

Key Information Memorandum & Application Form

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HDFC Nifty Metal ETF

An open ended scheme replicating/tracking Nifty Metal Index (TRI)

BSE Scrip Code/ NSE Symbol: << shall be updated after listing of the scheme >>

Scheme Code: HDFC/O/O/EET/26/05/0151

This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:	Scheme Riskometer#	Benchmark Riskometer# (As on June 30, 2026)
- Returns that are commensurate (before fees and expenses) with the performance of the Nifty Metal Index (TRI), over long term, subject to tracking error. - Investment in equity securities covered by the Nifty Metal Index (TRI) *Investors should consult their financial advisers, if in doubt about whether the product is suitable for them. #The product labeling assigned during the NFO is based on internal assessment of the scheme characteristics or model portfolio and the same may vary post NFO when the actual investments are made. For latest riskometer, investors may refer to the Monthly Portfolios disclosed on the website of the Fund viz. www.hdfcfund.com	RISKOMETER <i>The risk of the Scheme is Very high</i>	RISKOMETER <i>The risk of the Benchmark is Very high</i>

Offer for Sale of Units at Face Value* and Continuous Offer of Units at NAV based prices
*1/100th of the Value of the Underlying Index as on date of Allotment of Units under the NFO

New Fund Offer (NFO) Opens on:	July 20, 2026
New Fund Offer (NFO) Closes on:	July 24, 2026
Scheme re-opens on:	The units of the Scheme will be listed on the National Stock Exchange of India Ltd. (NSE) and/or BSE Limited (BSE) within 5 working days of allotment of units under the NFO. All Market Makers and Large Investors can subscribe (buy) / redeem (sell) units on a continuous basis on the NSE/BSE on which the Units are listed during the trading hours on all the trading days. In addition, Market Makers and Large Investors can directly subscribe to / redeem units of the Scheme on all Business Days with the Fund in 'Creation Unit Size' NAV based prices on an ongoing basis

(Any modification to the New Fund Offer Period shall be announced by way of an Addendum uploaded on website of the AMC.)

Name of Mutual Fund (Fund): **HDFC Mutual Fund**

Name of Asset Management Company (AMC): **HDFC Asset Management Company Limited**

Name of Trustee Company: **HDFC Trustee Company Limited**

Address:

Asset Management Company (AMC): HDFC Asset Management Company Limited Registered Office : HDFC House, 2nd Floor, H.T. Parekh Marg, 165-166, Backbay Reclamation, Churchgate, Mumbai - 400 020. CIN No: L65991MH1999PLC123027	Trustee Company: HDFC Trustee Company Limited Registered Office : HDFC House, 2nd Floor, H.T. Parekh Marg, 165-166, Backbay Reclamation, Churchgate, Mumbai - 400 020. CIN No: U65991MH1999PLC123026
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Website:

www.hdfcfund.com

This Key Information Memorandum (KIM) sets forth the information, which a prospective investor ought to know before investing. **For further details of the scheme/Mutual Fund, due diligence certificate by the AMC, Key Personnel, investors' rights & services, risk factors, penalties & pending litigations etc. investors should, before investment, refer to the Scheme Information Document ("SID") and Statement of Additional Information ("SAI") available free of cost at any of the Investor Service Centres or distributors or from the website www.hdfcfund.com.**

The Scheme particulars have been prepared in accordance with Securities and Exchange Board of India (Mutual Funds) Regulations 2026 ("SEBI (MF) Regulations"), as amended till date, and filed with Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI). The units being offered for public subscription have not been approved or disapproved by SEBI, nor has SEBI certified the accuracy or adequacy of this KIM.

This Key Information Memorandum is dated July 08, 2026.

1. Name of Scheme
HDFC Nifty Metal ETF
2. SEBI Scheme Code
HDFC/O/O/EET/26/05/0151
3. Category of Scheme
Exchange Traded Fund
4. Type of Scheme
An Open Ended Scheme replicating/tracking the Nifty Metal Index (TRI).
5. Investment Objective

To generate returns that are commensurate (before fees and expenses) with the performance of the Nifty Metal Index (TRI), subject to tracking error.

There is no assurance that the investment objective of the Scheme will be achieved.

6. Asset Allocation Pattern of the Scheme		
Instruments	Indicative allocations (% of total assets)	
	Minimum	Maximum
Securities covered by Nifty Metal Index (TRI)	95	100
Debt Securities & Money Market Instruments, unit of Debt Schemes of Mutual Funds@	0	5

@investments will be made in cash or cash equivalents i.e. Government Securities, T-Bills and Repo on Government Securities, units of Liquid and Overnight Mutual Fund Schemes for liquidity purposes.

As per clause 13.18.1 of Master Circular, the cumulative gross exposure through equity, debt securities & money market instruments, units of debt schemes of mutual fund, derivative positions, repo transactions, other permitted securities/assets and such other securities/assets as may be permitted by SEBI from time to time shall not exceed 100% of the net assets of the Scheme. As per SEBI letter to AMFI dated November 3, 2021, Cash or cash equivalents i.e. Government Securities, T-Bills and Repo on Government Securities with residual maturity of less than 91 days may be treated as not creating any exposure.

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

SR. No	Type of Instrument	Percentage of exposure	Circular references
1.	Securities Lending	a) Upto 25% of the net assets b) Upto 5% of the net assets at single intermediary i.e. Broker level	Clause 13.6 of Master Circular
2.	Derivatives (Equity) (For Hedging and Non Hedging)	Upto 20% of its net assets	Clause 13.15 of Master Circular
3.	Repo/ Reverse Repo / Tri-Party repos (TREPS) on Government Securities and Treasury Bills (G-Secs and T-Bills)	To meet liquidity requirements or pending deployment as per regulatory limits	As per SEBI Mutual Funds Regulations
4.	Short Term deposits	As per regulatory limits	Clause 8 of Sixth Schedule of SEBI Mutual Funds Regulations and Clause 13.7 of Master Circular
5.	Mutual Fund Units (as per asset allocation table above)	- Upto 5% of the net assets of the scheme - Upto 5% of the net assets of the Mutual Fund (i.e. across all the schemes of the Fund)	Clause 3 of Sixth Schedule of SEBI Mutual Funds Regulations and Clause 13.14.1 of Master Circular

The Scheme will not make any investment in-

SR. No	Types of Instruments
1.	Debt Derivatives
2.	Credit Default Swaps
3.	ADR/GDR/Foreign Securities
4.	Securitized Debt
5.	Repo/ Reverse Repo in corporate debt securities
6.	Short Selling
7.	Debt instruments having 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

SR. No	Types of Instruments
8.	Structured obligations (SO rating) and/or credit enhanced debt (CE rating)
9.	Units of Infrastructure Investment Trusts (InvITs) unless received as corporate action or the instrument/security is added in the benchmark Index as a constituent

Change in Asset Allocation Pattern/ Portfolio Rebalancing

Short Term Defensive Consideration

As an index linked scheme, the investment policy is primarily passive management. However, as the above mentioned investment pattern is indicative and subject to the SEBI (MF) Regulations and Circulars issued thereunder, the same may vary from time to time. As per clause 1.9.1.b of Master Circular, the Fund Manager, may deviate from the above investment pattern for short term period on defensive considerations. The same will be rebalanced within 7 Calendar Days.

Portfolio Replication/ Rebalancing norms

As per clause 4.5.5 of Master Circular:

- any transactions undertaken in the scheme portfolio in order to meet the redemption and subscription obligations shall be done while ensuring that post such transactions replication of the portfolio with the index is maintained at all points of time.
- in case of change in constituents of the index due to periodic review, the portfolio of the Scheme shall be rebalanced within 7 calendar days or such other timeline as may be prescribed by SEBI from time to time.

Tracking Error:

The Scheme, in general, will hold all the securities that constitute the Underlying Index in the same proportion as the index. Expectation is that, over a period of time, the tracking error of the Scheme relative to the performance of the Underlying Index will be relatively low.

The AMC would monitor the tracking error of the Scheme on an ongoing basis and would seek to minimize tracking error to the maximum extent possible. Under normal market circumstances, such tracking error is not expected to exceed by 2.00% p.a. (based on daily rolling returns for last 12 months). However, in case of unavoidable events like, Dividend issuance by constituent members, rights issuance by constituent members, and market volatility during rebalancing of the portfolio following the rebalancing of the Underlying Basket, etc. or in abnormal market circumstances, the tracking error may exceed the above mentioned limits and the same shall be brought to the notice of Trustees with corrective actions taken by the AMC, if any.

Timelines for deployment of Funds collected during New Fund Offer (NFO) period

In accordance with clause 7.24 of Master Circular, the AMC shall deploy the funds garnered during the NFO within 30 Business Days from the date of allotment of units.

In an exceptional case, if the AMC is not able to deploy the funds as per the aforesaid timeline, justification in writing, including details of efforts taken to deploy the funds shall be placed before the Investment Committee of the AMC.

The Investment Committee, after examining the root cause for delay in deployment, may extend the timeline by 30 Business Days. The Investment Committee shall also recommend on how to ensure deployment within 30 Business Days going forward and monitor the same. However, an extension shall not be granted if the Scheme's assets are liquid and readily available.

In case the funds are not deployed as per the aforesaid mandated plus extended timelines, the AMC shall follow the requirements specified under the aforesaid circular including reporting the deviation to Trustees at each stage.

The Trustees shall monitor the deployment of funds collected in NFO and take steps, as may be required, to ensure that the funds are deployed within a reasonable timeframe.

7. Investment Strategy

HDFC Nifty Metal ETF will invest in stocks comprising the Underlying Index and endeavor to track the benchmark index. The Scheme may also invest in debt & money market instruments, in compliance with regulations to meet liquidity and expense requirements. HDFC Nifty Metal ETF endeavors to invest in stocks forming part of the Underlying Index in the same ratio as per the index to the extent possible and to that extent follows a passive investment strategy, except to the extent of meeting liquidity and expense requirements.

Since the Scheme is an exchange traded fund, it will only invest in securities constituting the Underlying Index. However, due to corporate action in companies comprising the index, the Scheme may be allocated/allotted securities which are not part of the index. Such holdings would be rebalanced within 7 Business Days from the date of allotment/listing of such securities. As part of the Fund Management process, the Scheme may use derivative instruments such as index futures and options, or any other derivative instruments that are permissible or may be permissible in future under applicable regulations. However, trading in derivatives by the Scheme shall be for restricted purposes as permitted by the Regulations.

For detailed derivative strategies, please refer to SAI. For exposure limits to derivatives, refer section '**Where will the scheme invest**' under **Section II, Part II, Clause A in the SID**.

Though every endeavour will be made to achieve the objective of the Scheme, the AMC/Sponsor/Trustee do not guarantee that the investment objective of the Scheme will be achieved. No guaranteed returns are being offered under the Scheme.

8. Risk Profile of the Scheme

Mutual Fund Units involve investment risks including the possible loss of principal. Please read the SID carefully for details on risk factors before investment. Scheme specific Risk Factors are summarized below:

Scheme Specific Risk Factors

The Scheme is subject to the specific risks that may adversely affect the Scheme's NAV, return and / or ability to meet its investment objective.

The Scheme being sectoral in nature carries higher risks versus diversified equity mutual funds on account of concentration and theme / sector specific risks.

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

(i) Risk Factors associated with Exchange Traded Schemes:

a. Passive Investments:

- As the Scheme proposes to invest not less than 95% of the net assets in the securities of the Underlying Index in the same proportion, the Scheme will not be actively managed. The Scheme may be affected by a general decline in the Indian markets relating to its Underlying Index. The Scheme invests in the securities included in its Underlying Index regardless of their investment merit. The AMC does not attempt to individually select stocks or to take defensive positions in declining markets.
- Performance of the Underlying Index will have a direct bearing on the performance of the Scheme. In the event the Underlying Index, is dissolved or is withdrawn or is not published due to any reason whatsoever, the Trustee reserves the right to modify the Scheme so as to track a different and suitable index or to suspend tracking the Underlying Index till such time it is not published and appropriate intimation will be sent to the Unit holders of the Scheme. In such a case, the investment pattern will be modified suitably to match the composition of the securities that are included in the new index to be tracked and the Scheme will be subject to tracking error during the intervening period.

Further, it is pertinent to note that there is no element of research recommendations involved before the execution of trades in the Scheme. The decision of the Fund Manager to execute trades including rebalancing required will be purely driven by the inflows and outflows in the Scheme and composition of the Underlying Index.

b. Tracking Error Risk/Tracking Difference Risk:

The Fund Manager would not be able to invest the entire corpus exactly in the same proportion as in the Underlying Index due to certain factors such as the fees and expenses of the Scheme, corporate actions, cash balance, changes to the Underlying Index and regulatory policies which may affect AMC's ability to achieve close correlation with the Underlying Index of the Scheme. The Scheme's returns may therefore deviate from those of its Underlying Index. Tracking Error" is defined as the standard deviation of the difference in daily returns between the Scheme and the Underlying Index annualized over 1 year period. Tracking difference is the difference of returns between the Scheme and the index annualized over 1 year, 3 year, 5 year, 10 year and since the scheme inception period. Tracking Error may arise including but not limited to the following reasons.

- Expenditure incurred by the Scheme.
- The holding of a cash position and accrued income prior to distribution of income and payment of accrued expenses. The Scheme may not be invested at all times as it may keep a portion of the funds in cash to meet redemptions or for corporate actions.
- Securities trading may halt temporarily due to circuit filters.
- Corporate actions such as debenture or warrant conversion, rights, merger, change in constituents etc.
- Rounding off of quantity of shares in Underlying Index.
- Dividend received from underlying securities.
- Disinvestments by Scheme to meet redemptions, recurring expenses, etc.
- Execution of large buy/sell orders.
- Transaction cost (including taxes and insurance premium), recurring expenses and other expenses, such as but not limited to brokerage, custody, trustee and investment management fees.
- Realisation of Unit holders' funds.
- The Scheme may not be able to acquire or sell the desired number of securities due to conditions prevailing in the securities market, such as, but not restricted to: circuit filters in the securities, liquidity and volatility in security prices.
- The Index reflects the prices of securities at a point in time, which is the price at close of business day on BSE/National Stock Exchange of India Limited (NSE). The Scheme, however, may at times trade these securities

at different points in time during the trading session and therefore the prices at which the Plan trade may not be identical to the closing price of each scrip on that day on the BSE/NSE. In addition, the Scheme may opt to trade the same securities on different exchanges due to price or liquidity factors, which may also result in traded prices being at variance, from BSE/NSE closing prices.

- In case of investments in derivatives like index futures, the risk reward would be the same as investments in portfolio of shares representing an index. However, there may be a cost attached to buying an index future. Further, there could be an element of settlement risk, which could be different from the risk in settling physical shares and there is a risk attached to the liquidity and the depth of the index futures market as it is relatively new market.

It will be the endeavour of the fund manager to keep the tracking error as low as possible. Under normal circumstances, such tracking error is not expected to exceed 2% per annum for daily 12 month rolling return. However, in case of corporate action events like, Dividend received from underlying securities, rights issue from underlying securities or market events like circuit filters in the securities and market volatility during rebalancing of the portfolio following the rebalancing of the Underlying Index, etc. or in abnormal market circumstances, the tracking error may exceed the above limits. There can be no assurance or guarantee that the Scheme will achieve any particular level of tracking error relative to performance of the Index.

c. Stock Liquidity in the event of Circuit Filter

Liquidity of stocks which are available only in cash segment and not in F&O segment gets adversely impacted in the event of a circuit filter imposed by any of the stock exchanges. This would also impact the subscription and redemption of ETF units, directly done with the Fund and the same will be dealt with in the manner described below. Further, this may result in gain/loss to existing unit holders when finally the purchase/sale of that stock is executed. This would also create tracking error while comparing returns with benchmark.

