## SCHEME INFORMATION DOCUMENT



#### Section I

Name of the Scheme: Franklin Build India Fund

Type of the Scheme: An open-ended equity scheme following Infrastructure theme

This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:	Scheme Riskometer (Based on portfolio as of September 30, 2024)	Benchmark Riskometer (Based on information as of September 30, 2024)
<ul> <li>Long term capital appreciation</li> <li>A fund that invests in Infrastructure and allied sectors</li> </ul>	Riskometer  Investors understand that their principal will be at Very High risk	Primary Benchmark: S&P BSE India Infrastructure Index (The benchmark is renamed as BSE India Infrastructure Index w.e.f June 1, 2024)  Riskometer  Investors understand that their principal will be at Very High risk

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

## Please refer to our website

(https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/downloadsServlet/pdf/product-labels-jg9o5k7l) or latest Risk-o-meters of scheme and primary benchmark calculated in accordance Para 5.16 and 17.4 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024.

# CONTINUOUS OFFER Offer for units on an ongoing basis at NAV based prices

Name of Mutual Fund	Franklin Templeton Mutual Fund	
Name of Asset Management	Franklin Templeton Asset Management (India) Pvt. Ltd.	
Company	CIN - U67190MH1995PTC093356	
Name of Trustee Company	Franklin Templeton Trustee Services Pvt. Ltd.	
	CIN - U65991MH1995PTC095500	
Addresses of Asset Management	One International Centre, Tower 2, 12th and 13th Floor,	
Company and Trustee Company	Senapati Bapat Marg, Elphinstone Road (West), Mumbai	
	400013	
Website	www.franklintempletonindia.com	

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 circulars issued thereunder 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 (SID) 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 Franklin Templeton Mutual Fund, Standard Risk Factors, Special Considerations, Tax and Legal issues and general information on <a href="https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/downloads/fund-documents">https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/downloads/fund-documents</a>.

The 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 Franklin Templeton Investor Service Centre or log on to our website.

The Scheme Information Document (Section I and II) should be read in conjunction with the SAI and not in isolation.

This Scheme Information Document is dated November 30, 2024.

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Part 1. HIGHLIGHTS / SUMMARY OF THE SCHEME

Sr. No.	Title	Description		
I.	Name of the Scheme	Franklin Build India Fund (FBIF)		
II.	Nature of the scheme	An open ended equity scheme following Infrastructure theme		
III.	Category of the Scheme	Thematic Fund		
IV.	Scheme Code	FTMF/O/E/THE/09/0	06/0028	
V.	Investment Objective	The Scheme seeks to achieve capital appreciation through investments in companies engaged either directly or indirectly in infrastructure-related activities.  There is no assurance that the investment objective of the		
VI.	Liquidity/ Listing details	Scheme will be achieved.  The Scheme is open for repurchase/redemption on all Business Days. The redemption proceeds will be despatched to the unitholders within the regulatory time limit of 3 working days of the receipt of the valid redemption request at the OPAT of the Mutual Fund. As per AMFI guidelines dated January 27, 2023, the redemption payment cycle shall be 2 days.  In case of exceptional situations, additional time for redemption payment may be taken. This shall be in line with AMFI letter dated January 16, 2023.		
VII.	Benchmark (Total Return Index)	The Scheme is not listed.  S&P BSE India Infrastructure Index (The benchmark is renamed as BSE India Infrastructure Index w.e.f June 1, 2024)  The AMC / Trustee reserves the right to change / modify the benchmark by issuing an addendum.		
VIII.	NAV Disclosure	The NAV will be calculated for every Business Day and can be viewed on www.franklintempletonindia.com and www.amfiindia.com. NAV will be calculated up to four decimal places using standard rounding criteria.    Particulars		
		management (AUM) is invested only in Indian securities If entire or part of AUM is invested in overseas securities		

		Scheme(s) may declare the NAV for a Business Day by the next Business Day by 10:00 a.m.  Further Details in Section II.	
IX.	Applicable Timelines	Dispatch of redemption proceeds - The redemption proceeds will be despatched to the unitholders within the regulatory time limit of 3 working days of the receipt of the valid redemption request at the OPAT of the Mutual Fund. As per AMFI guidelines dated January 27, 2023, the redemption payment cycle shall be 2 days.  In case of exceptional situations, additional time for redemption payment may be taken. This shall be in line with AMFI letter dated January 16, 2023.	
		<b>Dispatch of Payout of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal (IDCW) option</b> - 7 working days from record date.	
X.	Plans & Options Plans/Options and sub options under the scheme	Growth Plan IDCW Plan (with Reinvestment and Payout Options) Direct - Growth Plan Direct - IDCW Plan (with Reinvestment and Payout Options)	
		All the plans have a common portfolio. The face value of the Units is Rs.10 each.  The investors must clearly indicate the Plan and Option (Growth or IDCW / Reinvestment or Payout) in the relevant space provided for in the Application Form. In the absence of such instruction, it will be assumed that the investor has opted for the Default Plan which shall be Direct Plan and Default Option, which shall be:  • Growth in case Growth or IDCW is not indicated  • Reinvestment of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option in case Payout of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option or Reinvestment of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option is not indicated.  For detailed disclosure on default plans and options, kindly refer SAI.  The Trustee / AMC reserve the right to alter / vary the default plan / option, after giving notice.	
XI.	Load Structure	Exit: In respect of each purchase of Units - 1% if the Units are redeemed/switched-out within one year of allotment.	
		Subject to the Regulations, the Trustee / AMC reserve the	

		right to modify / change the load structure on a prospective basis.
XII.	Minimum Application Amount/ Switch in	Subscription: Fresh Purchase - Rs.5,000/ Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) - Rs. 500 The amount for subscription and SIP in excess of the minimum amount specified above is any amount in multiple of Re. 1/
		There is no upper limit on the investment amount. The Trustee / AMC reserves the right to vary these limits from time to time, in the interest of investors.
XIII.	Minimum Additional Purchase Amount	Additional Purchase - Rs.1,000/
	Furchase Amount	The amount for subscription and SIP in excess of the minimum amount specified above is any amount in multiple of Re. 1/
XIV.	Minimum Redemption/ switch out amount	Rs.1,000/ The amount for redemption in excess of the minimum amount specified above is any amount in multiple of Re. 1/
XV.	New Fund Offer Period	Not applicable.
XVI.	New Fund Offer Price	Not applicable.
XVII.	Segregated portfolio/ side pocketing disclosure	Not applicable.
XVIII.	Swing pricing disclosure	Not applicable.
XIX.	Stock lending/ short selling	The Scheme may engage in stock lending/short selling of securities in accordance with the guidelines issued by SEBI.
		For details, kindly refer Section II.
XX.	How to Apply and other details	Investors can subscribe for the Units of the Scheme by completing the Application Form and delivering it at any Investor Service Centre or Collection Centre. KYC complied investor/ Investors who are able to provide necessary information and/or documents to perform KYC can perform a web-based transaction to purchase units of the Scheme on website of the Mutual Fund (www.franklintempletonindia.com), FT Mobile App or through any other electronic mode introduced from time to time.
		Please refer to the SAI and the Key Information Memorandum/ Application Form for the instructions.

		Details in section II.		
XXII.	Investor services	Contact details for general service requests:		
		Good Shepherd Square, 4th Floor, No.82, MGR Salai (Erstwhile Kodambakkam High Road), Chennai- 600034, Tamil Nadu.  Tel: 1-800-425-4255 or 1-800-258-4255 (toll-free numbers). International Callers can reach at 91-44-28885200 or 91-44-69030702 (Local call rates apply to both the numbers) from 8.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m., Monday to Saturday.		
		Email: service@franklintempleton.com		
		Contact details for complaint resolution: Ms. Rini Krishnan has been appointed as the Investor Relations Officer of the AMC. She can		
XXIII.	Specific attributes of the scheme	Not applicable.		
XXIV.	Special Product/facility available during the NFO and on ongoing basis	Following facilities are available: <ul> <li>Exchange/Switch</li> <li>Systematic Investment Plan (SIP)</li> <li>Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) Variants facility</li> <li>Step Up SIP</li> <li>Pause SIP</li> <li>Any Date SIP</li> <li>SIP Amount Change</li> <li>Flexi SIP</li> <li>Systematic Transfer Plan (STP)</li> <li>Flex STP</li> <li>Value Systematic Transfer Plan</li> <li>Systematic Withdrawal Plan (SWP)</li> <li>Family Solutions' Facility</li> <li>Transfer Of Income Distribution Cum Capital Withdrawal Plan (TIDCW)</li> </ul> <li>Facility for subscription, redemption and switch of units through stock exchange infrastructure</li> <li>Value SIP Facility</li> <li>For Details, kindly refer SAI</li>		
XXV.	Weblink	TER for last 6 months, Daily TER as well as scheme factsheet shall be made available on Reports (franklintempletonindia.com) under Total Expense Ratio		

of schemes	and
www.franklintempletonindia.com/de	ownloads/fund-
<u>literature respectively.</u>	

## DUE DILIGENCE BY THE ASSET MANAGEMENT COMPANY

#### It is confirmed that:

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

Date: November 30, 2024 Name: Saurabh Gangrade

Place: Mumbai Designation: Compliance Officer

#### Part II. INFORMATION ABOUT THE SCHEME

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

Under normal market circumstances, the investment range would be as follows:

Instruments	Indicative Allocations	
	(% of total assets)	
	Maximum	Minimum
Equities and Equity Linked instruments of		
Smaller Companies		
Infrastructure-related companies	100	80
Other companies	20	0
Debt securities* and Money Market	20	0
Instruments		

<sup>\*</sup> including government securities and securitised debt up to 20%

The Scheme would primarily invest in equities and equity related instruments of companies which are engaged either directly or indirectly in infrastructure-related activities.

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

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

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no	Type of Instrument	Percentage of exposure	Circular references*
		A maximum of 40% of net assets may	
		be deployed in securities lending and	
		the maximum single party exposure	
		may be restricted to 10% of net assets	
		outstanding at any point of time.	
		^ Presently, Securities lending and	
		borrowing (SLB) is an Exchange	
		traded product. Counterparty is not	
		known for transactions carried out	
		under SLB segment and they are	
		guaranteed by Clearing Corporations	
		and hence do not carry any counter	Para 12.11 of SEBI
		party risk. Accordingly, single party	Master Circular on
		exposure limit will not apply to trades	
1	Securities Lending	on Stock Exchange platform. Single	June 27, 2024

		party exposure limits can only apply in case of OTC (over the counter) trades where counterparty can be identified.	
2	Securitized Debt	The scheme will not invest in Securitized debt	Para 12.15 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024
3	Derivatives for hedging and rebalancing purposes	The cumulative gross exposure through debt and derivative positions should not exceed 100% of the net assets of the Scheme.	Para 12.25 of SEBI Master Circular dated June 27, 2024June 27, 2024.
4	Credit default Swaps	As per applicable regulations	Para 12.28 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024June 27, 2024
5	Covered call options	The scheme will not invest in covered call options	Para 12.25.8 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024
6	Repos/reverse repo in corporate debt securities	The scheme shall not invest in Repos/reverse repo in corporate debt securities.	Para 12.18 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024
7	Overseas Securities	The scheme will not invest in overseas securities	Para 12.19 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024
8	ReITS and InVITS	The scheme will not invest in REITs and INnVITS	Para 12.21 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024
		If permitted by SEBI Regulations, the Scheme may engage in short selling of securities in accordance with the guidelines issued by SEBI. Short sale of securities means selling of securities without owning them. The AMC will comply with the guidelines	
9	Securities borrowing & Short selling	issued by SEBI in this behalf, including reporting obligations and the Trustee will carry out the reviews required under said guidelines.	Para 12.11 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024

10	Debt instruments with special features viz. subordination to equity (absorbs losses before equity capital) and /or convertible to equity upon trigger of a prespecified event for loss absorption (For eg. Additional Tier I bonds and Tier 2 bonds issued under Basel III framework)	The scheme will not invest in such securities.	Referred in Para 12.2 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024
	Debt instruments with Credit enhancement/	Investment in such instruments shall not exceed 10% of the debt portfolio of the scheme and the Group exposure in such instruments shall not exceed 5% of the debt portfolio of the scheme:  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	Para 4.5.3 (for Overnight & Liquid fund)/ Para 12.3 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June
11	Units of mutual Fund schemes	investment grade.  The Scheme may invest in any other scheme without charging any fees, provided that aggregate interscheme investment made by all schemes under the management of Franklin Templeton Asset Management (India) Private Limited or in schemes under the management of any other AMC shall not exceed 5% of the net asset value of the mutual fund.	Schedule 7 of SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996
13	Tri-party repos	upto 100%	Not applicable

The fund managers will follow an active investment strategy taking defensive/aggressive postures depending on opportunities available at various points in time.

It must be clearly understood that the percentages stated above are only indicative and not absolute and that they can vary substantially (subject to and within the maximum limits prescribed above) depending upon the perception of the Investment Manager, the intention being at all times to seek to protect the interests of the Unit holders. The asset allocation pattern

described above may alter from time to time on a short-term basis on defensive considerations (As per Para 1.14.1.2.b of SEBI Master circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024), keeping in view market conditions, market opportunities, applicable regulations and political and economic factors (i.e., for reasons other than downgrade in rating) and would, in such cases, shall be rebalanced within 30 calendar days from date of deviation. However, if the asset allocation pattern is to be altered for other reasons, as this is a fundamental attribute, the procedure outlined in the paragraph on fundamental attributes below, shall be followed.

## **Portfolio Rebalancing**

In the event of deviations, the portfolio will be rebalanced as per Para 2.9 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024. In the event of deviation from mandated asset allocation mentioned in the Scheme Information Document (SID) due to passive breaches (occurrence of instances not arising out of omission and commission of AMCs), rebalancing period shall be 30 Business Days. Where the portfolio is not rebalanced within 30 Business Days justification in writing, including details of efforts taken to rebalance the portfolio shall be placed before the Investment Committee. The Investment committee shall then decide on the course of action. The Investment Committee, if so desires, can extend the timelines up to sixty (60) business days from the date of completion of mandated rebalancing period. However, at all times the portfolio will adhere to the overall investment objectives of the Scheme.

All the reporting and disclosure requirements as mentioned in Para 2.9 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024 shall be complied with. This includes disclosure to investors in case the AUM of deviated portfolio is more than 10% of the AUM of main portfolio of scheme.

NOTE: The investment under Direct Plans shall have the same portfolio as that of the plan/option under which it is introduced, and hence the same investment objectives and investment pattern as that of the existing respective Scheme/Scheme Portfolio.

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

Subject to the SEBI Regulations and the asset allocation pattern mention above for the respective scheme, the Scheme may invest in various types of instruments including, but not limited to, any of the following:

- (a) Equity and Equity related instruments of domestic companies / corporations
- (b) Securities issued, guaranteed, or supported by the Central Government or any state government (including but not limited to coupon bearing bonds, zero coupon bonds and treasury bills)
- (c) Securities issued by any domestic government agencies, quasi-government or statutory bodies, Public Sector Undertakings, which may or may not be guaranteed or supported by the Central Government or any state government.
- (d) Domestic non-convertible securities as well as non-convertible portion of convertible securities, such as debentures, coupon bearing bonds, zero coupon bonds, deep discount bonds, Minor-linked or other floating rate instruments, premium notes and other debt securities or obligations of public sector undertakings, banks, financial institutions, corporations, companies and other bodies corporate as may be permitted by SEBI / RBI from time to time.

- (e) Domestic securitised debt, pass through obligations, various types of securitisation issuances such as Asset Backed Securitisation, Mortgage-Backed Securitisation and so on as may be permitted by SEBI from time to time.
- (f) Domestic Commercial Paper (CP), Certificate of Deposits (CD), Bills Rediscounting, TREPs, Repo, Reverse Repo, Treasury Bills and other Money Market Instruments as may be permitted by SEBI / RBI from time to time.
- (g) Domestic derivatives
- (h) Deposits with domestic banks and other bodies corporate as may be permitted by SEBI from time to time.
- (i) Any other domestic debt and money market instruments that may be available or evolve with the development of the securities markets and as may be permitted by SEBI from time to time.

Further, the scheme investing in Foreign Securities may invest in various types of instruments including, but not limited to, any of the following:

- Equity and Equity related instruments of overseas companies listed on recognised stock exchanges overseas.
- Initial and follow-on public offerings for listing at recognised stock exchanges overseas
- ADRs / GDRs issued by Indian or foreign companies.
- foreign debt securities (convertible or non-convertible) in the countries with fully convertible currencies.
- overseas short term as well as long term debt instruments with rating not below investment grade by accredited/registered credit rating agencies.
- Overseas Money market instruments rated not below investment grade.
- Overseas repos in the form of investment, where the counterparty is rated not below investment grade (repos shall not however, involve any borrowing of funds by the Scheme)
- Foreign government securities where the countries are rated not below investment grade.
- Overseas derivatives traded on recognized stock exchanges overseas (currently permitted only for hedging and portfolio balancing with underlying as securities)
- Short term deposits with banks overseas where the issuer is rated not below investment grade.
- Overseas Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs)
- units/securities issued by overseas mutual funds or unit trusts registered with overseas regulators and investing in permitted Foreign Securities, Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) listed in recognized stock exchanges overseas or unlisted overseas securities (not exceeding 10% of their net assets).
- Any other permitted overseas securities / instruments that may be available from time to time.

Investment in Foreign Securities shall be made in accordance with the guidelines issued by SEBI and RBI from time to time. The securities mentioned above could be listed, unlisted, publicly offered, privately placed, secured, unsecured, rated or unrated and of varying maturity. The securities may be acquired through public offerings (IPOs), secondary market operations, private placement, rights offers or negotiated deals. The Scheme may also enter into repurchase and reverse repurchase obligations in all securities held by it as per the guidelines and regulations applicable to such transactions.

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

FBIF is an open-ended equity scheme following Infrastructure theme which seeks to achieve capital appreciation through investments in companies engaged either directly or indirectly in infrastructure-related activities. Broadly defined, infrastructure-related activities include development, operations, management and maintenance of various infrastructures such as Transportation, Energy, Resources, Communication and other infrastructure. Primarily, the scheme would invest in companies within the following areas/sectors of the economy:

- Airports & related services
- Banking & other related financial services
- Cement & cement products
- Communication materials and equipment
- Construction, construction materials & equipment
- Dams
- Electrical & electronic equipment, components & products
- Energy including Coal, Oil & Gas, Power, Petroleum, Pipelines
- Engineering
- Industrial and Capital goods / products
- Irrigation, Water Supply projects, Water Management Services
- Transportation, Logistics, warehouse, cold storage
- Metals and Minerals
- Mining
- Ports
- Power generation, distribution & transmission and Power equipments & products
- Road, Bridges, Railways, Civil Aviation and Inland Waterways
- Docks, shipping, Ship building & repairs
- Telecommunication basic & cellular services and tower, radio, satellite and other wireless communication, cable & Fibre networking, equipment manufacturers, internet and broadband services etc.
- Water treatment, Sanitation, Sewerage Systems, Solid Waste management
- Infrastructure including industrial, software/IT, housing & commercial infrastructure, healthcare, education, social infrastructure recreational parks, hospitality etc.

The fund will follow a bottom-up approach to stock-picking and choose the best companies across sectors.

