a) A request letter to change the existing bank account details for SIP transaction mentioning old and new bank account details and details of ongoing SIP transaction. (b) New SIP Auto Debit Facility Form with new bank account details. (ii) For Investors who have availed Standing Instructions facility with HDFC Bank Ltd and wish to change their bank account details for any of their ongoing SIP, the following documents should be submitted atleast 30 days in advance of the next SIP debit date: (a) A request letter to discontinue such ongoing SIP transaction. (b) New SIP Auto Debit Facility Form with new bank account details.

#### 13. Change of Scheme request in ongoing SIP:

- Investor shall have to provide the Change of Scheme in ongoing SIP request in a pre-specified format. The same shall also be made available on website of the Fund (www.bnpparibasmf.in). Request received in other than the pre-specified format will be rejected.
- Change of Scheme shall be available only for ongoing Monthly SIP registrations without Top-Up facility.
- Based on the said request, the SIP in old scheme shall cease and new SIP shall be registered in the new scheme for the balance months based on the details provided by the investor.
- Investors should note that a minimum of six SIP installments must be completed in the old scheme for enabling this feature.
- The Change of Scheme request shall be processed provided criteria like minimum no of installments, amount, etc. are being met as applicable for any new SIP registration and the same shall be registered within 30 days from the date of receipt of the valid request.
- Further, Investors can Change the Scheme in an ongoing SIP at any time, provided the minimum of six installments are completed in the old Scheme.
- Transaction charges, if any, shall also be levied under the new scheme.
- In case of Change of Scheme request is rejected, the old scheme SIP shall continue for the Investor.
- 14. The Trustee / AMC reserve the right to change / modify the terms of the SIP from time to time on prospective basis.

#### SIP PAUSE FACILITY (available effective April 17, 2020):



With the SIP Pause facility, the investor shall have an option to temporarily pause the SIP installments for a specified period of time. Upon expiry of the specified period, the SIP installments would re-start automatically. The features, terms and conditions for availing the SIP Pause facility shall be as follows:

- 1. Under this Facility, the Investor has an option to temporarily pause the SIP for specific number of installments (i.e. Minimum 1 installment and Maximum 6 installments) by submitting the form for SIP Pause Facility (available at www.bnpparibasmf.in) at any of the Official Points of Acceptance of BNP Paribas Mutual Fund. Investors are further to requested to note that the forms for SIP Pause facility can be submitted to the designated email ID (mumbai@bnpparibasmf.in) as per the facility made available via addendum no. 15/2020 dated March 30, 2020.
- 2. The SIP Pause form should be submitted at least 15 calendar days prior to the next SIP installment date (i.e. excluding the request date and the next SIP installment date). Investor cannot cancel the SIP Pause once registered.
- 3. Investors can avail this facility only once in the tenure of the particular SIP.
- **4.** The SIP Pause facility is only available under Weekly, Monthly and Quarterly SIP frequencies.
- 5. The SIP shall restart automatically from the immediate next eligible installment after the completion of specified pause period.
- 6. If the SIP pause period is coinciding with the Top-Up facility, the SIP installment amount post completion of pause period would be inclusive of SIP Top-up amount. For e.g. SIP installment amount prior to Pause period is INR 3,000/- and Top-up amount is INR 1,000/-. If the pause period is completed after date of Top-up, then the SIP installment amount post completion of pause period shall be INR 4,000/-.
- 7. This facility is not available for the SIPs sourced/registered through MF Utilities & Channel partner platforms as the SIP mandates are registered by respective entities or for SIPs which are registered by investors as Standing Instructions with their banks.

AMC/Fund reserves the right to amend the terms and conditions of the SIP Pause facility and/or withdraw the said facility by issuing a suitable notice to this effect.

#### SYSTEMATIC TRANSFER PLAN (STP)

STP is a facility provided to the investors during ongoing period of the scheme wherein investors can opt to transfer a fixed amount or capital appreciation amount at regular intervals from this scheme to all open ended schemes of the Fund which is available for investment at that time.

#### 1. Facilities available:

STP offers unit holders the following two facilities:

- a. **Fixed Systematic Transfer Facility (FSTF)** where investor can issue a standing instruction to transfer sums at Daily\* / Weekly/ Fortnightly/ Monthly/ Quarterly (calendar quarter) intervals to plans / options within select schemes of the Fund.
  - \*Daily is currently not available under the scheme.
- b. Capital Appreciation Systematic Transfer Facility (CASTF) where the investor can issue a standing instruction to transfer the entire capital appreciation from Transferor Scheme at Weekly/ Fortnightly/ Monthly/ Quarterly intervals to designated Scheme(s) of the Fund.

Unit holder is free to opt for any of the above facilities and also choose the frequency of such transfers.

2. Date of transfer / minimum amount of transfer:



FSTF /	Date of transfer	Minimum amount of
CASTF		transfer
Daily	Daily Interval	Rs. 1000 and in multiples of
(No CASTF)	(all Business Days)^	Re. 1 thereafter
Weekly	Transfer on 1st, 7th, 15th and 25th	Rs. 1000 and in multiples of
	of a month	Re. 1 thereafter.
Fortnightly	Transfer on 1st & 15th of a month	Rs. 1000 and in multiples of
		Re. 1 thereafter.
Monthly	Transfer on 1st or 7th or 15th or	Rs. 1000 and in multiples of
	25th of a month	Re. 1 thereafter.
Quarterly	Transfer on 1st or 7th or 15th or	Rs. 1000 and in multiples of
	25th of the first month of a quarter	Re. 1 thereafter.
	(i.e. January, April, July, October)	

^ Investors should note that in case of Daily STP, the commencement date for transfers shall be the 15th working day from the date of receipt of a valid request and thereafter, transfers shall be effected on all business days at NAV based prices, subject to applicable load. In the event of an intervening non-business day, Daily STP triggers will not take place and consequently the total number of Daily STP installments opted by the investor will be adjusted to that extent i.e., For e.g. if the investor has opted for 50 installments and if 8 non-business days happen to occur in the intervening period, then only 42 Daily STP installments shall be triggered.

- 3. An investor has to maintain minimum balance of Rs. 6,000 in the opted Transferor scheme at the time of enrolment of STP. If the minimum balance represented by clear units is not available, the application will be liable to be rejected.
- 4. An investor will have to opt for a minimum of 20 installments under Daily STP option, a minimum of 6 installments under Weekly, Fortnightly, Monthly option and minimum 2 installments for Quarterly STP, otherwise the STP enrolment request shall be liable to rejected.
- 5. An investor has to clearly specify the name & the option of the Transferor & Transferee scheme in the enrolment form. If the same is not stated or in case of any ambiguity STP enrolment request shall be liable to rejected. In absence of information, the default option for Transferee scheme shall be growth option.
- 6. Load structure of the Transferor Scheme & Transferee Schemes shall also be applicable to STP transactions.
- 7. In case the Weekly /Fortnightly / Monthly / Quarterly STP execution dates fall on non business day, the next business day will be considered as date of transfer.
- 8. An investor has to select any one facility i.e. FSTF or CASTF. In case, investor doesn't select any facility or in case of any ambiguity, the STP enrolment request shall be rejected. However, in case investor has selected any one of the facility but has not selected frequency and / or date or in case of any ambiguity, by default, monthly frequency & 7th day shall be considered as frequency & execution date.
- 9. In FSTF, in case there is no minimum amount (as specified above) available in the unit holder's account for transfer into Transferee Scheme, the transfer shall not be executed and the request of unit holder will stand withdrawn with immediate effect.

**For Daily STP**: If the outstanding balance in "Transferor Scheme" does not cover any of the intermittent Daily STP installment amount, all outstanding units will be liquidated and Daily STP effected for such outstanding balance and Daily STP terminated for subsequent installments. However, if the outstanding balance in "Transferor Scheme" does not cover the last installment under the Daily STP, no transfer shall be effected and Daily STP shall be terminated without effecting the last installment under Daily STP.



- 10. In CASTF, if there is no minimum appreciation amount in the transferor scheme for the consecutive three installments, the STP request of the unitholder will stand withdrawn with immediate effect. The capital appreciation, if any, will be calculated from the enrolment date of the CASTF under the folio, till the first transfer date [e.g. if the unit holder has been allotted units on the 23rd of September and the date of enrolment for monthly CASTF is the 1st of November and the unit holder has opted for 15th of every month as the transfer date, capital appreciation, if any, will be calculated from the 1st of November to the 15th of November (first transfer date). Subsequent capital appreciation, if any, will be the capital appreciation between the previous CASTF date (where transfer has been processed) and the next CASTF date].
- 11. A request for STP will be treated as a request for redemption from the transferor scheme and subscription into the selected transferee scheme(s), at the applicable NAV, subject to load and statutory levy, if any.
- 12. In case of minor applicant, the guardian can opt for STP only till the date of minor attaining majority. AMC shall suspend the standing instruction of STP enrollment from the date of minor attaining majoring by giving adequate prior notice. Further, once the minor attains majority, the guardian will not be able undertake any financial and non-financial transactions including fresh registration of Systematic Transfer Plan (STP) and the folio shall be frozen for the further operation till the time requisite documents for changing the status from minor to major is submitted to the Fund.
- 13. STP will be automatically terminated if all units are liquidated or withdrawn from the Transferor Scheme or pledged or upon receipt of intimation of death of unit holder. A request for STP will be treated as a request for redemption from/ subscription into the respective option(s)/ plan(s) of the scheme(s), at the applicable NAV, subject to applicable load. In case the transfer dates fall on a non –business day, the next business day will be considered for this purpose.
- 14. The provision of 'Minimum redemption amount' specified in the SID of Transferor Scheme and 'Minimum application amount' specified in the SIDs of the Transferee Schemes will not be applicable for STP.
- 15. STP Enrolment Form complete in all respects must reach atleast 14 working days in advance of STP date at any of the Official Points of Transactions.
- 16. Investors could choose to terminate the STP by giving a written notice at least 7 business days in advance to the Official Points of Transactions. In case of Daily STP, termination shall be effected from 8th Business Day of receipt of valid request.
- 17. Investors should note that more than one STP (i.e. daily / weekly / fortnightly / monthly or quarterly STP) can be registered under same Plan / Option of the Transferor Scheme.
- 18. The Trustee / AMC reserve the right to change / modify the terms of the STP or withdraw this facility from time to time.

#### SYSTEMATIC WITHDRAWAL PLAN (SWP)

- 1. SWP is a facility wherein the investors can opt to withdraw (i.e. redeem from the Scheme) a fixed or a variable amount from their investment accounts at periodic intervals.
- 2. SWP offers unit holders the following two facilities:
  - Fixed Systematic Withdrawal Facility (FSWF) where the investor issues a standing instruction to withdraw sums at Weekly/ Monthly / Quarterly (calendar quarter) intervals.
  - Capital Appreciation Systematic Withdrawal Facility (CASWF) where
    the investor issues a standing instruction to withdraw the entire capital
    appreciation from the Scheme at Weekly/ Monthly / Quarterly intervals.
- 3. FSWF/CASWF Weekly withdrawal on 1st or 7th or 15th or 25th of the month, Monthly withdrawal on 1st or 7th or 15th or 25th of the month and Quarterly



- Withdrawal on 1st or 7th or 15th or 25th of the first month of a Quarter (i.e., 1st of January, April, July, October). If the day for SWP is not selected or in case of any ambiguity, 7th shall be treated as a Default date.
- 4. Withdrawal must be for a minimum amount of Rs. 1,000/- or in multiples of Re.1/- thereafter in Weekly/ Monthly FSWF/ CASWF and Rs. 3,000/- and in multiples of Re.1/- thereafter in Quarterly FSWF/ CASWF. An investor will have to opt for a minimum of 6 transactions under Weekly/ Monthly FSWF/ CASWF and 2 transactions under Quarterly FSWF/ CASWF.
- 5. In FSWF, if the net asset value of the Units outstanding on the withdrawal date is insufficient to process the withdrawal request, then the Mutual Fund will redeem all Units outstanding and the SWP request will stand withdrawn for further processing.
- 6. In CASWF, if there is no minimum appreciation amount on the withdrawal date, then the Mutual Fund shall process the withdrawal request for that date and the SWP request of the unit holder will stand withdrawn for further processing. The capital appreciation, if any, will be calculated from the enrolment date of the CASWF under the folio, till the withdrawal date i.e. 1st or 7th or 15th or 25th in a Weekly CASWF, 1st or 7th or 15th or 25th of the month in the Monthly CASWF and 1st or 7th or 15th or 25th of the first month of Quarter (i.e., January, April, July, October) in a quarterly CASWF). Subsequent capital appreciation, if any, will be the capital appreciation between the previous CASWF date and the next CASWF date.
- 7. If the withdrawal date under FSWF / CASWF falls on a non-business day, the next business day will be considered for this purpose.
- 8. A request for SWP will be treated as a request for redemption from the Scheme, at the applicable NAV, subject to applicable load and statutory levy, if any.
- 9. Unit holders may change the amount of withdrawal, at any time by giving the ISC a written notice at least 7 business days prior to the next withdrawal date. However, the AMC at its sole discretion retains the right to close an account if the outstanding balance, based on the Net Asset Value (NAV), falls below minimum balance.
- 10. SWP may terminate on receipt of a notice from the Unit holder. It will terminate automatically if all units are liquidated or withdrawn from the folio or pledged or upon receipt of notification of death of the first named Unit holder.
- 11. The Trustee / AMC reserve the right to change / modify the terms of the SWP or withdraw this facility from time to time. The specified load structure will be in force till further notice. This load structure is subject to change and may be imposed / modified prospectively from time to time, as may be decided by the Trustee / AMC from time to time.