Transaction type	Upper circuit	Lower circuit
Subscription	The Scheme shall buy stocks <u>as per basket</u> wherever no circuit. In case of Circuit on any stock(s) in the basket, the Scheme shall: 1. Hold cash for stock(s) on circuit at the latest available price on the stock exchange when the circuit was triggered 2. Buy the stock(s) immediately when circuit is open. This may impact performance and result in tracking error.	NA
Redemption	NA	The Scheme shall sell stocks <u>as per basket</u> if no circuit. In case of circuit on Stock(s) in the basket, the Scheme shall: 1. Pay from cash or cash equivalent or create cash to pay for stocks on circuit at the latest available price on the stock exchange when the circuit was triggered by selling other stocks which may impact performance and result in tracking error; 2. Sell stock immediately when circuit is open and re-balance portfolio which may impact performance and result in tracking error.

d. Market Trading Risks:

- Absence of Prior Active Market:** Although the Scheme is listed on NSE and/or BSE, there can be no assurance that an active secondary market will develop or be maintained. Hence there could be a time when trading in the Units of the Scheme would be infrequent.
- Trading in Units may be halted:** Trading in the units of the Scheme on NSE/BSE may be halted because of market conditions such as extraordinary market volatility and pursuant to stock exchange(s) and SEBI 'circuit filter' rules, etc or for reasons that in view of NSE/BSE or SEBI, trading in the units of the Scheme is not advisable.

There can be no assurance that the requirements of NSE/BSE necessary to maintain the listing of the units of the Scheme will continue to be met or will remain unchanged.

iii. **Units of the Scheme may trade at prices other than NAV:** The units of the Scheme may trade above or below their NAV. The NAV of the Scheme will fluctuate with changes in the market value of the Scheme's holdings. The trading prices of the units of the Scheme will fluctuate in accordance with changes in their NAV as well as market supply and demand for the units of the Scheme. However, given that units of the Scheme can be created and redeemed in creation units directly with the Fund, it is expected that large discounts or premiums to the NAV of units of the Scheme will not sustain due to arbitrage opportunity available.

iv. **Regulatory Risk:** Any changes in trading regulations by the Stock Exchange(s)/SEBI may affect the ability of market maker to arbitrage resulting into wider premium/discount to NAV.

e. Redemption Risk:

Investors should note that even though the Scheme is an open ended Scheme, subscription/redemptions directly with the Fund would be limited to such investors who have the ability to subscribe/redeem the units of the Scheme in Creation Unit size (except in certain exception circumstances mentioned in the SID). Generally, these lot sizes are larger as compared to normal funds. Thus, even though this Scheme is open ended, due to large lot size, very few investors can directly subscribe and redeem the units of the Scheme. However, investors wishing to subscribe/redeem units in other than Creation Unit size can do so by buying/selling the same on NSE/BSE.

f. The units will be issued only in demat form through depositories. The records of the depository are final with respect to the number of units available to the credit of unit holder. Settlement of trades, repurchase of units by the Mutual Fund depends up on the confirmations to be received from depository(ies) on which the Mutual Fund has no control.

(ii) Risk factors associated with investing in equities and equity related instruments

- **Price Risk:** Equity shares and equity related instruments are volatile and prone to price fluctuations on a daily basis owing to market movements. The extent of fall or rise in the prices is a fluctuation in general market conditions, factors and forces affecting capital market, Real Estate and Infrastructure sectors, level of interest rates, trading volumes, settlement periods and transfer procedures. Investments in equity shares and equity related instruments involve a degree of risk and investors should not invest in the Scheme unless they can afford to take the risks.
- **Interest Rate Risk:** Securities/Instruments of REITs run interest rate risk. Generally, when interest rates rise, prices of units fall and when interest rates drop, such prices increase.
- **Credit Risk:** Credit risk means that the issuer of a REITs security/instrument may default on interest payment or even on paying back the principal amount on maturity. Securities/Instruments of REITs are likely to have volatile cash flows as the repayment dates would not necessarily be pre scheduled.
- **Liquidity Risk:** Securities/instruments, which are not quoted on the stock exchanges, are inherently illiquid in nature and carry a larger amount of liquidity risk, in comparison to securities that are listed on the exchanges. Investment in such securities may lead to increase in the scheme portfolio risk. While securities that are listed on the stock exchange carry lower liquidity risk, the ability to sell these investments is limited by the overall trading volume on the stock exchanges and may lead to the Scheme incurring losses till the security is finally sold.
- **Reinvestment Risk:** Investments in securities/instruments of REITs may carry reinvestment risk as there could be repatriation of funds by the Trusts in form of buyback of units or Dividend pay-outs, etc. Consequently, the proceeds may get invested in assets providing lower returns.
- **Legal and Regulatory Risk:** The regulatory framework governing investments in securities/instruments of REITs comprises a relatively new set of regulations and is therefore untested, interpretation and enforcement by regulators and courts involves uncertainties. Presently, it is difficult to forecast as to how any new laws, regulations or standards or future amendments will affect the issuers of REITs and the sector as a whole. Furthermore, no assurance can be given that the regulatory system will not change in a way that will impair the ability of the Issuers to comply with the regulations, conduct the business, compete effectively or make distributions.
- Scheme's performance may differ from the benchmark index to the extent of the investments held in the debt segment, as per the investment pattern indicated under normal circumstances.

(iii) Risk factors associated with investing in Fixed Income Securities

- The Net Asset Value (NAV) of the Scheme, to the extent invested in Debt and Money Market instruments, will be affected by changes in the general level of interest rates. The NAV of the Scheme is expected to increase from a fall in interest rates while it would be adversely affected by an increase in the level of interest rates.
- Money market instruments, while fairly liquid, lack a well developed secondary market, which may restrict the selling ability of the Scheme and may lead to the Scheme incurring losses till the security is finally sold.

- Investments in money market instruments involve credit risk commensurate with short term rating of the issuers.
- Investment in Debt instruments are subject to varying degree of credit risk or default (i.e. the risk of an issuer's inability to meet interest or principal payments on its obligations) or any other issues, which may have their credit ratings downgraded. Changes in financial conditions of an issuer, changes in economic and political conditions in general, or changes in economic or and political conditions specific to an issuer, all of which are factors that may have an adverse impact on an issuer's credit quality and security values. This may increase the risk of the portfolio. The Investment Manager will endeavour to manage credit risk through in-house credit analysis.
- **Prepayment Risk:** Certain fixed income securities give an issuer the right to call back its securities before their maturity date, in periods of declining interest rates. The possibility of such prepayment may force the Scheme to reinvest the proceeds of such investments in securities offering lower yields, resulting in lower interest income for the Scheme.
- **Reinvestment Risk:** This risk refers to the interest rate levels at which cash flows received from the securities in the Scheme are reinvested. The additional income from reinvestment is the "interest on interest" component. The risk is that the rate at which interim cash flows can be reinvested may be lower than that originally assumed.
- **Settlement risk:** Different segments of Indian financial markets have different settlement periods and such periods may be extended significantly by unforeseen circumstances. Delays or other problems in settlement of transactions could result in temporary periods when the assets of the Scheme are uninvested and no return is earned thereon. The inability of the Scheme to make intended securities purchases, due to settlement problems, could cause the Scheme to miss certain investment opportunities. Similarly, the inability to sell securities held in the Scheme's portfolio, due to the absence of a well developed and liquid secondary market for debt securities, may result at times in potential losses to the Scheme in the event of a subsequent decline in the value of securities held in the Scheme's portfolio.
- Government securities where a fixed return is offered run price-risk like any other fixed income security. Generally, when interest rates rise, prices of fixed income securities fall and when interest rates drop, the prices increase. The extent of fall or rise in the prices is a function of the existing coupon, days to maturity and the increase or decrease in the level of interest rates. The new level of interest rate is determined by the rates at which government raises new money and/or the price levels at which the market is already dealing in existing securities. The price-risk is not unique to Government Securities. It exists for all fixed income securities. However, Government Securities are unique in the sense that their credit risk generally remains zero. Therefore, their prices are influenced only by movement in interest rates in the financial system.
- Different types of fixed income securities in which the Scheme would invest as given in the Scheme Information Document carry different levels and types of risk. Accordingly, the Scheme risk may increase or decrease depending upon its investment pattern. e.g. corporate bonds carry a higher level of risk than Government securities. Further even among corporate bonds, AAA rated bonds are comparatively less risky than AA rated bonds.
- The AMC may, considering the overall level of risk of the portfolio, invest in lower rated / unrated securities offering higher yields as well as zero coupon securities that offer attractive yields. This may increase the absolute level of risk of the portfolio.
- As zero coupon securities do not provide periodic interest payments to the holder of the security, these securities are more sensitive to changes in interest rates and are subject to issuer default risk. Therefore, the interest rate risk of zero coupon securities is higher. The AMC may choose to invest in zero coupon securities that offer attractive yields. This may increase the risk of the portfolio. Zero coupon or deep discount bonds are debt obligations that do not entitle the holder to any periodic payment of interest prior to maturity or a specified date when the securities begin paying current interest and therefore, are generally issued and traded at a discount to their face values. The discount depends on the time remaining until maturity or the date when securities begin paying current interest. It also varies depending on the prevailing interest rates, liquidity of the security and the perceived credit risk of the Issuer. The market prices of zero coupon securities are generally more volatile than the market prices of securities that pay interest periodically.

(iv) Risks associated with investment in unlisted securities

- Except for any security of an associate or group company, the scheme can invest in securities which are not listed on a stock exchange ("unlisted Securities") which in general are subject to greater price fluctuations, less liquidity and greater risk than those which are traded in the open market. Unlisted debt securities may lack a liquid secondary market and there can be no assurance that the Scheme will realise their investments in unlisted securities at a fair value.
- Investment in unrated instruments may involve a risk of default or decline in market value higher than rated instruments due to adverse economic and issuer-specific developments. Such investments display increased price sensitivity to changing interest rates and to a deteriorating economic environment. The market values for

unrated investments tends to be more volatile and such securities tend to be less liquid than rated debt securities.

(v) Risk factors associated with investment in Tri-Party Repo

The mutual fund is a member of securities segment and Triparty Repo trade settlement of the Clearing Corporation of India (CCIL). All transactions of the mutual fund in government securities and in Tri-party Repo trades are settled centrally through the infrastructure and settlement systems provided by CCIL; Thus, reducing the settlement and counterparty risks considerably for transactions in the said segments. The members are required to contribute an amount as communicated by CCIL 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. In addition, the fund contribution is allowed to be used to meet the residual loss in case of default by the other clearing member (the defaulting member).

CCIL shall maintain two separate Default Funds in respect of its 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. The 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.

(vi) Risk factors associated with investing in Derivatives

- The AMC, on behalf of the Scheme may use various derivative products, from time to time, in an attempt to protect the value of the portfolio and enhance Unit holders' interest. Derivative products are specialized instruments that require investment techniques and risk analysis different from those associated with stocks and bonds. The use of a derivative requires an understanding not only of the underlying instrument but of the derivative itself. Other risks include, the risk of mispricing or improper valuation and the inability of derivatives to correlate perfectly with underlying assets, rates and indices.
- 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.
- 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.
- Credit Risk:**
The credit risk in derivative transaction is the risk that the counter party will default on its obligations and is generally low, as there is no exchange of principal amounts in a derivative transaction.
- Market Risk:**
Market movements may adversely affect the pricing and settlement of derivatives.
- Illiquidity risk:**
This is the risk that a derivative cannot be sold or purchased quickly enough at a fair price, due to lack of liquidity in the market.

(vii) Risk factors associated with Securities Lending

As with other modes of extensions of credit, there are risks inherent to securities lending, including the risk of failure of the other party, in this case the approved intermediary, to comply with the terms of the agreement entered into between the lender of securities i.e. the Scheme and the approved intermediary. Such failure can result in the possible loss of rights to the collateral put up by the borrower of the securities, the inability of the approved intermediary to return the securities deposited by the lender and the possible loss of any corporate benefits accruing to the lender from the securities deposited with the approved intermediary. The scheme may not be able to sell lent out securities, which can lead to temporary illiquidity & loss of opportunity.

(viii) General Risk factors

- Trading volumes, settlement periods and transfer procedures may restrict the liquidity of the investments made by the Scheme. Different segments of the Indian financial markets have different settlement periods and such periods may be extended significantly by unforeseen circumstances leading to delays in receipt of proceeds from sale of securities. The NAV of the Units of the Scheme can go up or down because of various factors that affect the capital markets in general.

- Performance of the Scheme may be affected by political, social, and economic developments, which may include changes in government policies, diplomatic conditions, and taxation policies.
- The Scheme at times may receive large number of redemption requests, leading to an asset-liability mismatch and therefore, requiring the investment manager to make a distress sale of the securities leading to realignment of the portfolio and consequently resulting in investment in lower yield instruments.

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An investor, by subscribing or purchasing an interest in the Product, will be regarded as having acknowledged, understood and accepted the disclaimer referred to in Clauses above and will be bound by it.

For details on risk factors and risk mitigation measures, please refer SID.

9. Plans/ Options

Presently the Scheme does not offer any Plans/Options for investment.

However, Trustees may at their absolute discretion reserve the right to distribute income from time to time (which will be paid out to the Unit holders) in accordance with the IDCW Policy. The AMC and the Trustees reserve the right to introduce such other Plans/Options as they deem necessary or desirable from time to time, in accordance with the SEBI Regulations.

10. Applicable NAV (after the scheme opens for subscriptions and redemptions)

In case of Purchase/Redemption directly with Mutual Fund (By Market Makers and Large Investors):

The provisions for Cut-off timings for NAV applicability will not be applicable for direct transaction with the Fund.

The Fund may accept transactions for Cash from Market Makers and Large Investors upto 3:00 PM or upto reasonable time before close of market hours in order to successfully execute the transactions.

In case of transactions in Portfolio Deposit or under net settlement system with Market Makers, the AMC may accept the transaction subject to successful execution and compliance with the applicable guidelines on net settlement, as applicable.

In case of Redemption directly with the Mutual Fund during Liquidity Window:

The Cut-off time for receipt of valid application for Redemptions directly with the Fund during Liquidity Window is 3.00 p.m. Valid applications received by the fund upto the cut-off time will be processed on the basis of the closing NAV of the day of receipt of request and for valid applications received after cut-off time, the closing NAV of the next Business Day shall be applicable.

11. Minimum Application Amount / Number of Units

Purchase (including switch-in)	Additional Purchase (including switch-in)	Redemption (including switch-out)
During NFO Period		
Rs. 500 per application and in multiples of Re. 1 thereafter Note: Units will be allotted in whole figures (after levy/ deduction of stamp duty charges, if any)	Rs. 500 per application and in multiples of Re. 1 thereafter Note: Units will be allotted in whole figures (after levy/ deduction of stamp duty charges, if any)	Not Applicable

Continuous offer period (after scheme re-opens for repurchase and sale)

A. On the Stock Exchange: Investors (including Market Makers and Large Investors):

Investors can subscribe (buy) and redeem (sell) Units on a continuous basis on NSE/BSE on which the Units are listed. On the Stock Exchange(s), the Units of the ETF can be purchased/sold in minimum lot of 1 (one) Unit and in multiples thereof. The price of the ETF Units in the secondary market on the Stock Exchange(s) will depend on demand and supply at that point of time.

B. Directly with the Fund - Market Makers/Large Investors:

On an ongoing basis, Market Makers and Large Investors* may approach the Fund directly for subscription / redemption of units of the ETF at the Intra-Day NAV in multiples of Creation Unit size. Additionally, the transaction handling charges, if any, will have to be borne by the Market Maker/Large Investor.

*The minimum application amount for Large Investors shall be Rs. 25 Crores (apart from the requirement of the application being in multiples of Creation Unit Size).