The above list is only indicative and the Fund Manager will have the discretion to invest in any or all those sectors / areas which are either directly or indirectly related to the infrastructure growth / development of the Indian economy

## **Derivatives**

As part of the Fund Management process, the Trustee may permit the use of derivative instruments such as index futures, stock futures and options contracts, warrants, convertible securities, swap agreements, Forward Rate Agreement (FRA) or any other derivative instruments that are permissible or may be permissible in future under applicable regulations and such investments shall be in accordance with the investment objectives of the scheme.

Index futures/options are meant to be an efficient way of buying/selling an index compared to buying/selling a portfolio of physical shares representing an index for ease of execution and settlement. Index futures/options can be an efficient way of achieving the scheme's investment objective. On the fixed income side, an interest rate swap agreement from fixed rate to floating rate is an example of how derivatives can be an effective hedge for the portfolio in a rising interest rate environment.

Derivatives can be either exchange traded or can be over the counter (OTC). Exchange traded derivatives are listed and traded on Stock Exchanges whereas OTC derivative transactions are generally structured between two counterparties.

Derivatives may be high risk - high return instruments, upon leveraging. As they are highly leveraged, a small price movement in the underlying security could have a large impact on their value and may also result in a loss.

For detailed derivative strategies, please refer to SAI.

### 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 in the scheme will be a function of market opportunities. The scheme is open-end scheme. It is expected that there would be a number of subscriptions and repurchases on a daily basis. Consequently, it is difficult to estimate with any reasonable measure of accuracy, the likely turnover in the portfolio. The AMC will endeavour to optimise portfolio turnover to optimise risk adjusted return keeping in mind the cost associated with it. A high portfolio turnover rate is not necessarily a drag on portfolio performance and may be representative of arbitrage opportunities that exist for securities held in the portfolio rather than an indication of change in AMC's view on a security etc. However, the AMC will take advantage of the opportunities that present themselves from time to time because of the inefficiencies in the securities markets.

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

The Mutual Fund has identified the following as the benchmark for the scheme:

Benchmark	Justification
S&P BSE India Infrastructure Index	
The benchmark is renamed as BSE India Infrastructure Index w.e.f June 1, 2024)	The fund primarily invests in infrastructure theme. Hence S&P BSE India Infrastructure Index is an ideal benchmark.

The AMC / Trustee reserves the right to change / modify the benchmark by issuing an addendum.

## E. WHO MANAGES THE SCHEME?

Fund Manager	Tenure of managing the scheme upto September 30,		
	2024)		
Ajay Argal	2.95 years		
Kiran Sebastian	2.65 years		
Sandeep Manam (Dedicated Foreign Fund Manager)	2.95 years		

Name	Qualifications	Functions & Experience	Schemes Managed
Ajay Argal Age: 55 years Total experience: 28 years	PGDM, IIM Bangalore. IIT Bombay, Bachelor of Technology	Senior VP & Portfolio Manager (based at Chennai)  He is responsible for Fund Management. Prior Assignments: Baring Asset Management (Asia) Ltd., Hong Kong (September 2011 to March 2019) Responsible for Fund Management of Baring India Fund Birla Sunlife Mutual Fund (December 2005 to August 2011)  He was responsible for Fund Management of India Excel Fund and India	<ul> <li>Franklin Build India Fund</li> <li>Franklin India Bluechip Fund</li> <li>Franklin India Focused Equity Fund</li> <li>Franklin India Equity Hybrid Fund</li> <li>Templeton India Equity Income Fund</li> <li>Templeton India Value Fund</li> </ul>
Kiran Sebastian Age: 45 years  Total Experience: 17 years	MBA, University of Oxford. B.Tech, University of Calicut.	Advantage Fund.  VP/ Portfolio Manager & Senior Research Analyst (based at Chennai)  He is responsible for conducting research and impacting portfolio performance by influencing the Portfolio Manager.  Prior Assignments:  ARGA Investment Management (India) Pvt.	Franklin Build India     Fund     Franklin India     Opportunities Fund Franklin India Multi Cap Fund  Fund

Name	Qualifications	Functions & Experience	Schemes Managed
		Ltd. (August 2011- March 2015) Responsible for researching Global Equities and generating recommendations for the Portfolio Construction Team.	
		MFS international (U.K.) Ltd., London.	
		(Nov 2007 to April 2011)	
		Research Analyst covering European equities and generating recommendations for Portfolio Construction	
Sandeep Manam Age: 38 years Total Experience: 14 years	PGDM- IIM- Ahmedabad B.Tech (Electronics & Communication Engg.)- National Institute of Technology Calicut	AVP & Senior Research Analyst (based at Chennai)  He is responsible for researching investment opportunities in automotive and airline sectors.  Prior Assignments: Cognizant Technology Solutions (April 2014- July 2015) He was supporting UBS lead analyst in covering Indian Auto, Auto component sectors. Also supported coverage of Indian Pharma companies. Shapoorji Pallonji & Company Private Limited (April 2011- March 2014) He was responsible for	Dedicated Fund Manager for investment in Foreign Securities for Franklin Equity Team and also the fund manager of Franklin India Feeder – Franklin U.S Opportunities Fund and Franklin India Feeder – Templeton European Opportunities Fund

Name	Qualifications	Functions & Experience	Schemes Managed
		supporting the Group's Head (Strategy) in driving strategy at the group and company level.	

# F. HOW IS THE SCHEME DIFFERENT FROM EXISTING SCHEMES OF THE MUTUAL FUND?

As per Para 2.6 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024, Franklin Build India Fund is a unique Product. It falls under 'Equity –Thematic infrastructure Fund Category'. The list of existing open-ended Schemes falling under the Equity Schemes category are mentioned below.

Equity Schemes	Scheme Category	Product Positioning
Franklin India Bluechip Fund (FIBCF)	Large Cap Fund	A diversified equity portfolio investing predominantly in large-cap stocks.
Franklin India Flexi Cap Fund (FIFCF)	Flexi Cap Fund	A diversified equity portfolio with dynamic investing in large, mid and small cap stocks.
Franklin India Equity Advantage Fund (FIEAF)	Large & Mid Cap Fund	A diversified equity portfolio investing predominantly in large and mid-cap stocks.
Franklin India ELSS Tax Saver Fund	Equity Linked Savings Scheme	A diversified equity portfolio for investors seeking exemption under Section 80C of the Income Tax Act.
Franklin India Focused Equity Fund (FIFEF)	Focused Fund	A diversified equity portfolio investing in companies / sectors having higher growth rates or above average potential with a focused approach to portfolio construction.
Templeton India Value Fund (TIVF)	Value Fund	A diversified equity portfolio with value investment strategy.
Templeton India Equity Income Fund (TIEIF)	Dividend Yield Fund	A diversified equity portfolio of securities with current or potentially attractive dividend yield from Indian and foreign securities
Franklin India Prima Fund (FIPF)	Mid Cap Fund	A diversified equity portfolio predominantly investing in mid-cap stocks.
Franklin India Smaller Companies Fund (FISCF)	Small Cap Fund	A diversified equity portfolio predominantly investing in small-cap stocks.

Franklin Build	India	Thematic -	An equity fund that invests in stocks of
Fund (FBIF)		Infrastructure	infrastructure and allied sectors.
Franklin	India	Thematic -	An equity fund with an emphasis on
Opportunities	Fund	Special	special situations through dynamic theme
(FIOF)		Situations	selection.
Franklin	India	Thematic -	An equity fund that invests in stocks of
Technology Fund		Technology	technology and technology related companies.
Enomistic Asion I	Caultre	Thematic - Asian	An equity fund that invests in stocks of
Franklin Asian I	Equity	Equity	Asian companies / sectors (excluding
Fund (FAEF)			Japan).

For detailed comparative table of the aforesaid schemes, please click here: <a href="https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/download/en-in/odd-table-bw-schemes/77b11672-39af-4c36-aa6e-e6865dacbf67/Detailed-Comparative-table-of-existing-schemes.pdf">https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/download/en-in/odd-table-bw-schemes/77b11672-39af-4c36-aa6e-e6865dacbf67/Detailed-Comparative-table-of-existing-schemes.pdf</a>

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

## **FBIF**

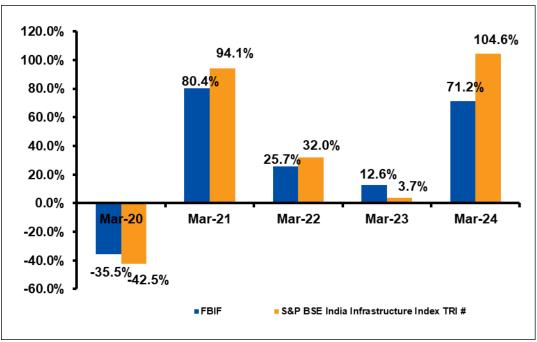
Compounded Annualized	FBIF	S&P BSE India Infrastructure
Returns		Index TRI #
Returns for the last 1 year	57.85%	85.49%
Returns for the last 3 years	31.97%	40.89%
Returns for the last 5 years	29.64%	35.14%
Returns since inception	19.53%	16.58%

Based on Growth Plan NAVs of September 30, 2024. TRI: Total Return Index Values. Inception date: September 4, 2009

# Index adjusted for the period September 4, 2009 to June 4, 2018 with the performance of Nifty 500. The index name is renamed from S&P BSE India Infrastructure Index to BSE India Infrastructure Index w.e.f

June 1, 2024.

## Absolute Returns for last 5 financial years:



Based on Growth Plan NAVs. Benchmark Returns calculated based on Total Return Index (TRI) values

# Index adjusted for the period September 4, 2009 to June 4, 2018 with the performance of Nifty 500

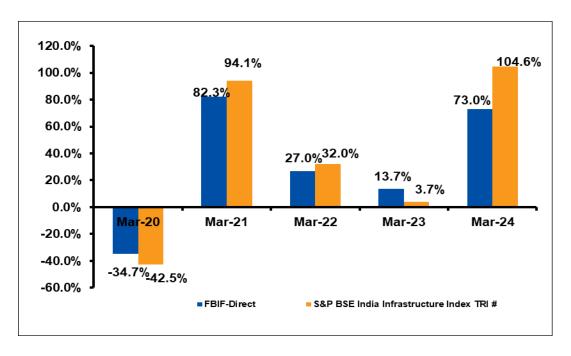
**FBIF** - Direct

Compounded annualised returns		S&P BSE India
		Infrastructure Index
	FBIF - Direct	TRI #
Returns for the last 1 year	59.46%	85.49%
Returns for the last 3 years	33.35%	40.89%
Returns for the last 5 years	31.00%	35.14%
Returns since inception	23.86%	19.14%

Based on Growth Plan NAVs of September 30, 2024. TRI: Total Return Index Values. Inception date: January 1, 2013

# Index adjusted for the period September 4, 2009 to June 4, 2018 with the performance of Nifty 500. The index name is renamed from S&P BSE India Infrastructure Index to BSE India Infrastructure Index w.e.f June 1, 2024.

## **Absolute Returns for last 5 financial years:**



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

Based on Growth Plan NAVs. Benchmark Returns calculated based on Total Return Index (TRI) values

# Index adjusted for the period September 4, 2009 to June 4, 2018 with the performance of Nifty 500

## H. ADDITIONAL SCHEME RELATED DISCLOSURES

- i. Scheme's portfolio holdings (Top 10 portfolio holdings by issuer and fund allocation towards various sectors): These details are available on <a href="Franklin Build India Fund Invest Now with Franklin Templeton India">Franklin Build India Fund Invest Now with Franklin Templeton India</a>
- ii. Disclosure of name and exposure to Top 7 issuers, stocks, groups and sectors as a percentage of NAV of the scheme in case of debt and equity ETFs/index funds through a functional website link that contains detailed description- Not applicable
- iii. Portfolio Disclosure Fortnightly / Monthly/ Half yearly Not applicable as this is a new scheme. The same will be available on the below link hereinafter:https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/reports and https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/funds-and-solutions/funds-explorer/allmutual-funds
- iv. Portfolio Turnover Rate as on September 30th 2024 -24.37%
  - iv. Aggregate investment in the Scheme by:

Sr. No.	Category of Persons	Net Value		Market Value (in Rs)
		Units	NAV per	
			unit	
1.	Fund Manager(s) of the	29796.295	168.1813	50,11,179.63
	Scheme			

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

- v. Investments of AMC in the Scheme Franklin Templeton Asset Management (India) Private Limited, the asset management company may invest in the Scheme. However, as per SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996, Franklin Templeton Asset Management (India) Private Limited will not charge any Investment Management Fee for its investment in the Scheme. In addition, the funds managed by the sponsors, Franklin Templeton Group may invest in the Scheme.
  - The details are provided on <a href="https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/reports">https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/reports</a> under AMC reports
- vi. Risk-o-meter shall be evaluated on a monthly basis and the Risk-o-meter shall be disclosed along with portfolio disclosure on FTMF website (<a href="https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/downloadsServlet/pdf/product-labels-ig905k71">https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/downloadsServlet/pdf/product-labels-ig905k71</a>) and on AMFI website within 10 days from the close of each month.
- vii. Scheme Summary Document (SSD) shall be updated on a Monthly basis or on changes in any specified fields, whichever is earlier. The same shall be uploaded on websites of FTMF (https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/downloads/fund-documents), AMFI and stock exchanges.

#### Part III. OTHER DETAILS

#### A. COMPUTATION OF NAV

The Net Asset Value (NAV) is the value of a Unit and is computed as shown below:

NAV =	Market Value of the scheme's investments + other assets (including
(Rs. Per unit)	accrued interest) - all liabilities except unit capital & reserves
	Number of units outstanding at the end of the day

For example, if the market value of securities of a mutual fund scheme is INR 200 lakh and the mutual fund has issued 10 lakh units of INR 10 each to the investors, then the NAV per unit of the fund is INR 20 (i.e.200 lakh/10 lakh).

The NAV will be normally computed for all Business Days of the Scheme and will be calculated to four decimals using standard rounding criteria.

While determining the price of the units, the mutual fund shall ensure that the repurchase price of an open-ended scheme is not lower than 95 per cent of the Net Asset Value.

#### B. ANNUAL SCHEME RECURRING EXPENSES

These are the fees and expenses for operating the scheme. These expenses include Investment Management and Advisory Fee charged by the AMC, Registrar and Transfer Agents' fee, marketing and selling costs etc. as given in the table below.

The AMC has estimated that upto 2.25% of the daily average net assets of the scheme will be charged to the scheme as expenses. For the actual current expenses being charged, the investor should refer to the website of the mutual fund: <a href="https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/reports?secondFilter=15">https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/reports?secondFilter=15</a>

In accordance with Regulations, the asset management company ("AMC") is entitled to charge the scheme with investment and advisory fees. In addition to such fees, the AMC may charge the scheme such expenses as may be permitted under Regulations from time to time.

The maximum annual recurring expenses that can be charged to the Scheme, excluding issue or redemption expenses, whether initially borne by the mutual fund or by the asset management company, but including the investment management and advisory fee shall be within the limits stated in Regulations 52 read with SEBI notification no. SEBI/LAD-NRO/GN/2018/51 dated December 13, 2018 and Para 10. 1 of Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024, as follows:

(I) Recurring expenses including the investment management and advisory fee subject to the limits specified in the table below (as % of daily net assets):

on the first Rs. 500 crores	2.25%
on the next Rs. 250 crores	2.00%
on the next Rs. 1,250 crores	1.75%
on the next Rs. 3,000 crores	1.60%
on the next Rs. 5,000 crores	1.50%
On the next Rs. 40,000	Total expense ratio reduction of 0.05% for every increase of
crores	Rs.5,000 crores of daily net assets or part thereof.
Above Rs. 50,000 crores	1.05%

- (II) In addition to the above, the following costs or expenses may be charged to the Scheme, as per sub regulation 52(6A) namely-
- (a) brokerage and transaction costs which are incurred for the purpose of execution of trade up to 0.12 per cent of trade value in case of cash market transactions and 0.05 per cent of trade value in case of derivatives transactions
- (b) expenses not exceeding 0.30% of daily net assets, if the new inflows from retail investors from such cities as specified by SEBI from time to time are at least (i) 30% of gross new inflows in the scheme, or; (ii) 15% of the average assets under management (year to date) of the scheme, whichever is higher.

Provided that if inflows from retail investors from such cities are less than the higher of (i) or (ii) above, such expenses on daily net assets of the scheme shall be charged on proportionate basis.

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

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

These expenses are in abeyance with effect from March 1, 2023 till further instructions from SEBI.

(c) additional expenses not exceeding 0.05% of daily net assets of the scheme towards various permissible expenses.

Provided that such additional expenses shall not be charged to the schemes where the exit load is not levied or applicable.

Any expenditure in excess of the limits specified in sub-regulations 52 (6) and 52 (6A)] shall be borne by the asset management company or by the trustee or sponsors.

(III) The AMC may charge Goods and Service Tax on investment and advisory fees to the Scheme in addition to the maximum limit of annual recurring expenses as prescribed in Regulation 52. Further, the below mentioned expenses and charges shall be borne by the

Scheme within the maximum limit of annual recurring expenses as prescribed in Regulation 52.

- a) Goods and Service Tax on expenses other than investment and advisory fees; and,
- b) brokerage and transaction costs (including Goods and Service Tax) incurred for the purpose of execution of trade in excess of 0.12% in case of cash market transactions and 0.05% in case of derivatives transactions, if any.

Within such total recurring expenses charged to the scheme as above, the investment management and advisory fee (charged as a percentage of daily net assets) would be as decided by the AMC from time to time, provided that the investment management and advisory fee shall not exceed the aggregate of expenses charged under clause (I) and (II)(c) above.

The total annual recurring expenses of the Scheme including the investment management and advisory fee (together with additional management fee wherever applicable) shall not exceed the limit stated in Regulation 52 read with Para 10.1.16 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024, as explained above.

As per Para 10.1.16 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024, the AMC shall annually set apart at least 0.02% on daily net assets within the maximum limit of recurring expenses as per Regulation 52 for investor education and awareness initiatives.

The investments under 'Direct' shall have a lower expense ratio excluding distribution expenses, commission, etc., and no commission shall be paid on investments under Direct Plan. The Direct Plan shall also have a separate NAV.

The Trustee / AMC reserves the right to charge higher operating expenses in relation to investing overseas as and when SEBI permits.

The AMC has estimated the following recurring expenses for the first Rs.500 crores of Average Daily Net Assets:

Particulars	% of Average	
	Daily Net Assets	
Recurring expenses permissible under Regulation 52(6)(c)(i):	(a) + (b) - not	
(a) Investment Management and Advisory Fee	exceeding 2. 25% of	
(b) Expenses -	daily net assets	
- Custodial Fees		
- Registrar & Transfer Agent Fees including cost related to		
providing accounts statement, IDCW/redemption		
cheques/warrants etc., Listing Fees		
- Marketing & Selling Expenses including distributor /agent		
Commission, brokerage & transaction Cost pertaining to the		
distribution of units and statutory advertisements		
- Costs related to investor communications		
- Expenses towards investor education and awareness initiatives (at		
least 0.02%)		

Particulars	% of Average
	Daily Net Assets
- Fees and Expenses of Trustees / Audit Fees	
- Costs of fund transfer from location to location	
- Goods and Service Tax on expenses other than investment and advisory fees	
- Brokerage and transaction costs (including Goods and Service Tax)	
incurred for the purpose of execution of trade in excess of 0.12% (in	
case of cash market transactions) /0.05% (in case of derivatives	
transactions)	
- Other permissible expenses	
(c) Goods and Service Tax on investment and advisory fees	At actual
(d) Additional expenses permissible under Regulation 52(6A)(c) towards	not exceeding
various permissible expenses	0.05% of daily net
	assets
(e) Expenses in case of inflows from retail investors from cities beyond	not exceeding
Top 30 cities charged proportionately under Regulation 52(6A)(b) (refer	0.30% of daily net
II(b) above)	asset (These
	expenses are in
	abeyance with
	effect from March
	1, 2023 till further
	instructions from
	SEBI)

The above 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 and types of the expenses charged shall be as per the Regulations.