#### TRANSACTION THROUGH DESIGNATED EMAIL ID OF AMC/ FUND:

AMC/Fund provides the facility to execute Transaction through Designated Email ID facility for Execution of Mutual Fund Transactions through Designated Email ID during this outbreak of COVID-19 till further notice.

- 1. Investors are requested to take a note that transaction requests can be sent to mumbai@bnpparibasmf.in only (the Designated email ID) which will be dedicated for receiving transaction requests till further notice.
- 2. Transaction requests only pertaining to Additional Purchase, Redemption (excluding redemption with change of bank details) switch transactions and Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) cancellation request (for SIPs registered through physical application mode) will be accepted on the given email ID and deemed valid request. Further, only signed applications, transaction slips, forms, relevant supporting documents and payment instruments, as applicable, received on the Designated email ID shall be considered.
- **3.** The applications have to be complete in all respects. The email should be sent from the registered email address of the investor.



- 4. It may further be noted that all transactions shall be accepted only through NEFT/RTGS/Fund transfer mode to the 'BNP Paribas Mutual Fund HDFC Online Account' (Account Number: 00602090003095 IFSC: HDFC0000060). No Cheque payment will be accepted through this email mode.
- **5.** No change or updation in Bank Mandate instructions shall be accepted over the Designated email ID.
- **6.** The AMC/ Fund shall not verify the identity of the person sending the email requests and shall consider the email so received from the sender as sent.
- 7. The transaction request sent on the Designated email ID will be time-stamped only once it is received on the email server of AMC and it shall be considered as final and binding for determining the applicable Net Asset Value (NAV).
- **8.** AMC/ Fund reserves the right to change/add the email id(s) from time to time, and the same shall be updated on its website.
- **9.** AMC/ Fund shall act in good faith and shall take necessary steps in connection with the email requests received regardless of the value involved and the same shall be binding on the Investor. AMC will be held harmless for any loss if any, suffered by the Investor for processing such transactions.
- 10. The Investor acknowledges that it is a web based service and that transmissions may not be properly received and may be inadvertently read. Investor hereby agrees that the risk of misunderstanding and errors shall be borne by the Investor and AMC/ Fund shall not be responsible for such breach and shall not be liable for any claims, liability, loss, damage, cost or expenses arising from such misunderstanding or errors caused in transmission.
- 11. Investor shall indemnify AMC from and against all claims, liability, loss, damage, cost and expenses incurred by the AMC arising out of or relating to:
  - AMC acting pursuant to, in accordance with or relying upon any email requests received or AMC not processing the email requests for any reason.
  - o Any unauthorised or fraudulent email request received by AMC.
- 12. This facility will be provided subject to provisions of cut off timing for applicability of NAV and time stamping requirements, as amended by Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) from time to time.
- **13.** AMC/ Fund reserves the right to amend the terms and conditions of the said facility and/ or withdraw the said facility once the situation comes under control and social distancing advisory is withdrawn by the authorities.

For any assistance, investors are requested to **email on customer.care@bnpparibasmf.in** 

#### **SWITCHING OPTIONS:**

On an on-going basis, the Unitholders have the option to switch all or part of their investment from the Scheme to any of the other schemes offered by the Mutual Fund, which is available for investment at that time, subject to applicable Load structure of the respective schemes. Unitholders also have the option of switching into the Scheme from any other schemes or switching between various Options of the Scheme. To effect a switch, a Unitholder must provide clear instructions. A request for a switch may be specified either in terms of a rupee amount or in terms of the number of Units of the Scheme from which the switch is sought. Where a request for a switch is for both, amount and number of Units, the amount requested will be considered as the definitive request. Such instructions may be provided in writing and lodged on at any of the Investor Service Centres / Designated Collection Centres. The switch will be affected by redeeming Units from the Plan(s) / Option(s) of the Scheme in which the Units are held and investing the net proceeds in the other Plan(s) / Option(s) of the Scheme, subject to the minimum balance, minimum application amount and Subscription / Redemption criteria



applicable for the respective Scheme(s). A request for switch will be treated as a request for Redemption from / Subscription into the respective options / Plans of the Schemes, at the Applicable NAV, subject to applicable Load and statutory levy, if any.

A switch by NRI / FII Unit holders will be subject to relevant laws, rules, and regulations at the time of switch. The AMC / Trustee reserves the right to charge different (including zero) Load on Applicable NAV on switchover as compared to the redemption / repurchase as the case maybe.

TRANSFER OF INCOME DISTRIBUTION CUM CAPITAL WITHDRAWAL PLAN (TIDCW): (renamed effective April 01, 2021, erstwhile Dividend Transfer Plan(DTP))

TIDCW facility is available under designated schemes of the Fund. TIDCW is a facility wherein the unit holder(s) of this Scheme ("Source Scheme") can opt to automatically invest the amount distributed under IDCW option (as reduced by the amount of applicable statutory levy) into the eligible "Target Scheme(s)" of the Fund. The following are the terms and conditions with respect to availing TIDCW facility:

- 1. TIDCW facility is available only for units held / to be held in non-demat mode in the Source and the Target Scheme(s).
- 2. TIDCW facility is available to unit holder(s) only under the IDCW Option of the Source Scheme.
- 3. Unit holder(s) enrolment under the TIDCW facility will automatically override any previous instructions for 'IDCW Payout' or 'IDCW Reinvestment' facility in the Source Scheme.
- 4. For the purpose of TIDCW following are the eligible Target Scheme(s): All open ended schemes offered by the Fund (except BNP Paribas Long Term Equity Fund BNP Paribas Overnight Fund and BNP Paribas Liquid Fund).
- 5. The enrolment for TIDCW facility should be for all units under the respective IDCW Option of the Source Scheme. Instructions for part Transfer of amount and part Payout / Reinvestment will not be accepted. The distribution amount will be invested in the Target Scheme(s) under the same folio. Accordingly, the unit holder(s) details and mode of holding in the Target Scheme(s) will be same as in the Source Scheme.
- 6. The enrolment to avail of TIDCW facility has to be specified for each Scheme/Plan/Option separately and not at the folio level.
- 7. Unit holders who wish to transfer amount of distribution to the Direct Plan of the Target Scheme(s) will have to indicate "Direct Plan" in the TIDCW enrolment form. Unit holders should also indicate "Direct" in the ARN column of the TIDCW enrolment form. However, in case Distributor code is mentioned in the TIDCW enrolment form, but "Direct Plan" is indicated against the Target Scheme name, the Distributor code will not be considered and the application will be processed under Direct Plan. Further, where application is received without Distributor code or "Direct" mentioned in the ARN Column, the application will be processed under Direct Plan. Direct Plan shall be the default plan if the unitholder doesn't indicate any plan in the TIDCW enrolment form or in case of any ambiguity
- 8. In case, the unit holder fails to indicate option/ sub-options for the Target Scheme, then

Default Option	Growth Option
Default IDCW Frequency	Monthly IDCW Option
Default Facility	Payout of IDCW

9. Under TIDCW, amount of distribution declared (as reduced by the amount of applicable statutory levy) in the Source scheme will be automatically invested into the Target Scheme(s), as opted by the unit holder, on the immediate next



- Business Day after the Record Date at the applicable NAV of the Target Scheme(s) and accordingly equivalent units will be allotted in the Target Scheme(s).
- 10. Investors are also requested to note that if the amount of distribution as eligible under TIDCW is equal to or less than INR 250/-, then the amount would be compulsorily reinvested in the source scheme.
- 11. There will be no entry and/or exit load with respect to units invested through TIDCW. However, subsequent switch-outs/ redemption from the Target Scheme(s) shall be subject to applicable exit load and statutory levy, if any. The Trustee reserves the right to change the load structure under the TIDCW facility at any time in future on a prospective basis.
- 12. The provision for 'Minimum Application Amount' specified for the respective Target Scheme(s) will not be applicable under TIDCW.
- 13. Unitholders who wish to enroll for TIDCW facility are required to fill TIDCW Enrolment Form available with the ISCs, distributors/agents and also available on the website www.bnpparibasmf.in
- 14. The request for enrolment for TIDCW must be submitted at least 10 days prior to the Record Date for the distribution of amount under IDCW option. In case of the condition not being met, the enrolment would be considered valid from the immediately succeeding Record Date for distribution of amounts under IDCW option, provided the difference between the date of receipt of a valid application for enrolment under TIDCW and the next Record Date is not less than 10 days.
- 15. Unit holders will have the right to discontinue/cancel the TIDCW facility at any time by submitting the TIDCW cancellation form at the investor service centre. Request for cancellation of TIDCW will be registered within 10 days of a valid request received. Any amount of distribution declared between the time of submission of cancellation form at investor service centre and cancellation of TIDCW will be transferred to the target scheme.
- 16. At the time of discontinuation of TIDCW facility, the unit holders should indicate their choice of option i.e. re-investment or payout. In the event the unit holder does not indicate his choice of IDCW option, the amount of distribution, if any, shall be reinvested or paid out as per the instructions prior to enrolment of TIDCW in the Source Scheme
- 17. The amount transferred under TIDCW would be treated as switch-in / subscription transaction in the target scheme(s) and will be liable to comply with the PAN and KYC provisions as may be applicable.
- 18. The AMC reserves the right to change/ modify the terms and conditions of the TIDCW including eligible schemes without assigning any reason thereof. If TIDCW facility is withdrawn from any source scheme or target scheme, all unit holders who have applied for TIDCW will be converted into re-investment or payout option as per the instructions prior to enrolment of TIDCW in the Source Scheme.

#### ONLINE TRANSACTION FACILITY

Investor can avail this facility through Internet Personal Identification Number (I-PIN) or without I-Pin. Transacting online through I-PIN will enable the investors to purchase/subscribe, sell/redeem, switch units and place certain non-financial transactions requests. Transacting online without I–PIN will offer only purchase / subscription facility. Such purchase / subscription facility shall be available only upon validation of certain mandatory fields like folio number, permanent account number etc. The existing investors of the Fund can also avail of iSIP facility being made available under Online Transaction Facility on website of the Fund. Existing investors of the Fund can also avail of transaction facility through Mobile application facility with I-PIN. Transacting through Mobile application with I-PIN will enable the investors to purchase/subscribe, sell/redeem, switch units and place



certain non-financial transactions requests. For Online and/or mobile application transactions, the time of receipt of application as evidenced on Registrar's server will be considered as sufficient compliance with time stamping requirement stated under SEBI Circular no. SEBI/IMD/CIR No.11/78450/06 dated October 11, 2006 read with clarifications notified from time to time. The investors should have a valid folio number (KRA-KYC validated) and the net banking facility or Visa / Mastercard enabled Debit Card with any of the select banks (as per list available on our website) to avail the Invest Online Facility.

This facility of online transaction (including iSIP facility) and Mobile Application is available subject to provisions stated in SAI, SID & KIM of the scheme, operating guidelines, terms and conditions as may be prescribed by AMC from time to time.

#### TRANSACTIONS THROUGH STOCK EXCHANGE PLATFORM(S)

In terms of SEBI Circular SEBI/IMD/CIR No. 11/183204/2009 dated November 13, 2009, units of the scheme can be transacted on Mutual Fund Service System (MFSS) platform of National Stock Exchange of India Limited (NSE), Bombay Stock Exchange Platform (BSE StAR MF) and Indian Commodity Exchange Limited (ICEx) (w.e.f January 20, 2020) for Allotment and Redemption of Mutual Fund units. The following requirements should be noted:

- Investors can subscribe to the Units of schemes of BNP Paribas Mutual Fund through the mutual fund platforms of the Stock Exchanges (i.e. NSE, BSE and/or ICEX) - with NSDL and CDSL as depositories for such units of the Fund.
- 2. The transactions can be executed through all the registered stock brokers of the stock exchange who are also registered with AMFI. Accordingly, offices of such stock brokers will be considered as 'Official Points of Acceptance' of the Fund. Further, units of the Schemes shall be permitted to be transacted through Clearing Members of the registered Stock Exchanges and depository participants of registered depositories shall be permitted to process only redemption request of units held in demat form. Clearing members and Depository participants will be considered as Official Points of Acceptance (OPA) of the Fund and conditions stipulated in SEBI circular no. SEBI /IMD / CIR No.11/183204/2009 dated November 13, 2009 for stock brokers viz. AMFI /NISM certification, code of conduct prescribed by SEBI for Intermediaries of Mutual Fund, shall be applicable for such Clearing members and Depository participants as well.
- 3. Transactions for this purpose shall mean purchase and redemption.
- 4. Time stamping as evidenced by confirmation slip given by stock exchange will be considered as sufficient compliance required under SEBI Circular SEBI/IMD/CIR No.11/78450/06 dated October 11, 2006 on time stamping requirement.
- 5. Where investor desires to hold units in demat form, the KYC performed by depository participant will be considered as compliance with applicable requirements of SEBI Regulations read with various amendments issued by SEBI from time to time.
- 6. The following be noted with respect to investors having demat account and purchasing and redeeming mutual funds units through stock brokers and clearing members:
  - a. Investors shall receive redemption amount (if units are redeemed) and units (if units are purchased) through broker/clearing member's pool account. The AMC/ Fund would pay proceeds to the broker/clearing member (in case of redemption) and broker/clearing member in turn to the respective investor and similarly units shall be credited by the AMC/ Fund into broker/clearing member's pool account (in case of purchase) and broker/clearing member in turn to the respective investor.