Application for subscription / redemption of the ETF Units in Creation Unit Size can be made either:

- in exchange of Cash* [as determined by the AMC equivalent to the cost incurred towards the purchase of predefined basket of securities that represent the Underlying Index (i.e. Portfolio Deposit)], Cash Component and other applicable transaction charges;
- in exchange of Portfolio Deposit [i.e. by depositing basket of securities constituting NIFTY Private Bank Index (TRI)] along with the cash component and applicable transaction charges.

Each Creation Unit Size will consist of 12,500 Units of the ETF and 1 Unit of the ETF will be approximately equal to 1/100th of the value of NIFTY Metal Index (TRI).

*Cash means payments shall be made only by means of payment instruction of Real Time Gross Settlement (RTGS)/National Electronic Funds Transfer (NEFT) or Funds Transfer Letter/Transfer Cheque of a bank where the Scheme has a collection account.

Note:

The transaction handling charges which include brokerage, Securities transaction tax, regulatory charges if any, depository participant charges, uploading charges and such other charges that the mutual fund may have to incur in the course of cash subscription/ redemption shall be recoverable from the transacting Investor.

C. Redemption directly with the Fund during Liquidity Window:

In such cases, valid applications received by the Fund upto the cut-off time will be processed on the basis of the closing NAV of the day of receipt of request and for valid applications received after cut-off time, the closing NAV of the next Business Day shall be applicable.

12. Despatch of Redemption Request

Within 3 working days of the receipt of valid redemption request at the Official Points of Acceptance of HDFC Mutual Fund for this Scheme or within such timelines as may be prescribed by SEBI / AMFI from time to time in case of exceptional circumstances or otherwise.

13. Benchmark Index

Nifty Metal Index (TRI)

14. Dividend / IDCW Policy

It is proposed to declare IDCW subject to availability of distributable surplus, as computed in accordance with SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 2026.

IDCW, if declared, will be paid (subject of deduction of tax at source, if any) to those Unitholders / Beneficial Owners whose names appear in the Register of Unit holders maintained by the Mutual Fund/ statement of beneficial ownership maintained by the Depositories, as applicable, under the IDCW option as on the Record Date. The IDCW payment shall be transferred to the Unitholders within 7 working days of the record date of such declaration of IDCW or such other timeline as may be specified by SEBI from time to time. In the event of failure to transfer IDCW within the stipulated period, the AMC shall be liable to pay interest @ 15% per annum to the Unitholders for the delay in payment as computed from the Record Date or from such other date or for such period as may be advised by SEBI from time to time. The Trustee/ AMC reserves the right to change the record date from time to time. However, it must be distinctly understood that the actual declaration of IDCW and the frequency thereof will inter alia, depend on the availability of distributable surplus as computed in accordance with SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 2026. The decision of the Trustee in this regard shall be final.

There is no assurance or guarantee to unit holders as to the rate of IDCW distribution nor that IDCW will be paid regularly. On payment of IDCW, the NAV will stand reduced by the amount of IDCW and IDCW tax (if applicable) paid.

15. Name of the Fund Manager

Mr. Abhishek Mor and Mr. Arun Agarwal

16. Name of the Trustee Company

HDFC Trustee Company Limited

17. Performance of the Scheme

This Scheme is a new Scheme and does not have any performance track record.

18. Additional Scheme related Disclosures

This is a new Scheme and therefore, the requirement of following additional disclosures is currently not applicable for the Scheme:

- The tenure for which the fund manager has been managing the Scheme.
- Scheme's portfolio holdings.
- Disclosure of name and exposure to Top 7 issuers, stocks, groups and sectors as percentage of NAV of the scheme in case of debt and equity ETFs/ Index funds.
- Portfolio Disclosure – Monthly
- Aggregate investment in the Scheme by Fund Manager(s), key personnel and AMC directors.

However, the following disclosures as and when due will be made available at the below given links:

Scheme's portfolio holdings - Monthly Portfolio - HDFC Mutual Fund
<https://www.hdfcfund.com/statutory-disclosure/portfolio/monthly-portfolio>

Exposure to Top 7 issuers, stocks, groups and sectors –

- Factsheet - Fund Factsheets – NAV & Portfolio Details | HDFC Mutual Fund
- <https://www.hdfcfund.com/statutory-disclosure/portfolio>
- <https://www.hdfcfund.com/statutory-disclosure/disclosure-of-issuerwise-groupwise-sectorwise-exposure-for-etf-index-funds>

Portfolio Disclosure –

- Monthly - Monthly Portfolio - HDFC Mutual Fund -
<https://www.hdfcfund.com/statutory-disclosure/portfolio/monthly-portfolio>

19. Expenses of the Scheme

1. Load Structure

Exit Load: Not Applicable

The AMC/ Trustee if it so deems fit in the interest of smooth and efficient functioning of the Mutual Fund reserves the right to introduce/modify the Load Structure depending upon the circumstances prevailing at that time subject to maximum limits as prescribed under the SEBI (MF) Regulations.

2. Recurring Expenses (% p.a. of daily Net Assets)

The AMC has estimated that upto 0.90% of the daily 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. Click here for Total Expense Ratio (TER) - <https://www.hdfcfund.com/statutory-disclosure/total-expense-ratio-of-mutual-fund-schemes/reports>

Click here for factsheet – <https://www.hdfcfund.com/investor-services/factsheets>

The maximum limit of recurring expenses that can be charged to the Scheme would be as per Regulation 66 of the SEBI (MF) Regulation, 2026. Investors are requested to read “Section- Annual Scheme Recurring Expenses” in the SID.

20. Tax Treatment for the Investors (Unit Holders)

Investors are advised to refer to the details in the Statement of Additional Information and also independently refer to their tax advisor.

21. Daily Net Asset Value (NAV) Publication

The AMC shall update the NAVs by 11.00 p.m. on every Business day on the website(s) of AMC and AMFI.

22. For Investor Grievances, Please Contact

Investors may contact any of the Investor Service Centres (ISCs) of the AMC for any queries / clarifications at telephone number 1800 3010 6767/ 1800 419 7676 (toll free), e-mail: hello@hdfcfund.com .	Registrar and Transfer Agent: Computer Age Management Services Ltd., Unit: HDFC Mutual Fund 5th Floor, Rayala Tower, 158, Anna Salai, Chennai - 600 002. Telephone No: 044-30212816 Fax No: 044-42032955 Email: enq_h@camsonline.com
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23. Unit Holder's Information

Allotment / Refund:

The AMC shall allot Units within 5 working days from the date of closure of the NFO period. Units will be allotted in whole figure. Excess amount, if any, would be refunded to the investor within 5 working days after the closure of the New Fund Offer.

Email ID for communication:

First / Sole Holders should register their own email address and mobile number in their folio for speed and ease of communication in a convenient and cost-effective manner, and to help prevent fraudulent transactions.

Account 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).

2. A Consolidated Account Statement (CAS) detailing all the transactions across all mutual funds 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 on registered email address or before 12th of the succeeding month and by 15th of the succeeding month for those who have opted for physical copy.
3. Half-yearly CAS shall be issued at the end of every six months (i.e. September/ March) on or before 18th day of succeeding month on registered email address and 21st for those who have opted for physical copy, 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.

Periodic Disclosures:

SR. No	Name of the Disclosure	Frequency	Timelines	Disclosed on	Link
1.	Half Yearly Results (Unaudited)	Half yearly	within one month from the close of each half year i.e. on 31st March and on 30th September.	AMC website AMFI website	https://www.hdfcfund.com/statutory-disclosure/scheme-financials https://www.amfiindia.com/otherdata/accounts
2.	Annual Report	Annually	not later than four months from the date of closure of the relevant account's year (i.e. 31st March each year).	AMC website AMFI website	https://www.hdfcfund.com/statutory-disclosure/annual-reports https://www.amfiindia.com/otherdata/accounts
3.	Daily Performance Disclosure (after scheme completes six months of existence)	Daily	-	AMFI website	https://www.amfiindia.com/otherdata/fund-performance
4.	Portfolio Disclosure	Monthly	within 10 calendar days from the close of each month	AMC website AMFI website	https://www.hdfcfund.com/statutory-disclosure/portfolio/monthly-portfolio https://www.amfiindia.com/online-center/portfolio-disclosure
5.	Monthly Average Asset under Management (Monthly AAUM) Disclosure	Monthly	within 7 working days from the end of the month.	AMC website	https://www.hdfcfund.com/statutory-disclosure/aum
6.	Scheme and Benchmark Riskometer	Monthly	within 10 calendar days from the close of each month.	AMC website AMFI website	https://www.hdfcfund.com/statutory-disclosure/portfolio https://www.amfiindia.com/online-center/risk-o-meter
7.	Tracking Error	Daily	Daily basis	AMC website AMFI website	https://www.hdfcfund.com/statutory-disclosure/tracking-error https://www.amfiindia.com/research-information/other-data/tracking_errordata
8.	Tracking Difference (Upon completion of 1 year of the Scheme, tracking difference shall be disclosed on the website of the AMC and AMFI, on a monthly basis)	Monthly	within 10 days from the close of each month.	AMC website AMFI website	https://www.hdfcfund.com/statutory-disclosure/tracking-error https://www.amfiindia.com/otherdata/tracking-error
9.	Change in constituents of the index, if any	As and when it is changed	Immediately	AMC website	Refer respective product pages on our website i.e. www.hdfcfund.com
10.	For Debt and Equity ETFs/ Index Funds - Name and exposure to top 7 issuers and stocks respectively as a percentage of NAV of the scheme - Name and exposure to top 7 groups as a percentage of NAV of the scheme. - Name and exposure to top 4 sectors as a percentage of NAV of the scheme.	Monthly basis	-	Monthly factsheet or in Monthly Portfolio – AMC website	https://www.hdfcfund.com/investor-services/factsheets Monthly Portfolio - HDFC Mutual Fund https://www.hdfcfund.com/statutory-disclosure/portfolio/monthly-portfolio https://www.hdfcfund.com/statutory-disclosure/disclosure-of-issuerwise-groupwise-sectorwise-exposure-for-etf-index-funds
11.	Scheme Summary Documents	Monthly	within 15 days from the close of each month or on changes in any of the specified fields, whichever is earlier.	AMC website AMFI website BSE website NSE website	https://www.hdfcfund.com/investor-services/fund-documents/scheme-summary https://www.amfiindia.com/otherdata/scheme-details https://www.bseindia.com/Static/Markets/MutualFunds/listOfAmc.aspx https://www.nseindia.com
12.	Investor Charter	-	As and when updated	AMC website	Investor Charter - MF.pdf

IMPORTANT

Before investing, investors should also ascertain about any further changes pertaining to scheme such as features, load structure, etc. made to the Scheme Information Document/ Key Information Memorandum by issue of addenda/ notice after the date of this Document from the AMC/ Mutual Fund/ Investor Service Centres (ISCs)/ Website/ Distributors or Brokers or Investment Advisers holding valid registrations.

CHECKLIST

Please ensure that your Application Form is complete in all respect and signed by all applicants:

- Name, Address and Contact Details are mentioned in full.
- Status of First/Sole Applicant is correctly indicated.
- Bank Account Details are entered completely and correctly.
- Permanent Account Number (PAN) of all Applicants is mentioned irrespective of the amount of purchase and proof attached (if not already validated) OR PAN Exempt KYC Reference Number (PEKRN) in case of PAN exempt investment.
- Please attach proof of KYC Compliance status if not already validated.
- Appropriate Plan / Option is selected.
- If units are applied by more than one applicant, Mode of Operation of account is indicated.

Your investment Cheque is drawn in favour of '**HDFC Nifty Metal ETF A/c PAN**' or '**HDFC Nifty Metal ETF A/c Investor Name**' dated, signed and crossed 'A/c Payee only'. Application Number/ Folio No. is mentioned on the reverse of the Cheque.

Documents as listed below are submitted along with the Application Form (as applicable to your specific case).

	Documents	HUF	Individuals/ Sole Proprietary Firms	Companies/ Trusts/ Societies/ Partnership Firms/ LLP	FPI [®]	NRI/ OCI/ PIO	Minor	Investments through Constituted Attorney
1.	Board/ Committee Resolution/ Authority Letter			✓				
2.	List of Authorised Signatories with Specimen Signature(s) @			✓	✓			✓
3.	Notarised Power of Attorney						✓	
4.	Account Debit Certificate in case payment is made by from NRE / FCNR A/c. where applicable				✓			
5.	PAN Proof		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ [#]	✓
6.	KYC Acknowledgement Letter / Print out of KYC Compliance Status downloaded from CDSL Ventures Ltd. website (www.cvlindia.com)		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ [#]	✓
7.	Proof of Date of Birth						✓	
8.	Proof of Relationship with Guardian (where Minor is Investor or Nominee)						✓	
9.	PIO / OCI Card (as applicable)					✓		
10.	Certificate of registration granted by Designated Depository Participant on behalf of SEBI				✓			
11.	Ultimate Beneficial Owner	✓		✓	✓			✓
12.	FATCA & CRS	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

@ Should be original or true copy certified by the Director / Trustee / Company Secretary / Authorised Signatory / Notary Public, as applicable.

[®] As per prevailing SEBI (FPI) Regulations, 2019, FPIs can invest in Indian Securities only through Stock Broker and in demat mode only. # If PAN/PEKRN/KYC proof of Minor is not available, PAN/PEKRN/KYC proof of Guardian should be provided.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. General Instructions

Please read the Key Information Memorandum/ Scheme Information Document of the Scheme and Statement of Additional Information and addenda issued from time to time (Scheme Documents) carefully before investing in the Scheme.

Upon signing and submitting the Application Form and tendering payment it will be deemed that the investors have accepted, agreed to and shall comply with the terms and conditions detailed in the Scheme Documents. Applications complete in all respects, may be submitted at the Official Points of Acceptance of HDFC Mutual Fund (the Fund).

The Application Form should be completed in **ENGLISH** and in **BLOCK LETTERS** only. Please tick in the appropriate box for relevant options wherever applicable. Do not overwrite. For any correction / changes if made in the Application Form, the Applicant(s) shall enter the correct details pursuant to cancellation of incorrect details and authenticate the corrected details by counter-signing against the changes.

Applications completed in all respects, must be submitted at the Investor Service Centres (ISCs) of HDFC AMC.

All Investors (Market Makers, Large Investors and Other Investors), can buy/sell units on a continuous basis on the National Stock Exchange of India Ltd. (NSE) and BSE Limited (BSE).

The Application Form number / Folio number should be written by the Investors on the reverse of the cheques and bank drafts accompanying the Application Form. Applications incomplete in any respect are liable to be rejected. HDFC Asset Management Company Limited (the AMC)/ HDFC Trustee Company Limited (Trustee) have absolute discretion to reject any such Application Forms.

Copies of the supporting documents submitted should be accompanied by originals for verification. In case the original of any document is not produced for verification, Mutual Fund/ AMC reserves the right to seek attested copies of the supporting documents.

Investments through distributors

As per directions of Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), Investors can route their application forms directly and/or through the distributors/ employees of the distributor who hold a valid certification from the National Institute of Securities Markets (NISM) and ARN provided by Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI). Further, no agents / distributors are entitled to sell units of mutual funds unless the intermediary is registered with AMFI.

In case SEBI Registered stock brokers/non-individual Investment Advisors (IA)/Portfolio Managers are offering distributor services to their clients, they can offer only Regular Plans for that client using their distributor code/AMFI Registration Number (ARN). Accordingly, they will have visibility of their client's transaction data feeds only for such plans.

Investment in direct plan through stock broker/non-individual IA/PMS:

In case SEBI Registered stock brokers/non-individual Investment Advisors/Portfolio Managers are offering advisory service to their clients, they can execute/invest only in direct plans of Mutual Funds for that client using their SEBI Registration Numbers as Broker/RIA/PMS code. Accordingly, they will have visibility of their client's transaction data feeds only for such plans.