For the actual Annual Scheme Recurring expenses currently being charged, the investor should refer to

https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/reports?secondFilter=15

The tables relating to Annual Scheme Recurring Expenses given above and the Load structure given below have been given to the investor to assist him / her in understanding the various costs and expenses that an investor of the scheme will bear directly or indirectly.

Investment management fees are payable monthly in arrears. The direct expenses incurred by each scheme of Franklin Templeton Mutual Fund shall be chargeable to that scheme. The common expenses incurred on various schemes could be allocated to the schemes based on various parameters such as number of unitholders, the size of the corpus / assets, equally or any other basis in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Illustration of expenses and impact on the return						
	Regular Plan			Direct Plan*		
	Amount	Units	NAV Per Unit	Amount	Units	NAV Per Unit
Opening Investment and NAV Per Unit for the Day (a)	1,000,000	100,000	10.0000	1,000,000	100,000	10.0000
Closing Investment and NAV Per Unit for the Day (b)	1,099,940	100,000	10.9994	1,099,970	100,000	10.9997
NAV Movement (c = a – b)	99,940		0.9994	99,970		0.9997
Return for the Day after expenses (d = (c / a) %)	9.9940%		9.9940%	9.9970%		9.9970%
TER % (e)	2%			1%		
Distribution Expenses %(j)	1%					
Expenses for the Day (f = $(b * e)/365 \text{ days}$ )	60		0.0006	30		0.0003
Impact on Return due to Expenses % (g = (f / a) %)	0.0060%			0.0030%		
Value of investment prior to expense (h = b + f)	1,100,000		11.0000	1,100,000		11.0000
Return prior to expenses for the Day $(i = d + g)$	10.00000%			10.00000%		

<sup>\*</sup>The investments under 'Direct' has lower expense ratio excluding distribution expenses, commission, etc., and no commission is paid on investments under Direct Plan. The Direct Plan also has a separate NAV as illustrated above.

## *Notes:*

- The above illustration is provided only to explain the impact of expense ratio on scheme's returns, and not to be construed as providing any kind of investment advice or guarantee on returns on investments
- The Expense are charged on the closing asset under management and are subject to change on a periodic basis.
- The tax impact has not been considered in the above illustration. In view of the individual nature of the implications, each investor is advised to consult his or her own tax advisors/authorised dealers with respect to the specific amount of tax and other implications arising out of his or her participation in the schemes.

### C. LOAD STRUCTURE:

Exit Load is an amount which is paid by the investor to redeem the units from the scheme. Load amounts are variable and are subject to change from time to time. For the current applicable structure, please visit Franklin Templeton India's website (<a href="https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/funds-and-solutions/funds-explorer/all-mutual-funds">https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/funds-and-solutions/funds-explorer/all-mutual-funds</a>) or call at 1-800-425 4255 or 1800 258 4255 (Please prefix the city STD code if calling from a mobile phone. Local call rates apply to both the numbers) or contact your distributor.

Type of Load	Load Chargeable (as %age of NAV)
Exit Load	In respect of each purchase of Units - 1% if the Units are redeemed/switched-out within one year of allotment.

For investments under 'Direct' plan, the Exit load applicable shall be the same as the exit load applicable in the respective Scheme/Scheme Portfolio.

The applicability of exit load in respect of switches between plans and options within the same Scheme will be as follows:

Nature of investment	Exit Load applicability
Existing and new investments made	No load will be charged on switches to Direct
under a Distributor code	Plan
Existing and new investments made	No load will be charged on switches to Direct.
without a Distributor code	
Investment made under Direct route	No load will be charged on switches from Direct
on or after January 01, 2013	to other plans and options under the Scheme
	available for investment under a Distributor
	code.

For determining whether an investment was made under a Distributor code or not, the Distributor code as per the records of the AMC/Registrar on the date of the switch transaction will be considered.

As per Para 10.4.1.a of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024, no entry load will be charged for purchase/additional purchase/switches accepted by the Mutual Fund. Similarly, no entry load will be charged with respect to all applications for registrations under the Systematic Investment Plan (SIP)/Systematic Transfer Plan (STP) accepted by the Mutual Fund including SIPs registered prior to August 1, 2009.

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

All the switches / exchanges will be treated as redemption in the source scheme and subscription in the destination scheme, with the entry and exit load as may be applicable. The switches of Units will be considered on First-in-First-Out (FIFO) basis.

The AMC/Trustee reserves the right to modify the Load/Fee mentioned above at any time in future on a prospective basis, subject to the limits prescribed under the SEBI Regulations.

For the information of the investors, any introduction / change of load (including CDSC) in the Scheme may be put up on the website of the Mutual Fund. The addendum detailing the changes may be circulated among the Investor Service Centres / Distributors / Brokers under directions to display it at their respective offices in form of a Notice and attach it to the copies of Scheme Information Documents and Key Information Memorandum (if required) already in stock. The load may also be disclosed in the account statement issued after the introduction of such load.

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

All loads (including CDSC) collected on units shall be retained in the Fund and maintained in a separate account and would strictly and fully be utilised by the Investment Manager in providing distribution related services to the Mutual Fund relating to the sale, promotion, advertising and marketing of Units of the Scheme, including payments to brokers / registrars for their services in connection with the distribution of the Units. Any surplus in this account may be credited to the scheme, whenever felt appropriate by the AMC. As per Para 10.4.1.a of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024, effective August 01, 2009, of the exit load or CDSC charged to the investor, a maximum of 1% of the redemption proceeds shall be maintained in a separate account which can be used by the AMC to pay commissions to the distributor and to take care of other marketing and selling expenses. Any balance shall be credited to the scheme immediately.

## Credit of exit load to scheme:

Effective October 01, 2012, Exit load/ CDSC (if any) charged to the unit holders by the Mutual Fund on redemption (including switch-out) of units shall be credited to the respective scheme net of goods and service tax. Goods and Service tax on exit load, if any, shall be paid out of the exit load proceeds.

Load on bonus/Reinvestment of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal option units: As per Para 10.6 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024, no entry and exit load shall be charged on bonus units or units allotted on reinvestment of IDCW.

#### **SECTION II**

#### I. Introduction:

- A. Definitions/ interpretation
- For detailed description please click the link: <a href="https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/download/en-in/odd-definitions/f92ebc52-1aaa-4233-a032-1445e20b9739/Definitions scheme-docs.pdf">https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/download/en-in/odd-definitions/f92ebc52-1aaa-4233-a032-1445e20b9739/Definitions scheme-docs.pdf</a>

Words and expression used but not defined in this Scheme Information Document shall have the same meaning respectively assigned to them under the Statement of Additional Information.

In this SID, all references to "U.S.\$" or "\$" are to United States of America Dollars and "Rs." are to Indian Rupees.

#### B. Risk Factors

#### SCHEME SPECIFIC RISK FACTORS

Some of the specific risk factors related to the Scheme include, but are not limited to the following:

- 1. The performance of the scheme may be affected by the corporate performance, macro-economic factors, changes in Government policies, general levels of interest rates and risk associated with trading volumes, liquidity and settlement systems in the securities markets.
- 2. Low trading volumes, settlement periods and transfer procedures may restrict the liquidity of the scheme's investments. Transacting may become difficult due to extreme volatility in the market resulting in constriction in volumes. Additionally, changes in the SEBI/ RBI regulations/Guidelines may have an adverse impact on the liquidity of the scheme. Different segments of the Indian financial markets have different settlement periods, and such period may be extended significantly by unforeseen circumstances. The length of time for settlement may affect the Scheme in the event the Scheme has to meet an inordinately large number of redemption requests. In addition, the Trustee, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to limit or withdraw sale and/or repurchase/redemption and/or switching of the units in the scheme (including any one of the Plans of the scheme) temporarily or indefinitely under certain circumstances. For details refer the Section 'Suspension of sale of units' and 'Suspension of redemption of units'. The scheme will retain certain investments in cash or cash equivalent for the day to day liquidity requirements.

Risks associated with equity investment

3. Market Risk: The scheme proposes to invest in equity and equity-related securities. Prices, trading volumes, settlement periods and transfer procedures may restrict liquidity of investments in equity and equity-related securities. Market risk is a

- risk which is inherent to an equity investment.
- 4. Liquidity Risk: Risk will be monitored in terms of the number of days it takes to liquidate every stock in the portfolio assuming a share of the average volume traded over the previous one year. Efforts would be made to keep the average liquidation period under prudent limits prescribed internally. While securities that are listed on the stock exchange carry lower liquidity risk, the ability to sell these investments may be limited by overall trading volumes of the stock exchanges.
- While mid cap and small cap stocks give one an opportunity to go beyond the usual large blue chip stocks and present possible higher capital appreciation, it is important to note that mid/small cap stocks can be riskier and more volatile on a relative basis. Therefore, the risk levels of investing in small cap and mid cap stocks is more than investing in stocks of large well-established companies. Please note that over a time these two categories have demonstrated different levels of volatility and investment returns and it is important to note that generally, no one class consistently outperforms the others. While smaller and medium size companies may offer substantial opportunities for capital appreciation, they also involve substantial risks. Historically, these companies have been more volatile in price than larger company securities, especially over the short term. Among the reasons for the greater price volatility are the less certain growth prospects of smaller companies, the lower degree of liquidity in the markets for such securities, and the greater sensitivity of smaller companies to changing economic conditions. Smaller companies carry large amount of liquidity risk compared to the Large Cap companies, as the ability to sell is limited by overall trading volume in the securities, which it invests.
- 6. In addition, smaller companies may lack depth of management, be unable to generate funds necessary for growth or development or be developing or marketing new products or services for which markets are not yet established and may never become established. They could also suffer from disadvantages such as outdated technologies, lack of bargaining power with suppliers, low entry barriers and inadequate management depth. Overall, the risks of investing in medium / small companies are (a) transparency/liquidity levels may not be at par with established, large companies; (b) corporate governance may be an issue with some companies; and (c) they may not be resilient enough to withstand shocks of business/economic cycles.
- 7. Securities which are not quoted on the stock exchanges are inherently illiquid in nature and carry a larger liquidity risk in comparison with securities that are listed on the exchanges or offer other exit options to the investors, including put options. This may, however, increase the risk of the portfolio. Additionally, the liquidity and valuation of the Scheme's investments due to its holdings of unlisted securities may be affected if they have to be sold prior to the target date of disinvestment.

## Risks associated with debt investment

8. Interest rate risk: This risk results from changes in demand and supply for money and other macroeconomic factors and creates price changes in the value of debt instruments. Consequently, the Net Asset Value of the scheme may be subject to fluctuation. Changes in the interest rates may affect the Scheme's Net Asset Value

- as the prices of securities generally increase as interest rates decline and generally decrease as interest rates rise. Prices of long term securities generally fluctuate more in response to interest rate changes than do short-term securities. Indian debt markets can be volatile leading to the possibility of price movements up or down in fixed income securities and thereby possible movements in the NAV. This may expose the scheme to possible capital erosion.
- 9. Credit risk or default risk: This 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). Default risk / credit risk arises due to an issuer's inability to meet obligations on the principal repayment and interest payments. Because of this risk corporate debentures are sold at a yield above those offered on Government Securities, which are sovereign obligations and free of credit risk. Normally the value of a fixed income security will fluctuate depending upon the changes in the perceived level of credit risk as well as any actual event of default. The greater the credit risk, the greater the yield required for someone to be compensated for the increased risk.
- 10. Market risk: This risk arises due to price volatility due to such factors as interest sensitivity, market perception or the credit worthiness of the issuer and general market liquidity, change in interest rate expectations and liquidity flows. Market risk is a risk which is inherent to investments in securities. This may expose the scheme to possible capital erosion.
- 11. Reinvestment risk: This risk refers to the interest rate levels at which cash flows received for the securities in the Scheme are reinvested. Investments in debt instruments are subject to reinvestment risks as interest rates prevailing on interest or maturity due dates may differ from the original coupon of the bond, which might result in the proceeds being invested at a lower rate. The additional risk 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.
- 12. Liquidity or Marketability Risk: This refers to the ease with which a security can be sold at or near to its valuation yield-to-maturity (YTM). The primary measure of liquidity risk is the spread between the bid price and the offer price quoted by a dealer. Liquidity risk today is a characteristic of the Indian fixed income market.
- 13. Certain fixed income securities give an issuer the right to call its securities, before their maturity date, in periods of declining interest rates. The possibility of such pre-payment risk may force the fund to re-invest the proceeds of such investments in securities offering lower yields, thereby reducing the fund's interest income.
- 14. The scheme may invest in non-publicly offered debt securities. This may expose the scheme to liquidity risks.
- 15. Different types of securities in which the scheme would invest as given in the Scheme Information Document carry different levels and types of risks. Accordingly, the scheme's risk may increase or decrease depending upon its investment pattern. e.g. corporate bonds carry a higher amount of risk than Government securities. Further even among corporate bonds, bonds which are AAA rated are comparatively less risky than bonds which are AA rated.
- 16. Money market securities, while fairly liquid, lack a well-developed secondary market, which may restrict the selling ability of the scheme.

Risks associated with Securitised Debts

- 17. Different types of Securitised Debts in which the scheme would invest carry different levels and types of risks. Accordingly, the scheme's risk may increase or decrease depending upon its investments in Securitised Debts. e.g. AAA securitised bonds will have low Credit Risk than a AA securitised bond. Credit Risk on Securitised Bonds may also depend upon the Originator, if the Bonds are issued with Recourse to Originator. A Bond with Recourse will have a lower Credit Risk than a Bond without Recourse. Underlying Assets in Securitised Debt may be the Receivables from Auto Finance, Credit Cards, Home Loans or any such receipts. Credit risk relating to these types of receivables depends upon various factors including macro-economic factors of these industries and economies. To be more specific, factors like nature and adequacy of property mortgaged against these borrowings, loan agreement, mortgage deed in case of Home Loan, adequacy of documentation in case of Auto Finance and Home Loan, capacity of borrower to meet its obligation on borrowings in case of Credit Cards and intentions of the borrower influence the risks relating to the assets (borrowings) underlying the Securitised Debts. Holders of Securitised Assets may have Low Credit Risk with Diversified Retail Base on Underlying Assets, especially when Securitised Assets are created by High Credit Rated Tranches. Risk profiles of Planned Amortisation Class Tranches (PAC), Principal Only Class Tranches (PO) and Interest Only Class Tranches (IO) will also differ, depending upon the interest rate movement and Speed of Pre-payments. A change in market interest rates/prepayments may not change the absolute amount of receivables for the investors but affects the reinvestment of the periodic cash flows that the investor receives in the securitised paper.
- 18. Presently, secondary market for securitised papers is not very liquid. There is no assurance that a deep secondary market will develop for such securities. This could limit the ability of the investor to resell them. Even if a secondary market develops and sales were to take place, these secondary transactions may be at a discount to the initial issue price due to changes in the interest rate structure
- 19. Securitised transactions are normally backed by pool of receivables and credit enhancement as stipulated by the rating agency, which differ from issue to issue. The Credit Enhancement stipulated represents a limited loss cover to the Investors. These Certificates represent an undivided beneficial interest in the underlying receivables and there is no obligation of either the Issuer or the Seller or the originator, or the parent or any affiliate of the Seller, Issuer and Originator. No financial recourse is available to the Certificate Holders against the Investors' Representative. Delinquencies and credit losses may cause depletion of the amount available under the Credit Enhancement and thereby the Investor Payouts may get affected if the amount available in the Credit Enhancement facility is not enough to cover the shortfall. On persistent default of an Obligor to repay his obligation, the Seller may repossess and sell the underlying Asset. However many factors may affect, delay or prevent the repossession of such Asset or the length of time required to realize the sale proceeds on such sales. In addition, the price at which such Asset may be sold may be lower than the amount due from that Obligor.

## Risks associated with derivatives

- 20. Derivatives are high risk, high return instruments as they may be highly leveraged. A small price movement in the underlying security could have a large impact on their value and may also result in a loss. 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.
- 21. Derivative products are leveraged instruments and can provide disproportionate gains as well as disproportionate losses to the investor. Execution of such strategies depends upon the ability of the fund manager to identify such opportunities. Identification and execution of the strategies to be pursued by the fund manager involve uncertainty and decision of fund manager may not always be profitable. No assurance can be given that the fund manager will be able to identify or execute such strategies.
- 22. Interest rate swaps and Forward Rate Agreement require the maintenance of adequate controls to monitor the transactions entered into, the ability to assess the risk that the derivative adds to the portfolio and the ability to forecast failure of another party (usually referred to as the "counter-party") to comply with the terms of the derivatives contract. Other risks in using derivatives include the risk of mispricing or improper valuation of derivatives, the credit risk where the danger is that of a counter-party failing to honour its commitment, liquidity risk where the danger is that the derivative cannot be sold at prices that reflect the underlying assets, rates and indices, and price risk where the market price may move in adverse fashion.
- 23. In case of buying options either call/put, the maximum loss would be the premium paid in case of options expiring out of the money.
- 24. The risks associated with futures are similar to those associated with equity investments. Additional risks could be on account of illiquidity and potential mispricing of the futures and the inability of derivatives to correlate perfectly with underlying assets, rates and indices.
- 25. The Long position in the Nifty will have as much loss as the gain in the short portfolio if hedged completely and would be vice versa if we were holding long portfolio, short Index.
- 26. While Futures markets are typically more liquid than the underlying cash market, there can be no assurance that ready liquidity would exist at all points in time for scheme to purchase or close out a specific futures contract.
- 27. The Scheme may find it difficult or impossible to execute derivative transactions in certain circumstances. For example, when there are insufficient bids or suspension of trading due to price limit or circuit breakers, the Scheme may face a liquidity issue.
- 28. The Stock Exchange may impose restrictions on exercise of options and may also restrict the exercise of options at certain times in specified circumstances and this could impact the value of the portfolio.

## Risks associated with Securities Lending

29. Engaging in securities lending is subject to risks related to fluctuations in collateral value and settlement/liquidity and counter party risks. The risks in lending

portfolio 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.

## Risks associated with Short-selling of Securities

30. Purchasing a security entails the risk of the security price going down. Short selling of securities (i.e. sale of securities without owning them) entails the risk of the security price going up there by decreasing the profitability of the short position. Short selling is subject to risks related to fluctuations in market price, and settlement/liquidity risks. If required by the Regulations, short selling may entail margin money to be deposited with the clearing house and daily mark to market of the prices and margins. This may impact fund pricing and may induce liquidity risks if the fund is not able to provide adequate margins to the clearing house. Failure to meet margin requirements may result in penalties being imposed by the exchanges and clearing house.

