Tata AIA Life Insurance Saat Saath- Micro Insurance Product - is a Non-Linked Non Participating Individual Life Micro Insurance Savings
Plan with return of pre specified percentage of "Total Premiums Paid" at maturity.

## **BASIC DEFINITIONS**

# In this Policy:

- "Annualised Premium" shall be the Premium amount payable in a year chosen by the Policyholder, excluding the taxes, rider premiums, underwriting extra premiums and loadings for modal premiums, if any.
- "Basic Sum Assured" is the guaranteed amount of the benefit that is payable on the death of the Insured under this Policy. The Basic Sum Assured when the Policy is issued is shown in the Policy Schedule.
- 3. "Maturity Sum Assured" refers to the absolute amount of benefit which is guaranteed to become payable on maturity of the policy, where Maturity Sum Assured = Maturity Benefit factor x Premium Paying Term x Annualised Premium
- 4. "Claimant" means the Policyholder or the Life Insured or the Nominee or the assignee the legal heir of the Policyholder.
- "Date of Commencement of Risk" is the date as mentioned on the Policy Schedule.
- 6. "Expiry Date" of this Policy is shown in the Policy Schedule.
- 7. "Life Insured" means the person whose life is insured under the Policy as shown in the Policy Schedule.
- 8. "Policy" means this contract of insurance
- "Policy Anniversary" refers to the same date each year as the Policy Date
- 10. "Policy Date" as shown in the Policy Schedule is the date from which Policy Anniversaries, Policy Years, Policy Months and Premium Due Dates are determined.
- 11. "Policy Term" is the maximum period in years for which the policy can remain in force and is mentioned in the Policy Schedule.
- **12.** "Premium Payment Term" is the number of years that premium is payable for and is mentioned in the Policy Schedule.
- 13. "Revival Date" is the approval date of revival of the Policy.
- **14.** "Term Insurance" means protection for a set period of time. In the event of death of Life Insured, the benefit is paid to the Claimant.
- 15. "Total Premiums Paid" means total of all the Premiums received, excluding any extra premium, any rider premium and taxes, if any.
- "We", "Us", "Our" or "Company" refers to Tata AIA Life Insurance Company Limited.
- 17. "You" or "Your" means the Policyholder of this Policy.
- **18. Interpretation:** Whenever the context requires, the masculine form shall apply to feminine and singular terms shall include the plural.

## PART C

# BENEFIT PROVISIONS

# 1. DEATH BENEFIT

Upon death of the insured during the term of the policy, Sum Assured on death as defined below shall be payable. The Death benefit will be subject to a minimum of 105% of the total Premiums received up to the date of death.

"Sum Assured on death" shall be the highest of the following:

- 1.25 times Single Premium in case of Single Pay or 10 times the Annualised Premium in case of Limited Pay 7 years
- Basic Sum Assured
- · Maturity Sum Assured

Death benefit shall be payable after, deduction of any due premiums, which are unpaid as on date of death. The Policy will terminate upon payment of death claim and no other benefit under the policy shall be payable.

# 2. MATURITY BENEFIT

"Maturity Sum Assured" refers to the absolute amount of benefit which is guaranteed to become payable on maturity of the policy, where

Maturity Sum Assured = Maturity Benefit factor x Premium Paying Term x Annualised Premium.

Maturity benefit factor varies with SA as given below:

Basic Sum Assured	Maturity benefit factor
Minimum Basic Sum Assured -24,000	100%
25000-49000	110%
50000-74000	115%
75000-99000	125%
100000-124000	130%
125000+	135%

#### 3. PLAN CHANGE / CONVERSION OPTION

Plan change/ Conversion is not allowed under this Policy

#### 4. PAYMENT

- All premiums are payable on or before their due dates to us either at our issuing office or to our authorized Officer or Cashier.
- b) Collection of advance premium shall be allowed, if the premium is collected within the same financial year.
- c) The Premium so collected in advance shall only be adjusted on the due date of the premium.

# 5. CHANGE OF FREQUENCY OF PREMIUM PAYMENT

You may change the frequency of premium payments by written request. Subject to our minimum premium requirements, premiums may be paid on an annual, semi-annual, quarterly or monthly mode at the premium rates applicable on the Issue Date.

#### DEFAULT

After payment of the first premium, failure to pay a subsequent premium on or before its due date will constitute a default in premium payment.

#### 7. GRACE PERIOD

A Grace Period of fifteen (15) days for monthly mode and thirty (30) days for all other modes, from the due date will be allowed for payment of each subsequent premium. The Policy will remain in force during this period. If any premium remains unpaid at the end of its Grace Period, the Policy shall lapse and have no further value except as may be provided under the Non-Forfeiture Provisions.

# 8. DEDUCTION OF PREMIUM AT CLAIM

If a claim is payable under this Policy, any balance of the premiums due for the full policy year in which death occurs shall be deducted from the proceeds payable under the Policy.