- b. Payment of redemption proceeds to the broker/clearing members by the AMC/ Fund shall discharge the AMC/ Fund of its obligation of payment to individual investor. Similarly, in case of purchase of units, crediting units into broker/clearing member pool account shall discharge the AMC/ Fund of its obligation to allot units to individual investor.
- 7. Investors can also transact in units of the Schemes in physical (non-demat mode) through stock exchange platforms enabled by NSE, BSE and/or ICEX from time to time. These platform(s) enable investors to subscribe and redeem units of the scheme (a) directly (pursuant to SEBI Circular SEBI/HO/MRD1/DSAP/CIR/P/2020/29 dated February 26, 2020) or (b) through (i) a holder of valid and subsisting ARN Number issued by the Association of Mutual Funds of India (AMFI), as a registered mutual fund distributor (MF distributor) and/or (ii) SEBI Registered Investment Advisors ('RIAs'); and permitted by concerned recognized stock exchange.
- Note: This facility shall be available only for Monthly IDCW (Payout & Reinvestment facility), Quarterly IDCW (Payout & Reinvestment facility), Half Yearly IDCW (Payout & Reinvestment facility) and Growth option of BNP Paribas Flexi Debt Fund (effective June 10, 2015 and June 09, 2015 for MFSS and BSE StAR MF respectively).
- 9. Various facilities made available under the Scheme from time to time, such as Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) / Systematic Transfer Plan (STP) / Systematic Withdrawal Plan (SWP), SIP Pause Facility, myTrigger Plan, mySWP Plan, SIP Top Up Facility etc. may also be availed by investors through the Stock Exchange Platforms as per notices issued and in accordance with the terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the respective Stock Exchanges from time to time.
- 10. This facility of transacting in mutual fund scheme 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.

The AMC/Mutual Fund reserves the right to modify the terms and conditions of any of the Facility from time to time as may be deemed expedient or necessary. The Unit holder agrees that use of the Facility will be deemed acceptance of the terms and conditions for availing such Facility and the Unit holder will unequivocally be bound by these terms and conditions.

#### APPOINTMENT OF MF UTILITIES INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED:

The AMC has entered into an Agreement with MF Utilities India Private Limited ('MFUI'), a "Category II – Registrar to an Issue" under SEBI (Registrars to an Issue and Share Transfer Agents) Regulations, 1993, for usage of MF Utility ('MFU') - a shared services initiative of various Asset Management Companies under the aegis of Association of Mutual Funds in India ("AMFI"), which acts as a transaction aggregation portal for transacting in multiple Schemes of various Mutual Funds with a single form/transaction request and a single payment instrument/instruction. Accordingly, all financial and non-financial transactions pertaining to the Schemes of BNP Paribas Mutual Fund can also be submitted through MFU either electronically or physically through the authorized Points of Service ('POS') of MFUI. The list of POS of MFUI is published on the website of MFUI at www.mfuindia.com and may be updated from time to time. For any queries or clarifications related to MFU, please contact the Customer Care of MFUI on 1800-266-1415 (during the business hours on all days except Sunday and Public Holidays) or send an email to connect@mfuindia.com.

#### SWITCH ON CALL FACILITY:



- This Facility is presently extended to the following type of Individual investors/ <u>Unit holder:</u> Existing Individual investors with "single" holding; Individual investors with joint holders where the mode of operation is "Either or Survivor" or "Anyone or Survivor"; and Guardian acting on behalf of Minor.
- This Facility is not extended to the following type of Individual investors: NRI, NRO; and in the case of joint holders where the mode of operation is "Joint".
- This Facility shall not be available to Non-Individual investors.
- Switches shall be allowed in all open ended schemes (excluding open ended liquid schemes) only where the units are available. To avail this Facility, Unit holders are advised to call the Number 1800 102 2595 and submit a request for transaction before 2:30 pm on all Business Days. If any call is received after this cut-off time of 2.30 pm, the same will be considered as transaction for the next Business Day. All that the Unit holder needs to do is to provide to our customer service representative the Folio Number, Scheme Name, Transaction Type and Amount.
- The customer service representative will register the transaction by checking the answers to the following verification questions: PAN Bank details. Address (The above verification parameters can be changed on time to time based on the requirement of the AMC)
- Once the transaction is registered, a validation (out bound) call will be made to the registered contact number of the Unit holder.
- On completion of validation, the transaction will be registered and post completion of the transaction, Unit holder will receive a Statement of Account as per guidelines in this regard. This Facility can be availed from 9 am to 6 pm on all Business Days. The actual time stamp will be the start time of the incoming call (and not the validation call time). In case if there are 2 incoming calls due to incomplete first call, then, the incoming call time of the second call will be considered for the purpose of Time Stamping. In case, the Unit holder wants to change the units or amount after the inbound call (or during the validation out bound call), the said transaction will be cancelled. The Unit holder will be requested to call again to register a fresh transaction. Time stamping for the new transaction will be based on the fresh incoming call time with the same Time stamping logic mentioned above.
- The customer service staff will make 3 attempts to reach the Unit holder for validation. Despite 3 attempts if it is not successful, transaction would be rejected. NAV would be allotted based on the realization/utilisation of funds, wherever applicable, as per the prevailing SEBI regulations/circulars issued and amended from time to time.
- The Unit holder agrees and confirms that the AMC has the right to ask the Unit holder for an oral or written confirmation of any transaction request using the Facility and/or any additional information regarding the Account of the Unit holder. If for any reason, the AMC is not satisfied with the replies of the Unit holder, the AMC has at its sole discretion the right of refusing access to the Facility without assigning any reasons to the Unit holder.
- The Unit holder agrees that it shall be his/her sole responsibility to ensure protection and confidentiality of the above verification information and any disclosures thereof shall be entirely at the Unit holder's risk. The Unit holder agrees and acknowledges that any transaction, undertaken using the Unit holder's verification information shall be deemed to be that of the Unit holder. The Unit holder shall take responsibility for all the transactions conducted by using the Facility and will abide by the record of transactions generated by the AMC. The Unit holder shall check his/her account records carefully and promptly. If the Unit holder believes that there has been a mistake in any transaction using the Facility, or that unauthorised transaction has been effected, the Unit holder shall notify AMC immediately. If the Unit holder defaults in intimating the alleged discrepancies in the statement within a period



- of thirty days of receipt of the statements, he waives all his rights to raise the same in favour of the AMC, unless the discrepancy/error is apparent on the face of it.
- It is clarified that the Facility is only with a view to accommodate/facilitate the Unit holder and offered at the sole discretion of the AMC. The AMC is not bound and/or obliged in any ways to give access to Facility to Unit holder. The Unit holder agrees and confirms that the AMC may at its sole discretion suspend the Facility in whole or in part at any time if (i) the Unit holder does not comply with any of the terms and conditions or any modifications thereof, (ii) the AMC has the reason to believe that such processing is not in the interest of the Unit holder or is contrary to any regulations/SID/or any amendments thereto and (iii) otherwise at the sole discretion of the AMC in cases amongst when the markets are volatile or when there are major disturbances in the market, economy, country, etc.
- Indemnities in favour of the AMC: The Unit holder shall not hold the AMC liable for the following: a) For any transaction using the Facility carried out in good faith by the AMC on instructions of the Unit holder. b) For the unauthorized usage/unauthorised transactions conducted by using the Facility. c) For any loss or damage incurred or suffered by the Unit holder due to any error, defect, failure or interruption in the provision of the Facility arising from or caused by technical reasons such as telephone lines not functioning, call drop, issues with voice transmission, loss/limitations of connectivity etc., or for any reason(s) beyond the reasonable control of the AMC. d) For any negligence/mistake or misconduct by the Unit holder and/or for any breach or non-compliance by the Unit holder of the rules/terms and conditions stated herein. e) For accepting instructions given by any one of the Unit holder in case of joint account/s having mode of operations as "Either or Survivor" or "anyone or survivor". f) For not carrying out any such instructions where the AMC could not verify the genuineness of the identity of the person giving the telephone instructions in the unit holder name or has reason to believe (which decision of the AMC the Unit holder shall not question or dispute) that the instructions given are not genuine or are otherwise improper, unclear, vague or raise a doubt.

The AMC/Mutual Fund reserves the right to modify the terms and conditions of the Facility from time to time as may be deemed expedient or necessary. The Unit holder agrees that use of the Facility will be deemed acceptance of the terms and conditions for availing such Facility and the Unit holder will unequivocally be bound by these terms and conditions.

#### Allotment

All applicants will receive full and firm allotment of Units, provided the applications are complete in all respects and are found to be in order. All allotments will be provisional, subject to realisation of payment instrument and subject to the AMC having been reasonably satisfied about receipt of clear funds. Any redemption or switch out transaction in the interim is liable to be rejected at the sole discretion of the AMC. Allotment to NRIs/FIIs will be subject to RBI approval, if required. NRIs should also to attach a copy of the payment cheque / FIRC / Debit Certificate to ascertain the repatriation status of the amount invested. NRI Applicants should also clearly tick on account type as NRE or NRO or FCNR to determine the repatriation status of the investment amount. The AMC /RTA may ascertain the repatriation status purely based on the details provided in the application form under Investment and Payment details and will not be liable for any incorrect information provided by the applicants. Applicants will have to coordinate with their authorized dealers and banks to repatriate the investment amount as and when needed.

The Trustee / AMC retain the sole and absolute discretion to reject any application. The AMC / Trustee may require or obtain verification of identity or such other details regarding any subscription or related information from the investor/unit



holders as may be required under any law, which may result in delay in dealing with the applications, units, benefits, distribution, etc.

#### Consolidated Account Statements

The Account Statement shall not be construed as a proof of title and is only a computer generated statement indicating the details of transactions under the Scheme and is a non-transferable document.

The Account Statement will be issued in lieu of Unit Certificates. Normally Unit certificates will be issued. Unit certificate if be issued must duly discharged by the Unit holder(s) and surrendered alongwith the request for Redemption / Switch or any other transaction of Units covered therein.

The Trustee reserves the right to make the units transferable at a later date subject to SEBI Regulations issued from time to time.

Account Pursuant to amendment to Regulation 36 of SEBI Regulations read with SEBI circular no. Cir/ IMD/ DF/16/ 2011 dated September 8, 2011, the following shall be applicable with respect to dispatch of account statement:

- The AMC shall issue a Consolidated Account Statement (CAS) for each calendar month on or before fifteenth day of succeeding month detailing all the transactions and holding at the end of the month including transaction charges paid to the distributor, across all the schemes of all mutual funds in whose folios transaction has taken place during that month. Accordingly, for all the transactions from the month of October 2011, the CAS shall be issued on or before 15th day succeeding month. CAS is a statement reflecting holdings transactions across all the mutual funds by the investor. The CAS for each calendar month will be issued on or before fifteenth day of succeeding month to the investors who have provided valid Permanent Account Number (PAN). Due to this regulatory change, AMC shall now cease to send physical account statement to the investors after every financial transaction including systematic transactions. Further, CAS will be sent via email where any of the folios which are consolidated has an email id or to the email id of the first unit holder as per **KYC** records. Further. terms of **SEBI** circular SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/2016/89 dated September 20, 2016, each CAS issued to the investors shall also provide the total purchase value / cost of investment in each scheme.
- For folios not included in the Consolidated Account Statement (CAS), the AMC shall henceforth issue account statement to the investors on a monthly basis, pursuant to any financial transaction in such folios on or before fifteenth day of succeeding month.
- 3. The AMC shall issue a CAS every half year (September / March) on or before twenty first day of succeeding month, detailing holding at the end of the six month, across all schemes of all mutual funds to all such investors in whose folios no transaction has taken place during that period. Further, in terms of SEBI circular SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/2016/89 dated September 20, 2016 read with SEBI circular SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR /P/2018/137 dated October 22, 2018, CAS issued for the half-year (ended September/ March) shall also provide:
  - The amount of actual commission paid by AMC/Mutual Fund to distributors (in absolute terms) during the half-year period against the concerned investor's total investments in each scheme. The term 'commission' here refers to all direct monetary payments and other payments made in the form of gifts / rewards, trips, event sponsorships etc. by AMCs/MFs to distributors. Further, a mention shall be made in such CAS indicating that the commission disclosed is gross commission and does not exclude costs incurred by distributors such as goods and services tax (wherever applicable, as per existing rates), operating expenses, etc.
  - The scheme's average total expense ratio (in percentage terms) along with the break up between investment and advisory fees, commission paid to the distributor and other expenses for the period for each scheme's applicable plan (regular or direct or both) where the concerned investor has actually invested in.
  - Such half-yearly CAS shall be issued to all investors, excluding those investors who do not have any holdings in Schemes and where no commission against their investment has been paid to distributors, during the concerned half-year period.
- 4. The AMC shall send confirmation specifying the number of units allotted to the applicant by way of an email and / or SMS's to the applicant's registered



- email address and / or mobile number as soon as possible but not later than five working days from the date of receipt of the request from the unit holder.
- 5. In case of a specific request received from the unit holder, the AMC shall provide the account statement to the investor within 5 business days from the receipt of such request.
- 6. In case the folio / account have more than one registered holder, the first named unit holder / guardian (in case of minor) shall receive the CAS.
- 7. CAS shall not be issued to the investor who has not updated their Permanent Account Number (PAN) in their respective folios. The unit holders are requested to ensure that the PAN details are updated in all their folio(s).
- 8. For this purpose, common investors across mutual funds shall be identified by their PAN.
- 9. The statement of holding of the beneficiary account holder for units held in demat shall be sent by the respective DPs periodically.
- 10. The word 'transaction' for the issuance of CAS shall include purchase, redemption, switch, IDCW payout, IDCW reinvestment, SIP, SWP, STP etc.
- 11. Further, in accordance with SEBI circular CIR/MRD/DP/31/2014 dated November 12, 2014, investors are requested to note that a single consolidated view of all the investments of an investor in Mutual Funds and securities held in demat form with the depositories is being enabled.
- 12. Consolidation of account statement shall be done on the basis of PAN and for PANs which are common between depositories and AMCs, the depositories shall send the CAS. In other cases, (i.e. PANs with no demat account and only MF units holding), the AMC / RTA shall continue to send the CAS to their unitholders in compliance with Regulations 36(4) of the SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 and guidelines issued thereunder.
- 13. Accordingly, the AMC / RTA shall provide the data with respect to common PANs to the depositories within three days from the month end. The depositories shall then consolidate and dispatch the CAS within ten days from the month end. AMC / RTA shall be responsible for the authenticity of the information provided through CAS in respect of Mutual Fund investments and timely sharing of information with depositories.
- 14. The depositories and the AMC/RTA shall ensure data integrity and confidentiality in respect of shared information. The depositories shall utilize the shared data only for the purpose of providing CAS and shall not share the same with their depository participants.