#### Risks associated with overseas investment

- 31. To the extent the assets of the scheme are invested in overseas financial assets, there may be risks associated with currency movements, restrictions on repatriation and transaction procedures in overseas market. Further, the repatriation of capital to India may also be hampered by changes in regulations or political circumstances as well as the application to it of other restrictions on investment. In addition, country risks would include events such as introduction of extraordinary exchange controls, economic deterioration, bi-lateral conflict leading to immobilisation of the overseas financial assets and the prevalent tax laws of the respective jurisdiction for execution of trades or otherwise.
- 32. Currency Risk: The fund may invest in overseas mutual fund / foreign securities as permitted by the concerned regulatory authorities in India. Since the assets will be invested in securities denominated in foreign currencies, the Indian Rupee equivalent of the net assets, distributions and income may be adversely affected by changes/fluctuations in the value of the foreign currencies relative to the Indian Rupee.
- 33. Country Risk: The Country risk arises from the inability of a country, to meet its financial obligations. It is the risk encompassing economic, social and political conditions in a foreign country, which might adversely affect foreign investors' financial interests.

#### Risks specific to Franklin Build India Fund

34. The investments under the Scheme are oriented towards equity and equity linked instruments of companies engaged in the infrastructure related activities and hence will be affected by risks associated with the infrastructure industries. The performance of the Scheme would be dependent upon the performance and

market price movements of companies in the infrastructure industry. Amongst the infrastructure industries as mentioned under the investment strategy, the majority of the equity / equity linked investments could be concentrated under a single or a few sectors. Hence if the said sector(s) does not perform positively as expected by the Fund Manager of the Scheme, the Scheme's performance may be adversely affected due to a risk associated with non-diversification and thus could affect the value of investments. Further, movements in the Net Asset Value (NAV) of the Scheme may be more volatile as compared to the NAV of a scheme with a more diversified portfolio.

35. The Scheme will focus on companies which will benefit from structural changes brought about by continuing liberalization in economic policies by the Government and/or from continuing investments in infrastructure, both by the public and private sector. It is possible that such policies may not fructify or crystallise in a manner commensurate with expectations thereby affecting the prospects of companies held in the portfolio of the Scheme. Since, the NAV of the scheme is linked to the share price performance of such companies, they may outperform or underperform the benchmark index and/or the constituents of the said benchmark index.

Risk factors associated with processing of transaction through Stock Exchange Mechanism

36. 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 recognised 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 AMC has 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).

Risk factors associated with investment in Tri-Party Repo

37. All transactions of the mutual fund in government securities and in Tri-party Repo trades are settled centrally through the infrastructure and settlement systems provided by Clearing Corporation of India (CCIL). This reduces the settlement and counterparty risks considerably.

Mutual funds are member of securities segment and Triparty Repo trade settlement of CCIL. The members are required to contribute an amount from time to time to the default fund maintained by CCIL as a part of the default waterfall (a loss mitigating measure of CCIL in case of default by any member in settling transactions routed through CCIL). As per the waterfall mechanism, after the defaulter's margins and the defaulter's contribution to the default fund have been appropriated, CCIL's contribution is used to meet the losses. Post utilization of CCIL's contribution if there is a residual loss, it is appropriated from the default fund contributions of the non-defaulting members. Thus, the scheme is subject to risk of the initial margin and default fund contribution being invoked in the event

of failure of any settlement obligations. Additionally, the fund contribution is allowed to meet the residual loss in case of default by the other clearing member (the defaulting member). CCIL maintains two separate Default Funds with respect to the Securities Segment. One with a view to meet losses arising out of any default by its members from outright and repo trades and the other for meeting losses arising out of any default by its members from Triparty Repo trades.

Therefore, mutual fund is exposed to the extent of its contribution to the default fund of CCIL, in the event that the contribution of the mutual fund is called upon to absorb settlement/default losses of another member by CCIL, as a result the scheme may lose an amount equivalent to its contribution to the default fund.

### C. Risk Mitigation Strategies:

### Equity:

- Liquidity Risk: The fund will try to maintain a proper asset-liability match to
  ensure redemption payments are made on time and not affected by illiquidity of
  the underlying stocks.
- Concentration Risk: The scheme will endeavour to have a well-diversified equity
  portfolio comprising stocks across various sectors of the economy. This would aid
  in managing concentration risk and sector-specific risks. Generally, diversification
  across market cap segments also aids in managing volatility and ensuring
  adequate liquidity at all times.
- Derivatives Risk: The fund will endeavour to maintain adequate controls to monitor the derivatives transactions entered into.

### Debt

- Interest Rate Risk: The Fund seeks to mitigate this risk by keeping the maturity of the scheme in line with the interest rate expectations.
- Credit risk or default risk: The Fund will endeavour to minimise Credit/Default risk by primarily investing in medium-high investment grade fixed income securities rated by SEBI registered credit rating agencies. Historical default rates for investment grade securities (BBB and above) have been low.
- Reinvestment Risk: Reinvestment risks will be limited to the extent of coupons received on debt instruments, which will be a very small portion of the portfolio value
- The scheme may take positions in interest rate derivatives to hedge market/interest rate risks.
- Liquidity or Marketability Risk: The fund will endeavour to minimise liquidity risk by investing in securities having a liquid market.

### II. Information about the Scheme:

### A. Where will the scheme invest

Detailed description of the instruments (including overview of debt markets in India, if applicable) mentioned in Section I is provided below:

### • Equity Securities:

Equity and Equity related instruments include convertible debentures, equity warrants, convertible preference shares and equity derivatives.

### • Debt Securities:

Debt instruments (in the form of non-convertible debentures, bonds, secured premium notes, zero interest bonds, deep discount bonds, floating rate bonds/notes, securitised debt, pass through certificates, asset backed securities, mortgage backed securities and any other domestic fixed income securities including structured obligations etc.) include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Debt issuances of the statutory bodies (which may or may not carry a state/central government
- 2. guarantee),
- 3. Debt securities that have been guaranteed by Government of India and State Governments,
- 4. Debt securities issued by Corporate Entities (Public / Private sector undertakings),
- 5. Debt securities issued by Public/Private sector banks and development financial institutions,
- 6. Securitized Debt, Structured Obligations, Credit enhanced Debt,
- 7. Non Convertible Preference Shares.

### • Money Market Instruments include:

- a. Commercial papers
- b. Commercial bills
- c. Tri-party Repos on Government securities or treasury bills (TREPS)
- d. Certificate of deposit
- e. Usance bills
- f. Permitted securities under a repo/reverse repo agreement
- g. Any other like instruments as may be permitted by RBI/SEBI for liquidity requirements from time to time.

### **Investment In Foreign Securities**

The Scheme may invest in permitted Foreign Securities and any other overseas instruments as may be permitted by SEBI/RBI/other regulatory authorities from time to time.

As per Para 12.19 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024, has issued guidelines pertaining to investments in overseas financial assets. Accordingly, the investments in Foreign Securities shall be made in compliance with the said circular.

The Fund has appointed a dedicated fund manager for the purpose of investment in

overseas financial assets (except for investment in units/securities of overseas mutual funds/unit trusts/ETFs and such other securities/instruments as may be permitted by SEBI from time to time) as prescribed in the aforesaid SEBI circular. Service of custodian and other intermediaries/advisors of international repute will be used for managing and administering such investments. The appointment of such intermediaries shall be in accordance with the applicable requirements of SEBI and within the permissible ceilings of expenses. The fees and expenses would include, besides the investments management fees, custody fees and costs, fees of appointed advisors and sub-managers, transaction costs and overseas regulatory costs.

Offshore investment will be made subject to any/ all approvals/conditions thereof as may be stipulated by SEBI/ RBI/ other regulatory authorities. Boards of asset management companies (AMCs) and trustees shall exercise due diligence in making investment decisions as required under Regulation 25(2). They shall make a detailed analysis of risks and returns of investment in foreign securities and how these investments would be in the interest of investors. Investment must be made in liquid actively traded securities/instruments and such other types of securities/instruments as may be permitted by SEBI from time to time. Boards of AMCs and trustees may prescribe detailed parameters for making such investments, which may include identification of countries, country rating, country limits, etc. They shall satisfy themselves that the AMC has experienced key personnel, research facilities and infrastructure for making such investments. Other specialised agencies and service providers associated with such investments e.g. custodian, bank, advisors, etc should also have adequate expertise and infrastructure facilities. Their past track record of performance and regulatory compliance record, if they are registered with foreign regulators, may also be considered. Necessary agreements may be entered into with them as considered necessary. All investment decisions shall be recorded in accordance with para 12.19.3.2.a of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024. Such investments shall be disclosed while disclosing half-yearly portfolios in the prescribed format by making a separate heading "Foreign Securities/overseas ETFs." Scheme-wise percentage of investments made in such securities shall be disclosed while publishing half-yearly results in the prescribed format, as a footnote.

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

Investment in derivatives traded on recognised stock exchanges overseas shall be made only for hedging and portfolio balancing with underlying as securities.

As advised by SEBI, in order to avoid breach of industry-wide overseas investment limits as allowed by RBI and as per Para 12.19 of SEBI Master Circular of Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024, the total investment in overseas funds or securities across all schemes of FTMF is capped at the level as of February 1, 2022. The aforesaid capping is temporary in nature and will continue only till further enhancement of limit by Regulators in this regard.

### **Investments In Derivative Instruments**

### Brief note on investment in derivative instruments

As part of the Fund Management process, the Trustee may permit the use of derivative instruments such as index futures, stock futures and options contracts, warrants, convertible securities, swap agreements, Forward Rate Agreement (FRA) or any other derivative instruments that are permissible or may be permissible in future under applicable regulations and such investments shall be in accordance with the investment objectives of the scheme.

Index futures/options are meant to be an efficient way of buying/selling an index compared to buying/selling a portfolio of physical shares representing an index for ease of execution and settlement. Index futures/options can be an efficient way of achieving the scheme's investment objective. On the fixed income side, an interest rate swap agreement from fixed rate to floating rate is an example of how derivatives can be an effective hedge for the portfolio in a rising interest rate environment.

Derivatives can be either exchange traded or can be over the counter (OTC). Exchange traded derivatives are listed and traded on Stock Exchanges whereas OTC derivative transactions are generally structured between two counterparties.

Derivatives may be high risk - high return instruments, upon leveraging. As they are highly leveraged, a small price movement in the underlying security could have a large impact on their value and may also result in a loss.

### **Position Limits:**

The scheme may enter into derivative transactions in line with the guidelines prescribed by SEBI from time to time. The exposure limit per scrip/instrument shall be to the extent permitted by the SEBI Regulation for the time being in force. These limits will be reviewed by the AMC from time to time. Trading in derivatives by the scheme shall be restricted to hedging and portfolio balancing purposes.

Currently, the position limits for Mutual Funds and its schemes, as permitted by the SEBI Regulations, are as under:

The cumulative gross exposure through equity, debt and derivative positions (including commodity and fixed income derivatives), repo transactions and credit default swaps in corporate debt securities, Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs), Infrastructure Investment Trusts (InvITs), other permitted securities/assets and such other securities/assets as may be permitted by SEBI from time to time) should not exceed 100% of the net assets of the scheme. Exposure due to hedging positions may not be included in the above mentioned limit subject to the following:

- Hedging positions are the derivative positions that reduce possible losses on an existing position in securities and till the existing position remains.
- Hedging positions cannot be taken for existing derivative positions. Exposure due to such positions shall have to be added and treated under limits mentioned above.

- Any derivative instrument used to hedge has the same underlying security as the existing position being hedged.
- 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.
- 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 above.

Further, the total exposure related to option premium paid must not exceed 20% of the net assets of the scheme. Pursuant to SEBI letter dated November 03, 2022, Cash or cash equivalents shall consist of following securities having residual maturity of less than 91 days:

- 1) Government Securities
- 2) T-Bills
- 3) Repo on Government Securities

Mutual Funds shall not write options or purchase instruments with embedded written options.

- i. Position limit for Mutual Funds in index options contracts:
- 1. The Mutual Fund position limit in all index options contracts on a particular underlying index shall be Rs. 500 crore or 15% of the total open interest of the market in index options, whichever is higher, per Stock Exchange.
- 2. This limit would be applicable on open positions in all options contracts on a particular underlying index.
- ii. Position limit for Mutual Funds in index futures contracts:
- 1. The Mutual Fund position limit in all index futures contracts on a particular underlying index shall be Rs. 500 crore or 15% of the total open interest of the market in index futures, whichever is higher, per Stock Exchange.
- 2. This limit would be applicable on open positions in all futures contracts on a particular underlying index.
- iii. Additional position limit for hedging

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

- 1. Short positions in index derivatives (short futures, short calls and long puts) shall not exceed (in notional value) the Mutual Fund's holding of stocks.
- 2. Long positions in index derivatives (long futures, long calls and short puts) shall not exceed (in notional value) the Mutual Fund's holding of cash, government securities, T-Bills and similar instruments.
- iv. Position limit for Mutual Funds for stock based derivative contracts

The Mutual Fund position limit in a derivative contract on a particular underlying stock, i.e. stock option contracts and stock futures contracts shall be 20% of the applicable Market Wide Position Limit (MWPL).

v. Position limit for each scheme of a Mutual Fund

The position limits for each scheme of mutual fund and disclosure requirements shall be identical to that prescribed for a sub-account of a FII. Therefore, the scheme-wise position limit/disclosure requirements shall be –

1. For stock option and stock futures contracts, the gross open position across all derivative contracts on a particular underlying stock of a scheme of a mutual fund shall not exceed the higher of:

1% of the free float market capitalisation (in terms of number of shares)

Or

5% of the open interest in the derivative contracts on a particular underlying stock (in terms of number of contracts)

- 2. This position limits shall be applicable on the combined position in all derivative contracts on an underlying stock at a Stock Exchange.
- 3. For index based contracts, Mutual Funds shall disclose the total open interest held by its scheme or all schemes put together in a particular underlying index, if such open interest equals to or exceeds 15% of the open interest of all derivative contracts on that underlying index.

### Purpose of investment:

- Trading in derivatives by the scheme shall be restricted to hedging and portfolio balancing purposes.
- The scheme shall fully cover its positions in the derivatives market by holding underlying securities/cash or cash equivalents/option and/or obligation for acquiring underlying assets to honour the obligations contracted in the derivatives market.
- Separate records shall be maintained for holding the cash and cash equivalents/securities for this purpose.
- The securities held shall be marked to market by the AMC to ensure full coverage of investments made in derivative products at all time.

### Valuation:

- The traded derivatives shall be valued at market price in conformity with the stipulations of sub clauses (i) to (v) of clause 1 of the Eighth Schedule to the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996.
- The valuation of untraded derivatives shall be done in accordance with the valuation method for untraded investments prescribed in sub clauses (i) and (ii) of clause 2 of the Eighth Schedule to the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996.

### **Stock and Index Options:**

Option contracts are of two types - Call and Put; the former being the right, but not obligation, to purchase a prescribed number of shares at a specified price before or on a specific expiration date and the latter being the right, but not obligation, to sell a prescribed number of shares at a specified price before or on a specific expiration date.

The price at which the shares are contracted to be purchased or sold is called the strike price. Options that can be exercised on or before the expiration date are called American Options, while those that can be exercised only on the expiration date are called European Options. In India, all individual stock options are American Options, whereas all index options are European Options. Option contracts are designated by the type of option, name of the underlying, expiry month and the strike price.

### **Strategies that employ Options:**

**Buying a Call Option**: Let us assume that the Fund buys a call option of XYZ Ltd. with strike price of Rs. 1000, at a premium of Rs. 25. If the market price of ABC Ltd on the expiration date is more than Rs. 1000, the option will be exercised. The Fund will earn profits once the share price crosses Rs. 1025 (Strike Price + Premium i.e. 1000+25). Suppose the price of the stock is Rs. 1100, the option will be exercised and the Fund will buy 1 share of XYZ Ltd. from the seller of the option at Rs 1000 and sell it in the market at Rs. 1100, making a profit of Rs. 75. In another scenario, if on the expiration date the stock price falls below Rs. 1000, say it touches Rs. 900, the Fund will choose not to exercise the option. In this case the Fund loses the premium (Rs. 25), which will be the profit earned by the seller of the call option.

### Risks:

In case of buying options either call/put, the maximum loss would be the premium paid in case of options expiring out of the money.

**Buying a Put Option**: Let us assume the Fund owns the shares of XYZ Ltd, which is trading at Rs. 500. The fund wishes to hedge this position in the short-term as it perceives some downside to the stock in the short-term. It can buy a Put Option at Rs. 500 by paying a premium of say Rs, 10/- In case the stock goes down to Rs. 450/- the fund has protected its downside to only the premium i.e Rs 10 instead of Rs. 50. On the contrary if the stock moves up to say Rs. 550/- the fund may let the Option expire and forego the premium thereby capturing Rs. 40/- upside. The strategy is useful for downside protection at cost of foregoing some upside.

#### Risks:

In case of buying options either call/put, the maximum loss would be the premium paid in case of options expiring out of the money.

### **Stock and Index Futures:**

The Stock Exchange, Mumbai and the National Stock Exchange have introduced Index futures on BSE Sensex (BSE 30) and Nifty (NSE-50). Generally, three futures of 1 month, 2 months and 3 months are presently traded on these exchanges. These futures will expire on the last working Thursday of the respective month.

There are futures based on stock indices as mentioned above as also futures based on individual stocks. Individual stock futures are also widely used derivative instruments for enhancing portfolio returns. Stock futures trade either at a premium or at discount to the spot prices, usually the level of premium reflective of the cost of carry. Many a times the stock-specific sentiments too have a bearing on Futures as speculators may find

futures as a cost-effective way of executing their view on the stock. However such executions usually increase the premium/discount to the spot significantly, thereby giving rise to clean arbitrage opportunities for a fund.

### Strategies that employ Index Futures:

Illustrative list of strategies that can employ index futures:

- (a) The fund has an existing equity portion invested in a basket of stocks. In case the fund manager has a view that the equity markets are headed downwards, the fund can then hedge the exposure to equity either fully or partially by initiating short futures positions in the index. A similar position in the long direction can also be initiated by the fund to hedge its position of cash and permissible equivalents. The extent to which this can be done is determined by existing guidelines.
- (b) To the extent permissible by extant regulations the scheme can initiate a naked short position in an underlying index future traded on a recognized stock exchange.

In case the Nifty near month future contract trading at say, 1850, and the fund manager has a view that it will depreciate going forward, the fund can initiate a sale transaction of nifty futures at 1850 without holding a portfolio of equity stocks or any other underlying long equity position. Once the price falls to 1800 after say, 20 days the fund can initiate a square-up transaction by buying the said futures and book a profit of 50. Correspondingly the fund can take a long position without an underlying cash/ cash equivalent subject to the extant regulations.

### **Risks:**

- The risks associated with index futures are similar to those associated with equity investments. Additional risks could be on account of illiquidity and potential mispricing of the futures and the inability of derivatives to correlate perfectly with underlying assets, rates and indices.
- The Long position in the Nifty will have as much loss as the gain in the short portfolio if hedged completely and would be vice versa if we were holding long portfolio, short Index.

### **Strategies that employ Stock Futures:**

**Sell Spot Buy Future**: To illustrate, let us assume the fund holds the stock XYZ Ltd which is trading @ Rs. 100/- at the spot market. If for some reasons the stock trades at Rs. 98 in the futures, the fund may sell the stock and buy the futures. On the date of expiry, the fund may reverse the transactions (i.e. Buy Spot & Sell futures) and earn a risk-free Rs. 2/- (2% absolute) on its holdings. Since this is done without diluting the fund's view on the underlying stock, the fund will benefit from any upside move i.e. if on the date of futures expiry, the stock is trading at Rs. 110/- the futures too will be trading at Rs. 110- and the fund will capture the 10% upside the stock provided and along with it the 2% arbitrage too, thereby enhancing returns to 12%

### **Risks:**

• While Futures markets are typically more liquid than the underlying cash market, there can be no assurance that ready liquidity would exist at all points in time for scheme to purchase or close out a specific futures contract.