## 9. PAYMENT OF BENEFITS

The benefit under the Policy shall be payable to the Claimant who will be either the Policyholder, Life Insured, Nominee(s), Assignee(s), Legal Heir(s) or a legal representative as declared by a Court of competent jurisdiction.

Once the benefits under this Policy are paid to a Claimant, the same shall constitute a valid discharge of our liability under this Policy.

# 10. CLAIMS PROCESS AND REQUIREMENTS

# Do you know about the claim intimation process?

Please inform the company immediately upon occurrence of death. Mentioned below is a list of various mediums through which you can contact us.

- a. Email Customercare@tataaia.com
- b. Call our helpline number at 1-860-266-9966 (local charges apply)
- c. Walk into any of the TALIC branch office
- d. Write directly to us B- wing, 9th Floor, I-Think Techno Campus, Behind TCS, Pokhran Road No.2, Close to Eastern Express Highway, Thane (West) – 400 607, Maharashtra.

# CLAIM PROCEDURE

For processing the claim request under this Policy, We will require the following documents:

Type of Claim	Requirement	
	a) Claim Forms	
	Part I: Application Form for Death Claim (Claimant's Statement) along with NEFT form	
Death (all causes of	Part II: Physician's Statement - to be filled by last attending physician	
death)	b) Death Certificate issued by a local government body like Municipal Corporation	
	c) Medical Records (Admission Notes, Discharge/Death Summary, Indoor Case Papers, Test Reports etc)¹	

Type of Claim	Requirement	
Death (all causes of death)	Claimant's Photo ID with age proof & relationship with the Insured along with Address proof of the claimant and Cancelled cheque with name and account number printed or cancelled cheque with copy of Bank Passbook / Bank Statement  If no nomination - Proof of legal title to the claim proceeds (e.g. legal succession paper)	
	In case of accidental death in addition to the above documents, we would require the following documents –	
Accidental Death	i. Postmortem report (Autopsy report) & Chemical Viscera report - if performed;	
	ii. All Police Papers – Panchnama, Inquest, First Information Report (FIR) and Final Investigation Report.	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>This is applicable if insured was in hospital at the time of death or any time prior to the date of death.

Please submit copies of the following documents certified / attested by the issuing authority. (Original Seen Verified (OSV) by Branch Personnel will also be accepted) –  $\,$ 

- All Police papers Panchnama, Inquest, First Information Report and Final Investigation Report.
- Medical Records (Admission Notes, Discharge/Death Summary, Indoor Case Papers, Test Reports etc).
- Postmortem report (Autopsy report) & Chemical Viscera report (certified by Police / Magistrate / Court will also be accepted)
  - Copies of the other documents to be submitted by self-attestation of the claimant

#### Note.

In case the claim warrants any additional requirement, Wereservethe right to call for the same.

Notification of claim & submission of the claim requirements does not mean admission of the claim liability by the Company.

No agent is authorized to admit any liabilities on behalf of the Company, nor to alter this list of documents or any claims requirements called for by the Company.

# 2. CLAIM PROCEDURES

Notice of Claim - All cases of death must be notified immediately to us in writing. However, any delay in notifying shall require to be substantiated to Our satisfaction.

Please note that all death claims will be payable to the nominee/legal heir of the Insured Policyholder. In case of any delay on the part of the Company to process the claim within extant regulatory timeline, We shall pay interest as may be prescribed by the IRDAI from time to time.

Filing Proof of Claim - Affirmative proof of loss and any appropriate forms as required by us must be completed and furnished to us, at the claimant's expenses, within 90 days after the date the Insured event happens, unless specified otherwise. A list of primary claim documents listing the normally required documents is attached to the Policy. Submission of the listed documents, forms or other proof, however, shall not be construed as an admission of liabilities by the Company.

We reserve the right to require any additional proof and documents in support of the claim.

**Proof of Continuing Loss** – In the case of disability or other losses as we deem appropriate, We will require, at reasonable intervals, proof of continuing disability or loss. If such proof is not submitted as required or such disability or loss ceases, claims for such disability or loss will not be considered.

# 11. CHANGE IN ADDRESS OF POLICYHOLDER OR NOMINEE

In order to provide You better services, We request You to intimate us in the event of any change in the address of the Policyholder or the nominee.

# PART D

## 1. FREE LOOK PERIOD

If you are not satisfied with the terms & conditions/features of the policy, you have the right to cancel the policy by providing a written notice to the Company stating objections/reasons and receive the refund of all premiums paid without interest after deducting (a) proportionate risk premium for the period on cover, (b) stamp duty and medical examination costs(including applicable taxes, cesses& levies) which have been incurred for issuing the policy. Such notice must be signed by you and received directly by the Company within 15 days from the date of receipt of the policy document by you or person authorized by you. The said period of 15 days shall stand extended to 30 days, if the policy is sourced through distance marketing and electronic mode, which includes solicitation through any means of communication other than in person.