No Account statements will be issued to investors opted to hold units in electronic (demat) mode, since the statement of account furnished by depository participant periodically will contain the details of transactions

The consolidated account statement/account statement will be sent by ordinary post / courier / email. The account statements shall be non-transferable. The account statements shall not be construed as a proof of title and is only a computer printed statement indicating the details of transactions under the Scheme.

The Mutual Fund / Trustee / AMC reserves the right to reverse the transaction of crediting Units in the unitholder's account, in the event of non realisation of any cheque or other instrument remitted by the investor.

The unitholders, who hold units in physical form, may request for an account statement at any time during the tenor of the scheme by writing to the AMC / RTA. Unitholders are requested to provide their e-mail ids for receipt of all correspondences including account statements using e-mail as the mode of communication. Unitholders whose e-mail id is available in the database of BNP Paribas Mutual Fund, electronic mail (e-mail) shall be the default mode of



communication for those investors. In case, email address is not available, the AMC shall send all the communication, except for annual report or abridged summary thereof, monthly or half yearly statement of scheme portfolio and such other statutory communications as maybe specified by SEBI, in physical copies at the address available in the records of the AMC. However, in case the unitholder submits a request to receive any communication, including abridged annual report, monthly or half yearly statement of scheme portfolio, in physical mode then AMC shall provide the same within five working days from the date of receipt of request. If the Unitholder experiences any difficulty in accessing the electronically delivered account statement, the Unitholder shall promptly inform the Mutual Fund to enable the Mutual Fund to make the delivery through alternate means. Failure to inform the Mutual Fund of such difficulty within 24 hours after receiving the e-mail will serve as a confirmation regarding the acceptance by the Unitholder of the account statement.

#### **Despatch of Amount of** Distribution **IDCW** option Dividend)

As per the SEBI Regulations, the AMC/Mutual Fund shall despatch to the unitholders under the payments for amounts distributed under IDCW option within 15 days from the (i.e. record date. In the event of failure of such dispatch within the stipulated 15 days period, the AMC shall be liable to pay interest @ 15 per cent per annum to the unit holders and the interest for the delayed payment for amounts distributed under IDCW option shall be calculated from the record date.

#### Redemption

As per the SEBI Regulations, the Mutual Fund shall despatch redemption proceeds within 10 business days of receiving a valid redemption / repurchase request. 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 despatched within 10 business days of the date of valid redemption / repurchase request.

In case an investor has purchased units on more than one business day (either during the New Fund Offer Period or through subsequent purchases) the units purchased first (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.

However, where Units under a Scheme are held under both distributor and Direct Plan and the redemption / Switch request pertains to the Direct Plan, the same must clearly be mentioned on the request (along with the folio number), failing which the request would be processed from the distributor plan. However, where Units under the requested Option are held only under one Plan, the request would be processed under such Plan.

The Redemption would be permitted to the extent of clear credit balance in the Unit holder's account. The Redemption request can be made by specifying the rupee amount or by specifying the number of Units to be redeemed. If a Redemption request is for both, a specified rupee amount and a specified number of Units, the specified number of Units will be considered the definitive request. If only the Redemption amount is specified by the Unit holder, the AMC will divide the Redemption amount so specified by the Redemption Price to arrive at the number of Units. The request for Redemption of Units could also be in fractions, upto three decimal places. However, in case of units held in electronic (demat) mode, the redemption request can be given only in number of Units. Also Switch transactions are currently not available in case of units held in electronic (demat) mode. The minimum amount of Redemption may be changed in future by the AMC. If the balance in the account of the Unit holder does not cover the amount Redemption request, then the Mutual Fund is authorised to close the account of the Unit holder and send the entire such (lesser) balance to the Unit holder. It may, however, be noted that in the event of death of the unitholder, the nominee / legal heir (as the case may be), subject to production of requisite documentary evidence, will be able to redeem the investment.

proceeds or proceeds under IDCW option

**Delay in payment of** The AMC shall be liable to pay interest to the unitholders at such rate as may be redemption/ repurchase specified by SEBI for such delays (presently @ 15% per annum).



<b>Bank Account Details</b>	As per the directives issued by SEBI, it is mandatory for applicants to mention their bank account numbers in their applications for purchase. If the Unitholder fails to
	provide the Bank mandate in the purchase application, the request for purchase
	would be rejected.
	If a change of bank mandate is submitted along with the redemption request, then
	only the redemption request will be processed as per specified service standard and
	last registered bank account information will be used for payments to Unit holders.
	For the change of bank mandate, investors are requested to submit the specified
	form separately.
Registration of multiple	Unitholders can also register multiple bank accounts in his folio. The "Change of
bank accounts	Bank Mandate & Registration of Multiple Bank Account Form" shall be used by
	the unitholders for change in existing bank mandate or for registration of multiple
	bank account details for all investments held in the specified folio (existing or new).
	Individuals and HUF investors can register up to 5 bank accounts and non-
	individuals can register upto 10 bank accounts by filling up the Multiple Bank
	Registration Form. AMC / RTA shall adopt the same process of verification for the
T * - 4 *	above registration as is applicable for change of bank mandate.
Listing	At present, the Units of the Scheme are not proposed to be listed on any stock exchange.
	However, the AMC / Trustee may at their sole discretion list the Units under the
Transfer of Units	Scheme on one or more stock exchanges at a later date.  AMC shall, on production of instrument of transfer together with relevant Unit
Transfer of Units	Certificates, register the transfer and return the unit certificate to the transferee within
	thirty 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
	investor. Further, if a person becomes a holder of the Units consequent to operation of
	law or upon enforcement of a pledge, the Mutual 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 Mutual Fund subject to production
	of satisfactory evidence. Further, in accordance with SEBI Circular No.
	CIR/IMD/DF/10/2010 dated August 18, 2010 on transferability of mutual fund units,
	investors/unitholders of the schemes of BNP Paribas Mutual Fund are requested to note
	that units held in electronic (demat) form shall be transferable under the depository
	system and will be subject to the transmission facility in accordance with the provisions
	of SEBI (Depositories and Participants) Regulations, 1996 as may be amended from
	time to time.
	The financial transactions of an investor where his/her distributor's AMFI
	Registration Number (ARN) has been suspended temporarily or terminated
	permanently by Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI) shall be processed
suspended by AMFI	as follows:
	1. During the period of suspension, no commission shall be accrued or payable to
	the distributor whose ARN is suspended. During the period of suspension,
	commission on the business canvassed prior to the date of suspension shall stand
	forfeited, irrespective of whether the suspended distributor is the main ARN
	holder or a sub-distributor.
	2. All Purchase/Switch requests (including under fresh registrations of SIP/STP or
	under SIPs/STPs registered prior to the suspension period) received during the suspension period shall be processed under Direct Plan and continue to be
	processed under Direct Plan perpetually unless after the suspension of ARN is
	revoked, unitholder makes a written request to process the future instalments
	/investments under regular/ distributor Plan. The AMC shall also suitably inform
	the concerned unitholders about the suspension of the distributor from doing
	mutual fund distribution business.
	3. Any Purchase/Switch or SIP/STP transaction requests received through the stock
	exchange platform, from any distributor whose ARN has been suspended, shall
	be rejected.



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	4. Additionally, where the ARN of a distributor has been terminated permanently, the AMC shall advise the concerned unitholder(s), who may at their option, either continue their existing investments under regular/distributor Plan under any valid ARN holder of their choice or switch their existing investments from regular/distributor Plan to Direct Plan subject to tax implications and exit load, if any.
Mandatory Undation of	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.
(KYC) requirements for	Accordingly, financial transactions (including redemptions, switches and all
processing of mutual	types of systematic plans) and non-financial requests will not be processed if
fund transactions	the unit holders have not completed KYC requirements.
Tuna transactions	
	Unitholders are advised to use the applicable KYC Form for completing the KYC
	requirements and submit the form at any of the Official points of acceptance of
	Transactions. Further, upon updation of PAN details with the KRA (KRA-KYC)/
	CERSAI (CKYC), the unitholders are requested to intimate us/our Registrar and
	Transfer Agent (i.e. KFin Technologies Private Limited) their PAN information
	along with the folio details for updation in our records.
The policy regarding	As the Scheme is an open-ended Scheme, this provision may not be applicable.
reissue of repurchased	
units, including the	
maximum extent, the	
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manner of reissue, the	
entity (the Scheme or the	
AMC) involved in the	
same.	
Restrictions, if any, on	Restriction of Repurchase/Redemption (including switch-out) facility under the
the right to freely retain	
	In terms of SEBI circular SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/2016/ 57 dated May 31,
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offered	2016. the repurchase/redemption (including switch-out) of units of the Scheme may
	be restricted under any of the following circumstances:
	• Liquidity issues - When market, at large, becomes illiquid affecting almost all
	securities rather than any issuer specific security.
	• Market failures, exchange closures: when markets are affected by unexpected
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	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
	• Operational issues: when exceptional circumstances are caused by force
	majeure, unpredictable operational problems and technical failures (e.g. a black
	out)
	Further, such restriction on redemption (including switch-out) may be imposed for a
	specified period of time not exceeding 10 working days in any 90 days period.
	Restriction of repurchase/redemption facility under the Scheme shall be made
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	Trustees. 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.  Further, where such restriction of repurchase/redemption facility under the Scheme is imposed, the Trustee / AMC may, in the interest of the Unit holders of the Scheme, keeping in view the unforeseen circumstances / unsure conditions, limit the total
	Trustees. 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.  Further, where such restriction of repurchase/redemption facility under the Scheme is imposed, the Trustee / AMC may, in the interest of the Unit holders of the Scheme, keeping in view the unforeseen circumstances / unsure conditions, limit the total amount of redemption which may be redeemed on any business day as the Trustee /
	Trustees. 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.  Further, where such restriction of repurchase/redemption facility under the Scheme is imposed, the Trustee / AMC may, in the interest of the Unit holders of the Scheme, keeping in view the unforeseen circumstances / unsure conditions, limit the total amount of redemption which may be redeemed on any business day as the Trustee / AMC may decide in any particular case, provided:
	Trustees. 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.  Further, where such restriction of repurchase/redemption facility under the Scheme is imposed, the Trustee / AMC may, in the interest of the Unit holders of the Scheme, keeping in view the unforeseen circumstances / unsure conditions, limit the total amount of redemption which may be redeemed on any business day as the Trustee /



2. Where redemption requests are above Rs. 2 lakh, AMCs shall redeem the first Rs. 2 lakh without such restriction and remaining part over and above Rs. 2 lakh shall be subject to such restriction.

Subject to provisions of aforesaid SEBI circular dated May 31, 2016 and SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996, Trustee / AMC reserves the right to determine the operational procedure concerning such restriction on redemption and the same shall be notified to the investors by display of public notice at various investor service centres of AMC and its website (www.bnpparibasmf.in).

The AMC / Trustee reserve the right to change / modify the aforesaid provisions pertaining to Restriction of Repurchase/Redemption (including switch-out) facility under the Scheme.

#### Freezing / Seizure of Accounts:

Investors may note that under the following circumstances the Trustee / AMC may at its sole discretion (and without being responsible and/or liable in any manner whatsoever) freeze/seize a unit holder's account (or deal with the same in the manner the Trustee / AMC is directed and/or ordered) under a Scheme:

- Under any requirement of any law or regulations for the time being in force.
- Under the direction and/or order (including interim orders) of any regulatory/statutory authority or any judicial authority or any quasi-judicial authority or such other competent authority having the powers to give direction and/or order.

#### **Suspension of Sale of the Units:**

The Sale of units of the Scheme may be suspended temporarily or indefinitely under any of the following circumstances:

- During the period of book closure, if any
- Stock markets stop functioning or trading is restricted
- Periods of extreme volatility in the stock markets, which in the opinion of the Investment Manager is prejudicial to the interest of the unit holders.
- A complete breakdown or dislocation of business in the major financial markets
- Natural calamities
- Declaration of war or occurrence of insurrection, civic commotion or any other serious or sustained financial, political or industrial emergency or disturbance
- SEBI, by orders, so direct

The Trustee / AMC reserves the right in its sole discretion to withdraw the facility of sale of the units of the Scheme [including any one Plan/Option of the Scheme], temporarily or indefinitely, if AMC views that changing the size of the corpus may prove detrimental to the existing unit holders of the Scheme. In the above eventualities, the time limits indicated, for processing of requests for subscription of units will not be applicable.

#### C. PERIODIC DISCLOSURES

#### Net Asset Value

ascertain the value of your investments by multiplying the NAV with your unit balance.

The Mutual Fund/AMC shall declare the Net asset value of the scheme on every business day on AMFI's website www.amfiindia.com by 11.00 p.m. and also on website of This is the value per Mutual Fund - www.bnpparibasmf.in. AMC shall prominently disclose the NAV of all unit of the scheme on a schemes under a separate head on the AMC's website and on the website of AMFI. In particular day. You can case of any delay, the reasons for such delay would also be explained to AMFI & SEBI in writing and the number of such instances would also be reported to SEBI on quarterly basis. If the NAVs are not available before the commencement of the business hours the following day due to any reason, the Mutual Fund shall issue a press release providing reasons and explaining when the Mutual Fund would be able to publish the NAVs.