 The risks associated with stock futures are similar to those associated with equity investments. Additional risks could be on account of illiquidity and potential mispricing of the futures.

**Buy Spot Sell Future**: If the fund holds a stock XYZ Ltd which trades @ Rs 100/- at the spot market and is trading at Rs. 102/- in the futures market. The fund may buy the spot and sell the futures and earn the premium of Rs.2 /- which is risk-free. However this strategy can be used only when the fund is sitting in cash and is looking at enhancing the returns on the cash.

### **Risks:**

- While Futures markets are typically more liquid than the underlying cash market, there can be no assurance that ready liquidity would exist at all points in time for scheme to purchase or close out a specific futures contract.
- The risks associated with stock futures are similar to those associated with equity investments. Additional risks could be on account of illiquidity and potential mispricing of the futures.

**Sell Future**: This helps in shorting the market and taking a direct short position in the market. Futures facilitate a short position if fund manager has a bearish view in the market. A sold Futures can be re-purchased any time up to the date of its expiry. If not re-purchased, it is automatically squared off on the expiry date at Spot Rate.

### **Risks:**

The risks associated with stock futures are similar to those associated with equity investments. Additional risks could be on account of illiquidity and potential mispricing of the futures and the inability of derivatives to correlate perfectly with underlying assets, rates and indices.

**Buy Future**: If the fund wants to initiate a long position in a stock whose spot price is at say, Rs.100 and futures is at 98, the fund may just buy the futures contract instead of the spot thereby benefiting from a lower cost option.

### Risks:

The risks associated with stock futures are similar to those associated with equity investments. Additional risks could be on account of illiquidity and potential mispricing of the futures and the inability of derivatives to correlate perfectly with underlying assets, rates and indices.

### **Interest Rate Swaps:**

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

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.

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 Scheme is 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.

## > Purpose of Interest Rate Swaps:

- The Indian markets have faced high volatility in debt and equity markets. An interest rate swap is a contractual agreement between two counter-parties to exchange streams of interest amount on a national principal basis. In this, one party agrees to pay a fixed stream of interest amount against receiving a variable or floating stream of interest amount. The variable or floating part is determined on a periodical basis.
- The scheme shall use derivative position for hedging the portfolio risk on a non-leverage basis. The scheme shall fully cover their positions in the derivatives market by holding underlying securities / cash or cash equivalents / option and / or obligation for acquiring underlying assets to honour the obligations contracted in the derivatives market.

### Let us look at an example of an interest rate swap:

Entity A has Rs.20 crores, 3 month asset which is being funded through call. Entity B, on the other hand, has deployed Rs.20 crores in overnight call money market, 3 month liability. Both the entities are taking on an interest rate risk.

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

Assuming the swap is for Rs.20 crores 1 September to 1 December, Entity A is a floating rate receiver at the overnight compounded rate and Entity B is a fixed rate receiver. On a daily basis, the benchmark rate fixed by NSE will be tracked by them.

On December 1, they will calculate as explained below:

Entity A is entitled to receive daily compounded call rate for 92 days and pay 8% fixed. Entity B is entitled to receive interest on Rs.20 crores @ 8% i.e. Rs.40.33 lakhs, and pay the compounded benchmark rate.

Thus on December 1, if the total interest on the daily overnight compounded benchmark rate is higher than Rs.40.33 lakhs, entity B will pay entity A the difference and vice versa.

### Forward Rate Agreement (FRA)

A FRA is basically a forward starting IRS. It is an agreement between two parties to pay or receive the difference between an agreed fixed rate (the FRA rate) and the interest rate (reference rate) prevailing on a stipulated future date, based on a notional principal amount for an agreed period. The only cash flow is the difference between the FRA rate and the reference rate. As is the case with IRS, the notional amounts are not exchanged in FRAs.

**Example:** Let us assume that a scheme has an investment of Rs.10 crore in an instrument that pays interest linked to NSE Mibor. Since the NSE Mibor would vary daily, the scheme is running interest rate risk on its investment and would stand to lose if rates go down. To hedge itself against this risk, the scheme could do an IRS where it receives a fixed rate (assume 10%) for the next 5 days on the notional amount of Rs. 10 crore and pay a floating rate (NSE Mibor). In doing this, the scheme would effectively lock itself into a fixed rate of 10% for the next five days. The steps would be:

- 1. The scheme enters into an IRS on Rs. 10 crore from December 1 to December 6. It receives a fixed rate of interest at 10% and the counter party receives the floating rate (NSE Mibor). The scheme and the counter party exchange a contract of having entered into this IRS.
- 2. On a daily basis, the NSE Mibor will be tracked by the counterparties to determine the floating rate payable by the scheme.
- 3. On December 6, the counterparties will calculate the following:
- The scheme will receive interest on Rs. 10 crore at 10% p.a. for 5 days i.e. Rs.1,36,986/-
- The scheme will pay the compounded NSE Mibor for 5 days by converting its floating rate asset into a fixed rate through the IRS.
- If the total interest on the compounded NSE Mibor rate is lower than Rs. 1,36,986/-, the scheme will receive the difference from the counterparty and vice-versa. In case the interest on compounded NSE Mibor is higher, the scheme would make a lower return than what it would have made had it not undertaken IRS.

### **Risks:**

Interest rate swaps and Forward Rate Agreement require the maintenance of adequate controls to monitor the transactions entered into, the ability to assess the risk that the derivative adds to the portfolio and the ability to forecast failure of another party (usually referred to as the "counter-party") to comply with the terms of the derivatives contract. Other risks in using derivatives include the risk of mis-pricing or improper valuation of derivatives, the credit risk where the danger is that of a counter-party failing to honour its commitment, liquidity risk where the danger is that the derivative cannot be sold at prices that reflect the underlying assets, rates and indices, and price risk where the market price may move in adverse fashion.

As is clear from the above examples, engaging in derivatives has the potential to help the scheme in minimising the portfolio risk and/or improve the overall portfolio returns.

Please note these examples are hypothetical in nature and are given for illustration purposes only. The actual returns may vary depending on the market conditions.

The AMC retains the right to enter into such derivative transactions as may be permitted by the applicable regulations from time to time.

### **SECURITIES LENDING**

If permitted by SEBI under extant regulations/guidelines, the Scheme may also engage in scrip lending as provided under Securities Lending Scheme 1997, as per Para 12.11 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024, and other applicable guidelines/regulations, as amended from time to time. Scrip lending means lending a security to another person or entity for a fixed period of time, at a negotiated compensation. The security lent will be returned by the borrower on or before the expiry of the stipulated period.

The AMC will comply with the required reporting obligations and the Trustee will carry out the reviews required under SEBI/RBI guidelines. Further a maximum of 40% of net assets will be deployed in securities lending and the maximum single party exposure will be restricted to 10%# of net assets outstanding at any point of time.

# Presently, Securities lending and borrowing (SLB) is an Exchange traded product. Counterparty is not known for transactions carried out under SLB segment and they are guaranteed by Clearing Corporations and hence do not carry any counter party risk. Accordingly, single party exposure limit will not apply to trades on Stock Exchange platform. Single party exposure limits can only apply in case of OTC (over the counter) trades where counterparty can be identified.

Engaging in scrip lending is subject to risks related to fluctuations in the collateral value / settlement / liquidity / counter party.

### SHORT SELLING OF SECURITIES

If permitted by SEBI Regulations, the Scheme may engage in short selling of securities in accordance with the guidelines issued by SEBI. Short sale of securities means selling of securities without owning them. The AMC will comply with the guidelines issued by SEBI in this behalf, including reporting obligations and the Trustee will carry out the reviews required under said guidelines.

Engaging in short sale of securities is subject to risks related to fluctuations in market price, and settlement/ liquidity risks.

### **INVESTMENT IN SECURITISED DEBT**

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

Securitization is the fact or process of securitizing assets i.e. the conversion of loans into securities, usually in order to sell them on to other investors. 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 characteristics. The risk of investing in securitized debt is similar to investing in debt securities. However it differs mainly in two respects. One, the liquidity of securitized debt is less than similar debt securities. Two, for certain types of securitized debt (backed by mortgages, personal loans, credit card debt, etc.), there is an additional prepayment risk. Pre-payment risk refers to the possibility that loans are repaid before they are due, which may reduce returns if the re-investment rates are lower than initially envisaged.

Because of these additional risks, securitized debt typically offers higher yields than debt securities of similar credit rating and maturity. After considering these additional risks, the investment is no different from investment in a normal debt security. Considering the investment objective of the scheme, these instruments with medium risk profile can be considered in the investment universe. Thus if the Fund Manager judges 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.

# 2.Policy relating to originators based on nature of originator, track record, NPAs, losses in earlier securitized debt, etc

Investments in securitized debt will be done based on the assessment of the originator and the securitized debt which is carried out by the Fixed Income team based on the inhouse research capabilities as well as the inputs from the independent credit rating agencies and by following Franklin Templeton's internal credit process.

Specifically, in order to mitigate the risk at the issuer/originator level the Fixed Income team will consider various factors which will include -

- Track record of the originator in the specific business to which the underlying loans correspond to;
- size and reach of the issuer/originator;
- Collection infrastructure & collection policies;
- Post default recovery mechanism & infrastructure;
- Underwriting standards & policies followed by originator;
- Management information systems;
- Financials of the originators including an analysis of leverage, NPAs, earnings, etc.;
- Future strategy of the company for the specific business to which the underlying loans correspond to;
- Performance track record of Originator's portfolio & securitized pools, if any;
- Utilization of credit enhancement in the prior securitized pools;
- The quality of information disseminated by the issuer/ originator; and
- The credit enhancement for different types of issuer/originator.

Also, assessment of business risk would be carried out which includes -

- Outlook for the economy (both domestic and global); and
- Outlook for the industry

In addition, the fund analyses the specific pool and the broad evaluation parameters are as follows:

- Average seasoning of the loans in the pool
- Average Loan to value ratio of the loans in the pool
- Average ticket size of the loans
- Borrower profile (salaried / self employed, etc)
- Geographical profile of the pool
- Tenure profile of the pool
- Obligor concentration
- Credit enhancement cover available over and above the historic losses on Originator's portfolio
- Expected Prepayment rate in the specific asset class experienced by the originator in the past as well as the industry
- Limited Liquidity and Price Risk.

The scheme will invest in securitized debt which are rated investment grade and above by a credit rating agency recognized by SEBI. The investment team analyses the Rating Rationale in detail before investing in any PTCs, and also discusses with the concerned rating agency on a need basis. The rating agency would normally take in to consideration the following factors while rating a securitized debt:

### Credit risk at the asset/originator/portfolio/pool level

- The quality of the pool is a crucial element in assessing credit risk. In the Indian context, generally, pools are 'cherry-picked' using positive selection criteria. To protect the investor from adverse selection of pool contracts, the rating agencies normally take into consideration pool characteristics such as pool seasoning (seasoning represents the number of installments paid by borrower till date: higher seasoning represents better quality), over dues at the time of selection and Loan to Value (LTV). To assess its risk profile vis-à-vis the overall portfolio, the pool is analyzed with regard to geographical location, borrower profile, LTV, and tenure.

### Counterparty risk

This includes Servicer Risk, co-mingling risk etc. The rating agencies generally mitigate such risks though the usage of stringent counterparty selection and replacement criteria to reduce the risk of failure.

### Bankruptcy risk

- Of the Originator -
  - Normally, specific care is taken in structuring the securitization transaction so as to minimize the risk of the sale to the trust not being construed as a 'true sale'. It is also in the Interest of the originator to

demonstrate the transaction as a true sell to get the necessary revenue recognition and tax benefits.

### Of the Investors' agent

O All possible care is normally taken in structuring the transaction and drafting the underlying documents so as to provide that the assets/receivables if and when held by Investor's Agent is held as agent and in Trust for the Investors and shall not form part of the personal assets of Investor's Agent.

### Legal risks

- The rating agency normally conducts a detailed study of the legal documents to ensure that the investors' interest is not compromised and relevant protection and safeguards are built into the transaction.
  - Various market risks like interest rate risk, macro-economic risks
  - Assessment of risks related to business for example outlook for the economy, outlook for the industry and factors specific to the issuer/originator.

### 3. Risk mitigation strategies for investments with each kind of originator

The examples of securitized assets which may be considered for investment by the Scheme and the various risk mitigation parameters (please read in continuation with point 2 above) which will be considered include;

A) Asset backed securities issued by banks or non-banking finance companies.

Underlying assets may include receivables from loans against cars, commercial vehicles, construction equipment or unsecured loans such as personal loans, consumer durable loans. The various factors which will be usually considered while making investments in such type of securities include profile of the issuer, analysis of underlying loan portfolio – nature of asset class, seasoning of loans, geographical distribution of loans and coverage provided by credit-cum-liquidity enhancements.

B) Mortgage backed securities issued by banks or housing finance companies, where underlying assets are comprised of mortgages/home loan.

The various factors which will be usually considered while making investments in such type of securities include issuer profile of the issuer, quality of underlying portfolio, seasoning of loans, coverage provided by credit-cum-liquidity enhancements and prepayment risks.

C) Single loan securitization, where the underlying asset comprises of loans issued by a bank/non-banking finance company.

The factors which will be usually considered while making investments in such type of securities include assessment of credit risk associated with the underlying borrower as well as the originator. The Fixed Income team will adhere to the Franklin Templeton's

internal credit process and perform a detailed review of the underlying borrower prior to making investments. This analysis is no different from the analysis undertaken by Fund when it invests in Debentures or Commercial papers issued by the same borrower.

### **Critical Evaluation Criteria**

Typically the Fund would avoid investing in securitization transaction (without specific risk mitigation strategies / additional cash/security collaterals/ guarantees) if there are concerns on the following issues regarding the originator / underlying issuer:

- 1. High default track record/ frequent alteration of redemption conditions/covenants
- 2. High leverage ratios both on a standalone basis as well on a consolidated level/ group level
- 3. Higher proportion of re-schedulement of underlying assets of the pool or loan, as the case may be
- 4. Higher proportion of overdue assets of the pool or the underlying loan, as the case may be
- 5. Poor reputation in market
- 6. Insufficient track record of servicing of the pool or the loan, as the case may be.

Further, investments in securitized debt will be done in accordance with the investment restrictions specified under the SEBI Regulations/ this Scheme Information Document which would help in mitigating certain risks. Currently, as per the Regulations, the Scheme cannot invest more than 10% of its net assets in debt instruments (irrespective of residual maturity) issued by a single issuer which are rated not below investment grade by a credit rating agency authorized to carry out such activity under the Act. Such investment limit may be extended to 12% of the net assets of the Scheme with the prior approval of the Board of Trustees and the Board of the AMC.

# 4. The level of diversification with respect to the underlying assets, and risk mitigation measures for less diversified investments

The framework which will generally be applied by the Fund Manager while evaluating the investment decision with respect to securitized debt will be as follows:

Characterist ics/ Type of Pool	Mortgag e Loan	Commerci al Vehicle and Constructi on Equipment	CAR	wheeler s	Micro Finance Pools	Persona 1 Loans	Single Sell down \$	Other s
Approximat e Average maturity (in Months)	Upto 10 years	Upto 5 years	Upto 5 years	Upto 48 months	Upto 80 weeks	Upto 3 years	Case by case basis	As and when new
Collateral margin (including	In excess of 3%	In excess of 4%	In excess of 4%	In excess of 4%	In excess of 5%	In excess of 5%	Case by case	asset classes of

Characterist ics/ Type of Pool	Mortgag e Loan	Commerci al Vehicle and Constructi on Equipment	CAR	wheeler s	Micro Finance Pools	Persona 1 Loans	Single Sell down \$	Other s
cash, guarantees, excess interest spread, subordinate tranche)							basis	securit ized debt are introd uced, the
Average Loan to Value Ratio	95% or lower	100% or lower **	95% or lower	95% or lower	Unsecur ed	Unsecur ed	Case by case basis	invest ments in such instru ments will be evalua ted on a case by case basis
Average seasoning of the Pool	Minimu m 2 months	Minimum 2 months	Minim um 2 month s	Minimu m 2 months	Minimu m 2 weeks	Minimu m 2 months	Case by case basis	
Maximum single exposure range *	< 5%	< 5%	NA (retail pool)	NA (retail pool)	NA (Very Small retail pool)	NA (retail pool)	Not applic able	
Average single exposure range % *	< 5%	< 5%	< 2%	<1%	<1%	<1%	Not applic able	

<sup>\*</sup> denotes % of a single ticket/loan size to the overall assets in the securitized pool.

### Notes:

- 1. Retail pools are the loan pools relating to Car, 2 wheeler, micro finance and personal loans, wherein the average loan size is relatively small and spread over large number of borrowers.
- 2. The information illustrated in the table above is based on current scenario relating to securitized debt market and is subject to change depending upon the change in the related factors.

In addition to the framework stated in the table above, in order to mitigate the risks associated with the underlying assets where the diversification is less, at the time of investment the Fixed Income team could consider various factors including but not limited to -

<sup>\*\*</sup> LTV Based on chassis value

<sup>\$</sup> Broad evaluation criteria as per point 3 above

- Size of the loan the size of each loan is generally analysed on a sample basis and an analysis of the static pool of the originator is undertaken to ensure that the same matches with the static pool characteristics. It also indicates whether there is high reliance on very small ticket size borrower which could result in delayed and expensive recoveries.
- Average original maturity of the pool of underlying assets
- The analysis of average maturity of the pool is undertaken to evaluate whether the tenor of the loans are generally in line with the average loans in the respective industry and repayment capacity of the borrower.
- Loan to value ratio, average seasoning of the pool of underlying assets these parameters would be evaluated based on the asset class as mentioned in the table above.
- Default rate distribution the Fixed Income team generally ensures that all the contracts in the pool are current to ensure zero default rate distribution.
- Geographical distribution the analysis of geographical distribution of the pool is undertaken to ensure prevention of concentration risk.
- Credit enhancement facility credit enhancement facilities in the form of cash collateral, such as fixed deposits, bank guarantee etc could be obtained as a risk mitigation measure.
- Liquidity facility these parameters will be evaluated based on the asset class as mentioned in the table above.
- Structure of the pool of underlying assets The structure of the pool of underlying assets would be either single asset class or combination of various asset classes as mentioned in the table above. We could add new asset class depending upon the securitization structure and changes in market acceptability of asset classes.

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

The minimum retention period of the debt by the originator prior to securitization and the minimum retention percentage by originator of debts will be as per the guidelines/regulations issued by the RBI/other regulatory agencies from time to time. Also, please refer the table in point 4. The Fund will adopt that policy, whichever is stricter.

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

Same as point 5 above.

7. The mechanism to tackle conflict of interest when the mutual fund invests in securitized debt of an originator and the originator in turn makes investments in that particular scheme of the fund.

An investment by the scheme in any security is done after detailed analysis by the Fixed Income team and in accordance with the investment objectives and the asset allocation pattern of a scheme. All investments are made on an arm's length basis without consideration of any investments (existing/potential) in the schemes made by any party

related/involved in the transaction. The robust credit process ensures that there is no conflict of interests when a scheme invests in securitized debt of an originator and the originator in turn makes investments in that particular scheme.