The Proportionate risk premium will be determined as under:

Sum Assured on death \* (Mortality rate per thousand/1000)\*(number of days for the period on cover /365)

# 2. REVIVAL

If a premium is in default beyond the Grace Period and subject to the Policy not having been surrendered, it may be revived, within five years after the due date of the first unpaid premium and before maturity subject to: (i) Your written application for revival; (ii) production of Insured's current health certificate and other evidence of insurability satisfactory to Us; (iii) payment of all overdue premiums with interest.

Interest on premiums will be compounded at an annual rate which we shall determine and will be subject to prior approval of IRDA of India

Any evidence of insurability requested at the time of revival will be based on the prevailing underwriting guidelines duly approved by the Board.

Any revival shall only cover loss or Insured event which occurs after the Revival Date.

The applicable interest rate for revival is determined using the State Bank of India(SBI) [or any other public sector undertaking bank]domestic term deposit rate (for tenure '1 year to less than 2 years'), plus 2%.The current interest rate on revival from 1stOctober 2019 is 8.50% simple p.a. (i.e. SBI interest rate of 6.50% + 2%)."

Upon revival, the benefits of the Policy shall be restored with effect from the date of lapse/converting into Reduced Paid-up Policy.

#### 3. LOAN

No loan is available from the Company under this Policy.

#### 4. NON FORFEITURE PROVISIONS

If the full premiums for the first policy year are not paid within the grace period, the policy will lapse from the due date of first unpaid premium and no benefits will be payable.

For Limited Pay Policy, if all premiums have been paid for the first policy year and if the subsequent premiums remain unpaid, the policy will be converted into a Reduced Paid-up (RPU) policy. This is the default non-forfeiture benefit. This benefit is not applicable under Single Pay Policy.

From the due date of first unpaid premium, but not later than five years from the due date of first unpaid premium, the policy can be revived by payment of full arrears of premiums together with interest.

The benefits to be paid in case of Reduced Paid-up policies are as follows: **Death Benefit** 

On death of the life insured during the policy term, the benefit payable shall be:

Sum Assured on death x (No of Premiums paid) / (No of Premiums Payable during the entire policy term)

This total amount will be subject to a minimum of 105% of total Premiums received up to the date of death.

## Maturity Benefit:

If the Insured survives till maturity, the Maturity Sum Assured x (No of Premiums paid) / (No of Premiums Payable during the entire policy term) is payable on the date of maturity

Once Policy becomes paid up and is not revived till the end of the revival period, it will continue to be in reduced paid-up status

## 5. SURRENDER BENEFIT

The policy can be surrendered any time during the term of the policy, however it shall acquire surrender value during the Policy Term basis the Premium Payment Term as below:

Premium Payment Term	Surrender Value
	Payable at any point during the Policy Term
Limited Pay 7 years	Payable provided at least one full years' Premiums have been paid

Surrender value payable is higher of the Guaranteed Surrender Value (GSV) or Special Surrender Value (SSV).

Guaranteed Surrender Value = (Guaranteed Surrender Value Factor  ${\bf x}$  Total Premiums Paid)

Special Surrender Value = Special Surrender Value Factor x Maturity Sum Assured x (No of Premiums paid) / (No of Premiums Payable during the entire policy term)

The SSV and GSV Factors are as per the table below:

For Single Pay:

Policy Year	GSV Factors	SSV Factors
1	75%	71%
2	75%	78%
3	75%	84%
4	90%	92%
5	90%	100%

## For Limited Pay 7 years:

Policy Year	GSV Factors	SSV Factors
1	10%	0%
2	30%	52%
3	35%	56%
4	50%	61%
5	50%	66%
6	65%	72%
7	80%	78%
8	90%	85%
9	90%	92%
10	90%	100%

Company has the right to review the basis for calculating SSV factors from time to time based on the experience and will be subject to prior approval of IRDAI.Any change in SSV factors shall be filed with the Authority and shall be intimated to You from time to time.

#### **PART E**

Not Applicable for this Product

#### PART F

#### 1. THE POLICY CONTRACT

This Policy Contract is issued on the basis of the details provided by You in the Proposal Form and the Declaration signed by You, on receipt of the required premium amount and any attached endorsement given at the time of issuing this Policy. The Policy, proposal for it, the Policy Schedule and any attached endorsements constitute the entire contract. The terms and conditions of this Policy cannot be changed or waived except by endorsement duly signed by Our authorized officer.