#### Portfolio **Disclosures**

1. The AMC/Mutual Fund shall disclose portfolio (along with ISIN) on a fortnightly and monthly basis for the Scheme on its website and on the website of AMFI within



This is the list of securities where the corpus of the scheme is currently invested. The market value of these 2. investments is also stated in portfolio disclosures.

- 5 days of every fortnight and within 10 days from the close of each month. The AMC/Mutual Fund shall also disclose portfolio (along with ISIN) as on the last day of the half-year (i.e. 31st March and on 30th September) for the Scheme on its website and on the website of AMFI within 10 days from the close of half-year.
- AMC/Mutual Fund shall send the said statement of scheme portfolio via email to those unitholders whose email addresses are registered with AMC/Mutual Fund within 5 days of every fortnight and within 10 days from the close of each month/half year for respective statement of scheme portfolio. The unit holders are requested to ensure that their email address is registered with AMC/Mutual Fund.
- 3. AMC/Mutual Fund shall publish an advertisement, in the all India edition of at least two daily newspapers, one each in English and Hindi, every half-year disclosing the hosting of the half-yearly statement of its schemes portfolio on its website and on the website of AMFI and the modes such as telephone, email or written request (letter), etc. through which unitholders can submit a request for a physical or electronic copy of the half-yearly statement of its schemes portfolio.
- 4. Further, AMC/Mutual Fund shall provide a physical copy of the statement of its scheme portfolio, without charging any cost, on specific request received from a unitholder.
- 5. Unitholders' can obtain the scheme's latest portfolio holding in a user-friendly and downloadable spreadsheet format the following link <a href="https://www.bnpparibasmf.in/downloads/monthly-portfolio-scheme">https://www.bnpparibasmf.in/downloads/monthly-portfolio-scheme</a>

Half Yearly Results The Mutual Fund /AMC shall within one month from the close of each half year, that is on 31st March and on 30th September, host a soft copy of its unaudited financial results on their website. The Mutual Fund and /AMC shall publish an advertisement disclosing the hosting of such financial results on their website, in atleast one English daily newspaper having nationwide circulation and in a newspaper having wide circulation published in the language of the region where the Head Office of the Mutual Fund is situated.

#### **Annual Report**

Scheme wise annual report or an abridged summary thereof shall be provided to all unit holders within four months from the date of closure of the relevant accounts year i.e. 31st March each year.

The provisions of SEBI Circular no. IMD/CIR No.8/132968/2008 dated July 24, 2008, SEBI circular no. Cir/IMD/DF/16/ 2011 dated September 08, 2011 read with SEBI Circular SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/ 2018/92 dated June 05, 2018 shall be complied

In accordance with SEBI Circular SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/2018/92 dated June 05. 2018, in order to bring cost effectiveness in disclosing and providing information to unitholders and as a green initiative measure, the following shall be applicable

- 1. Scheme wise annual report shall be hosted, within four months from the date of closure of the relevant accounts year i.e. 31st March each year, on the AMC/Mutual website (www.bnpparibasmf.in) and on the website of (www.amfiindia.com) and AMC/Mutual Fund shall display the link prominently on its websites and make the physical copies available to the unitholders, at their registered offices at all times.
- 2. AMC/Mutual Fund shall publish an advertisement, in the all India edition of at least two daily newspapers, one each in English and Hindi, every year disclosing the hosting of the scheme wise annual report on its website and on the website of AMFI and the modes such as telephone, email or written request (letter), etc. through which unitholders can submit a request for a physical or electronic copy of the scheme wise annual report or abridged summary thereof.
- 3. AMC/Mutual Fund shall send the scheme annual reports or abridged summary thereof only via email to those unitholders whose email addresses are registered with AMC/Mutual Fund. The unit holders are requested to ensure that their email address is registered with AMC/Mutual Fund.
- 4. In case of unitholders whose email address is not registered with the AMC/Mutual Fund, they may choose to visit our website or AMFI website for accessing the electronic copy of the scheme-wise annual report or abridged summary thereof. Such



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	unitholders shall also be provided an option in the application form, to 'opt-in' to					
	receive physical copy of the scheme-wise annual report or abridged summary thereof.					
	5. Further, AMC/Mutual Fund shall provide a physical copy of the abridged summary					
	of the Annual Report, without charging any cost, on specific request received from a					
	unitholder.					
Associate	Please refer to Statement of Additional Information (SAI).					
Transactions						
Taxation	Debt scheme	Resid	ent investors	Mutual Fund		
	Tax on income	Please r	efer Note 1	Withholding Tax on the income		
The information is	received on units	1 icase i	C1C1 110tC 1	distributed to the investors		
provided for general	from the scheme.	S				
information only as per				10% from 1 April 2021 ( <b>Note 2</b> )		
Finance Act, 2021.	Capital Gains					
However, in view of	Long term	With In	dexation: 20%	Nil		
the individual nature of						
the implications, each	Short Term	Please r	refer Note 1	Nil		
investor is advised to				stock in trade, then please refer to Note 1		
consult his or her own						
tax advisors	for the tax rates applica	able on t	ne income arisii	ng on the safe of units		
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and other implications	Individuals]					
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participation in the	<=Rs. 2.5 lac		Nil (basic exempti	ion limit <sup>#</sup> )		
scheme.	> Rs. 2.5 lac and <=Rs 5			e exceeding Rs. 2.5 lac		
	> Rs 5 lac and <=Rs 10 l			20% of amount exceeding Rs. 5 lac		
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	income (without consider	dering pi	^	otion/ deductions)		
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	> Rs 5 lac and $<=$ Rs 7.5			as 10% of amount exceeding Rs. 5 lac		
	> Rs 7.5 lac and <=Rs 10	) lac	Rs.37,500/- plus	s 15% of amount exceeding Rs. 7.5 lac		
	> Rs 10 lac and <=Rs 12	.5 lac	Rs.75,500/- plus	s 20% of amount exceeding Rs. 10 lac		
	> Rs 12.5 lac and <=Rs 1	15 lac	Rs.1,12,500/- pl	lus 25% of amount exceeding Rs. 12.5 lac		
	> Rs 15 lac			lus 30% of amount exceeding Rs. 15 lac		
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				s of the age of 60 years or more is Rs. 3		
				ore (very senior citizens) is Rs. 5 lac.		
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			o is available for	r a resident individual whose total		
	income is below Rs. 5,	00,000				
	Partnerships (includi	ng LLP	s)	30%		
	Resident companies					
	Turnover <=400 crores		25%			
	(turnover or gross receipts in FY 2019-20)					
				30%		
	<u>r</u>			20,0		
	Alternate ontion prov	ided vid	le Tayation I a	ws (Amendment) Act, 2019		
	As per the Taxation Laws (Amendment) Act, 2019, domestic companies have an option					
	to pay tax at the reduced rate of 22 per cent plus applicable surcharge and cess as per the section 115BAA of the Act. Further, as per section 115B(5A) of the Act, a person who					
	section 113BAA of the	Act. Fu	iriner, as per sec	cuon 115JB(5A) of the Act, a person who		



has exercised the option referred in section 115BAA of the Act have been excluded from the applicability of provisions of MAT.

[For Partnerships (including LLP's)]

- The total income is computed without claiming prescribed deductions or set-off of loss.
- The option needs to be exercised within the prescribed time for filing the return of income (ROI) under section 139(1) of the Act for assessment year (AY) 2020-21 or subsequent AYs. Once exercised, such option cannot be withdrawn for the same or subsequent AYs.

#### [Resident companies]

Domestic companies which do not elect the lower tax rate:

- A company can choose to continue claiming the said exemptions/incentives and pay tax at the pre-amended rate.
- In case of such companies the MAT rate is reduced to 15 per cent.
- However, these companies can opt for the concessional tax regime after expiry of their tax holiday/exemption period. Option once exercised cannot be subsequently withdrawn.

Domestic companies engaged in manufacturing activities

- Manufacturing companies, incorporated on or after 1 October 2019, will have an option to pay income-tax at the rate of 15 per cent.
- This benefit is available to companies which do not avail any exemption/incentive and commence their production on or before 31 March 2023.
- Such companies also shall not be required to pay MAT.

Following table summarizes the options for the income-tax rate:

Tax	2	Companies availing exemption/incentive
Normal tax rate	22 %/15 %	30 % / 25 %
MAT	Not applicable	15 %

#### Note 2:

As per section 194K, any person responsible for paying to a resident any income, other than income in the nature of capital gains and where such income does not exceed Rs. 5,000, in respect of units of a Mutual Fund specified under section 10(23D) shall withhold income tax at the rate of 10% from 1 April 2020 to 13 May 2020 and rate of 7.5% from 14 May 2020 to 31 March 2021.

Further the rates of withholding tax as mentioned in proposed section 206AB (effective from 1 July 2021) on non fulfilment of conditions (pertaining to non-filing of return of income) by the investor will have to be analysed.

The above mentioned tax rates should be increased by applicable surcharge.

For Domestic Corporate Investors:

Income	Surcharge
Rs. 10,000,000 or less	Nil
Income exceeding Rs. 10,000,000 but upto Rs. 100,000,000	7%
Income exceeding Rs.100,000,000	12%

For Non Corporate Investors (individuals, Hindu undivided family, Association of persons, Body of individuals and artificial juridical persons):

Income	Surcharge
Less than Rs. 5,000,000	Nil
Income exceeding Rs. 5,000,000 but upto Rs. 10,000,000	10%



	Income exceeding Rs. 10,000,000 but upto Rs. 20,000,000	15%	
	Income exceeding Rs. 20,000,000 but upto Rs. 50,000,000	25%	
	Income exceeding Rs. 50,000,000	37%	
	For companies which opt to pay tax under section 115BAA and section 115BAB as		
	referred above the rate shall be increased by Surcharge @ 10%		
	For Non Corporate Investors (co-operative society, local authority an	nd partnership	
	firm including Limited Liability Partnership):		
	Income	Surcharge	
	Rs. 10,000,000 or less	Nil	
	Income exceeding Rs. 10,000,000	12%	
	Further, an additional charge of 4% by way of health and education cess shall be charged in all cases on amount of tax inclusive of surcharge, if any		
	For taxation risk information, please refer to Section I (A) (scheme Specific Risk Factors) of the SID.		
	For details on taxation please refer to the clause on taxation in the SAI.		
<b>Investor Services</b>			
	Mr. Vivek Kudal, Chief Operating Officer		
	BNP Paribas Asset Management India Private Limited		
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	7 PM),		
	E-mail: customer.care@bnpparibasmf.in		
	For any grievances with respect to transactions through Stock Exchang		
	Mutual Funds, the investors should approach either the stock broker	or the investor	
	grievance cell of the respective stock exchange		

#### D. COMPUTATION OF NAV

The Net Asset Value (NAV) per Unit of the options of the Plan(s) under the Scheme will be computed by dividing the net assets of the options of the Plan(s) under the Scheme by the number of Units outstanding under the options of the Plan(s) under the Scheme on the valuation date. The Mutual Fund will value its investments according to the valuation norms, as specified in Schedule VIII of the SEBI (MF) Regulations, or such norms as may be specified by SEBI from time to time. In case of any conflict between the Principles of Fair Valuation and valuation guidelines specified by SEBI, the Principles of Fair Valuation shall prevail.

The NAV of the units under each options of the Plan(s) under the Scheme shall be calculated as shown below:

NAV	Market or Fair Value of the Plan's Investments + Current Assets - Current Liabilities and
per Unit =	Provisions
(Rs.)	No. of Units outstanding under each option of the Plan(s) under the Scheme

Separate NAVs will be calculated and announced for each of the Plan(s) & option(s) under the scheme. The NAVs will be rounded off up to 4 decimal places for the Scheme. The units will be allotted up to 3 decimal places.

Valuation of the scheme's assets, calculation of the scheme's NAV and the accounting policies & standards will be subject to such norms and guidelines that SEBI may prescribe from time to time and shall be subject to audit on an annual basis.

#### IV. FEES AND EXPENSES



This section outlines the expenses that will be charged to the respective Plan(s) under the Scheme and also about the transaction charges, if any, to be borne by the investors. The information provided under this Section seeks to assist the investor in understanding the expense structure of the Plan(s) and types of different fees / expenses and their percentage the investor is likely to incur on purchasing and selling the Units of the Plan(s) of the Scheme.

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

This section is not applicable.

#### B. ANNUAL SCHEME RECURRING EXPENSES

These are the fees and expenses incurred for the respective Plan(s) under the Scheme. These expenses include but are not limited to Investment Management and Advisory Fee charged by the AMC, Registrar and Transfer Agents' fee, marketing and selling costs, listing fee, etc.

The maximum recurring expenses including the investment management and advisory fee that can be charged to the Scheme shall be subject to a percentage limit of average daily net assets as given in the table below.

The AMC has estimated the annual recurring expenses under the Scheme as per the table below:

Particulars	% of daily Net Assets
Investment Management & Advisory Fee	Upto 2.00%
Trustee fee	
Audit fees	
Custodian Fees	
Registrar & Transfer Agent Fees	
Marketing & Selling Expenses including Agents Commission	
Costs related to investor communications	
Costs of fund transfer from location to location	
Cost of providing account statements and dividend redemption cheques and	
warrants	
Costs of statutory Advertisements	
Cost towards investor education & awareness (at least 2 bps)	
Brokerage & transaction cost over and above 12 bps and 5 bps for cash and	
derivative market trades respectively@	
GST on expenses other than investment management and advisory fees	
GST on brokerage and transaction cost	
Other Expenses^	
Maximum Total Expense Ratio (TER) permissible under Regulation 52 (6) (c)	Upto 2.00%
Additional expenses under regulation 52 (6A) (c)**	Upto 0.05%
Additional expenses for gross new inflows from retail investors* from specified	Upto 0.30%
cities under Regulation 52 (6A) (b)	Î

<sup>^</sup>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.