# 8.The resources and mechanism of individual risk assessment with the AMC for monitoring investment in securitized debt

The resources for and mechanisms of individual risk assessment with the AMC for monitoring investment in securitized debt are as follows:

- Fixed Income Team Currently, the AMC has a well experienced team, which is responsible for credit research and monitoring and fund management, for all exposures including securitized debt.
- Ratings are monitored for any movement Based on the cash flow report and Fixed Income Team's view, periodic review of utilization of credit enhancement shall be conducted and ratings shall be monitored accordingly.
- For legal and technical assistance with regard to the documentation of securitized debt instruments, the team can make use of resources within the internal legal team and if required take help of our external legal counsel as well.

As per the prevailing SEBI guidelines, the investments in securitised debt instruments will be shown as a separate category under debt instruments in the half yearly disclosure of scheme portfolio.

### B. What are the investment restrictions?

# In pursuance of the Regulations, the following restrictions are currently applicable to the scheme:

- 1. Investment in securities from the scheme's corpus would be only in transferable securities in accordance with Regulation 43 of Chapter VI of SEBI [Mutual Funds] Regulations, 1996.
- 2. The Scheme shall buy and sell securities on the basis of deliveries and shall in all cases of purchases, take delivery of relevant securities and in all cases of sale, deliver the securities; provided that the Scheme may engage in short selling of securities in accordance with the framework relating to short selling and securities lending and borrowing specified by SEBI; provided further that the Scheme 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 this regard.
- 3. 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 long term nature.
- 4. No investment shall be made in any Fund of Funds scheme.
- 5. The mutual fund shall not advance any loans for any purpose.
- 6. The Scheme may invest in any other scheme with similar investment objectives without charging any fees, provided that aggregate interscheme investment made

by all schemes under the management of Franklin Templeton Asset Management (India) Private Limited or in schemes under the management of any other AMC shall not exceed 5% of the net asset value of the mutual fund.

- 7. Franklin Templeton Mutual Fund, under all its schemes shall not own more than 10% of any company's voting rights.
- 8. All investments by the scheme in equity shares and equity related instruments shall only be made provided such securities are listed or to be listed.
- 9. The scheme shall not invest more than 10% of its net assets in the equity or equity related instruments of any company.
- 10. The Scheme shall not invest more than 10% of its NAV in debt instruments comprising money market instruments and non-money market instruments issued by a single issuer, which are rated not below investment grade by a credit rating agency authorised to carry out such activity under the SEBI Act, 1992. Such investment limit may be extended to 12% of the NAV with prior approval of the Board of Trustees and Board of the AMC, provided that such limit shall not be applicable for investment in government securities, treasury bills and triparty repo on Government securities or treasury bills. Further, investment within such limit can be made in mortgage-backed securitised debt which are rated not below investment grade by a credit rating agency registered with SEBI.

Effective November 29, 2022, the scheme shall not make any new investment in money market instrument more than:

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

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

### 11. Investment in unlisted debt instruments:

11.1. The scheme shall not invest in unlisted debt instruments including commercial papers (CPs), other than (a) government securities, (b) other money market instruments and (c) derivative products such as Interest Rate Swaps (IRS), Interest Rate Futures (IRF), etc. which are used for hedging.

However, the scheme may invest in unlisted Non-Convertible Debentures (NCDs) not exceeding 10% of the debt portfolio of the scheme subject to the condition that such unlisted NCDs have a simple structure (i.e. with fixed and uniform coupon, fixed maturity period, without any options, fully paid up upfront, without any credit enhancements or structured obligations) and are rated and secured with coupon payment frequency on monthly basis.

- 11.2. The implementation of the provisions mentioned above would be subject to the following:
- a. The existing investments of the scheme as on October 1, 2019 in unlisted debt instruments, including NCDs (identified NCDs), may be grandfathered till

- maturity date of such instruments. The grandfathering of the identified NCDs is applicable across the mutual fund industry. Accordingly, mutual funds can transact in such identified NCDs and the criteria as specified in point 11.1 is not applicable.
- b. With effect from October 1, 2019, all fresh investments in unlisted NCDs shall be made only in NCDs satisfying the conditions mentioned in 11.1 above.
- c. Extension of maturity or rolling over of existing investments in unlisted NCDs shall be subject to the prescribed limits mentioned in point 11.2(a) and the requirements mentioned at 11.1 above.
- d. For mutual fund schemes whose existing investments in unlisted NCDs are more than the threshold limit as on the timeline mentioned at 11.2(a), all fresh investments in NCDs by mutual fund schemes, shall only be in listed NCDs till they comply with the requirements mentioned in 8.1 above.
- e. For the purpose of the provisions of point 11, listed debt instruments shall include listed and to be listed debt instruments.

With effect from January 01, 2020, all fresh investments by the scheme in CPs would be made only in CPs which are listed or to be listed.

- 12. 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 the scheme shall be subject to the following:
  - a. Investments should only be made in such instruments, including bills rediscounting, usance bills, etc., that are generally not rated and for which separate investment norms or limits are not provided in SEBI (Mutual Fund) Regulations, 1996 and various circulars issued thereunder.
  - b. Exposure of the scheme in such instruments, shall not exceed 5% of the net assets of the scheme.
  - c. All such investments shall be made with the prior approval of the Board of AMC and the Board of Trustees.
  - d. The investments of the schemes in such instruments as on October 1, 2019 in excess of the aforesaid limit of 5% may be grandfathered till maturity date of such instruments.
  - e. 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.
  - f. 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 Scheme is 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.

13. a. **Sector Exposure** - with effect from October 1, 2019 with regard to fresh investment -

The exposure in a particular sector (excluding investments in Bank CDs, TREPs, G-Secs, T-Bills and AAA rated securities issued by Public Financial Institutions and Public Sector Banks) under the portfolio will not exceed 20% of the net assets on account of purchase.

An additional exposure to financial services sector (over and above the limit of 20%) not exceeding 10% of the net assets of the scheme on account of purchase 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 shall be allowed for investments in securitized debt instruments based on retail housing loan portfolio and/or affordable housing loan portfolio.

Provided 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 on account of purchase.

Investments by the Scheme as on October 1, 2019 shall comply with the revised limits for sector exposure by June 30, 2020.

The above restriction will not be applicable to the equity portion of the Scheme's portfolio (where applicable).

**b. Group Exposure** - The total exposure of Scheme in a Group (excluding investments in securities issued by Public Sector Units, Public Financial Institutions and Public Sector Banks) will 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.

Investments by the Scheme in debt and money market instruments of group companies of both the sponsor and the asset management company shall not exceed 10% of the net assets of the scheme. Such investment limit may be extended to 15% of the net assets of the Scheme with the prior approval of the Board of Trustees. The investments of the scheme in debt and money market instruments of group companies of both the sponsor and the asset management company of the mutual fund in excess of these limits, made on or before October 1, 2019 may be grandfathered till maturity date of such instruments. The maturity date of such instruments shall be as applicable on October 1, 2019.

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

The above restrictions will not be applicable to the equity portion of the Scheme's portfolio.

- 14. Debentures, irrespective of any residual maturity period (above or below one year), shall attract the investment restrictions as applicable for debt instruments as specified under Clause 1 and 1A of Seventh Schedule to SEBI Regulations.
- 15. As per Para 12.19 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024, each mutual fund is currently permitted to invest up to US\$1 billion in Foreign

Securities irrespective of the size of the assets. The ceiling for investment in overseas ETFs that invest in securities is US\$ 300 million per mutual fund.

Additionally, an investment headroom of 20% of the average AUM in Overseas securities / Overseas ETFs of the previous three calendar months would be available to the Mutual Fund for that month to invest in Overseas securities / Overseas ETFs subject to maximum limits as specified above.

Currently, the mutual funds can invest in ADRs/GDRs issued by Indian or foreign companies, equity of overseas companies listed on recognised stock exchanges overseas, Initial and follow on public offerings for listing at recognized stock exchanges overseas, 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, Money market instruments rated not below investment grade, Repos in the form of investment, where the counterparty is rated not below investment grade (repos should not however, involve any borrowing of funds by mutual funds), Government securities where the countries are rated not below investment grade, Derivatives traded on recognized stock exchanges overseas only for hedging and portfolio balancing with underlying as securities, Short term deposits with banks overseas where the issuer is rated not below investment grade and Overseas Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs) that invest in securities. The mutual funds can also invest in the 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). The restriction on the investments in mutual fund units up to 5% of net assets and prohibition on charging of fees shall not be applicable to investments in mutual funds in foreign countries made in accordance with SEBI Guidelines. However, the management fees and other expenses charged by the mutual fund in foreign countries along with the management fee and recurring expenses charged to the domestic mutual fund scheme shall not exceed the total limits on expenses as prescribed under Regulations. Where the scheme is investing only a part of the net assets in the foreign mutual fund(s), the same principle shall be applicable for that part of investment.

16. Transfers of investments from one Franklin Templeton Mutual Fund scheme to another will be done in inconformity with as per Para 12.30 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024 and Interscheme Transfer policy of FTMF

### 17. No investment shall be made in

- any unlisted security of an associate or group company of the sponsor; or
- any security issued by way of private placement by an associate or group company of the sponsor; or
- the listed securities of group companies of the sponsor which is in excess of 25% of the net assets.

- 18. Pending deployment of funds in securities in terms of investment objectives of the Scheme, the Mutual Fund can invest the funds of the scheme in short term deposits of scheduled commercial banks in line with Para 4.5 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024 as amended from time to time. The Scheme shall abide by the following guidelines for parking of funds in short term deposits:
  - Such short term deposits shall be held in the name of the scheme.
  - The scheme shall not park more than 15% of the net assets in Short term deposit(s) of all the scheduled commercial banks put together. However, such limit may be raised to 20% with prior approval of the Trustees.
  - Parking of funds in short term deposits of associate and sponsor scheduled commercial banks together shall not exceed 20% of total deployment by the mutual fund in short term deposits.
  - The scheme shall not park more than 10% of the net assets in short term deposit(s), with any one scheduled commercial bank including its subsidiaries.
  - The Scheme shall not park funds in short-term deposit of a bank, which has invested in the Scheme. The bank in which the scheme has short-term deposit shall not be permitted to invest in the said scheme until the scheme has short-term deposit with such bank.
  - AMC shall not charge any investment management and advisory fees for parking of funds in short term deposits of scheduled commercial banks.
  - The aforesaid limits are not applicable to term deposits placed as margins for trading in cash and derivatives market.
- 19. Restrictions on Investment in debt instruments having Structured Obligations / Credit Enhancements:
  - Investment of the scheme in the following instruments shall not exceed 10% of the debt portfolio of the scheme and the Group exposure in such instruments shall not exceed 5% of the debt portfolio of the scheme:
    - 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 this purpose, a group means a Group as defined under regulation 2 (mm) of SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 (Regulations) and shall include an entity, its subsidiaries, fellow subsidiaries, its holding company and its associates.
  - These investment limits mentioned above shall not be applicable on investments in securitized debt instruments, as defined in SEBI (Public Offer and Listing of Securitized Debt Instruments) Regulations 2008.
  - Investment in debt instruments, having credit enhancements backed by equity shares directly or indirectly, shall have a minimum cover of 4 times considering the market value of such shares.
    - AMC may ensure that the investment in debt instruments having credit

enhancements are sufficiently covered to address the market volatility and reduce the inefficiencies of invoking of the pledge or cover, whenever required, without impacting the interest of the investors. In case of fall in the value of the cover below the specified limit, AMC shall initiate necessary steps to ensure protection of the interest of the investors.

- The existing investments by the scheme as on October 1, 2019 in debt instruments that are not in terms of the provisions of point herewith may be grandfathered till maturity date of such debt instruments.
- 20. The scheme 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 (For eg. Additional Tier I bonds and Tier 2 bonds issued under Basel III framework) subject to the following:
  - a) Franklin Templeton Mutual Fund, under all its schemes shall not own more than 10% of such instruments issued by a single issuer
  - b) 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.

The investments of mutual fund schemes in such instruments in excess of the limits specified above as on March 10, 2021 may be grandfathered and such mutual fund schemes shall not make any fresh investment in such instruments until the investment comes below the specified limits.

21. The scheme may consider investment in other financial market investments as per guidelines issued by the Central Government/SEBI/RBI from time to time.

The AMC/Trustee may alter these investment restrictions from time to time to the extent SEBI regulations/applicable rules change/permit so as to achieve the investment objective of the scheme. Such alterations will be made in conformity with SEBI regulations. Further, apart from the investment restrictions prescribed under SEBI regulations, the scheme may follow any internal norms vis-à-vis limiting exposure to a particular scrip or sector, etc.

The investment restrictions specified as a percentage of net assets will be computed at the time of making the investment and it is clarified that changes need not be effected, merely by reason of appreciation or depreciation in value or by reason of factors beyond the control of the scheme (such as receipt of any corporate or capital benefits or amalgamations). In case the limits are exceeded due to reasons beyond its control, the AMC shall adopt necessary measures of prudence to reset the situation having regard to the interest of the investors.

### C. Fundamental Attributes

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

- (i) Type of a scheme
  - Open ended/Close ended/Interval scheme
  - Sectoral Fund/Equity Fund/Balance Fund/Income Fund/Index Fund/Any other type of Fund
- (ii) Investment Objective
  - Main Objective Growth/Income/Both
  - **Investment Pattern** Please refer to the section "How will the scheme allocate its assets?". The fund retains the option to alter the asset allocation on a short-term basis in the interest of unitholders on defensive considerations.

### (iii) Terms of Issue

- Liquidity provisions such as listing, repurchase, redemption Please refer to the Part I.
- **Aggregate fees and expenses charged to the scheme -** Please refer to the Part III Other Details.
- Any safety net or guarantee provided None.

In accordance with Regulation 18(15A) of the SEBI (MF) Regulations and Clause 1.14.1.4 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024 the Trustees shall ensure that no change in the fundamental attributes of the Scheme(s) and the Plan(s) / Option(s) thereunder or the trust or fee and expenses payable or any other change which would modify the Scheme(s) and the Plan(s) / Option(s) thereunder and affect the interests of Unitholders is carried out unless:

- SEBI has reviewed and provided its comments on the proposal
- A written communication about the proposed change is sent to each Unitholder and an advertisement is given in one English daily newspaper having nationwide circulation as well as in a newspaper published in the language of the region where the Head Office of the Mutual Fund is situated; and
- The Unitholders are given an option for a period of atleast 30 calendar days to exit at the prevailing Net Asset Value without any exit load.
- D. Index methodology (for index funds, ETFs and FOFs having one underlying domestic ETF) Not applicable
- E. Principles of incentive structure for market makers (for ETFs) Not applicable
- F. Floors and ceiling within a range of 5% of the intended allocation against each sub class of asset, as per clause 13.6.2 of SEBI master circular for mutual funds dated June 27, 2024 (only for close ended debt schemes) Not applicable

### G. Other Scheme Specific Disclosures:

Listing and transfer of units

The Scheme is open ended and the Units are not listed on any stock exchange. However, the Mutual Fund may, at its sole discretion, list the Units on one or more Stock Exchanges at a later date, and thereupon the Mutual Fund will make suitable public announcement to that effect. The Mutual Fund will offer and redeem Units on a continuous basis during the Continuous Offer Period.

The Unit holders are given an option to hold the Units by way of an Account Statement (physical form) or in Dematerialized (demat form). Units held in Demat form are transferable (subject to lock-in period, if any and subject to lien, if any marked on the units) 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 Demat Account. The delivery instructions for transfer of Units will have to be lodged with the DP in requisite form as may be required from time to time and transfer will be effected in accordance with such rules / regulations as may be in force governing transfer of securities in dematerialized mode. Further, for the procedure of release of lien, the investors shall contact their respective DP.

For units held in paper form, normally, units are not certified. However, if an applicant so desires to transfer units, the AMC, upon submission of documents which will be prescribed from time to time, units and certify the issue statement/certificate to the extent of certified units to the investor within 5 business days of the receipt of request. If the investor intend to transfer units, it could be done to the extent of certified units mandatorily using the statement/certificate issued post certification of units. Certificate/ statement issued post certifying of units must be duly discharged by the Unit holder(s) and surrendered along with the request for Transfer / Redemption / Switch or any other transaction of Units covered therein. AMC reserves the right to accept the request for certification of units. The AMC reserves the right to reject the application for transfer, post acceptance of the same, if any of the requisite declarations are unavailable documents / incomplete.

	However, 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.
Dematerialization of units	The Unit holders have an option to hold the Units in dematerialized (demat) form or account statement (non-demat) form. Units held in Demat Form are freely transferable. The Applicant intending to hold Units in demat form will be required to have a beneficiary account with a Depository Participant (DP) of the NSDL/CDSL and will be required to mention in the application form DP's Name, DP ID No. and Beneficiary Account No. with the DP at the time of purchasing Units.
Minimum Target amount (This is the minimum amount required to operate the scheme and if this is not collected during the NFO period, then all the investors would be refunded the amount invested without any return.)	Not Applicable.
Maximum Amount to be raised (if any)	Not applicable.
Dividend Policy (IDCW)	The Trustee may, at its sole discretion distribute income under IDCW option/plan in the fund at any time and at such frequency (such as daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly, half-yearly, annually etc.) as it deems appropriate. Although there is every intention to distribute income, there is no assurance or guarantee as to the frequency or quantum of such distribution nor that the distributions be regularly paid. Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal (IDCW) is based on the availability of adequate distributable surplus in the scheme. Distributions can be made out of available distributable surplus (including Equalization Reserve, which is part of sale price that represents realized gains). Such distributions are payable to the Unitholders in the IDCW Plan, whose names appear

	on the Unitholders' register on the record date. The Trustee may not distribute income at all in the event of inadequacy of distributable income.
	The scheme reserves the right to suspend sale of units for such period of time as it deems necessary before the record date to ensure proper processing.
	The amount of distribution will be distributed within 7 working days from the record date.
	IDCWs will be paid through electronic mode or by cheque (in exceptional circumstances only), net of taxes as may be applicable, and payments will be in favour of the first-named registered holder in the folio. To safeguard the interest of Unitholders from loss or theft of IDCW cheques, it is mandatory for investors to provide the details of their bank account in the Application Form. IDCW cheques or electronic payments will be sent in accordance with such information.
	Record dates for declaration of IDCW The procedure of declaring IDCW and fixing of record dates will be in accordance with Chapter 11 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024.
Allotment (Detailed Procedure)	Full allotment will be made to all valid applications received during continuous offer period. Refund of subscription money will be made to applicants without any return, in case applications are invalid or are rejected. An Account Statement containing the number of Units allotted will be issued within 5 business days from the date of allotment.
	The allotment of units is subject to realisation of the payment instrument/receipt of credit.
Refund	Full allotment will be made to all valid applications received during continuous offer period. Refund of subscription money will be made to applicants without any return, in case applications are invalid or are rejected. An Account Statement containing the number of Units allotted will be issued within 5 business days from the date of allotment.
	The allotment of units is subject to realisation of the payment instrument/receipt of credit.

Who can invest?

This is an indicative list and investors shall consult their financial advisor to ascertain whether the scheme is suitable to their risk profile.