Your Policy consists of the basic insurance plan and any endorsements which may be attached to it

## 2. FRAUD AND NON-DISCLOSURE

Any non-disclosure, fraud or mis-representation under the Policy shall be dealt in accordance with Section 45 of the Insurance Act, 1938 as amended from time to time

## 3. EXCLUSIONS

# 3.1. SUICIDE

In case of death due to suicide within 12 months from the Date of Commencement of Risk under the Policy or from the date of revival of the Policy, as applicable, the nominee or beneficiary of the Policyholder shall be entitled to at least 80% of the Total Premiums Paid till the date of death or the surrender value available as on the date of death whichever is higher, provided the Policy is in force.

## 4. MISSTATEMENT OF AGE AND GENDER

Refer annexure D- Subject to Section 45 of the Insurance Act, 1938 as amended from time to time.

This Policy is issued at the age and gender shown on the Policy Schedule which is the Life Assured's declared age at last birthday and declared gender in the proposal. If the age and/or gender is misstated and higher premium should have been charged, the benefit payable under this Policy shall be after deduction of such difference of premium along with interest thereon. In such cases, the policy shall be subject to re-underwriting and the Sum Assured shall be subject to Your eligibility as per Our Underwriting norms and the premium to be deducted shall be calculated proportionately on such Sum Assured payable. If the Life Assured's age/gender is misstated and lower premium should have been charged, the Company will refund any excess premiums paid without interest. If at the correct age/gender it is found that the Life Assured was not eligible to be covered under this Policy pursuant to our Underwriting rules, the Policy shall be void-ab-initio and the Company will refund the Total Premiums Paid without interest after deducting all applicable charges like Medical, Stamp duty, Proportionate Risk premium along with applicable taxes, cesses and levies, etc., incurred by the Company under the Policy. Refer Annexure D

#### 5. LOSS OF POLICY DOCUMENT

If the Policy Document is lost or destroyed, then at the request of the policyholder, the Company, will issue a duplicate Policy Document duly endorsed to show that it is issued following the loss or destruction of the original Policy Document.

Upon the issue of the duplicate policy Document, the original Policy Document immediately and automatically ceases to have any validity. The Company will charge a fee of Rs. 250 along with the applicable taxes, cesses and levies, for the issuance of a duplicate Policy Document.

These charges are subject to revision by the Company from time to time.

## 6. THE POLICYHOLDER

Only You can, during the Policy Term, exercise all rights, privileges and options provided under this Policy subject to any Nominee's vested interest or Assignee's rights.

#### 7. NOMINATION

Nomination allowed as per provisions of Section 39 of the Insurance Act 1938 as amended from time to time.

The simplified version of the provisions of Section 39 is enclosed in Annexure - (C) for reference.

#### 8. ASSIGNMENT

Assignment allowed as per provisions of Section 38 of the Insurance Act 1938 as amended from time to time.

The simplified version of the provisions of Section 38 is enclosed in annexure – (B) for reference.

#### 9. CURRENCY AND PLACE OF PAYMENT

All amounts payable either to or by Us will be paid in the Indian currency. Such amounts will be paid by a negotiable bank draft or cheque drawn on a bank or NEFT (National Electronic Funds Transfer) or electronic clearing systems. All amounts due from Us will be payable from Our office shown on the Policy Schedule.

## 10. FREEDOM FROM RESTRICTIONS

Unless otherwise specified, this Policy is free from any restrictions upon the Insured as to travel, residence or occupation.

## 11. CHANGE IN BASIC SUM ASSURED

Increase / Decrease in Basic Sum Assured is not allowed in this Policy.

## 12. CLAIM PROCEDURES

Notice of Claim – All cases of death must be notified immediately to us in writing. However, any delay in notifying shall require to be substantiated to Our satisfaction.

Please note that all death claims will be payable to the nominee/legal heir of the Insured policy holder

Filing Proof of Claim - Affirmative proof of loss and any appropriate forms as required by us must be completed and furnished to us, at the claimant's expenses, within 90 days after the date the Insured event happens, unless specified otherwise. A list of primary claim documents listing the normally required documents is attached to the Policy. Submission of the listed documents, forms or other proof, however, shall not be construed as an admission of liabilities by the Company.

We reserve the right to require any additional proof and documents in support of the claim.

Proof of Continuing Loss – In the case of disability or other losses as We deem appropriate, We will require, at reasonable intervals, proof of continuing disability or loss. If such proof is not submitted as required or such disability or loss ceases, claims for such disability or loss will not be considered.

## 13. CHANGE IN BASIC SUM ASSURED

Increase / Decrease in Basic Sum Assured is not allowed in this Policy.

# 14. TAXES

All Premiums are subject to applicable taxes, cesses& levies which will entirely be borne by the Policyholder and will always be paid by the Policyholder along with the payment of Premium. If any imposition (tax or otherwise) is levied by any statutory or administrative body under the Policy, Tata AlA Life Insurance Company Limited reserves the right to claim the same from the Policyholder. Alternatively, Tata AlA Life Insurance Company Limited has the right to deduct the amount from the benefits payable by Us under the Policy.