Further, the Direct Plan shall have a lower expense ratio excluding distribution expenses, commission etc. since no commission shall be paid from this plan. Further, all fees and expenses charged in the Direct Plan (in percentage terms) under various heads including the Investment Management and Advisory Fee shall not exceed the fees and expenses charged under such heads in the distributor Plan.

As per Regulation 52(6)(c) of SEBI Regulations, the total fungible expenses of the scheme, including Investment Management and Advisory Fees, shall be subject to following limits as specified below:

- (i) On the first Rs. 500 crore of the daily net assets: 2.00%;
- (ii) On the next Rs. 250 crores of the daily net assets: 1.75%;
- (iii) On the next Rs.1,250 crores of the daily net assets: 1.50%;
- (iv) On the next Rs. 3,000 crore of the daily net assets: 1.35%;
- (v) On the next Rs. 5,000 crore of the daily net assets: 1.25%;

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- (vi) On the next Rs. 40,000 crore of the daily net assets: Total expense ratio reduction of 0.05% for every increase of Rs.5,000 crores of daily net assets or part thereof;
- (vii) On the balance of the assets: 0.80%

Further, the following costs or expenses shall be charged to the Scheme (in addition to the limits specified as per Regulation 52(6)(c) of SEBI Regulations):

- (a) expenses under Regulation 52(6A) (b) not exceeding 0.30 per cent of daily net assets, based on inflows only from retail investors\*, if the new inflows from beyond top 30 cities 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: \*As per SEBI circular SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/2019/42 dated March 25, 2019, inflows of amount upto Rs 2,00,000/- per transaction, by individual investors shall be considered as inflows from 'retail investor'.

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.

The top 30 cities shall mean top 30 cities based on Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI) data on 'AUM by Geography – Consolidated Data for Mutual Fund Industry' as at the end of the previous financial year.

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

The said additional expenses on account of inflows from beyond top 30 cities so charged shall be clawed back in the respective schemes, in case the said inflow is redeemed within a period of 1 year from the date of investment.

- (b) \*\*additional expenses under Regulation 52(6A) (c) at 0.05%;
  - \*\* In accordance with SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/2018/15 dated February 02, 2018, AMC shall not charge any additional expense of upto 0.05% as per Regulation 52(6A) (c), if exit load is not being levied under the Scheme.
- (c) The AMC may charge GST on investment management and advisory service fees ('AMC Fees') which shall be borne by the Scheme in addition to the total expense ratio mentioned in table above;
- (d) @Brokerage and transaction costs which are incurred for the purpose of execution of trade and is included in the cost of investment shall not exceed 0.12 per cent in case of cash market transactions and 0.05 per cent in case of derivatives transactions.
  - It is clarified that the brokerage and transaction cost incurred for the purpose of execution of trade may be capitalized to the extent of 12bps and 5bps for cash market transactions and derivatives transactions respectively. Any payment towards brokerage and transaction cost, over and above the said 12 bps and 5bps for cash market transactions and derivatives transactions respectively may be charged to the scheme within the maximum limit of TER as prescribed under regulation 52 of the SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996.

The total fungible expenses charged to the scheme shall be the maximum limit of TER as prescribed under regulation 52.

Investors should note that the total recurring expenses of the scheme excluding issue or redemption expenses, whether initially borne by the Mutual Fund or by the AMC, but including the investment management and advisory fee, shall not exceed the limits as prescribed under Regulation 52 of the SEBI Regulations. The AMC will charge the Scheme such actual expenses incurred, subject to the statutory limit prescribed in the Regulations.

For the actual current expenses being charged, the investor should refer to the website of the mutual fund at the following link <<a href="https://www.bnpparibasmf.in/downloads/total-expense-ratio-of-mutual-fund-schemes">https://www.bnpparibasmf.in/downloads/total-expense-ratio-of-mutual-fund-schemes</a>>. Any change proposed to the current expense ratio will be updated on the website and communicated to the investors via e-mail or SMS at least three working days prior to the effective date of the change (in accordance with SEBI circular SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/2018/18 dated February 05, 2018, SEBI Circular SEBI/ HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/2018/91 dated June 05, 2018 read with SEBI Circular SEBI/HO/IMD/DF2/CIR/P/ 2019/42 dated March 25, 2019). Further, the disclosure of the expense ratio on a daily basis shall also be made on the website of AMFI viz. www.amfiindia.com.

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. Types of expenses charged shall be as per SEBI (Mutual



Funds) Regulations, 1996. 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.

#### An Illustration of impact of expense ratio on Scheme's returns:

If an investor A invests in a regular plan of a Scheme with an expense of 2% p.a. and an investor B invests in Direct Plan of the same scheme with an expense of 1% p.a. Assuming the gross return of this fund is 10% for that given year, investor A will make a return of 8% (post expense) for that year, whereas investor B will make 9% return for same period.

Also, please take a look at below illustration which shows impact of different expense ratio assumed on initial investment of Rs. 10,000 invested over period of 10 years with an average annualized gain of 10% p.a.

Value of	Assuming 10% p.a.	Assuming 10% p.a. gain			
Value at End of Year	gain (without any expense ratio)	with an average expense of 0.5% p.a.	with an average expense of 1.00% p.a.	with an average expense of 1.50% p.a.	with an average expense of 2.00% p.a.
0*	10000.00	10000.00	10000.00	10000.00	10000.00
1	11000.00	10950.00	10900.00	10850.00	10800.00
2	12100.00	11990.25	11881.00	11772.25	11664.00
3	13310.00	13129.32	12950.29	12772.89	12597.12
4	14641.00	14376.61	14115.82	13858.59	13604.89
5	16105.10	15742.39	15386.24	15036.57	14693.28
6	17715.61	17237.91	16771.00	16314.68	15868.74
7	19487.17	18875.52	18280.39	17701.42	17138.24
8	21435.89	20668.69	19925.63	19206.04	18509.30
9	23579.48	22632.22	21718.93	20838.56	19990.05
10	25937.42	24782.28	23673.64	22609.83	21589.25

<sup>\*</sup>initial investment amount

#### Note:

- The purpose of the above illustration is to purely explain the impact of expense ratio charged to the Scheme
  and should not be construed as providing any kind of investment advice or guarantee of returns on
  investments, without considering any impact due to taxation.
- Investors are requested to note that NAV declaration made by AMC/Mutual Fund on every business day is net of expenses, and consequently scheme performance disclosures made by Mutual Fund, which are based on NAV values of the scheme are also net of expenses but does not consider impact of load and taxes, if any.

#### C. LOAD STRUCTURE

Load is an amount which is paid by the investor to subscribe to the units or to redeem the units from the scheme. (This amount is used by the AMC to pay commissions to the distributor and to take care of other marketing and selling expenses.) Load amounts are variable and are subject to change from time to time. For the current applicable structure please refer to the website of the AMC (www.bnpparibasmf.in) or may call your distributor.

Entry Load: Nil Exit Load: Nil

The above load shall also be applicable for switches between the schemes of the Fund and Systematic Investment Plans, Systematic Transfer Plans, Systematic Withdrawal Plans etc. No exit load will be charged on switches between options of the same plan of the Fund. Please refer the section "Direct Plan" for load structure for switches within the Plan. The AMC reserves the right to modify the load structure on a prospective basis.

In accordance with the requirements specified by the SEBI circular no. SEBI/ IMD/ CIR No. 4/168230/09 dated June 30, 2009 no entry load will be charged for purchase/additional purchase/ switch-in accepted by the Fund. 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. The exit load charged, if any, net of Goods and Services Tax (GST), shall be credited to the Scheme. No load will be charged on units issued upon re-investment of amount of distribution under same IDCW option and bonus units.

Subject to the SEBI Regulations, the AMC / Trustee reserve the right to modify / alter the load structure on the Units subscribed / redeemed on any business day under each Plan(s) / Option(s) from time to time. **Such** 



**changes will be applicable for prospective investments**. At the time of changing the load structure, the AMC shall take the following steps:

- The addendum detailing the changes shall be attached to SID and Key Information Memorandum. The
  addendum will be circulated to all the distributors so that the same can be attached to all SIDs and Key
  Information Memorandum already in stock.
- Arrangements shall be made to display the changes/modifications in the SID in the form of a notice in all the ISCs' and distributors' offices.
- The introduction of the load along with the details shall 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.
- 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.
- Any other measures which the Mutual Fund may feel necessary.

The investor is requested to check the prevailing load structure of the scheme before investing. For any change in load structure, AMC will issue an addendum and display it on the website/investor Service Centres.

**Unitholder Transaction Expenses and Load**: In accordance with SEBI Regulations, the AMC/Mutual Fund shall ensure that the repurchase price of the scheme is not lower than 95 per cent of the Net Asset Value. Note: Where as a result of a Redemption/ Switch arising out of excess holding by an investor beyond 25% of the net assets of the schemes in the manner envisaged under SEBI Circular dated December 12, 2003 ref SEBI/IMD/CIR No. 10/ 22701/03 read with Circular dated June 14, 2005 ref SEBI/IMD/CIR No. 1/ 42529/05, such Redemption / Switch will not be subject to Exit load.

#### D. TRANSACTION CHARGES

Pursuant to SEBI Circular No. Cir/ IMD/ DF/13/2011 dated August 22, 2011, the AMC/the Fund shall deduct transaction charges as per the following details from the subscription amount. The amount so deducted shall be paid to the distributor/agent of the investor (in case they have "opted in") and the balance shall be invested. In accordance with SEBI circular no. CIR/IMD/DF/21/2012 dated September 13, 2012, the distributors shall have an option either to opt in or opt out of levying transaction charge based on type of the product.

- 1. **First time investor in Mutual Fund (across all the Mutual Funds):** Transaction charge of Rs. 150/- for subscription of Rs. 10,000 and above shall be deducted.
- 2. **Existing investor in Mutual Funds (across all the Mutual Funds):** Transaction charge of Rs. 100/- per subscription of Rs. 10,000 and above shall be deducted.
- 3. **For SIP** The transaction charges in case of investments through SIP shall be deducted only if the total commitment (i.e. amount per SIP installment x No. of installments) amounts to Rs. 10,000/- and above. The transaction charges shall be deducted in 3-4 installments.
- 4. Transaction charges shall not be deducted for:
  - a. purchases /subscriptions for an amount less than Rs. 10,000/-
  - b. transaction other than purchases/ subscriptions relating to new inflows such as Switch/ Systematic Transfer Plan (STP), Systematic Withdrawal Plan (SWP) etc.
  - c. purchases /subscriptions made directly with the Fund (i.e. not through any distributor/agent).
  - d. Transactions through stock exchange.
- 5. The statement of account shall reflect the net investment as gross subscription less transaction charge and the number of units allotted against the net investment.
- 6. As per SEBI circular no. SEBI/ IMD/ CIR No. 4/ 168230/09 dated June 30, 2009, the upfront commission to distributors shall be paid by the investor directly to the distributor by a separate cheque based on the investor's assessment of various factors including service rendered by the distributor.

#### E. LEVY OF STAMP DUTY

Investors/Unit holders are requested to note that that 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 The Finance Act, 2019, notified on February 21, 2019 issued by Legislative Department, Ministry of Law and Justice, Government of India, a stamp duty @0.005% of the transaction value would be levied on applicable mutual fund transactions. Accordingly, pursuant to levy of stamp duty, the number of units allotted on purchase/switch transactions (including reinvestment of amounts under IDCW option i.e. dividend reinvestment) to the Investors/Unit holders would be reduced to that extent.

#### F. WAIVER OF LOAD FOR DIRECT APPLICATIONS

In accordance with the requirements specified by the SEBI circular no. SEBI / IMD/CIR No. 4 / 168230/ 09 dated June 30, 2009 no entry load will be charged for purchase / additional purchase / switch-in accepted by the Fund. Hence provision for waiver of load for direct application is not applicable.

#### V. RIGHTS OF UNITHOLDERS

Please refer to the 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

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

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 & Regulations framed there under including debarment and/or suspension and/or cancellation and/or imposition of monetary penalty/adjudication/enquiry proceedings, if any, to which the Sponsor(s) and/or the AMC and/or the Board of Trustees/Trustee Company and/or any of the directors and/or key personnel(especially the fund managers) of the AMC and Trustee Company were/are a party. The details of the violation shall also be disclosed: SEBI vide its Show cause Notice (SCN) bearing reference no. SEBI/HO/EAD-3/JS/DJ/OW/P/3577/ 1/2019 dated May 29, 2019 had alleged that BNP Paribas Asset Management India Private Limited (AMC) has traded in the scrip of Manappuram Finance Limited when in possession of Unpublished Price Sensitive information in violation of Section 12A(d) and 12A(e) of the SEBI Act, 1992 read with Regulation 3(i), 3A and 4 of the SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 1992 read with Regulation 12(2) of (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015. A reply to the said SCN denying the allegations stated therein has been filed with SEBI. A reply to the said SCN denying the allegations stated therein has been filed with SEBI order dated March 26, 2020, the SCN in the matter was disposed off by SEBI without any penalty for the AMC.

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: Nil

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 also be disclosed: Nil

#### Note:

- (a) Further, any amendments / replacement / re-enactment of SEBI Regulations subsequent to the date of the Scheme Information Document shall prevail over those specified in this Document.
- (b) The Trustees have ensured that the BNP Paribas Flexi Debt Fund approved by them is a new product and is not a minor modification of any other existing open ended schemes/ funds/ products of the Mutual Fund.
- (c) This Scheme Information Document is an updated version of the same in line with the current laws / regulations and other developments.
- (d) 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.