Employee Unique Identification Number (EUID)

Every employee/ relationship manager/ sales person of the distributor of mutual fund products to quote the EUID obtained by him/her from AMFI in the Application Form. Investors are requested to verify the AMFI registration details from their Distributor. However, in case of any exceptional cases, where there is no interaction by the employee/ sales person/relationship manager of the distributor/sub broker with respect to the transaction and EUID box is left blank, you are required to provide the duly signed declaration to the effect as given in the form.

These requirements do not apply to Overseas Distributors.

New cadre distributors

Postal agents, retired government and semi-government officials (class III and above or equivalent), retired teachers and retired bank officers (all such retired persons with at least 10 years of service) and other similar persons (such as Bank correspondents) as may be notified by AMFI/ the AMC from time to time as new cadre distributors are permitted to sell eligible schemes of the Fund (details of eligible scheme is available on www.hdfcfund.com). They also hold an EUID which must be quoted in the application form. In case your application for subscription through such distributor is not for an eligible scheme, it is liable to be rejected.

These requirements do not apply to Overseas Distributors

Overseas Distributors

For, overseas Distributors, the ARN Code provided by AMFI is required to be incorporated in the space provided. Overseas Distributors are required to comply with the laws, rules and regulations of jurisdictions where they carry out their operations in the capacity of distributors.

2. Existing Unit holder information

Investors/Unit holders already having a folio with the Fund should fill in **Section 1** and proceed to **Section 1, 5, 7, 10, 12, 14** only. The personal details and Bank Account details as they feature in the existing folio would apply to this investment provided these details match with that in your demat account. The details in your demat account would prevail over any conflicting information furnished in this form. Unit holders' name should be in the same sequence as appearing in your demat account, failing which the Application Form is liable to be rejected.

3. UNITHOLDER INFORMATION

- Name, address and contact details like telephone, mobile and email address must be written in full. On successful validation of the contact details (mobile number and email id), as per AMFI Guidelines, the same will be registered in the folio. On successful validation of the investor's PAN for KYC, the address provided in the KYC form will override the address mentioned in this form.

Applications under a Power of Attorney or by a limited company or a body corporate or an eligible institution or a registered society or a trust or limited liability partnership (LLP) or partnership must be accompanied by the original Power of Attorney/ board resolution or a certified true copy/duly notarized copy of the same. Authorised officials should sign the Application Form under their official designation. A list of specimen signatures of the authorised officials, duly certified / attested should also be attached to the Application Form.

All communication and payments shall be made by the Fund in the name of and favouring the first/ sole applicant. In case of applications made in joint names without indicating the mode of holding, mode of holding will be deemed as 'Joint' and processed accordingly.

The applicant(s) details mentioned in **Section 3** should be the same as appearing in demat account held with a Depository Participant.

- In accordance with SEBI Circular No. CIR/MIRSD/13/2013 dated December 26, 2013, the additional details viz. Occupation details, Gross Annual Income/network and Politically Exposed Person (PEP)* status mentioned under section 5 which was forming part of uniform KYC form will now be captured in the application form of the Fund. Also, the detail of nature of services viz. Foreign Exchange/Gaming/Money Lending, etc., (applicable for first/sole applicant) is required to be provided as part of Client Due Diligence (CDD) Process of the Fund.

The said details are mandatory for both Individual and Non Individual applicants.

*PEP are defined as individuals who are or have been entrusted with prominent public functions in a foreign country, e.g., Heads of States or of Governments, senior politicians, senior Government/judicial/ military officers, senior executives of state owned

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corporations, important political party officials. PEP shall include the family members or close relatives / associates of PEPs.

c. Accounts of Minors

The minor shall only be the sole Unit holder in a folio. Joint holding is not allowed. Details of the natural parent viz., father or mother or court appointed legal Guardian must be mentioned for investments made on behalf of a minor.

Date of birth of the minor along with photocopy of supporting documents (i.e. Birth certificate, School leaving certificate / Mark sheet issued by Higher Secondary Board of respective states, ICSE, CBSE etc., Passport, or any other suitable proof evidencing the date of birth of the minor) should be provided while opening the folio. In case of a natural parent, documents evidencing the relationship of the natural parent with the minor, if the same is not available as part of the documents mentioned above should be submitted. In case of court appointed legal guardian, supporting documentary evidence should be provided.

The folio(s) held on behalf of a minor Unit holder shall be frozen for operation by the natural parent/legal guardian on the day the minor attains majority and no transactions henceforth shall be permitted till requisite documents evidencing change of status from 'minor' Unit holder are received.

d. Details under FATCA & CRS: The Central Board of Direct Taxes has notified Rules 114F to 114H, as part of the Income tax Rules, 1962, which require Indian financial institutions to seek additional personal, tax and beneficial owner information and certain certifications and documentation from all our unit holders. In relevant cases, information will have to be reported to tax authorities / appointed agencies. Towards compliance, we may also be required to provide information to any institutions such as withholding agents for the purpose of ensuring appropriate withholding from the folio(s) or any proceeds in relation thereto. Should there be any change in any information provided by you, please ensure you advise us promptly, i.e., within 30 days. Please note that you may receive more than one request for information if you have multiple relationships with us or our group entities. Therefore, it is important that you respond to our request, even if you believe you have already supplied any previously requested information. If you have any questions about your tax residency, please contact your tax advisor. Further if you are a Citizen or resident or green card holder or tax resident other than India, please include all such countries in the tax resident country information field along with your Tax Identification Number or any other relevant reference ID/ Number. If no TIN is yet available or has not yet been issued, please provide an explanation and attach this to the form.

e. Who cannot invest?

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

a. NRIs/ PIOs may invest/ transact, in the Scheme, when present in India, as lump sum subscription, switch transaction, redemption, including registration 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.

b. 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.

The Trustee/AMC reserves the right to put the transaction requests received from such U.S. person on hold/reject the transaction request/redeem the units, if allotted, as the case may be, as and when identified by the AMC that the same is not in compliance with the applicable laws and/or the terms and conditions stipulated by Trustee/AMC from time to time. Such redemptions will be subject to applicable taxes and exit load, if any.

The physical application form(s) for transactions (in non-demat mode) from such U.S. person will be accepted ONLY at the Investor Service Centres (ISCs) of HDFC Asset Management Company Limited (HDFC AMC). Additionally, such transactions in physical application form(s) will also be accepted through Distributors and other platforms subject to receipt of such additional documents/undertakings, etc., as may be stipulated by AMC/ Trustee from time to time from the Distributors/Investors.

2. Residents of Canada;

3. Investor residing in any Financial Action Task Force (FATF) designated High Risk jurisdiction.

*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.

4. DEMATERIALIZATION

The Applicant intending to invest in the Scheme 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 ID No. and Beneficiary Account No. with the DP at the time of purchasing units. Applicants must ensure that the sequence of names as mentioned in the Application Form in **Sections 2, Section 3** match with that of the account held with the Depository Participant. Names, Address, PAN details etc. mentioned in the Application Form will be verified against the Depository data. Only those applications where the details are matched with the depository data, will be treated as valid applications. **If the details mentioned in the application are incomplete/ incorrect, not matched with the depository data, the application shall be treated as invalid and shall be liable to be rejected.** The units of the Scheme will be issued, traded and settled compulsorily in dematerialized (electronic) form.

Account statement i.e. statement of holding/CAS for units held in demat mode will be issued by Depository Participant/ Depositories only.

5. BANK DETAILS

A. Bank Account Details (For redemption/ IDCW if any):

If an investor has a folio generated by the AMC (even for units held in demat mode), the redemption proceeds shall be credited to the bank account registered in the folio of the investor. Otherwise, the redemption proceeds shall be credited to the bank account linked to his demat account. Units will be redeemed on First In First Out (FIFO) basis. Redemption will not be processed if PAN is not updated in non-PAN exempt folios. Redemption may also not be processed if KYC compliant status is not updated in the folio.

An investor at the time of purchase of units must provide the details of the pay-out bank account (i.e. account into which redemption / IDCW proceeds are to be paid) in **Section 7** in the Application Form. The same is mandated to be provided under SEBI Regulations.

In case pay-out bank account is **different** from pay-in bank account mentioned under **Section 7** in the Application Form, the investor subscribing under a new folio is required to submit **any one** of following as a documentary proof along with the application form validating that **pay-out bank account** pertain to the sole / first Applicant.

In case of folios held on behalf of a minor, the pay out bank account should be held in the name of the minor or minor with guardian in the folio. Once the bank account is registered in the folio, it can be used for both pay-out and pay-in purposes

(i) Cancelled **original** cheque leaf of the pay-out bank account (where the account number and first applicant name is printed on the face of the cheque). Applicants should without fail cancel the cheque and write 'Cancelled' on the face of it to prevent any possible misuse;

(ii) Self attested copy of the bank pass book or a statement of bank account with current entries not older than 3 months having the name and address of the first applicant and account number;

(iii) A letter from the bank on its letterhead certifying that the applicant maintains an account with the bank, the bank account information like bank account number, bank branch, account type, the MICR code of the branch & IFSC Code (where available).

Note: The above documents shall be submitted in Original. If copies are furnished, the same must be submitted at the Official Point of Acceptance (OPAs) of the Fund where they will be verified with the original documents to the satisfaction of the Fund. The original documents will be returned across the counter to the applicant after due verification. In case the original of any document is not produced for verification, then the copies should be attested by the bank manager with his / her full signature, name, employee code, bank seal and contact number.

Further, in exceptional cases where Third Party Payments [as stated under **instruction 9** below] are accepted, the investor is required to submit any one of the documentary proofs as stated in (i), (ii) and (iii) above for the pay-out bank account. Investors are requested to note that applications for new folio creation submitted (wherein pay-out bank details is different from pay-in bank details) without any of the above mentioned documents relating to pay-out bank account details will be treated as invalid and liable to be rejected.

B. Multiple Bank Account Registration:

An investor may register multiple bank accounts (currently upto 5 for Individuals and 10 for Non – Individuals) for receiving redemption/ IDCW proceeds etc. by providing necessary documents and filing up of Multiple Bank Accounts Registration form.

C. Indian Financial System Code (IFSC)

IFSC is a 11 digit number given by some of the banks on the cheques. IFSC will help to secure transfer of redemption and IDCW payouts via the various electronic mode of transfers that are available with the banks.

6. INVESTMENT AND PAYMENT DETAILS

There are no investment Plans/Options being offered under the Scheme.

However, the Trustee reserve the right to introduce investment plans/options under the Scheme at a future date in accordance with SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 2026.

• Cash Subscription (i.e. Subscription of Creation Unit by paying the Subscription amount to the Fund)

(i) The Investor will have to calculate the amount payable for Subscription applications based on latest available NAV of the Scheme. In addition to NAV, the Investor should also give due consideration to costs of purchasing the basket of securities, market movement from the time of application to actual purchase of securities by the Fund etc. Any excess amount paid on application will be refunded to the Investor on allotment of Units. All cheques/bank drafts/ pay orders should be drawn in favour of "HDFC Nifty Metal ETF A/c PAN" or "HDFC Nifty Metal ETF A/c Investor Name" and crossed "Account Payee Only". No out station cheques will be accepted.

(ii) In case of cash Subscription, Investors can also directly transfer the Subscription amount to the Scheme's cash Subscription/ Redemption account, details of which are mentioned under **Section 9** of the Application cum Transaction form.

(iii) The Creation Unit will be subject to transaction handling charges incurred by the Fund/AMC. Such transaction handling charges shall be recoverable from the transacting Market Maker or Large Investor. No kind of credit facility would be extended during creation of units. The Fund may from time to time change the size of the Creation Unit in order to equate it with marketable lots of the underlying instruments

• Pay-In Bank Account

An investor at the time of his/her purchase of units must provide the details of his / her pay-in bank account (i.e. account from which a subscription payment is being made) in **Section 8** in the Application Form. In case of minors, subscription payment must be made from a bank account of the minor/ minor with guardian in the folio. Please write Cheque/ DD/ Payment Instrument in favour of "HDFC Nifty Metal ETF A/c PAN" or "HDFC Nifty Metal ETF A/c Investor Name".

• Resident Investors

(a) For Investors having a bank account with HDFC Bank Limited or such banks with whom the AMC may have an arrangement from time to time:

Payment may be made for subscription to the Units of the Scheme either by issuing a cheque drawn on such banks or by giving a debit mandate to their account with a branch of HDFC Bank Limited situated at the same location as the ISC or such other banks with whom the AMC may have an arrangement from time to time.

(b) For other Investors not covered by (a) above:

Payment may be made by cheque or bank draft drawn on any bank, which is a member of the Bankers' Clearing House and is located at the place where the application is submitted. No money orders, post-dated cheques and postal orders will be accepted. No out station cheques will be accepted. Bank charges for outstation demand drafts will be borne by the AMC and will be limited to the bank charges stipulated by the State Bank of India. Outstation Demand Draft has been defined as a demand draft issued by a bank where there is no ISC available for Investors.

The AMC will not accept any request for refund of demand draft charges.

• NRIs, PIOs, OCIs

- In the case of NRIs/PIOs/OCIs, payment may be made either by inward remittance through normal banking channels or out of funds held in the NRE/ FCNR in the case of Purchases on a repatriation basis or out of funds held in the NRE / FCNR / NRO account, in the case of Purchases on a non-repatriation basis. In case Indian rupee drafts are purchased abroad or payments from FCNR or NRE accounts, an account debit certificate from the Bank issuing the draft confirming the debit and/or foreign inward remittance certificate (FIRC) by Investor's banker shall also be enclosed.

- FPIs shall pay their subscription either by inward remittance through normal banking channels or out of funds held in Foreign Currency Account or Special Non-Resident Rupee Account maintained by the FPI with a designated branch of an authorised dealer.

INSTRUCTIONS (Contd.)

In order to prevent frauds and misuse of payment instruments, the investors are mandated to make the payment instrument i.e. cheque, demand draft, pay order, etc. favouring either of the following given below and crossed "Account Payee only". Investors are urged to follow the order of preference in making the payment instrument favouring as under:

1. 'HDFC Nifty Metal ETF A/c Permanent Account Number' or
2. 'HDFC Nifty Metal ETF A/c First Investor Name'

e.g. The cheque should be drawn in favour of "HDFC Nifty Metal ETF A/c ABCDE1234F" OR "HDFC Nifty Metal ETF A/c Bhavesh Shah". Returned cheque(s) are liable not to be presented again for collection, and the accompanying Application Form is liable to be rejected. In case the returned cheque(s) are presented again, the necessary charges are liable to be debited to the Investor.

• Subscription through RTGS/NEFT:

The investor has to place a RTGS / NEFT request with his bank from where the funds are to be paid and submit the bank acknowledged copy of request letter with the application form and mention on the application form the UTR (Unique Transaction Reference) Number which is generated for their request by the bank.

RTGS/NEFT request is subject to the RBI regulations and guidelines governing the same. The AMC/Fund shall not be liable for any loss arising or resulting from delay in credit of funds in the Fund/Scheme collection account.

• Portfolio Deposit Subscription (i.e. Subscription of Creation Unit in exchange of Portfolio Deposit)

Market Maker and Large Investors can also subscribe units of the Scheme directly with the fund in creation unit size against the exchange of Portfolio Deposit and Cash Component. The requisite Securities constituting the Portfolio Deposit have to be transferred to the Fund's Depository Participant account while the Cash Component has to be paid to the Custodian/AMC. On confirmation of the same by the Custodian/AMC, the AMC will create and transfer the equivalent number of Units of the Scheme into the Investor's Depository Participant account and pay/ recover the Cash Component and transaction handling charges, if any. The details of Fund's DP account are mentioned under Section 9 of the Application cum Transaction form.