# PART G

# CONSUMER INFORMATION

## 1.1. Policyholder's Servicing

With regards to any query or issue related to the Policy, the Policyholder can contact the Company through the following service avenues

- Contact your Tata AIA Life Agent / Distributor
- Call our helpline number 1-860-266-9966 (local charges apply)
- E-mail us at customercare@tataaia.com
- Visit the nearest the Tata AIA Life branch or CAMS Service Centre
- Log on to Online Customer Portal by visiting www.tataaia.com
- · Write to Us at:

## Tata AIA Life Insurance Company Limited,

B- wing, 9th Floor, I-Think Techno Campus, Behind TCS, Pokhran Road No.2, Close to Eastern Express Highway, Thane (West) – 400 607, Maharashtra.

#### 1.2. Grievance Redressal Procedure

#### 1. Resolution of Grievances

Customers can register their grievances through multiple service avenues:

- Call our helpline number 1-860-266-9966 (local call charges apply)
- Email us at life.complaints@tataaia.com
- Login to online policy account on www.tataaia.com
- Visit any of the nearest Tata AIA Life branches or CAMS Service Centers
- Contact your Tata AIA Life agent /Distributor
- Write to us on the following address:

Grievance Redressal Department - Tata AIA Life Insurance Company Limited - B- wing, 9th Floor, I-Think Techno Campus, Behind TCS, Pokhran Road No.2, Close to Eastern Express Highway, Thane (West) – 400 607, Maharashtra.

We shall acknowledge a customer's grievance within 3 business days by providing the customer with the name of the Grievance Redressal Executive who is responsible to handle the grievance.

We shall provide the customer with an equitable resolution within 2 weeks of receipt of the grievance.

In case customers wishes to contact us during the course of the assessment, they can contact us at any of the above mentioned touch points.

All Tata AIA Life branches have a Grievance Redressal Officer who can be contacted for any support during the grievance redressal process.

#### 2. Escalation Mechanism

In case customers are not satisfied with the decision of the above offices, or has not received any response within the stipulated timelines, they may contact the following officials for resolution:

- 1st level of Escalation: Head Customer Service
- 2nd level of Escalation: Grievance Redressal Ofcer (GRO)

For escalations, customers can email to head.customerservice@tataaia.com or write to -Tata AIA Life Insurance Company Limited,

B-Wing, 9th Floor, I-Think Techno Campus, Behind TCS, Pokhran Road No.2, Close to Eastern Express Highway, Thane (West) – 400 607 Maharashtra.

We request our customers to follow the escalation mechanism in case of non receipt of response or unsatisfactory response from the concerned persons mentioned above.

If you are not satisfied with the response or do not receive a response from us within 15 days, you may approach the Grievance Cell of the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) on the following contact details:

- IRDAI Grievance Call Centre (IGCC) TOLL FREE NO: 155255 or 1800 4254 732
- Email ID: complaints@irdai.gov.in
- Make use of IRDAI's online portal Integrated Grievance Management System (IGMS):Register and monitor your complaint at igms.irda.gov.in

You can also register your complaint online at http://www.igms.irda.gov.in/ Address for communication for complaints by fax/paper:

# Consumer Affairs Department - Grievance Redressal Cell Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

Sy.No.115/1, Financial District, Nanakramguda, Gachibowli, Hyderabad – 500 032.

# 3. Insurance Ombudsman

Where the redressal provided by the Company is not satisfactory despite the escalation above, the customer may represent the case to the Ombudsman for Redressal of the grievance, if it pertains to the following:

- a) Delay in settlement of claim
- b) Partial or total rejection of claim;
- c) Dispute with regard to premium;
- d) Misrepresentation of policy terms and conditions;

- e) Legal construction of the policy in so far as dispute related to claim;
- f) Grievance relating to policy servicing;
- g) Issuance of policy which is not in conformity with proposal form;
- h) Non- issuance of your insurance document; and
- i) Any other matter resulting from the violation of provisions of the Insurance Act, 1938 or the regulations, circulars, guidelines or instructions issued by the IRDAI from time to time or the terms and conditions of the policy contract, in so far as they relate to issues mentioned hereinabove.

Please refer to our website www.tataaia.com for further details in this regard.

The list of Ombudsman address is attached as Annexure A

The complaint should be made in writing duly signed by the complainant or through his legal heirs, nominee or assignee, and shall state clearly the name and address of the complainant, the name of the branch or office of the insurer against whom the complaint is made, the facts giving rise to the complaint, supported by documents, the nature and extent of the loss caused to the complainant and the relief sought from the Insurance Ombudsman. As per provision 14(3) of the Insurance Ombudsman Rules, 2017; the complaint to the Ombudsman can be made:

- Only if the grievance has been rejected by the Grievance Redressal Machinery of the Insurer
- Within a period of one year from the date of rejection by the insurer
- If it is not simultaneously under any litigation

### ANNEXURE - A

# NAMES OF OMBUDSMAN AND ADDRESSES OF OMBUDSMAN CENTRES

AHMEDABAD - Office of the Insurance Ombudsman, Jeevan Prakash Building, 6th floor, Tilak Marg, Relief Road, Ahmedabad - 380 001. Tel.: 079 - 25501201/02/05/06, Email: bimalokpal.ahmedabad@ecoi.co.in, (Jurisdiction: Gujarat, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Daman and Diu).