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#### THE REGISTRAR

AMC has appointed KFin Technologies Private Limited (KFin) located at Karvy Selenium, Tower B, Plot No – 31 & 32, Financial District, Nanakramguda, Serilingampally, Hyderabad – 500 032, Telangana, India to act as Registrar and Transfer Agents ("The Registrar") to the Schemes.

The Registrar is registered with SEBI under registration number INR000000221.

#### LIST OF OFFICIAL POINTS OF ACCEPTANCE OF TRANSACTIONS

#### AMC INVESTOR SERVICE CENTRES:

Mumbai-Bandra: 7th Floor, Crescenzo, A wing, Plot No. C-38/39, G Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (E), Mumbai - 400 051. Mumbai-Borivali: Shop no. 5, Chitalia Enclave Co-op. Hsg. Soc. (Kapoor Apt.), Junction of Punjabi lane & Chandavarkar Road, Borivali (West), Mumbai - 400 092. Mumbai-Thane: Shop No. 02, Ground Floor, Shubhlyot CHS, Near Ghantali Temple, Naupada, Thane (West) 400602. Bengaluru: Unit No. 205, 2nd Floor, West Wing - Raheja Tower, 26-27, M. G. Road, Bangalore 560 001. Chennai: 3rd Floor, Prince Towers, Door Nos. 25 & 26, College Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai - 600 006. Gurgaon: 604, 6th Floor, Time tower, Sec 28, MG Road, Haryana, Gurgaon - 122002. Kolkata: 9th Floor Landmark Building, 228A, A.J.C. Bose Road, Kolkata - 700020. New Delhi: 8th, Floor, Dr. Gopal Das Bhawan, 28 Barakhamba Road, New Delhi - 110 001. Pune: Office No. A-4, Fourth Floor, Deccan Chambers 33/40, Erandwana, Karve Road, Pune - 411 004. Ahmedabad: Office No. 104, 1st Floor, 6th Avenue Building, Opposite Textile Co-Operative Bank, Mithakhali Six Road, Ahmedabad - 380 009. Hyderabad: 8-2-618/8 & 9, unit no 404, ABK Olbee Plaza, Banjara Hills road no. 1&11, Hyderabad, Telangana.

#### KFin CUSTOMER CARE CENTRES/OPATs:

o Andhra Pradesh: Ananthapur: #13/4, Vishnupriya Complex, Beside SBI Bank, Near Tower Clock, Ananthapur - 515 001 o Eluru: House No. 22B-12-1/1, Ground Floor, Gadevari Street, Power Peta, Eluru 2 Eluru, West Godavari - 534002 o Guntur: 2nd Shatter, 1st Floor, HNo. 6-14-48, 14/2 Lane, Arundal Pet, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh-522 002 o Kurnool: Shop No. 47, 2°" Floor, S Komda Shopping Mall, Kurnool - 518 001 o Rajahmundry: No. 46-23-10/A, Tirumala Arcade, 2nd Floor, Ganuga Veedhi, Danavaipeta, Rajahmundry, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh - 533103 o Srikakulam: D No 4-4-97, First Floor, Behind Sri Vijayaganapathi Temple, Pedda Relli Veedhi, Palakonda Road, Srikakulam - 532001 o Tirupathi: H.No:10-13-425, 1st Floor, Tilak Road, Opp: Sridevi Complex, Tirupathi - 517501 o Vijayawada: 1st Floor, H.No. 26-23, Sundarammastreet, Gandhi Nagar, Vijayawada, Krishna AP - 520 003 o Visakhapatnam: Ground Floor, 48-10-40, Sri Nagar Colony, Visakhapatnam - 530016 o Assam: Guwahati: Ganpati Enclave, 4th Floor, Opposite Bora Service, Ullubari, Guwahati, Assam - 781007 o Silchar: N.N. Dutta Road, Chowchakra Complex, Premtala, Silchar - 788001 o Bihar: Gaya: Property no. 711045129, Ground Floor, Hotel Skylark, Swaraipuri Road, Gaya — 823 001 o Patna: 3A, 3rd Floor Anand Tower, Exhibition Road, Opp Icici Bank, Patna - 800001 o Begusarai: C/o Dr Hazari Prasad Sahu, Ward No 13, Behind Alka Cinema, Begusarai-851 117, Bihar o Bhagalpur: 2nd Floor, Chandralok Complex, Near Ghanta Ghar, in the city of Bhagalpur-812 001, Bihar o Darbhanga: 2nd Floor Raj Complex, Near Poor Home, Darbhanga - 846004 o Muzaffarpur: First Floor Saroj Complex, Diwam Road, Near Kalyani Chowk, Muzaffarpur, Bihar-842001 o ChaTtisgarh: Bhilai: Office No. 2, 1st Floor; Plot No. 9/6, Nehru Nagar [East], Bhilai - 490020, Chhattisgarh o Bilaspur: Anandam Plaza, Shop. No. 306, 3" Floor, Vyapar Vihar Main Road, Bilaspur-495 001, Chattisgarh o Raipur: Office No S-13, Second Floor, Reheja Tower, Fafadih Chowk, Jail Road, Raipur - 492001 o Goa: o Panjim: : H. 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Road,, Junagadh - 362001 o Mehsana: FF-21 Someshwar Shopping Mall, Modhera Char Rasta, Mehsana - 384002 o Nadiad: 311-3rd Floor, City Center, Near Paras Circle, Nadiad-387 001 o Navsari: 103, 1st Floor Landmark Mall, Near Sayaji Library, Navsari Gujarat, Navsari - 396445 o Rajkot: 302, Metro Plaza, Near Moti Tanki Chowk, Rajkot, Gujarat - 360001 o Surat: Office no: - 516, 5th Floor, Empire State Building, Near Udhna Darwaja, Ring Road, Surat 395002 o Valsad: 406 Dreamland Arcade, Opp. Jade-Blue, Tithal Road, Valsad-396 001, Gujarat o Vapi: Shop No - 12, Ground Floor, Sheetal Appatment, Near K P Tower, Vapi - 396195 o Haryana: Ambala: 6349, 2nd Floor, Nicholson Road, Adjacent Kos Hospital Ambala Cant, Ambala-133 001, Haryana o Faridabad: A-2B 2nd Floor, Neelam Bata Road, Peer ki Mazar, Nehru Ground NIT, Faridabad - 121 001 o Gurgaon: 2nd Floor, Vipul Agora, M. G. Road, in the city of Gurgaon-122 001 Haryana o Hissar: Shop No. 20, Ground Floor, R D City Centre, Railway Road, Hissar-125 001, Haryana o Panipat: 3rd Floor Preet Tower, Benind Akash Institute, G T Road, Panipat -132 103 o Rohtak: Shop No 14, Ground Floor, Ashoka Plaza, Delhi Road, in the city of Rohtak-124 001, Haryana. o Sonepat: 2nd Floor, D.P. Tower Model Town, Near Subhash Chowk, Sonepat-131 001, Haryana o Yamuna Nagar: B-V, 185/A, 2nd Floor, Jagadri Road, Near DAV Girls College, (UCO Bank Building) Pyara Chowk, Yamunanagar-135 001, Haryana o Karnal: 18/369, Char Chaman, Kunjpura Road, Behind Miglani Hospital, Karnal - 132001 o Himachal Pradesh. Shimla: Shop No. 2, 1st Floor, Hills View Complex, Near Tara Hall, Shimla -171001o Solan: Disha Complex, 1st Floor, Above-Axis Bank, Rajgarh Road, in the city of Solan-173 212, Himanchal Pradesh o Jammu & Kashmir: Jammu: 304, A-1, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, North Block, Bahu Plaza, Jammu - 180004 o Jharkhand: Bokaro: City Centre, Plot No. HE-07, Sector-IV, Bokaro Steel City - 827004 o Dhanbad: 208 New Market 2nd Floor, Bank More, Dhanbad - 826001 o Jamshedpur: Shop no. 1, Madhukunj, 3rd Floor, Q Road, Sakchi, Bistupur, East Šinghbhum; Jamshedpur-831001, Jharkhand o Ranchi: Room No 307, 3rd Floor, Commerce Tower, Beside Mahabir Tower Ranchi - 834001 o Karnataka : Bangalore: No: 35, , Puttanna Road, Basavangudi, Bangalore-560 004 o Belgaum: – Premises No. 101 CTS No. 1893, Shree Gurantana rower, Anandwadi, Hindwadi, Belgaum - 590011 o Gandhi Nagar - Bellary: Shree Gayathri Towers, #4, 1st Floor, K.H.B.Colony, Gopalaswamy Mudaliar Road, Gandhi Nagar - Bellary - 583103 o Davangere: D.No 162/6, 1st Floor, 3rd Main, P J Extension, Davangere Taluk, Davangere Mandal, Davangere-577002, Karnataka o Gulbarga: H No 2-231, Krishna Complex, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Opp. Municipal Corporation Office, Jagat Station Main Road, Kalaburagi-585 105 o Hassan: Hemadri Arcade, 2nd Main Road, Salgame Road, Near Brahmin Boys Hostel, Hassan - 573201 o Hubli: R R Mahalaxmi Mansion, Above IndusInd Bank, 2nd Floor, Desai Cross Pinto Road, Hubballi - 580029 o Mangalore: Mahendra Arcade Opp Court Road, Karangal Padi, Mangalore - 575003 o Margao: Shop No. 21, Osia Mall, 1st Floor, Near KTC Bus Stand, SGDPA Market Complex, Margao - 403601 o Mysore: No. 2924, 2nd Floor, 1st Main, 5th Cross, Saraswathi Puram, Mysore - 570 009 o Shimoga: Jayarama Nilaya, 2nd Corss, Mission Compound, , Shimoga - 577201 o Kerala: o Calicut: Second Floor, Manimuriyil Centre, Bank Road, Kasaba Village, Calicut-673 001 o Cochin: Ali Arcade, 1st Floor, Kizhavana Road, Panampilly Nagar, Near Atlantis Junction, Ernakualm - 682036 o Kannur: 2nd Floor, Global Village, Bank Road, Kannur - 670001, Kerala o Kollam: Ground Floor, A Narayanan Shopping Complex, Kausthubhsree Block, Kadapakada, Kollam - 691008 o Kottayam: 1st Floor Csiascension Square, Railway Station Road, Collectorate P O, Kottayam - 686002 o Palghat: No: 20 & 21, Metro Complex H. P. O. Road Palakkad, H. P. O. Road, Palakkad – 678001 o Thiruvalla: 2nd Floor, Erinjery Complex, Ramanchira, Opp Axis Bank, Thiruvalla - 689107 o Trichur: – Room number 9/598/7H, 4th floor, Crown Tower, Shakthan Nagar, Opp. Head Post Office, Thrissur - 680001 o Trivandrum: Marvel Tower, 1st Floor, URA-42 (Uppalam Road Residence Association) Statue, Trivandrum - 695001 o Madhya Pradesh: o Bhopal: Gurukripa Plaza, Plot No. 48A, Opposite City Hospital, Zone-2, M P Nagar, Bhopal - 462 011 o Indore: 101, Diamond Trade centre, Indore - 452001 o Jabalpur: 3rd floor, R.R. Tower. 5, Lajpatkunj, Near Tayabali Petrol Pump, Jabalpur - 482001 o Sagar: Il floor, Above Shiva Kanch Mandir, 5 Civil Lines, Sagar, Sagar - 470002 o Ujjain: Heritage Shop No. 227, 87 Vishvavidhyalaya Marg, Station Road, Near ICICI Bank, Above Vishal Megha Mart, Ujjain - 456001 o Gwalior: City Centre, Near Axis Bank, Gwalior - 474 011, Madhya Pradesh o Morena: House No. HIG 959, Near Court, Front of Dr. Lal Lab, Old Housing Board Colony, Morena-476 001, Madhya Pradesh o Rewa: In Front of Teerth Memorial Hospital, in the city of Reewa-486 001, Madhya Pradesh o Satna: Jainam Market, Purana Power House Chauraha, Panni Lal Chowk, Satna-485 001, Madhya Pradesh o Shivpuri: Shop - 7, Hotel Vanasthali Complex, Near Hotel Vanasthali, In Fr ont of Sawarkar Park, A. B. Road, Shivpuri-473 551, Madhya Pradesh o Maharashthra: Akola: Yamuna Tarang Complex, Shop No 30, round Floor, N.H. No - 06, Murtizapur Road, Opp Radhakrishna Talkies, Akola - 444004 o Amaravathi: Shop No. 21, 2nd Floor, Gulshan Tower, Near Panchsheel Talkies, Jaistambh Square, Amaravathi - 444601 o Aurangabad: Shop No. B 38, Motiwala Trade Centre, Nirala Bazar, Aurangabad - 431001 o Dhule: Ground Floor Ideal Laundry, Lane No 4, Khol Galli, Near Muthoot Finance, Opp Bhavasar General Store, Dhule - 424001 o Jalgaon: #269, 3rd Floor at Jaee Plaza, Balirampeth Mandal, Near Kishor Agencies, Jalgaon - 425201 o Nagpur: Plot No. 2, Survey No. 1032 and 1033 of Gagda Khare Town, Dharampeth, Nagpur - 440010 o Nanded: Shop No.4, Santakripa Market, G G Road, Opp. Bank of India, Nanded - 431601 o Nasik: S-9, Second Floor, Suyojit Sankul, Sharanpur Road, Nasik - 422002 o Kolhapur: 605/1/4 E Ward, Shahupuri 2nd Lane, Laxmi Niwas, Near Sultane Chambers, Kolhapur - 416001 o Mumbai: 24/B, Raja Bahadur Compound, Ambalal Doshi Marg, Behind BSE Bldg, Fort - 400001 o Shivaji Nagar, Pune: Office No. 207-210, 2nd Floor, Kamla Arcade, Jangli Maharaj Road, Opposite Balgandharva, Shivaji Nagar, Pune - 411 005 o Solapur: Block No 06, Vaman Nagar, Opp D-Mart, Jule Solapur, Solapur - 413004 o Meghalaya: Shillong: Annex Mani Bhawan, Lower Thana Road, Near R K M LP School, Shillong - 793001 o New Delhi: New Delhi: 305 New Delhi House, 27 Barakhamba Road, New Delhi - 110001 o Orissa: Balasore: 1-B, 1st Floor, Kalinga