7. Mode of Payment of Redemption/ IDCW Proceeds-via Direct Credit / NEFT

• Cash Redemption (i.e. Redemption of Creation Unit in exchange of cash)

The Fund allows Cash Redemption of the Units of the Scheme in Creation Unit size by Large Investors/ Market Maker. Such Investors shall make Redemption request to the Fund/AMC whereupon the Fund/AMC will arrange to sell underlying portfolio Securities on behalf of the Investor. Accordingly, the sale proceeds of portfolio Securities, after adjusting the Cash Component and transaction handling charges will be remitted to the Investor.

• Portfolio Deposit Redemption (i.e. Redemption of Creation Unit in exchange of Portfolio Deposit)

The Fund allows Redemption of the Units of the Scheme in Creation Unit size by Large Investors/ Market Maker in exchange of portfolio deposit. The requisite number of Units of the Scheme equivalent to the Creation Unit has to be transferred to the Fund's Depository Participant account and the Cash Component to be paid to the AMC/Custodian. On confirmation of the same by the AMC, the AMC will transfer the Portfolio Deposit to the Investor's Depository Participant account and pay/recover the Cash Component and transaction handling charges, if any. The details of Fund's DP account are mentioned under Section 9 of the form.

• Real Time Gross Settlement (RTGS)/National Electronic Funds Transfer (NEFT)

The AMC provides the facility of 'Real Time Gross Settlement (RTGS)' and 'National Electronic Funds Transfer (NEFT)' offered by Reserve Bank of India (RBI), which aims to provide credit of redemption and IDCW payouts (if any) directly into the bank account of the Unit holder maintained with the banks (participating in the RTGS/ NEFT System).

NEFT is electronic fund transfer modes that operate on a deferred net settlement (DNS) basis which settles transactions in batches. Contrary to this, in RTGS, transactions are processed continuously throughout the RTGS business hours. The minimum amount to be remitted through RTGS is Rs. 2 lakhs. There is no upper ceiling for RTGS transactions. No minimum or maximum stipulation has been fixed for NEFT transactions.

Unit holders can check the list of banks participating in the RTGS / NEFT System from the RBI website i.e. www.rbi.org.in or contact any of our Investor Service Centres. However, in the event of the name of Unit holder's bank not appearing in the 'List of Banks participating in RTGS/ NEFT' updated on RBI website www.rbi.org.in, from time to time, the instructions of the Unit holder for remittance of redemption/ IDCW (if any) proceeds via RTGS / NEFT System will be discontinued by Fund / AMC without prior notice to the Unit holder and the payouts of redemption / IDCW (if any) proceeds shall be effected by sending the Unit holder(s) a cheque/ demand draft.

For more details on RTGS / NEFT or for frequently asked questions (FAQs) on RTGS/ NEFT, Unit holders are advised to visit the RBI website www.rbi.org.in/Fund website www.hdfcfund.com

• Direct Credit

The AMC has entered into arrangements with eleven banks to facilitate direct credit of redemption and IDCW proceeds (if any) into the bank account of the respective Unit holders maintained with any of these banks. These banks are: Axis Bank Ltd., Citibank N.A., Deutsche Bank AG, HDFC Bank Limited, The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, ICICI Bank Limited, IDBI Bank Limited, Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd., Standard Chartered Bank and YES Bank Limited. The list of banks is subject to change from time to time.

In the absence of a specific request from the Unit holder exercising their choice of the mode of payment offered by the Fund from time to time, the payment of redemption / IDCW proceeds shall be effected via the RTGS / NEFT mechanism only.

Where this payment mode is not feasible / available, the payment of such proceeds will be made by DC as may be feasible.

Unit holders are advised to opt for the NEFT / RTGS, as it helps in avoiding loss of IDCW/ redemption warrant in transit or fraudulent encashment. Please update your IFSC Code in order to get payouts via electronic mode in to your bank account.

The AMC / Fund shall not be held liable for any losses/ claims, etc. arising on account of processing the direct credit or credit via RTGS/NEFT of redemption / IDCW proceeds on the basis of Bank Account details as provided by the Unit holder in the Application Form.

In case of unforeseen circumstances, the AMC/Fund reserves the right to issue a remit monies through electronic modes, if relevant details are available in investor's folio / KYC records.

Any charges levied by the investor's bank for receiving payment through electronic mode will be borne by the investor. The Mutual Fund / AMC will not accept any request for refund of such bank charges.

AMC reserves the rights to change the payout mode from cheque to electronic credit OR vice versa in case such a situation arises requiring the need for this conversion in payout mode to ensure faster payment.

8. Cash Component

Cash Component represents the difference between Net Assets Value (NAV) and the closing market price of the basket of securities of the Underlying Index as at the end of previous Business Day.

This difference includes accrued IDCW, accrued annual charges, management fees, accrued interest income earned by the Scheme, if any, and residual cash in the Scheme. In addition, the Cash Component will include transaction cost as charged by the Custodian/DP, equalization of IDCW and other incidental expenses for Creating Units including statutory levies, if any. Cash Component will also include exit load, if applicable.

The Cash Component will vary from time to time and will be decided and announced by the AMC at the beginning of a Business Day and will apply to all transactions for that day.

9. E-mail Communication

Investors should ensure that the email id provided is that of First /Sole holder or of their Family member. Family means spouse, dependent children, Dependant Sibling or dependent parents. This email address and mobile no. provided shall be registered in the folio for all communications. In case, this section is left blank, the email id and mobile no. of the First / Sole Holder available in the KYC records shall be registered in the folio. First / Sole Holder in the folio must provide their own email address and mobile number for speed and ease of communication in a convenient and cost-effective manner, and to help prevent fraudulent transactions.

If the AMC / RTA finds that the email address / mobile number provided may not be of the actual investor or the same appears incorrect / doubtful, the AMC / RTA may not capture / update such email address / mobile number in the folio. In such case they will intimate the investor to provide the correct email address / mobile number through a KYC change request form or other permissible mode.

Provision of email address, will be treated as your consent to receive, Allotment confirmations, consolidated account statement/account statement, annual report/abridged summary and any statutory / other information as permitted via electronic mode/email. These documents shall be sent physically in case the Unit holder opts/request for the same. Should the Unit holder experience any difficulty in accessing the electronically delivered documents, the Unit holder shall promptly intimate the Fund about the same to enable the Fund to make the delivery through alternate means. It is deemed that the Investor is aware of all security risks including possible third party interception of the documents and contents of the documents becoming known to third parties.

The AMC / Trustee reserve the right to send any communication in physical mode.

10. ELECTRONIC SERVICES (e-Services)

In order to transact online, all investors must create User ID and password themselves. For individuals (sole holders), the online access will automatically be enabled once folio is created. However, non individuals and individuals with mode of holding as Joint, investors will be able to create User ID and Password only if they have applied for online access in the application form and the same has been enabled after folio creation upon receipt of all required valid documents.

The e-Services facility includes **HDFCMF^{Online} Investors**, a Unitholder's transaction portal. The AMC/Fund may at its sole discretion offer/discontinue any and/or all of the e-Services facilities offered to any Unitholder in the event the facility is restricted under the applicable jurisdictional laws of such Unitholder.

HDFCMF^{Online} Investors

The Fund's website www.hdfcfund.com offers this facility to enable Unitholders to execute purchases, redemptions, switches, Systematic transactions, Rollover, Change IDCW option, Transfer IDCW plan, add/update Nominee details, add/delete bank details, update contact details. In addition, a Unitholder can seek account details, view his portfolio's valuation, download various account statements, request for documents and avail such other services as may be introduced by the Fund from time to time. **HDFCMF^{Online} Investors** is also available as an app on mobile devices. Unitholders can have access by downloading the app.

eAlerts

This facility enables the Unit holder to receive SMS/ email / WhatsApp/ other electronic / notifications/ confirmations for purchase, redemption, SIP, switch, IDCW declaration details and other alerts.

For further details and the terms and conditions applicable for availing e-Services, please visit our website www.hdfcfund.com

11. Signatures

Signature(s) should be in English or in any Indian Language. Applications on behalf of minors should be signed by their natural parent/legal Guardian. In case of a HUF, the Karta should sign the Application Form on behalf of the HUF.

In case of an application through a constituted Attorney, the Power of Attorney should be signed by the investor and the constituted Attorney. The Application Form should be signed in such cases by such constituted Attorney.

12. Permanent Account Number

SEBI has made it mandatory for all applicants (in the case of application in joint names, each of the applicants) to mention the permanent account number (PAN) irrespective of the amount of investment [Except as given below]. Where the applicant is a minor, and does not possess his / her own PAN, he / she shall quote the PAN of his/ her natural parent/legal guardian, as the case may be. However, PAN is not mandatory in the case of Central Government, State Government entities and the officials appointed by the courts e.g. Official liquidator, Court receiver etc (under the category of Government) for transacting in the securities market. PAN card copy is not required separately if KYC acknowledgement letter is made available with PAN number. The Fund reserves the right to ascertain the status of such entities with adequate supporting documents. Applications not complying with the above requirement may not be accepted/processed.

No Redemption and related transaction(s) will be processed, in case PAN is not updated in the folios. Accordingly, such unitholders will have to submit the redemption and related transactions along with a self-attested copy of PAN, for all the jointholders. Such request will be processed only after successful validation of the PAN with the Income Tax Department's portal. If the PAN validation fails, or if the request is not accompanied with a copy of the PAN card, such request will not be processed. Such Unitholders will have to resubmit the transaction request along with self-attested copy of valid PAN card.

For further details, please refer Section 'Permanent Account Number' under Statement of Additional Information available on our website www.hdfcfund.com

• PAN Exempt Investments

SEBI vide clause 17.6.1 of SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds dated March 20, 2026 has clarified that investments in mutual funds schemes (including investments in SIPs) of upto

Rs.50,000 per investor per year across all schemes of the Fund shall be exempt from the requirement of PAN. Accordingly, individuals (including Joint Holders who are individuals, NRIs but not PIOs, Minors) and Sole proprietary firms who do not possess a PAN ("Eligible Investors")* are exempt from submission of PAN for investments upto Rs.50,000 in a rolling 12 month period or in a financial year i.e. April to March. However, Eligible Investors are required to undergo Know Your Customer (KYC) procedure with any of the SEBI registered KYC Registration Authorities (KRA). Eligible Investors must quote PAN Exempt KYC Reference Number (PEKRN) issued by the KRA under the KYC acknowledgement letter in the application form and submit a copy thereof along with the application form. In case the applicant is a minor, PAN /PEKRN details of the Guardian shall be submitted, as applicable. Eligible Investors (i.e. the First Holder) must not possess a PAN at the time of submission of application form. Eligible investors must hold only one PEKRN issued by any one of the KRAs.

If an application for investment together within investments made in a rolling 12 month period or in a financial year exceeds Rs.50,000, such an application will be rejected.

Fresh / Additional Purchase and Systematic Investment Plans will be covered in the limit of Rs.50,000. Investors may switch their investments to other Schemes. However, if the amount per switch transaction is Rs.50,000 or more, in accordance with the extant Income Tax rules, investors will be required to furnish a copy of PAN to the Mutual Fund.

The detailed procedures / requirements for accepting applications shall be as specified by the AMC/Trustee from time to time and their decision in this behalf will be final and binding.

* HUFs and other categories are not eligible for such investments.

13. Prevention of Money Laundering

SEBI vide its circular no. CIR/ISD/AML/3/2010 dated December 31, 2010 issued a 'Master Circular on Anti Money Laundering (AML) Standards/ Combating the Financing of Terrorism (CFT)/Obligations of Securities Market Intermediaries under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002' which has been most recently updated on February 03, 2023 and other circulars issued from time to time, mandated that all intermediaries including Mutual Funds should formulate and implement a proper policy framework as per the guidelines on anti money laundering measures and also to adopt a Know Your Customer (KYC) policy

The Investor(s) should ensure that the amount invested in the Scheme is through legitimate sources only and does not involve and is not designated for the purpose of any contravention or evasion of the provisions of the Income Tax Act, Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), Prevention of Corruption Act and / or any other applicable law in force and also any laws enacted by the Government of India from time to time or any rules, regulations, notifications or directions issued thereunder.

To ensure appropriate identification of the Investor(s) and with a view to monitor transactions for the prevention of money laundering, the AMC/ Fund reserves the right to seek information, record investor's telephonic calls and or obtain and retain documentation for establishing the identity of the Investor(s), their beneficial ownership, proof of residence, source of funds, etc. It may re-verify identity and obtain any incomplete or additional information for this purpose.

The Fund, AMC, Trustee and their Directors, employees and agents shall not be liable in any manner for any claims arising whatsoever on account of freezing the folios/rejection of any application / allotment of Units or mandatory redemption of Units due to non compliance with the provisions of the PMLA, SEBI/AMFI circular(s) and KYC policy and / or where the AMC believes that transaction is suspicious in nature within the purview of the PMLA and SEBI/AMFI circular(s) and reporting the same to FIU-IND.

For further details, please refer Section 'Prevention of Money Laundering' under the Statement of Additional Information available on our website www.hdfcfund.com

14. Know Your Customer (KYC) Compliance

a. KYC registered under KYC Registration Agency (KRA):

Units held in account statement (non-demat) form

It is mandatory for the Investors to quote the KYC Compliance Status of each applicant (guardian in case of minor) in the application and attach proof of KYC Compliance viz. KYC Acknowledgement Letter for all purchases/ switches/ redemptions/ registrations for Systematic Investment Plan (SIP)/ Systematic Transfer Plan (STP)/Flex STP/ Flexindex Plan/ Transfer of IDCW Plan Facility ("TIP Facility"). Applicants intending to apply for units through a Power of Attorney (PoA) must ensure that the issuer of the PoA and the holder of the PoA must mention their KYC Compliance Status and attach proof of KYC Compliance at the time of investment. For cases where the KYC status is 'Under Process'/'In-Progress', AMC may accept the subscription/switch transactions and process the same, but keep the units 'on hold' from any further transactions till KYC status is 'Verified'.

SEBI has introduced a common KYC Application Form for all the SEBI registered intermediaries. New investors are therefore requested to use the common KYC Application Form and carry out the KYC process including In-Person Verification (IPV) with any SEBI registered intermediaries including mutual funds. The KYC Application Forms are also available on our website www.hdfcfund.com. Existing KYC compliant investors of the Fund can continue the practice of providing KYC Acknowledgement Letter/ Printout of KYC Compliance Status downloaded from CDSL Ventures Ltd. (CVL) website (www.cvlindia.com) using the PAN at the time of investment.

Once the investor has done KYC with any SEBI registered intermediary, the investor need not undergo the same process again with the Fund provided the KYC has been done with Aadhaar as the Proof of Identity. In case, the KYC is done with any other Officially Valid Document as proof of Identity, the investor would need to undergo the KYC every time they invest with a new SEBI registered intermediary i.e. AMC. However, the Fund reserves the right to carry out fresh KYC of the investor in its discretion.

Units held in electronic (demat) form

For units held in demat form, the KYC performed by the Depository Participant of the applicants will be considered as KYC verification done by the Trustee / AMC. In the event of non compliance of KYC requirements, the Trustee/AMC reserves the right to freeze the folio of the investor(s) and effect mandatory redemption of unit holdings of the investors at the applicable NAV, subject to payment of exit load, if any.