BENGALURU - Office of the Insurance Ombudsman, Jeevan Soudha Building, PID No. 57-27-N-19, Ground Floor, 19/19, 24th Main Road, JP Nagar, Ist Phase, Bengaluru - 560 078. Tel.: 080 - 26652048/2652049, Email: bimalokpal bangaluru@ecoi.co.in, (Jurisdiction: Kernataka) bimalokpal.bengaluru@ecoi.co.in, (Jurisdiction: Karnataka). BHOPAL - Office of the Insurance Ombudsman, Janak Vihar Complex, 2nd Floor, 6, Malviya Nagar, Opp. Airtel Office, Near New Market, Bhopal 462 003. Tel.: 0755 - 2769201/2769202, Fax: 0755 - 2769203, Email: bimalokpal.bhopal@ecoi.co.in, (Jurisdiction: Madhya Pradesh, bimalokpal.bhopal@ecoi.co.in, (Jurisdiction: Madhya Pradesh, Chattisgarh). **BHUBANESHWAR** - Office of the Insurance Ombudsman, 62, Forest park, Bhubneshwar – 751 009. Tel.: 0674 - 2596461/2596455, Fax: 0674 - 2596429, Email: bimalokpal.bhubaneswar@ecoi.co.in, Jan. 2014 - 2390429, Email: Dimarkpai.onubaneswar@ecol.co.in, (Jurisdiction: Orissa). **CHANDIGARH -** Office of the Insurance Ombudsman, S.C.O. No. 101, 102 & 103, 2nd Floor, Batra Building, Sector 17 - D, Chandigarh - 160 017. Tel.: 0172 - 2706196 / 2706468, Fax: 0172 - 2708274, Email: bimarlokpal.chandigarh@ecol.co.in, (Jurisdiction: Purish Legister, Le (Jurisdiction: Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Chandigarh). **CHENNAI** - Office of the Insurance Ombudsman, Fatima Akhtar Court, 4th Floor, 453, Anna Salai, Teynampet, Chennai - 600 018. 044 24333668/24335284, Fax: 044 24333664, bimalokpal.chennai@ecoi.co.in, (Jurisdiction: Tamil Nadu, Pondicherry Town and Karaikal (which are part of Pondicherry)). DELHI - Office of the Insurance Ombudsman, 2/2 A, Universal Insurance Building, Asaf Ali Road, New Delhi - 110 002. Tel.: 011 - 23232481/23213504, Email: bimalokpal.delhi@ecoi.co.in, (Jurisdiction: Delhi). ERNAKULAM - Office of the Insurance Ombudsman, 2nd Floor, Pulinat Bldg., Opp. Cochin Shipyard, M. G. Road, Ernakulam - 682 015. Tel.: 0484 - 2358759/2359338, Fax: 0484 - 2359336, Email: bimalokpal.ernakulam@ecoi.co.in, (Jurisdiction: Kerala, Lakshadweep, Mahe-a part of Pondicherry). **GUWAHATI** - Office of the Insurance Ombudsman, Jeevan Nivesh, 5th Floor, Nr. Panbazar over bridge, S.S. Road, Guwahati - 781001(ASSAM). Tel.: 0361 - 2132204 / 2132205, Fax: 0361 - 2732937, Email: bimalokpal.guwahati@ecoi.co.in, (Jurisdiction: Assam, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland and HYDERABAD - Office of the Insurance Ombudsman, 6-2-46, 1st floor, Moin Court, Lane Opp. Saleem Function Palace, A. C. Guards, Lakdi-Ka-Pool, Hyderabad - 500 004. Tel.: 040 - 67504123/23312122, 040 23376599, Email: bimalokpal.hyderabad@ecoi.co.in, (Jurisdiction: Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Yanam and part of Territory of Pondicherry). **JAIPUR** - Office of the Insurance Ombudsman, Jeevan Nidhi - Il Bldg., Gr. Floor, Bhawani Singh Marg, Jaipur - 302 005. Tel.: 0141 - 2740363, Email: bimalokpal.jaipur@ecoi.co.in, (Jurisdiction: Rajastnato 
 KOLKATA - Office of the Insurance Ombudsman, Hindustan Bldg.