Hotel Lane, Baleshwar, Baleshwar Sadar, Orissa, Balasore-756 001 o Berhampur (Or): Opp Divya Nandan Kalyan Mandap, 3rd Lane Dharam Nagar, Near Lohiya Motor, Berhampur (Or) - 760001 o Bhubaneswar: A/ 1 81, Janardan House, Room # 07, 3rd Floor, Saheed Nagar, Bhubaneswar - 751 007, Orissa o Cuttack: Shop No. 45, 2nd Floor, Netaji Subas Bose Arcade, (Big Bazar Building), adjacent to Reliance Trends, Dargha Bazar, Cuttack, Orissa - 753 001 o Rourkela: 2nd Floor, Main Road, Udit Nagar, Rourkela, Sundargarh - 769 012, Orissa o Sambalpur: Sahej Plaza, First Floor, Shop No. 219, Golebazar, Sambalpur - 768 001, Orissa o Pondicherry: Pondicherry: - No. 122(10b), Muthumariamman Koil Street, Pondicherry - 605001 o Punjab : Amritsar: SCO 5, 2nd Floor, District Shopping Complex, Ranjit Avenue, Amritsar, Punjab – 143001 o Bhatinda: 2nd Floor, MCB -2-3-01043 Goniana Road, Opp. Nippon India MF, GT Road, Near Hanuman Chowk, Bhatinda - 161001 o Ferozepur: The Mall Road, Chawla Bulding, 1st Floor, Opp. Centrail Jail, Near Hanuman Mandir, Ferozepur - 152002 o Hoshiarpur: The Mall Complex Unit # SF-6, 2nd Floor, Opposite Kapila Hospital, Sutheri Road, Hoshiarpur, Punjab – 146001 o Jalandhar: – Office No 7, 3rd Floor, City Square building, E-H197, Civil Lines, Jalandhar -144001 o Ludhiana: SCO 122, Second floor, Above HDFC Mutual Fund, Feroze Gandhi Market, Ludhiana - 141001 o Moga: 1st Floor, Dutt Road, Mandir Wali Gali, Civil Lines, Barat Ghar, Moga - 142001 o Pathankot: 2nd Floor, Sahni Arcade Complex, Adj.Indra colony Gate Railway Road, Pathankot, Pathankot - 145001 o Patiala: B-17/423 Opp. Modi College, Lower Mall, Patiala - 147001o Rajasthan : Ajmer: 302, 3rd Floor, Ajmer Auto Building, Opposite City Power House, Jaipur Road, Ajmer - 305001 o Alwar: Office Number 137, First Floor, Jai Complex Road No-2, Alwar-301 001, Rajasthan o Bhilwara: Office no. 148, Prem Bhawan, Pur Road, Gandhi Nagar, Near Canara Bank, Bhilwara - 311001 o Bikaner: 70-71, 2nd Floor, Dr. Chahar Building, Panchsati Circle, Sadul Ganj, Bikaner . 334003 o Jaipur: Office Number 101, 1st Fl oor, Okay Plus Tower, Next to Kalyan Jewellers, Government Hostel Circle, Ajmer road, Jaipur-320 001, Rajasthan o Jodhpur: Shop No. 6, Ground Floor, Gang Tower, Opposite Arora Moter Service Centre, Near Bombay Moter Circle, Jodhpur - 342 003, Rajasthan o Kota: D-8, Shri Ram Complex, Opposite Multi Purpose School, Gumanpura, Kota - 324 007, Rajasthan o Sikar: First Floor, Super Tower, Behind Ram Mandir Near Taparya Bagichi, Sikar - 332001 o Sri Ganganagar: Shop No. 5, Opposite Bihani Petrol Pump, near Baba Ramdev Mandir, NH-15, Sri Ganganagar-335 001, Rajasthan o Udaipur: Shop No. 202, 2nd Floor Business Centre, 1C Madhuvan, Opp. G P O Chetak Circle, Udaipur - 313 001 o Tamil Nadu: Chennai: F-11, Akshaya Plaza, 1st Floor, 108, Adhithanar Salai, Egmore, Opp To Chief Metropolitan Court, Chennai - 600002 oCoimbatore: 3rd Floor, Jaya Enclave, 1057 Avinashi Road, Coimbatore - 641018 o Erode: No. 38/1,Sathy Road, (VCTV Main Road), Sorna Krishna Complex, Ground Floor, Erode -638 003, Tamilnadu o Karur: No. 88/11 BB Plaza, NRMP street, KS Mess back side, Karur - 639 002 o Madurai: No. G-16/17, AR Plaza, 1st floor, North Veli Street, - 625001 o Nagercoil: HNO 45, 1st Floor, East Car Street, Nagercoil 629001 o Salem: No. 6, NS Complex, Omalur Main Road, Salem - 636009 o Tirunelveli: 55/18, Jeney Building, 2nd Floor, S N Road, Near Aravind Eye Hospital, Tirunelveli - 627001 o Trichy: No. 23C/1 E V R Road, Near-Vekkaliamman Kalyana Mandapam, Putthur, Trichy-620 017, Tamilnadu o Tuticorin: 4B/A-10, Mani Nagar, Mangal Mall, Palayamkottai Road, Tuticorin - 628003 o Vellore: No. 2/19, 1st Floor, Vellore City Centre, Anna Salai, Vellore - 632001 o Telangana: Hyderabad: Vamsee Estates, Opp. Bigbazaar, Ameerpet, Telangana, Hyderabad - 500016 o Hyderabad (Gachibowli): KARVY Selenium, Plot No: 31 & 32, Tower B, Survey No. 115/22, 115/24, 115/25, Financial District, Gachibowli, Nanakramguda, Serilimgampally Mandal, Hyderabad - 500032 o Karimnagar: 2nd Shutter, H. No. 7-2-607, Sri Matha Complex, Mankammathota, Karim Nagar - 505 001 o Warangal: Shop No. 22, Ground Floor, Warangal City Center, 15-1-237, Mulugu Road Junction, Warangal-506 002 o Tripura: Agartala: Old RMS Chowmuhani, Mantri Bari Road, 1st floor, Near Traffic Point, Agartala, Tripura West - 799 001 o Union Territory Chandigarh: First floor, SCO 2469-70, Sec. 22-C, Chandigarh-160 022 o Uttar Pradesh: Agra: 17/2/4, 2nd Floor, Deepak Wasan Plaza, Behind Hotel Holiday INN, Sanjay Place, Agra - 282 002, Uttar Pradesh o Aligarh: Sebti Complex Centre Point, in the city-of Aligarh-202001, Uttar Pradesh. o Allahabad: "Meena Bazar" 2nd Floor, 10, S. P. Marg, Civil Lines, Subhash Chauraha, Allahabad - 211 001 o Azamgarh: House No. 290, Ground Floor, Civil lines, Near Sahara Office, in the city of Azamgarh-276001, Uttar Pradesh o Bareilly: 54-Civil Lines, Ayub Khan Chauraha, Bareilly-243 001 Uttar Pradesh o Deoria: K.K. Plaza, Above Apurwa Sweets, Ćivil Lines Road, in the city of Deoria-274 001, Uttar Pradesh o Ghaziabad: FF-31, Konark Building, Rajnagar-201 003, Ghaziabad, (U.P.) o Ghazipur: House No. 148/19, Mahua Bagh, in the city of Ghazipur-233 001, Uttar Pradesh o Gonda: H No. 782, Shiv Sadan, ITI Road, Near Raghukul Vidya Peeth, Civil Lines, Gonda - 271 001, Uttar Pradesh o Gorakpur: Above V.I.P. House Ajdacent, A.D. Girls College, Bank Road, Gorakpur - 273001 o Jhansi: 1st Floor, Puja Tower, Near 48 Chambers, ELITE Crossing, in the city of Jhansi-284 001, Uttar Pradesh o Kanpur: 15/46, B, Ground Floor, Opp: Muir Mills, Civil Lines, Kanpur - 208001 o Lucknow: 1st Floor, A. A. Complex, 5 Park Road, Hazratganj, Thaper House, Lucknow - 226001 o Mandi: House No. 99/11, 3" Floor, Opposite GSS Boy School, School Bazar, Mandi-175 001, Himachal Pradesh o Mathura: Shop No. 9, Ground Floor, Vihari Lal Plaza, Opposite Brijwasi Centrum, Near New Bus Stand, in the city of Mathura-281 001, Uttar Pradesh o Meerut: H No 5, Purva Eran, Opp Syndicate-Bank, Hapur Road, Meerut-250 001, Uttar Pradesh o Mirzapur: House No. 404, Ward No. 8, Dankeenganj, Mirzapur-231 001, Uttar Pradesh o Moradabad: Chadha Complex, G. M. D. Road, Near Tadi Khana, Chowk, Moradabad-244 001, Uttar Pradesh o Noida: F-21 Sector-18, Noida, Noida-201 301, Uttar Pradesh. o Renukoot: C/o Mallick Medical Store, Bangali Katra Main Road, Renukoot, Dist. Sonebhadra-231 217 (U.P.) o Sitapur: 12/12, Surya Complex, Station Road, Sitapur-261 001, Uttar Pradesh o Sultanpur: 1st Floor, Ramashanker Market, Civil Line, in the city of Sultanpur-228 001, Uttar Pradesh. o Varanasi: D-64/132, 2nd Floor, KA, Mauza, Shivpurwa, Settlement Plot No 478, Pargana: Dehat Amanat, Mohalla Sigra, Varanashi - 221 010, Uttar Pradesh o Uttaranchal: Dehradun: Shop No. 809/799, Street No. 2A, Rajendra Nagar, Near Sheesha Lounge, Kaulagarh Road, Dehradun - 248001 o Haldwani: Shop No. 5, KMVN Shoping Complex, Haldwani - 263 139, Uttarakhand o Haridwar: Shop No.-17, Bhatia Complex, Near Jamuna Palace-249401 Haridwar, Uttarakhand o Roorkee: Shree Ashadeep Complex 16, Tyagi Dairy Road, Civil Lines, Near Income Tax Office, Roorkee-247 667, Uttaranchal o West Bengal: Asansol: 112/N, G. T. Road, Bhanga Pachil, Paschim Bardhaman, West Bengal Asansol - 713 303, Paschim Bardhaman, West Bengal o Bankura: Plot Nos-80/1/A, Natunchati Mahalla, 3rd floor, Ward no-24, Opposite P.C Chandra, Bankura Town, Bankura - 722101 o o Burdwan: Anima Bhavan, 1st Floor, Holding No. - 42, Sreepally, G. T. Road, West Bengal, Burdwan - 713103 o Chinsurah: 96, Doctors Lane; PO Chinsurah; Dt. Hooghly - 712 101; West Bengal, Chinsurah o Durgapur: Mwav -16 Bengal Ambuja, 2nd Floor City Centre, Distt. Burdwan, Durgapur - 713216 o Jalpaiguri: D B C Road Opp Nirala Hotel, Jalpaiguri - 735101 o Kharagpur: SBI Building, Malancha Road, Holding No 254/220, Ward No. 16-721301, PO: Kharagpur, PS: Kharagpur, Dist: Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal o Kolkata: Apeejay House (Beside Park Hotel), C Block, 3rd Floor, 15 Park Street, Kolkata – 700016 o Malda: Ram Krishna Pally, Ground Floor, English Bazar, Malda-732 101; West Bengal. o Siliguri: 2nd Floor, Nanak Complex, Sevoke Road, Siliguri-734001 o Khammam: 11-4-3/3, Shop No. S-9, 1st Floor, Srivenkata Sairam Arcade, Old CPI Office Near Priyadarshini College, Nehru Nagar, Khammam-507002, Telangana.

Further, all financial and non-financial transactions pertaining to the Scheme can also be submitted through MF Utilities India Private Limited (MFUI) either electronically or physically through the authorized Points of Service ('POS') of MFUI. The list of POS of MFUI is published on the website of MFUI at www.mfuindia.com and may be updated from time to time.

Due to pandemic situation pursuant to Covid-19, Investors / unitholders are hereby informed that physical transactions can be submitted at specified collection centres / branch offices of the AMC and the Investor Service centres of the Registrar & Transfer Agent, KFin Technologies Pvt. Ltd. listed on website (www.bnpparibasmf.in) during the specified business hours. Investors / unitholders are advised to refer to the website i.e. www.bnpparibasmf.in for list of OPATs and the changes thereto. It may be noted that the list is subject to local authority's orders with respect to conducting operations in the official premises. For the convenience the investors/unitholders, AMC continues to accept transactions through the online mode and all the investors are encouraged to adopt online means for transacting. Further, the facility for execution of mutual fund transactions by submitting the same to the designated email address i.e. mumbai@bnpparibasmf.in continues to be remain available to the investors in terms of notice-cum-addendum no. 15/2010 dated March 30, 2020 till further notice.

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

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With a view to comply with all provisions of the aforesaid circular, AMC/the Fund designates MFCentral as its Official Points of Acceptance of Transactions (OPAT) w.e.f. September 23, 2021.

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