For further details, please refer Section 'Know Your Customer (KYC) Compliance' under Statement of Additional Information available on our website www.hdfcfund.com

b. Central KYC Records Registry (CKYCR):

The Government of India vide their Notification dated November 26, 2015 authorised the Central Registry of Securitisation Asset Reconstruction and Security Interest of India (CERSAI) to act as and to perform the functions of the Central KYC Records Registry under the said rules, including receiving, storing, safeguarding and retrieving the KYC records under the Prevention of Money-Laundering Act, 2002. SEBI required all the market intermediaries to update/upload KYC details of the **new customer/investors (not KYC-KRA compliant)** on CERSAI's online platform. CERSAI is a centralized repository of KYC records of customers/investors in the financial sector with uniform KYC norms and inter-usability of the KYC records across the sector with an objective to reduce the burden of producing KYC documents and getting those verified every time when the customer/investors creates a new relationship with a financial entity. Central KYC (CKYC) will store all the customer/investor information at one central server that is accessible to all the financial institutions. After opening a KYC account under the CKYC, customer/investor will get a 14-digit identification number ("KYC Number") and that the same may be quoted by the investor wanting to invest in mutual funds. Further, the Mutual Fund/AMC is required to check whether the PAN of the investor has been updated in CKYCR. In case the PAN has not been updated, the Mutual Fund/AMC shall collect a self certified copy of the investor's PAN card and update/upload the same in CKYCR.

The address, date of birth and other key information of the investors will get updated from KRA-KYC database or any other KYC database as authorized by Regulators.

In case the Investor uses the old KRA KYC form for updating of any KYC information, such investor shall be required to provide additional/missing information only by using the supplementary CKYC form or fill the new "CKYC form".

15. Ultimate Beneficial Owners(s)

Pursuant to SEBI Master Circular No. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD-SEC-5/P/CIR/2023/022 dated February 03, 2023 on AML/CFT Obligations, Guidelines on identification of Beneficial Ownership issued by SEBI vide its Circular No. CIR/MIRSD/2/2013 dated January 24, 2013 and other circulars issued from time to time, investors (other than Individuals) are required to provide details of 'Ultimate Beneficial Owner(s) (UBO(s))'. In case the investor or owner of the controlling interest is a company listed on a stock exchange or is a majority owned subsidiary of such a company, the details of shareholders or beneficial owners are not required to be provided.

Non-individual applicants/investors are mandated to provide the details on 'Ultimate Beneficial Owner(s) (UBO(s))' by filling up the declaration form for 'Ultimate Beneficial Ownership'. Please contact the nearest Investor Service Centre (ISC) of HDFC Mutual Fund or log on to 'Investor Corner' section on our website www.hdfcfund.com for the Declaration Form

16. CONSENT FOR TELEMARKETING

HDFC AMC shall treat this as an explicit consent by the Unit Holder(s) to send promotional information/ material to the mobile number(s)/ email id provided by the Unit Holder(s) in this Application Form and such consent shall supersede all the previous consents/ registrations by the Unit Holder(s) in this regard. If you do not wish to receive such promotional information/ materials, please write to us at cliser@hdfcfund.com or submit a written application at any of the Investor Service Centres (ISC) of the Fund. Please quote your PAN and folio number(s) while communicating with us to help you serve better.

17. ONLINE DISPUTE REDRESSAL MECHANISM

In accordance with SEBI Circular No. SEBI/HO/OIAE/OIAE_IAD-1/P/CIR/2023/145 dated July 31, 2023 (updated on August 4, 2023) ("the Circular"), all disputes between institutional or corporate clients and AMC can be resolved, at the option of the institutional or corporate clients:

- in accordance with the circular and by harnessing online conciliation and/or online arbitration as specified in this circular; OR
- by harnessing any independent institutional mediation, independent institutional conciliation and/or independent arbitration institution in India.

Thus, institutional/corporate clients have to exercise their option under **Section 12**.

18. Nomination

The nomination details provided by the Unit holder to the depository will be applicable to the Units of the Scheme. Such nomination including any variation, cancellation or substitution of Nominee(s) shall be governed by the rules and bye-laws of the Depository.

Payment to the nominee of the sums shall discharge the Mutual Fund of all liability towards the estate of the deceased Unit holder and his/ her legal successors/legal heirs.

In case nomination has been made for DP account with joint holders, in case of death of any of the joint holder(s), the securities will be transmitted to the surviving holder(s). Only in the event of death of all the joint holders, the securities will be transmitted to the nominee.

In case nomination is not made by the sole holder of DP account, the securities would be transmitted to the account of legal heir(s), as may be determined by an order of the competent court.

The provisions of 'Nomination Facility' as described in the SAI will be applicable for Unit holders who have rematerialized the units.

19. ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICATIONS SUPPORTED BY BLOCKED AMOUNT (ASBA)

- A. HDFC Mutual Fund extends ASBA facility to the Investors subscribing for the Units under this New Fund Offer ("NFO") in addition to its existing mode of subscriptions, subject to the same being extended by all the concerned intermediaries involved in the ASBA process. For availing this facility, Investors are requested to check with the Designated Branches ("DBs") of the Self Certified Syndicate Banks ("SCSBs"). The list of SCSBs is available at the back cover page of the KIM and on the websites of SEBI (www.sebi.gov.in), HDFC Mutual Fund (www.hdfcfund.com), NSE (www.nseindia.com) and BSE (www.bseindia.com).**

Investors shall use the ASBA Application Form bearing the stamp of the Syndicate Members and/or the DBs of SCSB, as the case may be, for the purpose of making an application for Subscription of Units of Plan(s) under the Scheme. Investors are required to submit their applications, either in physical or electronic mode. In case of application in physical mode, the Investor shall submit the application at the DBs of the SCSB. In case of application in electronic form, the Investor shall submit the application either through the internet banking facility available with the SCSB, or such other electronically enabled mechanism for blocking funds in the ASBA account held with SCSB, and accordingly registering such Applications. On submission of the application, the Investors are deemed to have authorised (i) the SCSB to do all acts as are necessary to make the application including, blocking or unblocking of funds in the bank account maintained with the SCSB specified in the application, transfer of funds to the Bank Account of the Scheme/HDFC Mutual Fund on receipt of instructions from the Registrar and Transfer Agent after the allotment is made; and (ii) the Registrar and Transfer Agent to issue instructions to the SCSB to remove the block on the funds in the bank account specified in the application ("ASBA Account"), upon rejection of the application/ winding up of the Scheme, as the case may be.

Applications completed in all respects, must be submitted at the SCSBs with whom the bank account is maintained.

In case the ASBA application form is erroneously submitted at any of the official points of acceptance of the Fund, the same shall be rejected.

The SCSB shall block amount equivalent to the application amount mentioned in the Form, after verifying that sufficient funds are available in the bank account ("ASBA Account") till the date of allotment of Units or upon rejection of the application/ winding up of the Scheme, as the case may be.

No request for withdrawal of ASBA application form will be allowed after the closure of New Fund Offer Period.

B. SCSB DETAILS

Investors shall correctly mention the bank account number in the application and should ensure that funds equal to the application amount towards the Subscription of Units are available in the ASBA Account before submitting the application to the respective DBs.

In case the amount available in the ASBA Account specified in the applications is insufficient, the SCSB shall reject the application.

C. DEMATERIALIZATION

Investors desiring to get allotment of units through ASBA process must have an active beneficiary account with a Depository Participant (DP) of the Depositories i.e. National Securities Depositories Limited (NSDL) / Central Depository Services Limited (CDSL). Investors may note that if the DP-ID, beneficiary account and the PAN provided in the form are incomplete, incorrect or do not match with the Depository records, the application shall be rejected.

D. REDRESSAL OF COMPLAINTS

All grievances related to ASBA facility shall be addressed to the SCSB, where the application form was submitted or to the RTA viz. Computer Age Management Services Ltd (CAMS).

CONTACT DETAILS OF FIRST / SOLE APPLICANT										Country Code - Mobile																					
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MAILING ADDRESS OF FIRST / SOLE APPLICANT (Mandatory) (Refer Instruction 3)																													
CITY										STATE										PIN CODE									

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Status of First/ Sole Applicant [Please tick (✓)] ☐ Individual ☐ Non - Individual* *[Please attach FATCA, CRS & Ultimate Beneficial Ownership (UBO) Self Certification Form (Mandatory) (Refer Instruction 3 & 15)]*

☐ Resident Individual ☐ Partnership ☐ Trust ☐ HUF ☐ AOP ☐ PIO ☐ Pvt. Ltd. Company ☐ Public Ltd. Company ☐ Minor through guardian ☐ BOI ☐ OCI ☐ Body Corporate ☐ LLP

☐ Society/Club ☐ NRI-Repatriation ☐ NRI-Non Repatriation ☐ Foreign National Resident in India ☐ FPI ☐ Sole Proprietorship ☐ Non Profit Organisation ☐ Others (please specify)

LEI No.	Expiry Date:
(Mandatory for Non - Individuals transacting / proposing to transact for an amount of Rs. 50 crores or more)	DD MM YYYY
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If yes, please quote Registration No. of Darpan portal of Niti Aayog. <i>(If not registered already, please register immediately and confirm with the above information)</i>	
☐ YES ☐ NO	

4A. JOINT APPLICANT DETAILS, If any (Refer instruction 3) (In case of Minor, there shall be no joint holders)

1. NAME OF SECOND APPLICANT															DATE OF BIRTH										D	D	M	M	Y	Y	Y	Y												
Mr.	Ms.	M/s.																																										
Nationality															PAN# / PEKRN#																													
KYC Number															KYC # [Please tick (✓)] (Mandatory)										☐ Proof Attached																			

CONTACT DETAILS OF SECOND APPLICANT														
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2. NAME OF THIRD APPLICANT												DATE OF BIRTH				D	D	M	M	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mr.	Ms.	M/s.																					
Nationality																							
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5. ADDITIONAL KYC DETAILS (Refer instruction 3)

Occupation details for	1 st Applicant	2 nd Applicant	3 rd Applicant	Guardian	Politically Exposed Person (PEP) details:	Is a PEP	Related to PEP	Not Applicable
Private Sector Service	☐	☐	☐	☐	1 st Applicant	☐	☐	☐
Public Sector Service	☐	☐	☐	☐	2 nd Applicant	☐	☐	☐
Government Service	☐	☐	☐	☐	3 rd Applicant	☐	☐	☐
Business	☐	☐	☐	☐	Guardian	☐	☐	☐
Professional	☐	☐	☐	☐	Authorised Signatories	☐	☐	☐
Agriculturist	☐	☐	☐	☐	Promoters	☐	☐	☐
Retired	☐	☐	☐	☐	Partners	☐	☐	☐
Housewife	☐	☐	☐	☐	Karta	☐	☐	☐
Student	☐	☐	☐	☐	Whole-time Directors	☐	☐	☐
Proprietorship	☐	☐	☐	☐	Trustee	☐	☐	☐
Others (Please specify)								

Non-Individual Investors involved/ providing any of the mentioned services

☐ Foreign Exchange / Money Changer Services	☐ Gaming / Gambling / Lottery / Casino Services
☐ Money Lending / Pawning	☐ None of the above

Gross Annual Income Range (in Rs.)	1 st Applicant	2 nd Applicant	3 rd Applicant	Guardian	Gross Annual Income Range (in Rs.)	1 st Applicant	2 nd Applicant	3 rd Applicant	Guardian										
Below 1 lac	☐	☐	☐	☐	10-25 lac	☐	☐	☐	☐										
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Particulars			
Scheme Name	Cheque / Payment Instrument / UTR No. / Date	Drawn on (Name of Bank and Branch)	Amount in figures (Rs.)
HDFC Nifty Metal ETF			

Please Note: All Purchases are subject to realisation of cheques / Payment Instrument.

Mandatory

6. POWER OF ATTORNEY (PoA) HOLDER DETAILS

Name of PoA	Mr.	Ms.	M/s.								
PAN#/ PEKRN#											
KYC Number									KYC # [Please tick (✓)] (Mandatory)	☐ Proof Attached	
eAlerts Mobile									eDocs Email of PoA holder ^	IN CAPITALS	

Please attach Proof. Refer instruction No 12 for PAN/PEKRN and No 14a for KYC (KRA). Refer instruction No 14b for KYC Identification Number issued by CKYCR.

7. FATCA AND CRS INFORMATION (for Individual including Sole Proprietor) (Self Certification) (Refer instruction 3)

The below information is required for all applicant(s)/ guardian

Address Type: ☐ Residential or Business ☐ Residential ☐ Business ☐ Registered Office (for address mentioned in form/existing address appearing in Folio)

Category	First Applicant/Guardian in case of Minor	Second Applicant/ Guardian	Third Applicant
Place/ City of Birth			
Country of Birth			
Country of Tax Residency#			
Is the applicant(s)/guardian's Country of Birth/Citizenship/ Nationality/Tax Residency other than India? Please indicate all countries in which you are resident for tax purposes and the associated Tax Reference Numbers below*.	First Applicant/Guardian in case of Minor	Second Applicant/ Guardian	Third Applicant
	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, please provide the following information [mandatory]

Category	First Applicant/Guardian in case of Minor	Second Applicant/ Guardian	Third Applicant
Tax Payer Ref. ID No ^			
Identification Type [TIN or other, please specify]			
Country of Tax Residency 2			
Tax Payer Ref. ID No. 2			
Identification Type [TIN or other, please specify]			
Country of Tax Residency 3			
Tax Payer Ref. ID No. 3			
Identification Type [TIN or other, please specify]			

#To also include USA, where the individual is a citizen/ green card holder of USA. In case of USA/ Canada citizens, kindly provide the mandatory annexures.

^ In case Tax Identification Number is not available, kindly provide its functional equivalent.

8. MODE OF PAYMENT OF REDEMPTION/ IDCW PROCEEDS (refer instruction 6)

Investors shall receive redemption proceeds if any by way of direct credit/ credit through NEFT system into their bank account.

Note: After the closure of NFO, the units of the Scheme will be listed on the National Stock Exchange of India Ltd. (NSE) and/ or BSE Limited (BSE). All investors including Market Makers and Large Investors can subscribe/ redeem (sell) units on a continuous basis on the NSE/BSE on which the Units are listed during the trading hours on all the trading days.

9. INVESTMENTS & PAYMENT DETAILS [Please (✓)] (Refer instruction 6)

The name of the first/ sole applicant must be pre-printed on the cheque.

Currently there are no Investment Plans/ Options being offered under the Scheme						
Mode of Payment		☐ Cheque		☐ NEFT/ RTGS/ Fund Transfer		☐ One Time Mandate (OTM)
Name of Bank: HDFC Bank Limited		Branch: Manekji Wadia Building, Ground Floor, Nanik Motwani Marg, Fort, Mumbai				
Beneficiary Name: HDFC NIFTY METAL ETF NFO COLLECTION ACCOUNT NUMBER		Account No: 57500001152141		RTGS/ NEFT IFSC Code: HDFC0000060		
Please note that OTM can be selected as mode of payment provided OTM is already registered. In case OTM is not registered please fill in the attached OTM Debit Mandate to make future transactions via OTM						
Drawn on Bank / Branch		Pay-In Bank Account No. (For Cheque Only)	Cheque/ Payment Instrument/ UTR No.	Cheque/ Payment Instrument/ UTR Date	Amount of Cheque / Payment Instrument / RTGS/ NEFT in figures (Rs.)	Net Cheque Amount
Cheque Amount (in words):						

10. BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS OF THE FIRST / SOLE APPLICANT (For redemption/ IDCW Payments if any) (refer instruction 5)
(Mandatory to attach proof, in case the pay-out bank account is different from the bank account mentioned under Section 8 above.)

For unit holders opting to hold units in demat form, please ensure that the bank account linked with the demat account is mentioned here.

Bank Name																Bank City															
Branch Name																															
Account Number																Account Type (Please ✓) ☐ Savings ☐ Current ☐ NRO ☐ NRE ☐ FCNR ☐ Others (please specify)															
IFSC Code***																*** Refer Instruction 5C (Mandatory for Credit via NEFT / RTGS) (11 Character code appearing on your cheque leaf. If you do not find this on your cheque leaf, please check for the same with your bank)															

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11. NOMINATION

The Nomination details will be as provided in your demat account.

12. RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES (For Institutional or corporate clients) (Refer instruction 17)

☐ Smart ODR OR ☐ by harnessing any independent institutional mediation, conciliation and/or online arbitration institution in India

13. DECLARATION & SIGNATURE/S (refer instruction 11)

I / We have read, understood the terms and conditions of the scheme related documents and the addendum issued therein till date, Key Information Memorandum of the Schemes as well as the rules and regulations of SEBI, AMFI, Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 and such other regulations as may be applicable to me/us from time to time and agree to comply with the same as a Unitholder. I /We hereby apply to the Trustees for allotment of Units of the Scheme(s) of HDFC Mutual Fund ("Fund") and confirm and declare as under:

(a) I/We am/are eligible Investor(s) as per the scheme related documents and not prohibited from accessing capital markets by any order/ruling / judgment etc. passed by SEBI/ Statutory Authority or Courts in India and Foreign laws. I am/We are authorised to make this investment as per the Constitutive documents/ authorization(s). The amount invested in the Scheme(s) is through legitimate sources only and is not for the purpose of contravention and/or evasion of any act, rules, regulations, notifications or directions issued by any regulatory authority in India.

(b) I / We will be bound by the Fund's terms and conditions as amended from time to time.

(c) The information given by me /us in or along with this application form is true and correct and I/we shall furnish such other further/additional information as may be required by the HDFC Asset Management Company Limited (AMC)/ Fund. I/We undertake to promptly inform the AMC / Fund/Registrars and Transfer Agent (RTA) in writing about any change in the information furnished by me/us from time to time.

(d) I/We hereby authorize you to disclose, share, remit in any form/manner/mode the above information and/or any part of it including the changes/updates that may be provided by me/us to the Fund, its Sponsor/s, Trustees, Asset Management Company, its employees, agents and third party service providers, SEBI registered intermediaries for single updation/ submission, any Indian or foreign statutory, regulatory, judicial, quasijudicial authorities/agencies including but not limited to Financial Intelligence Unit-India (FIU-IND) etc without any intimation/advice to me/us.

(e) I/We hereby consent for providing transactions data feed, portfolio holdings, NAV etc. in respect of my/our transactions under Direct Plan to the RIA/Portfolio Managers/ Stock Broker registered in the concerned folio, if applicable.

(f) I/We shall be liable and responsible for any loss, claims suffered, directly or indirectly by AMC/ Fund/ RTA/ SEBI Intermediaries, arising out of any false, misleading, inaccurate and incomplete information furnished by me/us at the time or investing/redeeming the units. I/We hereby unconditionally and irrevocably indemnify and at all time keep indemnified, save and harmless AMC/Fund/Trustee and their officers, directors and employees against all actions, proceedings, claims, losses, damages, charges and expenses incurred or suffered /paid by AMC/Fund in this regard and in case of any dispute regarding the eligibility, validity and authorization of my/our transactions.

(g) The ARN holder (AMFI registered Distributor) has disclosed to me/us all the commissions (in the form of trail commission or any other mode), payable to him/them for the different competing Schemes of various Mutual Funds from amongst which the Scheme is being recommended to me/us.

(h) I/WE HEREBY CONFIRM THAT I/WE HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED/ COMMUNICATED ANY INDICATIVE PORTFOLIO AND/ OR ANY INDICATIVE YIELD BY THE FUND/AMC/ITS DISTRIBUTOR FOR THIS INVESTMENT.

Consent for Telemarketing (Refer Instruction 16):

I/We hereby accord my/our consent to HDFC AMC for receiving the promotional information/ material via email, SMS, telemarketing calls etc. on the mobile number and email provided by me/us in this Application Form.

Consent for disclosure of Personal Information in terms of Privacy Policy

I/We hereby confirm to have read, understood and agree to the terms of Privacy Policy (available on <https://www.hdfcfund.com>) ("Policy") of HDFC AMC/ Fund.

I/We hereby accord my/our consent to HDFC AMC/Fund for collecting, receiving, possessing, storing, dealing, handling or disclosure of my/ our Personal Data and hereby authorize to disclose it to the third party or another body corporate or any person acting under a lawful contract with HDFC AMC, in accordance with the Privacy Policy.

For Foreign Nationals Resident in India only:

I/We will redeem my/our entire investment/s before I/We change my/our Indian residency status. I/We shall be fully liable for all consequences (including taxation) arising out of the failure to redeem on account of change in residential status.

For NRIs/ PIO/ OCIs/ FPIs only:

I/We confirm that my application is in compliance with applicable Indian and foreign laws.

For NRIs/ PIO/OCIs Please (✓) ☐ Repatriation basis ☐ Non-repatriation basis

SIGN HERE ➡

(Please write Application Form No. / Folio No. on the reverse of the Cheque / Payment Instrument.)

First/ Sole Applicant/ Guardian/ PoA Holder

Second Applicant

Third Applicant

July 2026

TO BE GIVEN BY THE SCSB (To be filled by the Sole/First Applicant)				HDFC MUTUAL FUND Head Office : HDFC House, 2nd Floor, H.T. Parekh Marg, 165-166, Backbay Reclamation, Churchgate, Mumbai - 400020				Date : _____ ASBA Application No. _____	
Received from Mr./Ms. _____ Address _____ _____ Tele./Fax _____ Mobile No. _____ E-mail: _____				SCSB Account Details		Total Amount to be blocked		SCSB Stamp Signature, Date & Time of Form Submission	
				Bank Account No. _____ Bank Name & Address _____ _____		(Rs. in figures) _____ (Rs. in words) _____ _____			

Mr.	Ms.	M/s.																											
Nationality			PAN# / PEKRN#																										
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Relationship with Minor@ Please (✓) ☐ Father ☐ Mother ☐ Court appointed Legal Guardian ☐ Proof of relationship with minor@ Please (✓) ☐ Attached ☐ @ Mandatory Refer instruction 4c

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1a. UNIT HOLDER INFORMATION (Names should be in the same sequence as appearing in your demat account. In case of discrepancies, the Application is liable to get rejected. Refer Instruction 3) (Contd...)

NAME OF SECOND APPLICANT																				DATE OF BIRTH								D	D	M	M	Y	Y	Y	Y			
Mr.	Ms.	M/s.																																				
Nationality																				PAN#/ PEKRN#																		
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CONTACT DETAILS OF SECOND APPLICANT

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NAME OF THIRD APPLICANT

Mr. Ms. M/s.

Nationality

KYC Number

DATE OF BIRTH

D D M M Y Y Y Y

PAN#/ PEKRN#

KYC # [Please tick (✓)] (Mandatory) ☐ Proof Attached

CONTACT DETAILS OF THIRD APPLICANT

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1b. POWER OF ATTORNEY (PoA) HOLDER DETAILS

Name of PoA Mr. Ms. M/s.

PAN#/ PEKRN#

KYC Number

KYC # [Please tick (✓)] (Mandatory) ☐ Proof Attached

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1c. ADDITIONAL KYC DETAILS (Mandatory) (Refer instruction 3)

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Housewife	☐	☐	☐	☐	Karta	☐	☐	☐
Student	☐	☐	☐	☐	Whole-time Directors	☐	☐	☐
Proprietorship	☐	☐	☐	☐	Trustee	☐	☐	☐
Others (Please specify)								

Non-Individual Investors involved/ providing any of the mentioned services

☐ Foreign Exchange / Money Changer Services ☐ Gaming/Gambling/Lottery/Casino Services

☐ Money Lending / Pawning ☐ None of the above

Gross Annual Income Range (in Rs.)	1 st Applicant	2 nd Applicant	3 rd Applicant	Guardian
Below 1 lac	☐	☐	☐	☐
1-5 lac	☐	☐	☐	☐
5-10 lac	☐	☐	☐	☐

Gross Annual Income Range (in Rs.)	1 st Applicant	2 nd Applicant	3 rd Applicant	Guardian
10-25 lac	☐	☐	☐	☐
25 lac- 1 cr	☐	☐	☐	☐
> 1 cr	☐	☐	☐	☐

OR Networth in Rs. (not older than 1 year) (Mandatory for Non Individual)

as on

DD MM YYYY

1d. FATCA INFORMATION/ FOREIGN TAX LAWS (Self Certification) (Refer instruction 3)

The below information is required for all applicant(s)/ guardian

Address Type: ☐ Residential or Business ☐ Residential ☐ Business ☐ Registered Office (for address mentioned in form/existing address appearing in Folio)

Category	First Applicant/Guardian in case of Minor	Second Applicant/ Guardian	Third Applicant
Place/ City of Birth			
Country of Birth			
Country of Tax Residency#			
Is the applicant(s)/guardian's Country of Birth/Citizenship/ Nationality/Tax Residency other than India? Please indicate all countries in which you are resident for tax purposes and the associated Tax Reference Numbers below*.	First Applicant/Guardian in case of Minor ☐ Yes ☐ No	Second Applicant/ Guardian ☐ Yes ☐ No	Third Applicant ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, please provide the following information [mandatory]

Category	First Applicant/Guardian in case of Minor	Second Applicant/ Guardian	Third Applicant
Tax Payer Ref. ID No ^			
Identification Type [TIN or other, please specify]			
Country of Tax Residency 2			
Tax Payer Ref. ID No. 2			
Identification Type [TIN or other, please specify]			
Country of Tax Residency 3			
Tax Payer Ref. ID No. 3			
Identification Type [TIN or other, please specify]			

#To also include USA, where the individual is a citizen/ green card holder of USA. In case of USA/ Canada citizens, kindly provide the mandatory annexures.

^ In case Tax Identification Number is not available, kindly provide its functional equivalent.

2. INVESTMENT DETAILS - [Please tick (✓)] (Refer Instruction 6)

Currently there are no Investment Plans/ Options being offered under the Scheme					
Mode of Payment	☐ Cheque ☐ NEFT/ RTGS/ Fund Transfer ☐ One Time Mandate (OTM)				
Name of Bank: HDFC Bank Limited Branch: Manekji Wadia Building, Ground Floor, Nanik Motwani Marg, Fort, Mumbai Beneficiary Name: HDFC NIFTY METAL ETF NFO COLLECTION ACCOUNT NUMBER Account No: 57500001152141 RTGS/ NEFT IFSC Code: HDFC0000060 Please note that OTM can be selected as mode of payment provided OTM is already registered. In case OTM is not registered please fill in the attached OTM Debit Mandate to make future transactions via OTM					
Drawn on Bank / Branch	Pay-In Bank Account No. (For Cheque Only)	Cheque/ Payment Instrument/ UTR No.	Cheque/ Payment Instrument/ UTR Date	Amount of Cheque / Payment Instrument / RTGS/ NEFT in figures (Rs.)	Net Cheque Amount
Cheque Amount (in words):					

3. SCSB/ ASBA ACCOUNT DETAILS OF THE APPLICANT (Refer Instruction 19) (Application Money to be blocked from this Account)

Pay-in Bank Account No.		Name of the Bank	
Branch		Bank City	
Account Type [Please tick (✓)]	☐ SAVINGS ☐ CURRENT ☐ NRE ☐ NRO ☐ FCNR ☐ OTHERS _____ (please specify)		

Total Amount to be blocked Amount in figures (Rs.) _____

in words (Rupees) _____

IFSC Code*** _____

The 9 digit MICR Code number of my/our Bank & Branch is**

Fill in these details only if the ASBA Account details provided in Section 3 are different from the Bank Account details linked with the Demat Account as mentioned under Section 5 below. Mandatory to attach proof, in case the pay-out bank account is different from the bank account mentioned under Section 3 above.

*** Refer Instruction 5C (Mandatory for Credit via NEFT / RTGS/ IMPS) (11 Character code appearing on your cheque leaf. If you do not find this on your cheque leaf, please check for the same with your bank)

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Investors shall receive redemption proceeds if any by way of direct credit/ credit through NEFT system into their bank account.

Note: After the closure of NFO, the units of the Scheme will be listed on the National Stock Exchange of India Ltd. (NSE) and/ or BSE Limited (BSE). All investors including Market Makers and Large Investors can subscribe/ redeem (sell) units on a continuous basis on the NSE/BSE on which the Units are listed during the trading hours on all the trading days.

☐ Smart ODR **OR** ☐ by harnessing any independent institutional mediation, independent institutional conciliation and/or independent arbitration institution in India.

I/We have read, understood the terms and conditions of the scheme related documents and the addendum issued therein till date, Key Information Memorandum of the Schemes as well as the rules and regulations of SEBI, AMFI, Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 and such other regulations as may be applicable to me/us from time to time and agree to comply with the same as a Unitholder. I/We hereby apply to the Trustees for allotment of Units of the Scheme(s) of HDFC Mutual Fund ('Fund') and confirm and declare as under:

(a) I/We am/are eligible Investor(s) as per the scheme related documents and not prohibited from accessing capital markets by any order/ruling / judgment etc. passed by SEBI/ Statutory Authority or Courts in India and Foreign laws. I am/We are authorised to make this investment as per the Constitutive documents/ authorization(s). The amount invested in the Scheme(s) is through legitimate sources only and is not for the purpose of contravention and/or evasion of any act, rules, regulations, notifications or directions issued by any regulatory authority in India.

(b) I / We will be bound by the Fund's terms and conditions as amended from time to time.

(c) The information given by me /us in or along with this application form is true and correct and I/we shall furnish such other further/additional information as may be required by the HDFC Asset Management Company Limited (AMC)/ Fund. I/We undertake to promptly inform the AMC / Fund/Registrars and Transfer Agent (RTA) in writing about any change in the information furnished by me/us from time to time.

(d) I/We hereby authorize you to disclose, share, remit in any form/manner/mode the above information and/or any part of it including the changes/updates that may be provided by me/us to the Fund, its Sponsor/s, Trustees, Asset Management Company, its employees, agents and third party service providers, SEBI registered intermediaries for single updation/ submission, any Indian or foreign statutory, regulatory, judicial, quasijudicial authorities/agencies including but not limited to Financial Intelligence Unit-India (FIU-IND) etc without any intimation/advice to me/us.

(e) I/We hereby consent for providing transactions data feed, portfolio holdings, NAV etc. in respect of my/our transactions under Direct Plan to the RIA/Portfolio Managers/ Stock Broker registered in the concerned folio, if applicable.

(f) I/We shall be liable and responsible for any loss, claims suffered, directly or indirectly by AMC/ Fund/ RTA/ SEBI Intermediaries, arising out of any false, misleading, inaccurate and incomplete information furnished by me/us at the time of investing/redeeming the units. I/We hereby unconditionally and irrevocably indemnify and at all time keep indemnified, save and harmless AMC/Fund/Trustee and their officers, directors and employees against all actions, proceedings, claims, losses, damages, charges and expenses incurred or suffered /paid by AMC/Fund in this regard and in case of any dispute regarding the eligibility, validity and authorization of my/our transactions.

(g) The ARN holder (AMFI registered Distributor) has disclosed to me/us all the commissions (in the form of trail commission or any other mode), payable to him/them for the different competing Schemes of various Mutual Funds from amongst which the Scheme is being recommended to me/us.

(h) I/WE HEREBY CONFIRM THAT I/WE HAVE NOT BEEN OFFERED/ COMMUNICATED ANY INDICATIVE PORTFOLIO AND/ OR ANY INDICATIVE YIELD BY THE FUND/AMC/ITS DISTRIBUTOR FOR THIS INVESTMENT.

I/We hereby accord my/our consent to HDFC AMC for receiving the promotional information/ material via email, SMS, telemarketing calls etc. on the mobile number and email provided by me/us in this Application Form.

I/We hereby confirm to have read, understood and agree to the terms of Privacy Policy (available on <https://www.hdfcfund.com>) ("Policy") of HDFC AMC/ Fund.