 Annexe, 4th Floor, 4, C.R. Avenue, Kolkata - 700 072. Tel.: 033 - 22124339 / 22124340, Fax : 033 - 22124341, Email:
 bimalokpal.kolkata@ecoi.co.in, (Jurisdiction: West Bengal, Sikkim, Andaman & Nicobar Islands). **LUCKNOW** - Office of the Insurance Ombudsman, 6th Floor, Jeevan Bhawan, Phase-II, Nawal Kishore Road, Hazratganj, Lucknow - 226 001. Tel.: 0522 - 2231330/2231331, Fax: 0522 - 2231310, Email: bimalokpal.lucknow@ecoi.co.in, (Jurisdiction: Districts of Uttar Pradesh: Laitpur, Jhansi, Mahoba, Hamirpur, Banda, Chitrakoot, Allahabad, Mirzapur, Sonbhabdra, Fatehpur, Pratapgarh,

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## ANNEXURE - B

# Section 38 - Assignment and Transfer of Insurance Policies

Assignment or transfer of a policy should be in accordance with Section 38 of the Insurance Act, 1938 as amended from time to time and by Insurance Laws (Amendment) Act, 2015. The extant provisions in this regard are as follows:

- 01. This policy may be transferred/assigned, wholly or in part, with or without consideration.
- 02. An Assignment may be effected in a policy by an endorsement upon the policy itself or by a separate instrument under notice to the Insurer.
- 03. The instrument of assignment should indicate the fact of transfer or assignment and the reasons for the assignment or transfer, antecedents of the assignee and terms on which assignment is made.
- 04. The assignment must be signed by the transferor or assignor or duly authorized agent and attested by at least one witness.
- 05. The transfer of assignment shall not be operative as against an insurer until a notice in writing of the transfer or assignment and either the said endorsement or instrument itself or copy there of certified to be correct by both transferor and transferee or their duly authorised agents have been delivered to the insurer.
- 06. Fee to be paid for assignment or transfer can be specified by the Authority through Regulations.
- 07. On receipt of notice with fee, the insurer should Grant a written acknowledgement of receipt of notice. Such notice shall be conclusive evidence against the insurer of duly receiving the notice.
- 08. If the insurer maintains one or more places of business, such notices shall be delivered only at the place where the policy is being serviced.
- 09. The insurer may accept or decline to act upon any transfer or assignment or endorsement, if it has sufficient reasons to believe that it is
  - a. not bonafide or
  - b. not in the interest of the policyholder or
  - c. not in public interest or
  - d. is for the purpose of trading of the insurance policy.
- 10. Before refusing to act upon endorsement, the Insurer should record the reasons in writing and communicate the same in writing to Policyholder within 30 days from the date of policyholder giving a notice of transfer or assignment.
- 11. In case of refusal to act upon the endorsement by the Insurer, any person aggrieved by the refusal may prefer a claim to IRDAI within 30 days of receipt of the refusal letter from the Insurer.
- 12. The priority of claims of persons interested in an insurance policy would depend on the date on which the notices of assignment or transfer is delivered to the insurer; where there are more than one instruments of transfer or assignment, the priority will depend on dates of delivery of such notices. Any dispute in this regard as to priority should be referred to Authority.
- 13. Every assignment or transfer shall be deemed to be absolute assignment or transfer and the assignee or transferee shall be deemed to be absolute assignee or transferee, except.

- a. where assignment or transfer is subject to terms and conditions of transfer or assignment OR
- b. where the transfer or assignment is made upon condition that
- i. the proceeds under the policy shall become payable to policyholder or nominee(s) in the event of assignee or transferee dying before the insured OR
- ii. the insured surviving the term of the policy.

Such conditional assignee will not be entitled to obtain a loan on policy or surrender the policy. This provision will prevail notwithstanding any law or custom having force of law which is contrary to the above position.

- 14. In other cases, the insurer shall, subject to terms and conditions of assignment, recognize the transferee or assignee named in the notice as the absolute transferee or assignee and such person.
  - a. shall be subject to all liabilities and equities to which the transferor or assignor was subject to at the date of transfer or assignment and
  - b. may institute any proceedings in relation to the policy
  - c. obtain loan under the policy or surrender the policy without obtaining the consent of the transferor or assignor or making him a party to the proceedings
- 15. Any rights and remedies of an assignee or transferee of a life insurance policy under an assignment or transfer effected before commencement of the Insurance Laws (Amendment) Act, 2015 shall not be affected by this section.