The scheme units can be purchased by the following entities (subject to the applicable legislation/regulation governing such entities):

- 1. Adult individuals, either singly or jointly (not exceeding three), resident in India.
- 2. Parents/Guardian on behalf of minors.
- 3. Companies/ Domestic Corporate Bodies/ Public Sector Undertakings registered in India.
- 4. Charitable, Religious or other Trusts authorised to invest in units of mutual funds.
- 5. Banks, Financial Institutions and Investment Institutions.
- 6. Non-Resident Indians (NRIs) and Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) (including erstwhile Person of Indian Origin card holders) on full repatriation basis and on non-repatriation basis but not (a) United States Persons within the meaning of Regulation 'S' under the United States Securities Act of 1933 or as defined by the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, as amended from time to time or (b) residents of Canada.
- 7. Foreign institutional investors and their sub accounts on full repatriation basis/ Foreign Portfolio Investors (subject to RBI approval) and such other entities as may be permitted under SEBI (Foreign Portfolio Investors) Regulations, 2014, as amended from time to time.
- 8. Hindu Undivided Family (HUF).
- 9. Wakf Boards or Endowments / Societies / Cooperative societies / Association of Persons or Body of individuals (whether incorporated or not), Trusts and clubs authorised to invest in units of mutual funds.
- 10. Sole Proprietorship, Partnership Firms, Limited Liability Partnerships (LLPs).
- 11. Army/Air Force/Navy/Para-military funds and other eligible institutions.
- 12. Scientific and/or industrial research organizations.
- 13. Other Associations, Institutions, Bodies etc. authorized to invest in the units of mutual funds.
- 14. Such other individuals/institutions/body corporate etc., as may be decided by the AMC from time to time, so long as wherever applicable they are in conformity with SEBI Regulations.
- 15. Mutual fund Schemes/ Alternative Investment Funds can also invest in the Scheme, subject to SEBI Regulations applicable from time to time.

Units of the schemes of Franklin Templeton Mutual Fund is an eligible investment for charitable and religious trusts under the provisions of Section 11(5)(xii) of the Income Tax Act, 1961, read with Rule 17C of the Income Tax Rules, 1962.

Mutual Fund / AMC /Trustee reserves the right to redeem investors' investments in the event of failure on the part of the investor(s) to redeem his/her/their holdings, subsequent to his/her/their becoming (a) United States Persons with the meaning of Regulation (S) under the United States Securities Act of 1933 or as defined by the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, as amended from time to time or (b) residents of Canada.

In view of the individual nature of implications, the investors are advised to consult their own advisors to ascertain if they are eligible to invest in the scheme as per the laws applicable to them and whether the scheme is suitable for their risk profile.

### Who cannot invest

The below mentioned persons/entities shall not be eligible to invest in the Scheme, if such persons/entities are:

1. United States Person (U.S. person\*) as defined under the extant laws of the United States of America, except the following:

\*The term "U.S. person" means any person that is a U.S. person within the meaning of Regulation S under the Securities Act of 1933 of U.S. or as defined by the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission or as per such further amended definitions, interpretations, legislations, rules etc, as may be in force from time to time

### (a) NRI/PIOs

NRIs/PIOs may invest/transact, in the Scheme, when present in India, as lump sum subscription, redemption and/or switch transaction and registrations of systematic transactions only through physical form and upon submission of such additional documents/undertakings, etc., as may be stipulated by AMC/Trustee from time to time and subject to compliance with all applicable laws and regulations prior to investing in the Scheme.

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### (b) FPIs

FPIs may invest in the Scheme as lump sum subscription and/or switch transaction (other than systematic transactions) through submission of physical form in India, subject to compliance with all applicable laws and regulations and the terms, conditions, and documentation requirements stipulated by the AMC/Trustee from time to time, prior to investing in the Scheme.

### 2. Residents of Canada;

# details

How to Apply and other Investors can subscribe for the Units of the Scheme by completing the Application Form and delivering it at any Investor Service Centre or Collection Centre. KYC complied investors/ Investors who are able to provide necessary information and/or documents to perform KYC can perform a web-based transaction to purchase units of the Scheme on website of the Mutual Fund (https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/download s/forms-and-instructions), FT Mobile app or through any other electronic mode introduced from time to time. Please refer to the SAI and Application form for the instructions.

# Email based non-commercial transactions (NCT) facility

Will also accept specified non-commercial transactions (NCT) on email as attachments on nonfintransaction@franklintempleton.com will be dedicated for receiving specified non-commercial transaction requests.

The list of Non-commercial Transactions that are eligible for this facility and Terms & Conditions applicable to the NCT requests received through email mode for the same is available on our website https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/download /en-in/odd-list-of-opats/c948bf89-5b6e-4e15-9b17def6817a7fbd/List-of-official-points-of-acceptance.pdf

Name, address and contact no. of Registrar and Transfer Agent (R&T), email id of R&T, website address of R&T, official points of acceptance,

collecting banker details etc. are also provided on back cover page.

As per the directives issued by SEBI, it is mandatory for applicants to mention their bank account numbers in their applications/ request for redemption and therefore, investors are requested to fill-up the appropriate box in the application form failing which applications are liable to be rejected.

The policy regarding reissue repurchased units, including the maximum extent, the manner of reissue, the entity (the scheme or the AMC) involved in the same.

Not applicable.

Restrictions, if any, on the Suspension of sale of units right to freely retain or dispose units offered.

being With the approval of the Boards of Directors of the Trustee and the Asset Management Company, the sale of Units may be suspended temporarily or indefinitely when any of the following conditions exist:

- 1. The equity / debt market stops functioning or trading is restricted.
- 2. Periods of extreme volatility in the equity / debt market, which, in the opinion of the Investment Manager, is prejudicial to the interest of the investors.
- 3. When there is a strike by the banking community or trading is restricted by RBI or other authority.
- 4. Period of extreme volatility in the equity / debt / money market, which in the opinion of the Board of Directors of AMC and Trustee is prejudicial to the interest of the scheme's investors.
- As and when directed by the Government of India or RBI or SEBI to do so or conditions relating to natural calamity/external aggression/internal disturbances etc. arises, so as to cause volatile movements in the money or debt market, which in the opinion of the AMC, will be prejudicial to the interest of the unitholders, if further trading in the scheme is continued.
- 6. Break down in the information processing/communication systems affecting valuation of investments/processing sale/repurchase request.
- 7. Natural calamity.
- 8. SEBI, by order, so directs.
- Trustee views that increasing the Scheme's size further detrimental may prove

- existing/prospective Unitholders of the Scheme.
- 10. Any other circumstances which in the opinion of the Board of Directors of AMC and Trustee is prejudicial to the interest of the existing/prospective investors.

### Suspension of redemption of units

With the approval of the Boards of Directors of the Trustee and the Asset Management Company, the redemption of Units may be suspended temporarily when there are circumstances leading to a systemic crisis or event that severely constricts market liquidity or the efficient functioning of markets such as:

- i. Liquidity issues when market at large becomes illiquid affecting almost all securities rather than any issuer specific security. Further, restriction on redemption due to illiquidity of a specific security in the portfolio of a scheme due to a poor investment decision, shall not be allowed.
- ii. Market failures, exchange closures when markets are affected by unexpected events which impact the functioning of exchanges or the regular course of transactions. Such unexpected events could also be related to political, economic, military, monetary or other emergencies.
- iii. Operational issues when exceptional circumstances are caused by force majeure, unpredictable operational problems and technical failures (e.g. a black out). Such cases can only be considered if they are reasonably unpredictable and occur in spite of appropriate diligence of third parties, adequate and effective disaster recovery procedures and systems.

iv. Based on any other guidance/ circular issued by SEBI from time to time.

Restriction on redemption may be imposed for a specified period of time not exceeding 10 working days in any 90 days period. The approval from the Boards of AMC / Trustee shall also be informed to SEBI in advance.

When restriction on redemption is imposed, the following procedure shall be applied:

i. No redemption requests upto Rs. 2 lakh shall be subject

to such restriction.

ii. Where redemption requests are above Rs. 2 lakh, AMC 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.

Any Units which, by virtue of these limitations, are not redeemed on a particular Business Day will be carried forward for redemption on the next following Business Day in order of receipt. Redemptions carried forward will be made at the NAV in effect on the subsequent Business Day(s) on which the condition for redemption request is fulfilled. To the extent multiple redemptions are being satisfied in a single day under these circumstances, such payments will be made pro-rata based on the size of each redemption request. Under such circumstances, redemption cheques may be mailed out to investors within a reasonable period of time and will not be subject to the normal response time for redemption cheque mailing.

In case where more than one application is received for redemption in a scheme for an aggregate redemption amount equal to or more than Rs.2 lakhs on any Business Day across all plans/options of the relevant scheme, then such applications shall be aggregated at the investor level (same holders/joint holders identified by their Permanent Account Numbers (PAN) in the same sequence).

Such aggregation shall be done irrespective of the number of folios under which the investor is redeeming and irrespective of mode, location and time of application.

Cut off timing for subscriptions/ redemptions/ switches.

This is the time before which your application (complete in all respects) should reach the official points of acceptance. For subscriptions:

Pursuant to SEBI guidelines, the cut off timings and the applicability of Net Asset Value of the scheme is under:

In respect of valid applications received\* up to 3:00 p.m. by the Mutual Fund and the funds are available for utilisation on the same day before the cut-off time-the closing NAV of the day on which the funds are available for utilisation shall be applicable.

In respect of valid applications received\* after 3:00 p.m. by the Mutual Fund and the funds are available

for utilisation on the same day - the closing NAV of the Business Day following the day on which the funds are available for utilisation shall be applicable.

However, irrespective of the time of receipt of application, where the funds are not available for utilisation on the day of the application, the closing NAV of the Business Day on which the funds are available for utilisation before the cut-off time (3:00 p.m.) shall be applicable provided the application is received\* prior to availability of the funds.

Investors are encouraged to avail electronic payment modes to transfer funds to the bank account of the Scheme to expedite unit allotment.

For determining the availability of funds for utilisation, the funds for the entire amount of subscription/purchase (including switch-in) as per the application should be credited to the bank account of the scheme before the cut-off time and the funds are available for utilisation before the cut-off time without availing any credit facility whether intra-day or otherwise, by the respective scheme.

For investments through systematic investment routes such as Systematic Investment Plans (SIP), Systematic Transfer Plans (STP), Transfer of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal plan (TIDCW) etc. the units will be allotted as per the closing NAV of the day on which the funds are available for utilization by the destination Scheme irrespective of the instalment date of the SIP, STP or record date of IDCW etc.

The Trustee/AMC may alter the limits and other conditions in line with the SEBI Regulations.

\*Received at the Official Points of Acceptance of Transactions of Franklin Templeton Mutual Fund.

### For Redemptions:

Pursuant to SEBI guidelines, the cut off timings and the applicability of Net Asset Value of the scheme is under:

In respect of valid applications received up to 3:00 p.m. by the Mutual Fund, same day's closing NAV shall be applicable.

Minimum amount for purchase/redemption/switches (mention the provisions for ETFs, as may be applicable, for direct subscription/redemption with AMC.

In respect of valid applications received after 3:00 p.m. by the Mutual Fund, the closing NAV of the next business day shall be applicable.

Subscription: Fresh Purchase - Rs.5,000/-. Additional Purchase - Rs.1,000/-.

Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) - Rs. 500

The amount for subscription, SIP in excess of the minimum amount specified above is any amount in multiple of Re. 1/-

There is no upper limit on the investment amount. The Trustee / AMC reserves the right to vary these limits from time to time, in the interest of investors.

Redemption: Rs.1,000/- above is any amount in multiple of Re. 1/-.

Since the redemption request for units held in dematerialized mode can be given only in 'number of units' with Depository Participants or on Stock exchange Platform, the provision pertaining to 'Minimum redemption amount' shall not be applicable to such investors.

Unitholder may request the redemption of a certain specified Rupee amount or of a certain number of Units. 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. In the case where a Rupee amount is specified or deemed to be specified for redemption, the number of Units redeemed will be the amount the redeemed divided by applicable Redemption requests will be honoured to the extent permitted by the credit balance in the Unitholder's account. The number of Units so redeemed will be subtracted from the Unitholder's account and a statement to this effect will be issued to the Unitholder. If the redemption request exceeds the Balance in the account then the account would be closed and balance sent to the investors. To pay the investor the redemption amount requested for (in Rupees), Franklin Templeton will redeem that many units as would give the investor the net redemption amount requested for, after deducting exit load as applicable

	from time to time.
Accounts Statements	The AMC shall send an allotment confirmation specifying the units allotted by way of email and/or SMS within 5 working days of receipt of valid application/transaction to the Unit holders registered e-mail address and/ or mobile number (whether units are held in demat mode or in account statement form).
	A Consolidated Account Statement (CAS) detailing all the transactions across all mutual funds (including transaction charges paid to the distributor) and holding at the end of the month shall be sent to the Unit holders in whose folio(s) transaction(s) have taken place during the month by mail or email on or before 15th of the succeeding month.
	Half-yearly CAS shall be issued at the end of every six months (i.e. September/ March) on or before 21st day of succeeding month, to all investors providing the prescribed details across all schemes of mutual funds and securities held in dematerialized form across demat accounts, if applicable
	For further details, refer SAI.
Dividend/ IDCW	The payment of dividend/IDCW to the unitholders shall be made within seven working days from the record date.
Redemption	The redemption proceeds will be despatched to the unitholders within the regulatory time limit of 3 working days of the receipt of the valid redemption request at the OPAT of the Mutual Fund. As per AMFI guidelines dated January 27, 2023, the redemption payment cycle shall be 2 days. In case of exceptional situations, additional time for redemption payment may be taken. This shall be in line with AMFI letter dated January 16, 2023
Bank Mandate	As per the directives issued by SEBI, it is mandatory for applicants to mention their bank account numbers in their applications and therefore, investors are requested to fill-up the appropriate box in the application form failing which applications are liable to be rejected.  Change in Bank Mandate  • For investors holding units in demat mode, the procedure for change in bank details would be as

	determined by the depository participant.  For investors holding units in non-demat mode, the Unit holders may change their bank details registered with the Mutual Fund by submitting an application for the same  In an endeavour to protect the investors from possible fraudulent activities, the AMC may require the investors to submit such documents as may be deemed necessary or appropriate from time to time, for verification and validation of the bank account details furnished by the investors. The AMC reserves the right to deny the request for registration of a bank account for the investor's Folio in case the investor fails to submit the necessary document to the satisfaction of the AMC.
redemption / repurchase proceeds/dividend	The Asset Management Company shall be liable to pay interest to the unitholders at rate as specified vide clause 14.2 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024 by SEBI for the period of such delay.
Unclaimed Redemption and Income Distribution cum Capital Withdrawal Amount  Disclosure w.r.t investment	The unclaimed redemption and IDCW amount may be deployed by the mutual fund in call money market, money market instruments or separate plan of Liquid scheme / Money Market Mutual Fund scheme floated specifically for deployment of the unclaimed amounts only. The investors who claim the unclaimed amounts during a period of three years from the due date shall be paid initial unclaimed amount along-with the income earned on its deployment. Investors, who claim these amounts after 3 years, shall be paid initial unclaimed amount along-with the income earned on its deployment till the end of the third year. After the third year, the income earned on such unclaimed amounts shall be used for the purpose of investor education. The AMC would make a continuous effort to remind the investors through letters to take their unclaimed amounts. The investment management fees charged by the AMC for managing unclaimed amounts will not exceed 50 basis points. The Fund/AMC shall not be liable to pay any interest or compensation on unclaimed amount.
by minors	guardian  In case of investments held in the name of a minor, no joint holders will be registered. The minor, acting through the guardian, should be the first and sole

holder in the Folio/Account. The guardian should be either the parent (i.e. father or mother) or the court appointed legal guardian. The guardian of the minor may need to submit such declarations and/or other documents/information as a proof of guardianship, as may be prescribed by the AMC from time to time.

Date of birth of the minor along with photocopies of the supporting documents (viz. birth certificate, school leaving certificate/ Mark sheet issued by Higher Secondary Board of respective states, ICSE, CBSE etc., or, passport or any other document evidencing the date of birth of the minor) should be mandatorily provided while opening the account.

Payment for investment by any mode shall be accepted from the bank account of the minor, parent or legal guardian of the minor, or from a joint account of the minor with parent or legal guardian.

Irrespective of the source of payment for subscription, all redemption proceeds shall be credited only in the verified bank account of the minor, i.e. the account the minor may hold with the parent/ legal guardian after completing all KYC formalities.

Upon attainment of majority by the minor, the account should be regularised forthwith, the minor in whose name the investment was made, shall be required to provide all the KYC details, updated bank account details including cancelled original cheque leaf of the new account. No further transactions shall be allowed till the status of the minor is changed to major. The AMC may specify such procedures for regularisation of the Folio, as may be deemed appropriate from time to time. Post attainment of majority by the minor, the Mutual Fund/AMC will not be obliged to accept any instruction or transaction application made under the signature of the guardian. In case of an application for registration of a systematic transaction facility (Systematic Investment Plan / Systematic Transfer Plan / Systematic Withdrawal Plan or Transfer of Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal), if the end date of the facility extends beyond the date of attainment of majority by the minor, such facility will be registered only up to the date of attaining majority.

Non applicability Minimum Application Amount (Lump-sum) and Minimum Redemption amount As per Para 6.10 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024, Alignment of interest of Designated Employees of Asset Management Companies (AMCs) with the Unitholders of the Mutual Fund Schemes has, inter alia mandated that a minimum of 20% of gross annual CTC net of income tax and any statutory contributions of the Designated Employees of the AMCs shall be invested in units of the scheme(s) of the Fund in which they have a role/oversight The said guidelines came into effect from the October 1, 2021.

In accordance with the regulatory requirement, the minimum application amount and minimum redemption amount will not be applicable for investment made in schemes of the Fund in compliance with the aforesaid circular(s).

The above-mentioned provisions shall override the conflicting provisions, if any.

#### III. Other Details:

- A. In case of Fund of Funds Scheme, Details of Benchmark, Investment Objective, Investment Strategy, TER, AUM, Year wise performance, Top 10 Holding/ link to Top 10 holding of the underlying fund should be provided: Not Applicable
- B. Periodic Disclosures such as Half yearly disclosures, half yearly results, annual report
- **Portfolio / Financial Results-** This is a list of securities where the corpus of the scheme is currently invested. The market value of these investments is also stated in portfolio disclosures.

The Mutual Fund shall within one month of the close of each half year i.e., 31st March and 30th September, upload the soft copy of its unaudited financial results specified containing the details in Regulation 59 on website (https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/reports) under the head Mutual Fund reports and shall publish an advertisement disclosing uploading of such financial results its website (https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/downloads/updates), in one English newspaper having nationwide circulation and in one regional newspaper circulating in the region where the head office of the Mutual Fund is situated.

Further, the mutual fund shall also disclose the debt and money market securities transacted (including inter scheme transfers) in schemes portfolio on daily basis with a time lag of 15 days.

The Mutual Fund shall disclose the scheme portfolios as on the last day of the month/ as on the last day of every half year ended March and September within 10 days from the close of each month / half-year respectively. Further, the Mutual Fund shall also disclose portfolio of the scheme on a fortnightly basis within 5 days from the end of the fortnight. The disclosure shall be on www.franklintempletonindia.com and www.amfiindia.com. The AMC shall send via email the fortnightly statement of scheme portfolio within 5 days from the close of each fortnight and the monthly and half-yearly statement of scheme portfolio within 10 days from the close of each month / half-year respectively.

Mutual Fund shall publish an advertisement every half-year disclosing the hosting of the half-yearly statement of its schemes portfolio on its website(<a href="https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/downloads/updates">https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/downloads/updates</a>) and on the website of AMFI. Such advertisement shall be published in the all India edition of at least two daily newspapers, one each in English and Hindi. Mutual Fund shall provide a physical copy of the statement of its scheme portfolio, without charging any cost, on specific request received from a unitholder.

- **Annual Report:** Scheme Annual report in the format prescribed by SEBI, will be website of the Fund the https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/reports and on the website Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI) viz. www.amfiindia.com as soon as may be but not later than four months from the date of closure of the relevant accounts year (i.e. 31st March each year). Mutual Fund/AMC will publish an advertisement every year, in the all India edition of at least two daily newspapers, one each in English and Hindi, disclosing the hosting of the Scheme wise Annual Report on the website of the Fund and on the website of Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI). Mutual Fund/AMC will e-mail the Scheme Annual Report or Abridged Summary thereof to those unitholders, whose email addresses are registered with the Mutual Fund. Investors who have not registered their email id will have an option of receiving a physical copy of the Annual Report or Abridged Summary thereof. Mutual Fund/ AMC will provide a physical copy of the abridged summary of the Annual Report, without charging any cost, on specific request received from a unitholder through any mode. A physical copy of the scheme wise annual report shall be made available for inspection to the investors at the registered office of the AMC.
- Other disclosures: To enhance investor awareness and information dissemination to investors, SEBI prescribes various additional disclosures to be made by Mutual Funds from time to time on its website/on the website of AMFI, stock exchanges, etc. These disclosures include Scheme Summary Documents, various activities of Mutual Funds with timelines, DOs and DON'Ts for Investors, Grievance Redressal Mechanism, etc.). Investors may refer to the same.
- C. Transparency/NAV Disclosure (Details with reference to information given in Section I)

- The NAV shall be normally calculated for all Business Days.
- The Scheme currently permits investment of a part of its corpus in overseas securities. Para 8.2.2 of SEBI Master Circular on Mutual Funds dated June 27, 2024, states that NAV of schemes shall be disclosed based on the value of underlying securities/ Funds as on the date of investment in MF units in India.

• Thus, the aforesaid Scheme(s) will declare the NAV as follows:

Particulars	NAV declaration time for a Business Day &
	Rationale
If entire assets under	11 p.m. on same Business Day
management (AUM) is	
invested only in Indian	
securities	
If entire or part of AUM is	As the prices of overseas securities would be
invested in overseas	determined as per a different time zone, the
securities	Scheme(s) may declare the NAV for a Business Day
	by the next Business Day by 10:00 a.m.

- The Mutual Fund is required to declare the NAV of the Scheme on AMFI's website www.amfiindia.com and also on our website NAV of Mutual Funds:

  Latest NAV & Dividend Information Franklin Templeton India®.
- NAV will be calculated up to four decimal places using standard rounding criteria.

The disclosure of NAV as outlined above is as per the prevailing SEBI Regulations and is subject to change from time to time.

- D. **Transaction charges and stamp duty-** Indicate only the amount of transaction charges and stamp duty applicable. Details to be provided in SAI.
  - Transaction charges: The AMC/Mutual Fund shall deduct Transaction Charges
    on purchase/subscription applications received from investors that are routed
    through a distributor/agent/broker as follows, provided the
    distributor/agent/broker has opted to receive the transaction charges. The
    distributors have the option to either opt in or opt out of levying transaction
    charge based on type of the product:
    - o First time investor in Mutual Funds: Transaction Charge of Rs.150/- on purchase/subscription application of Rs.10,000 and above shall be deducted from the subscription amount and paid to the distributor/agent/broker of the investor. Units will be allotted for the balance subscription amount (net of the transaction charge deducted).
    - o Investors other than first time investor in mutual funds: Transaction Charge of Rs.100/- per purchase/subscription application of Rs.10,000 and above shall be deducted from the subscription amount and paid to the distributor/agent/broker of the investor. Units will be allotted for the balance subscription amount (net of the transaction charge deducted).
    - o Investments through Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) the Transaction Charge shall be deducted only if the total commitment through SIP (i.e.

amount per SIP instalment x No. of SIP instalments) amounts to Rs.10,000/-and above. The Transaction Charge shall be deducted in 3 or 4 instalments, as may be decided by the AMC from time to time.

• Stamp duty: Mutual fund units issued against Purchase transactions (whether through lump-sum investments or SIP or STP or switchins or reinvestment under IDCW Option) would be subject to levy of stamp duty @ 0.005% of the amount invested. Transfer of mutual fund units (such as transfers between demat accounts) are subject to payment of stamp duty @ 0.015%. The rate and levy of stamp duty may vary as amended from time to time.

Please refer to SAI for further details.

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

#### F. Taxation

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

This information is provided for general information only and is based on the prevailing tax laws, as applicable in case of this Scheme. However, in view of the individual nature of the implications, each investor is advised to consult his or her own tax advisors/ authorised dealers with respect to the specific amount of tax and other implications arising out of his or her participation in the schemes.

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

**Category of this Scheme:** Equity oriented fund as currently defined under the Act as on September 30, 2024

"Equity oriented fund" is defined to mean a fund set up under a scheme of a mutual fund specified under clause 23D of section 10 and

In case where the fund invests in the units of another fund which is traded on a recognised stock exchange –

- a minimum of 90% of the total proceeds of such fund is invested in the units of such other fund; and
- •such other fund also invests a minimum of 90% of its total proceeds in the equity shares of domestic companies listed on a recognized stock exchange; and

In any other case, a minimum of 65% of the total proceeds of such fund is invested in the equity shares of domestic companies listed on a recognised stock exchange

Provided that the percentage of equity shareholding or unit held in respect of the fund, as the case may be, shall be computed with reference to the annual average of the

monthly averages of the opening and closing figures.

### Taxability in the hands of Investor

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

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

Nature of Income	Resident Individual & HUF	Domestic Corporate	Non-Resident Investor
IDCW	As per applicable	As per applicable	20%
	tax rate	tax rate	
LTCG	12.5%*	12.5%*	12.5%*
<b>Holding Period &gt; 12 Months</b>			
STCG	20%	20%	20%
Holding Period <= 12			
Months			

<sup>\*</sup> where LTCG exceeds Rs. 1,25,000 in a financial year

## Withholding Tax Rates (TDS)

Nature of Income	Resident Individual & HUF	Domestic Corporate	Non-Resident Investor#
IDCW	10%**	10%**	20%
LTCG Holding Period > 12 Months	Nil	Nil	12.5%
STCG Holding Period <= 12 Months	Nil	Nil	20%

IDCW - Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal

LTCG - Long Term Capital Gain

STCG - Short Term Capital Gain

\*\* As per provision of section 194K of the Act, where the amount of income credited or paid in a financial year, in aggregate, does not exceed Rs. 5,000, no withholding is required to be carried out. However, the scheme shall be withholding tax when the aggregate amount in financial year at Permanent Account Number (PAN) level exceeds Rs. 4,000.

The above beneficial rates should be applicable only in a case of sale/redemption of units of equity-oriented fund where transaction is chargeable to STT.

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

<sup>#</sup> In case of a foreign portfolio investor, no TDS is required on LTCG and STCG

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

**Surcharge Rates** 

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

<sup>~~</sup> Surcharge rate shall not exceed 25% in case of individual and HUF being taxed under new tax regime under section 115BAC of the Act. In case total income includes income by way of dividend on shares, short-term capital gains on units of equity oriented mutual fund schemes and long-term capital gains on mutual fund schemes, the rate of surcharge on the said type of income not to exceed 15% [refer clause on Taxation in the SAI for further details].

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

#### **DTAA Benefits**

Taxability in the hands of non-resident investor shall be subject to Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement ("DTAA" or "tax treaty") benefits which can be claimed in the return of income to be filed by such investors, as applicable. Further, such DTAA benefit may also be claimed at the time of withholding of taxes (subject to requisite documents for claiming DTAA benefit made available by investor to the Mutual Fund). The investors should obtain specific advice from their tax advisors regarding the availability of the tax treaty benefits.

#### **PAN-AADHAR Linking**

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

<sup>\* 10%</sup> basic surcharge (irrespective of taxable income) for domestic companies availing benefit under section 115BAA and section 115BAB of the Act.

### Specified Person (i.e. Non-filer of Income Tax Return)

As per section 206AB of the Act, tax to be deducted at twice the applicable rate in case of payments to Specified Person (except non-resident not having permanent establishment in India or person who is not required to furnish the return of income as notified by the Central Government) who has not furnished the return of income for the assessment year relevant to previous year immediately preceding the financial year in which tax is required to be deducted:

- For which time limit for filing return has expired; and
- The aggregate of tax deducted at source or tax collected at source in his case is Rs. 50,000 or more in the said previous year.

Additionally, if provisions of section 206AA are also applicable then tax to be deducted at higher of the two rates provided i.e. rate as per section 206AB or section 206AA.

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

STT at 0.001% is payable on sale (redemption) of unit of an equity-oriented fund to the mutual fund (except in case redemption by any person for, or on behalf of, the New Pension System Trust).

As per Rule 4 of the STT Rules 2004, where the STT payable is 50 paise and above, it shall be rounded off to the nearest rupee. Thereby, where the amount of STT payable is lower than 50 paise, no STT is deducted. Long-term capital gains arising on transfer of units of an equity-oriented fund chargeable to Securities Transaction tax (STT) are subject to tax in accordance with the provisions of section 112A of the Act. Therefore, as per provisions of the Act, if STT payable is NIL due to rounding off, the long-term capital gain shall be chargeable to tax in accordance with the provisions of section 112A and the concessional rate of tax shall be applicable.

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

- G. **Rights of Unitholders-** Please refer to SAI for details.
- H. List of official points of acceptance: Details are available on <a href="https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/download/en-in/odd-list-of-opats/c948bf89-5b6e-4e15-9b17-def6817a7fbd/List-of-official-points-of-acceptance.pdf">https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/download/en-in/odd-list-of-opats/c948bf89-5b6e-4e15-9b17-def6817a7fbd/List-of-official-points-of-acceptance.pdf</a>
- I. Penalties, Pending Litigation or Proceedings, Findings of Inspections or Investigations For Which Action May Have Been Taken Or Is In The Process Of Being Taken By Any Regulatory Authority.

Please refer <a href="https://www.franklintempletonindia.com/download/en-in/odd-penalties/6e03f15a-bb96-4cfb-a3cf-ca14711b1a82/Penalties-and-Pending-Litigation-penalties-and-pending-Litigation-pending

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Notwithstanding anything contained in the Scheme Information Document the provisions of the SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 and the Guidelines thereunder shall be applicable.

The Scheme under this Scheme Information Document was approved by the Trustee vide its resolution dated **December 13, 2007**.

# **DIRECTORY**

Sponsor	Investment Manager	Trustee	
Templeton International, Inc.	Franklin Templeton Asset	Franklin Templeton Trustee	
300 S.E. 2nd Street, 11th	Management (India) Pvt.	Services Pvt. Ltd.	
Floor, Fort Lauderdale, FL	Ltd.	One International Centre, Tower	
33301, USA.	One International Centre,	2, 12th and 13th Floor, Senapati	
	Tower 2, 12th and 13th	Bapat Marg, Elphinstone Road	
	Floor, Senapati Bapat Marg,	(West), Mumbai 400013	
	Elphinstone Road (West),	•	
	Mumbai 400013		
Registrars	Custodians	Auditors	
Computer Age Management	Hongkong and Shanghai	BSR & Co. LLP, Chartered	
Services Private Limited	Banking Corporation	Accountants - having its office	
No.10 (Old No.178), M.G.R.	Limited (HSBC)	at 5th Floor, Lodha Excelus,	
Salai, Nungambakkam,	52/60, Mahatma Gandhi	Appollo Mills Compound, N. M.	
Chennai - 600 034	Road,	Joshi Marg, Mahalaxmi,	
Website:	Fort,	Mumbai – 400 011	
www.camsonline.com	Mumbai 400 001		
Email:			
enq_fti@camsonline.com			

Franklin Templeton Branch Offices (Investor Service Centres)

	Address
Branch	
Ahmedabad	Ground Floor/Part, Achal Raj Building, Opp. Mayor's House, Law
	Garden, Ahmedabad - 380006.
Allahabad	S N Tower, 4C Maharishi Dayananad Marg, Opp. Radio Station,
	Civil Lines, Allahabad-211001
Bangalore	26-27, 1st floor, Northern Area West Wing, Raheja Towers MG Road,
	Bangalore – 560001. Fax-080-67149595
Bhubaneswar	77, Kharavel Nagar, Unit III, Janpath, Bhubaneswar 751001
	Fax: (0674) 2531026
Bhopal	Guru Arcade, 2nd Floor, Ramgopal Maheshwari Marg, Plot No.153, M P
	Nagar Zone 1, Bhopal - 462011
Chandigarh	S.C.O 413-414, 1st Floor, Sector 35-C, Chandigarh - 160022
	Fax: (0172)-2622341
Chennai	Century Centre, 75 T.T.K. Road, Alwarpet, Chennai 600018
	Fax: (044) 24987790
Cochin (Kochi)	41/418-C, Chicago Plaza, First Floor, Rajaji Road, Ernakulam, Cochin
	682035
	Fax: (0484) 2373076
Coimbatore	424-C Red Rose Towers, Second Floor, D. B. Road, R. S. Puram,
	Coimbatore 641002
	Fax: (0422) 2470277

Name of the Branch	e Address
Dehradun	Shop No. 5, 1st Floor, Swaraj Complex, Opp. Hotel Madhuban, Rajpur Road, Dehradun – 248001 Fax: (0135) 2719873
Guwahati	ITAG Plaza, 2nd Floor, Office No. 2C, G.S. Road, Main Road, ABC, Guwahati – 781005
Hyderabad	Unit No 402, 6-3-1085/1 4th Floor, Dega Towers Rajbhavan Road, Somajiguda, Hyderabad-500 082 Fax: (040) 23400030
Indore	Office No.101, 1st Floor, Vikram Heights, Opposite Rani Sati Gate,25/2, Yashwant Niwas Road, Indore – 452001
Jaipur	Office No.18, 2nd Floor, Laxmi Complex, M.I Road, Jaipur -302001, Rajasthan.
Jalandhar	Ground Floor, SCO- 15 PUDA Complex Ladowali Road Jalandhar - 144 001
Jamshedpur	Fair Deal Complex,1st Floor, Office Unit 1B, Main Road, Opp. Ram Mandir, Bistupur, Jamshedpur-831001
Kanpur	Office no 208, 209 & 210, 2nd floor KAN Chambers, Civil lines, Kanpur-208001
Kolkata	4th Floor, A Block, 22, Abanindra Nath Thakur Sarani (Known as Camac Street), Kolkata – 700016
Lucknow	Office no. 2, Ground Floor, Regency Plaza, Opposite Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherji Hospital (Civil), 5 Park road, Hazratganj, Lucknow - 226001
Ludhiana	SCO-37, First Floor, Feroze Gandhi Market, Ludhiana 141001 Fax: (0161) 3012101
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Mangalore	First Floor, Manasa Towers, M. G. Road, Kodialbail, Mangalore 575003 Fax: (0824) 2493749
Mumbai	(a) Unit No.202/203/204, 2nd Floor, Dalamal Tower, Plot No. 211, Free Press Journal Marg, Nariman Point, Mumbai - 400 021 Fax: (022) 22810923 (b) One International center, Tower 2, 13th Floor, Senapati Bapat Marg,
Nagpur	Elphinstone (W), Mumbai - 400013  Shop No. 3 & 4, Ground Floor, Maharshi Shivpad Complex, Plot No. 262, West High Court Road, Bajaj Nagar, Nagpur 440010 Fax: (0712) 2242238
Nasik	Marvel Tanishq, Office No.402, 4th Floor, Sharanpur Road, New Pandit Colony, Nasik - 422002.
New Delhi	707-710, 7th Floor, Ashoka Estate Building, 24 Barakhamba Road, New Delhi 110001 Fax: (011) 23752019

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Branch	
Patna	Unit No.402, 4th Floor, Sai Tower, New Dak Bungalow Road, Patna - 800
	001
Panjim	J N Chambers, Third floor, Opp. Mahalaxmi Chambers, Dr. Shirgaonkar
	Road, Panaji ,Goa 403001
Pune	401, Karan Selene, above Yes Bank, 187, Bhandarkar Road, Pune 411004
	Fax: (020) 25665221
Raipur	First Floor, Piyank tower, GE Road, Raja Talab, Raipur - 492001
	Fax: (0771) 4033614
Rajkot	408-409, 4th Floor, Sadhana Downtown, Jubilee Chowk, Jawahar Road,
	Rajkot - 360 001
Ranchi	Saluja Tower, 6th Floor, Peepe Compound, Sujata Chowk, Main Road,
	Ranchi – 834001
Salem	214/215, Second Floor, Kandaswarna Shopping Mall, Sarada College
	Road, Salem 636016
	Fax: (0427) 2446854
Surat	HG-29 International Trade Centre, Majura Gate Cross Road Signal, Ring
	Road, Surat 395002
	Fax: (0261) 2473744
Trichy	Arun Arcade, 75/1, First Floor, First Cross, North East Extension,
	Thillainagar, Trichy 620018
	Fax: (0431) 2760013
Vadodara	Unit No 306, Third Floor, Golden Icon, Opp. BSNL, Bird Circle,
	Old Padra Road, Vadodara – 390007
Varanasi	D-64/127, C-H, Arihant Complex, 4th Floor, Sigra, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh
Vijayawada	White House III Floor, Room # 2, M.G Road, Opposite All India Radio,
	Vijayawada
	Fax: (0866) 6695550
Visakhapatnam	204, First Floor, Eswar Plaza, Dwaraka Nagar, Visakhapatnam
	530016
	Fax: (0891) 6666806

## **National Call Centre:**

**1800 425 4255** or **1800 258 4255** (please prefix the city STD code if calling from a mobile phone, Local call rates apply to both the numbers) from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday.

## **Collection Centres:**

Branch Office of Computer Age Management Services Limited

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Ahmedabad	Ground Floor/Part, Achal Raj Building, Opp. Mayor's House, Law
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Panjim	Office Premises no.201, Unit No. PNJ B-O9, Level 2, 1st Floor, Nova Goa Building, Dr. Atmaram Borkar Road, Panaji, Goa- 403001.
Pune	401, Karan Selene, above Yes Bank, 187, Bhandarkar Road, Pune 411004 Fax: (020) 25665221
Raipur	First Floor, Piyank tower, GE Road, Raja Talab, Raipur - 492001 Fax: (0771) 4033614
Rajkot	408-409, 4th Floor, Sadhana Downtown, Jubilee Chowk, Jawahar Road, Rajkot – 360 001
Ranchi	Saluja Tower, 6th Floor, Peepe Compound, Sujata Chowk, Main Road, Ranchi – 834001
Salem	214/215, Second Floor, Kandaswarna Shopping Mall, Sarada College Road, Salem 636016 Fax: (0427) 2446854
Surat	HG-29 International Trade Centre, Majura Gate Cross Road Signal, Ring Road, Surat 395002 Fax: (0261) 2473744
Trichy	Arun Arcade, 75/1, First Floor, First Cross, North East Extension,

	Thillainagar, Trichy 620018
	Fax: (0431) 2760013
Vadodara	Unit No 306, Third Floor, Golden Icon, Opp. BSNL, Bird Circle,
	Old Padra Road, Vadodara - 390007
Varanasi	D-64/127, C-H, Arihant Complex, 4th Floor, Sigra, Varanasi, Uttar
	Pradesh
Vijayawada	White House, III Floor, Room # 2, M. G. Road, Opposite All India
	Radio,Vijayawada 520010
	Fax: (0866) 6695550
Visakhapatnam	204, First Floor, Eswar Plaza, Dwaraka Nagar, Visakhapatnam
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	Fax: (0891) 6666806

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