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#### ANNEXURE - C

### Section 39 - Nomination by policyholder

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

- 01. The policyholder of a life insurance on his own life may nominate a person or persons to whom money secured by the policy shall be paid in the event of his death.
- 02. Where the nominee is a minor, the policyholder may appoint any person to receive the money secured by the policy in the event of policyholder's death during the minority of the nominee. The manner of appointment to be laid down by the insurer.
- 03. Nomination can be made at any time before the maturity of the policy.
- 04. Nomination may be incorporated in the text of the policy itself or may be endorsed on the policy communicated to the insurer and can be registered by the insurer in the records relating to the policy.
- 05. Nomination can be cancelled or changed at any time before policy matures, by an endorsement or a further endorsement or a will as the case may be.
- 06. A notice in writing of Change or Cancellation of nomination must be delivered to the insurer for the insurer to be liable to such nominee. Otherwise, insurer will not be liable if a bonafide payment is made to the person named in the text of the policy or in the registered records of the insurer.
- 07. Fee to be paid to the insurer for registering change or cancellation of a nomination can be specified by the Authority through Regulations.
- 08. On receipt of notice with fee, the insurer should grant a written acknowledgement to the policyholder of having registered a nomination or cancellation or change thereof.
- 09. A transfer or assignment made in accordance with Section 38 shall automatically cancel the nomination except in case of assignment to the insurer or other transferee or assignee for purpose of loan or against security or its reassignment after repayment. In such case, the nomination will not get cancelled to the extent of insurer's or transferee's or assignee's interest in the policy. The nomination will get revived on repayment of the loan.
- 10. The right of any creditor to be paid out of the proceeds of any policy of life insurance shall not be affected by the nomination.
- 11. In case of nomination by policyholder whose life is insured, if the nominees die before the policyholder, the proceeds are payable to policyholder or his heirs or legal representatives or holder of succession certificate.
- 12. In case nominee(s) survive the person whose life is insured, the amount secured by the policy shall be paid to such survivor(s).
- 13. Where the policyholder whose life is insured nominates his
  - a. parents or
  - b. spouse or

- c. children or
- d. spouse and children
- e. or any of them

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

- 14. If nominee(s) die after the policyholder but before his share of the amount secured under the policy is paid, the share of the expired nominee(s) shall be payable to the heirs or legal representative of the nominee or holder of succession certificate of such nominee(s).
- 15. The provisions of sub-section 7 and 8 (13 and 14 above) shall apply to all life insurance policies maturing for payment after the commencement of Insurance Laws (Amendment) Act, 2015
- 16. If policyholder dies after maturity but the proceeds and benefit of the policy has not been paid to him because of his death, his nominee(s) shall be entitled to the proceeds and benefit of the policy.
- 17. The provisions of Section 39 are not applicable to any life insurance policy to which Section 6 of Married Women's Property Act, 1874 applies or has at any time applied except where before or after Insurance Laws (Amendment), Act 2015, a nomination is made in favour of spouse or children or spouse and children whether or not on the face of the policy it is mentioned that it is made under Section 39. Where nomination is intended to be made to spouse or children or spouse and children under Section 6 of MWP Act, it should be specifically mentioned on the policy. In such a case only, the provisions of Section 39 will not apply.

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#### ANNEXURE - D

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

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

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

## whichever is later.

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

## whichever is later.

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

- 03. Fraud means any of the following acts committed by insured or by his agent, with the intent to deceive the insurer or to induce the insurer to issue a life insurance policy:
  - a. The suggestion, as a fact of that which is not true and which the insured does not believe to be true;
  - b. The active concealment of a fact by the insured having knowledge or belief of the fact;
  - c. Any other act fitted to deceive; and
  - d. Any such act or omission as the law specifically declares to be fraudulent.
- 04. Mere silence is not fraud unless, depending on circumstances of the case, it is the duty of the insured or his agent keeping silence to speak or silence is in itself equivalent to speak.
- 05. No Insurer shall repudiate a life insurance Policy on the ground of Fraud, if the Insured / beneficiary can prove that the misstatement was true to the best of his knowledge and there was no deliberate intention to suppress the fact or that such mis-statement of or

Suppression of material fact are within the knowledge of the insurer. Onus of disproving is upon the policyholder, if alive, or beneficiaries.

- 06. Life insurance Policy can be called in question within 3 years on the ground that any statement of or suppression of a fact material to expectancy of life of the insured was incorrectly made in the proposal or other document basis which policy was issued or revived or rider issued. For this, the insurer should communicate in writing to the insured or legal representative or nominee or assignees of insured, as applicable, mentioning the ground and materials on which decision to repudiate the policy of life insurance is based.
- 07. In case repudiation is on ground of mis-statement and not on fraud, the premium collected on policy till the date of repudiation shall be paid to the insured or legal representative or nominee or assignees of insured, within a period of 90 days from the date of repudiation.
- 08. Fact shall not be considered material unless it has a direct bearing on the risk undertaken by the insurer. The onus is on insurer to show that if the insurer had been aware of the said fact, no life insurance policy would have been issued to the insured.
- 09. The insurer can call for proof of age at any time if he is entitled to do so and no policy shall be deemed to be called in question merely because the terms of the policy are adjusted on subsequent proof of age of life insured. So, this Section will not be applicable for questioning age or adjustment based on proof of age submitted subsequently.

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