I/We will redeem my/our entire investment/s before I/We change my/our Indian residency status. I/We shall be fully liable for all consequences (including taxation) arising out of the failure to redeem on account of change in residential status.

I/We confirm that my application is in compliance with applicable Indian and foreign laws.
For NRIs/ PIO/OCIs Please (✓) ☒ Repatriation basis ☐ Non-repatriation basis

SIGN HERE ➡ (Please write Application Form No. / Folio No. on the reverse of the Cheque / Payment Instrument.)	First/ Sole Applicant/ Guardian/ PoA Holder	Second Applicant	Third Applicant

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FATCA, CRS & ULTIMATE BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP (UBO) SELF CERTIFICATION FORM FOR NON-INDIVIDUALS

(Please consult your professional tax advisor for further guidance on FATCA & CRS classification)

Name of the entity																												
Type of address given at KRA	☐ Residential or Business ☐ Residential ☐ Business ☐ Registered Office																											
PAN															Date of Incorporation													
City of incorporation																												
Country of incorporation																												

Additional KYC Information

Gross Annual Income (Rs.) [Please tick (✓)]	☐ Below 1 lac ☐ 1 - 5 Lacs ☐ 5 - 10 Lacs ☐ 10 - 25 Lacs ☐ >25 Lacs - 1 Crore ☐ >1 Crore																																			
Net-worth	Rs. _____ as on <table border="1" style="display: inline-table;"><tr><td>D</td><td>D</td><td>M</td><td>M</td><td>Y</td><td>Y</td><td>Y</td><td>Y</td></tr></table> (Not older than 1 year)																												D	D	M	M	Y	Y	Y	Y
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Non-Individual Investors involved/providing any of the mentioned services	☐ Foreign Exchange / Money Changer Services ☐ Gaming / Gambling / Lottery / Casino Services ☐ Money Lending / Pawning ☐ None of the above																																			

FATCA & CRS Declaration

Please tick the applicable tax resident declaration -

1. Is "Entity" a tax resident of any country other than India ☐ Yes ☐ No
 (If yes, please provide country/ies in which the entity is a resident for tax purposes and the associated Tax ID number below.)

Sr. No.	Country	Tax Identification Number*	Identification Type (TIN or Other*, please specify)
1.			
2.			
3.			

* In case Tax Identification Number is not available, kindly provide its functional equivalent.
 In case TIN or its functional equivalent is not available, please provide Company Identification number or Global Entity Identification Number or GIIN, etc.

In case the Entity's Country of Incorporation / Tax residence is U.S. but Entity is not a Specified U.S. Person, mention Entity's exemption code here

PART A (to be filled by Financial Institutions or Direct Reporting NFEs)

1.	We are a, Financial institution ☐ (Refer 1 of Part C) or Direct reporting NFE ☐ (Refer 3(vii) of Part C) (please tick as appropriate)	GIIN <table border="1" style="display: inline-table;"><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr></table> Note: If you do not have a GIIN but you are sponsored by another entity, please provide your sponsor's GIIN above and indicate your sponsor's name below Name of sponsoring entity _____ _____																		
GIIN not available (please tick as applicable)	☐ Applied for ☐ Not obtained – Non-participating FI ☐ Not required to apply for - please specify 2 digits sub-category <table border="1" style="display: inline-table;"><tr><td></td><td></td></tr></table> (Refer 1 A of Part C)																			

PART B (please fill any one as appropriate "to be filled by NFEs other than Direct Reporting NFEs")

1.	Is the Entity a publicly traded company (that is, a company whose shares are regularly traded on an established securities market) (Refer 2a of Part C)	Yes ☐ (If yes, please specify any one stock exchange on which the stock is regularly traded) Security ISIN _____ Name of stock exchange _____		
2.	Is the Entity a related entity of a publicly traded company (a company whose shares are regularly traded on an established securities market) (Refer 2b of Part C)	Yes ☐ (If yes, please specify name of the listed company and one stock exchange on which the stock is regularly traded) Name of listed company _____ Nature of relation: ☐ Subsidiary of the Listed Company or ☐ Controlled by a Listed Company Security ISIN _____ Name of stock exchange _____		
3.	Is the Entity an active NFE (Refer 2c of Part C)	Yes ☐ Nature of Business _____ Please specify the sub-category of Active NFE <table border="1" style="display: inline-table;"><tr><td></td><td></td></tr></table> (Mention code – refer 2c of Part C)		
4.	Is the Entity a passive NFE (Refer 3(ii) of Part C)	Yes ☐ Nature of Business _____		

UBO Declaration (Mandatory for all entities except, a Publicly Traded Company or a related entity of Publicly Traded Company)																												
Category (Please tick applicable category): ☐ Unlisted Company ☐ Partnership Firm / LLP ☐ Unincorporated association / body of individuals ☐ Public Charitable Trust ☐ Private Trust ☐ Religious Trust ☐ Trust created by a Will ☐ Others (please specify_____)																												
Does your company/entity have any individual person(s) who holds direct / indirect controlling ownership above the prescribed threshold limit? ☐ Yes ☐ No If 'YES' - We hereby declare that the following individual person holds directly / indirectly controlling ownership in our entity above the prescribed threshold limit. Details of such individual(s) are given below. If 'NO' - We hereby declare that no individual person (directly / indirectly) holds controlling ownership in our entity above the prescribed threshold limit. Details of the individual who holds the position of Senior Managing Official (SMO) are provided below Please list below the details of controlling person(s), confirming ALL countries of tax residency/permanent residency/citizenship and ALL Tax Identification Numbers for EACH controlling person(s). (Please attached additional sheets if necessary). Owner-documented FI's should provide FI Owner Reporting Statement and Auditor's Letter with required details as mentioned in Form W8 BEN E (Refer 3(vi) of Part C)																												
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Name of UBO ^																												
UBO Code (Refer 3(iv) (A) of Part C)																												
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Address Type				☐ Residence ☐ Business ☐ Registered office							☐ Residence ☐ Business ☐ Registered office							☐ Residence ☐ Business ☐ Registered office										
Occupation Type				☐ Service ☐ Business ☐ Others _____							☐ Service ☐ Business ☐ Others _____							☐ Service ☐ Business ☐ Others _____										
Nationality																												
Politically Exposed Person (PEP) Details ^				☐ Is a PEP ☐ Related to PEP ☐ N. A.							☐ Is a PEP ☐ Related to PEP ☐ N. A.							☐ Is a PEP ☐ Related to PEP ☐ N. A.										
SMO Designation ^																												
KYC Complied?				Please attach the KYC acknowledgement®							Please attach the KYC acknowledgement®							Please attach the KYC acknowledgement®										
^ Mandatory Fields N. A. - Not Applicable * To include US, where controlling person is a US citizen or green card holder *If UBO is KYC compliant, KYC proof to be enclosed. Else TIN or any other functional equivalent identity proof & address proof must be attached. Position / Designation like Director / Settlor of Trust / Protector of Trust to be specified wherever applicable. *In case Tax Identification Number (TIN) is not available, kindly provide functional equivalent ® For Foreign National – wherever PAN is not applicable, identity proof (as declared in Tax ID) & address proof to be enclosed. If the documentary proof is in Foreign Language, it should be translated in English and should be attested by Indian Embassy of that country. §Attach valid documentary proof like Shareholding pattern duly self attested by Authorized Signatory / Company Secretary																												
FATCA - CRS Terms and Conditions																												
The Central Board of Direct Taxes has notified Rules 114F to 114H, as part of the Income-tax Rules, 1962, which require Indian financial institutions to seek additional personal, tax and beneficial owner information and certain certifications and documentation from all our unit holders. In relevant cases, information will have to be reported to tax authorities/ appointed agencies. Towards compliance, we may also be required to provide information to any institutions such as withholding agents for the purpose of ensuring appropriate withholding from the account or any proceeds in relation thereto. Should there be any change in any information provided by you, please ensure you advise us promptly, i.e., within 30 days. Please note that you may receive more than one request for information if you have multiple relationships with us or our group entities. Therefore, it is important that you respond to our request, even if you believe you have already supplied any previously requested information. If you have any questions about your tax residency, please contact your tax advisor. If any controlling person of the entity is a US citizen or resident or green card holder, please include United States in the foreign country information field along with the US Tax Identification Number. It is mandatory to supply a TIN or functional equivalent if the country in which you are tax resident issues such identifiers. If no TIN is yet available or has not yet been issued, please provide an explanation and attach this to the form.																												
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I/We have read and understood the information requirements and the Terms and Conditions mentioned in this Form (read alongwith the FATCA & CRS Instructions) and hereby confirm that the information provided by me/us on this Form is true, correct and complete. I/We hereby agree and confirm to inform HDFC Asset Management Company Limited/HDFC Mutual Fund/ Trustees for any modification to this information promptly. I/We further agree to abide by the provisions of the Scheme related documents inter alia provisions on 'Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) and Common Reporting Standards (CRS) on Automatic Exchange of Information (AEOI)'.																												
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1. Financial Institution (FI)

The term FI means any financial institution that is a Depository Institution, Custodial Institution, Investment Entity or Specified Insurance company, as defined.

- Depository institution: is an entity that accepts deposits in the ordinary course of banking or similar business.
- Custodial institution: is an entity that holds as a substantial portion of its business, holds financial assets for the account of others and where its income attributable to holding financial assets and related financial services equals or exceeds 20 percent of the entity's gross income during the shorter of:
 - (i) The three financial years preceding the year in which determination is made; or
 - (ii) The period during which the entity has been in existence, whichever is less.
- Investment entity is any entity:
 - ✓ That primarily conducts a business or operates for or on behalf of a customer for any of the following activities or operations for or on behalf of a customer
 - (i) Trading in money market instruments (cheques, bills, certificates of deposit, derivatives, etc.); foreign exchange; exchange, interest rate and index instruments; transferable securities; or commodity futures trading; or
 - (ii) Individual and collective portfolio management; or
 - (iii) Investing, administering or managing funds, money or financial asset or money on behalf of other persons;
 - or
 - ✓ The gross income of which is primarily attributable to investing, reinvesting, or trading in financial assets, if the entity is managed by another entity that is a depository institution, a custodial institution, a specified insurance company, or an investment entity described above.

An entity is treated as primarily conducting as a business one or more of the 3 activities described above, or an entity's gross income is primarily attributable to investing, reinvesting, or trading in financial assets of the entity's gross income attributable to the relevant activities equals or exceeds 50 percent of the entity's gross income during the shorter of:

 - (i) The three-year period ending on 31 March of the year preceding the year in which the determination is made; or
 - (ii) The period during which the entity has been in existence.

The term "Investment Entity" does not include an entity that is an active non-financial entity as per codes 03, 04, 05 and 06 (refer point 2c.)

- Specified Insurance Company: Entity that is an insurance company (or the holding company of an insurance company) that issues, or is obligated to make payments with respect to, a Cash Value Insurance Contract or an Annuity Contract.

• FI not required to apply for GIIN:	
A. Reasons why FI not required to apply for GIIN:	
Code	Sub-category
01	Governmental Entity, International Organization or Central Bank
02	Treaty Qualified Retirement Fund; a Broad Participation Retirement Fund; a Narrow Participation Retirement Fund; or a Pension Fund of a Governmental Entity, International Organization or Central Bank
03	Non-public fund of the armed forces, an employees' state insurance fund, a gratuity fund or a provident fund
04	Entity is an Indian FI solely because it is an investment entity
05	Qualified credit card issuer
06	Investment Advisors, Investment Managers& Executing Brokers
07	Exempt collective investment vehicle
08	Trustee of an Indian Trust
09	FI with a local client base
10	Non-registering local banks
11	FFI with only Low-Value Accounts
12	Sponsored investment entity and controlled foreign corporation
13	Sponsored, Closely Held Investment Vehicle
14	Owner Documented FFI

2. Non-financial entity (NFE) - Entity that is not a financial institution

Types of NFEs that are regarded as excluded NFE are:

a. Publicly traded company (listed company)

A company is publicly traded if its stock are regularly traded on one or more established securities markets

(Established securities market means an exchange that is officially recognized and supervised by a governmental authority in which the securities market is located and that has a meaningful annual value of shares traded on the exchange)

b. Related entity of a publicly traded company

The NFE is a related entity of an entity of which is regularly traded on an established securities market;

c. Active NFE : (is any one of the following):	
Code	Sub-category
01	Less than 50 percent of the NFE's gross income for the preceding financial year is passive income and less than 50 percent of the assets held by the NFE during the preceding financial year are assets that produce or are held for the production of passive income;
02	The NFE is a Governmental Entity, an International Organization, a Central Bank, or an entity wholly owned by one or more of the foregoing;
03	Substantially all of the activities of the NFE consist of holding (in whole or in part) the outstanding stock of, or providing financing and services to, one or more subsidiaries that engage in trades or businesses other than the business of a Financial Institution, except that an entity shall not qualify for this status if the entity functions as an investment fund, such as a private equity fund, venture capital fund, leveraged buyout fund, or any investment vehicle whose purpose is to acquire or fund companies and then hold interests in those companies as capital assets for investment purposes;
04	The NFE is not yet operating a business and has no prior operating history, but is investing capital into assets with the intent to operate a business other than that of a Financial Institution, provided that the NFE shall not qualify for this exception after the date that is 24 months after the date of the initial organization of the NFE;
05	The NFE was not a Financial Institution in the past five years, and is in the process of liquidating its assets or is reorganizing with the intent to continue or recommence operations in a business other than that of a Financial Institution;
06	The NFE primarily engages in financing and hedging transactions with, or for, Related Entities that are not Financial Institutions, and does not provide financing or hedging services to any Entity that is not a Related Entity, provided that the group of any such Related Entities is primarily engaged in a business other than that of a Financial Institution;
07	Any NFE that fulfills all of the following requirements: - It is established and operated in India exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, artistic, cultural, athletic, or educational purposes; or it is established and operated in India and it is a professional organization, business league, chamber of commerce, labor organization, agricultural or horticultural organization, civic league or an organization operated exclusively for the promotion of social welfare; - It is exempt from income tax in India; - It has no shareholders or members who have a proprietary or beneficial interest in its income or assets; The applicable laws of the NFE's country or territory of residence or the NFE's formation documents do not permit any income or assets of the NFE to be distributed to, or applied for the benefit of, a private person or non-charitable Entity other than pursuant to the conduct of the NFE's charitable activities, or as payment of reasonable compensation for services rendered, or as payment representing the fair market value of property which the NFE has purchased; and The applicable laws of the NFE's country or territory of residence or the NFE's formation documents require that, upon the NFE's liquidation or dissolution, all of its assets be distributed to a governmental entity or other non-profit organization, or escheat to the government of the NFE's country or territory of residence or any political subdivision thereof. Explanation.- For the purpose of this sub-clause, the following shall be treated as fulfilling the criteria provided in the said sub-clause, namely:- (I) an Investor Protection Fund referred to in clause (23EA); (II) a Credit Guarantee Fund Trust for Small Industries referred to in clause 23EB; and (III) an Investor Protection Fund referred to in clause (23EC), of section 10 of the Act;

3. Other definitions

(i) Related entity An entity is a 'related entity' of another entity if either entity controls the other entity, or the two entities are under common control For this purpose, control includes direct or indirect ownership of more than 50% of the votes and value in an entity.
(ii) Passive NFE The term passive NFE means (1) any non-financial entity which is not an active non-financial entity including a publicly traded corporation or related entity of a publicly traded company; or (2) an investment entity defined in clause (1) of these instructions (3) a withholding foreign partnership or withholding foreign trust; (Note: Foreign persons having controlling interest in a passive NFE are liable to be reported for tax information compliance purposes)
(iii) Passive income The term passive income includes income by way of : (1) Dividends, (2) Interest (3) Income equivalent to interest, (4) Rents and royalties, other than rents and royalties derived in the active conduct of a business conducted, at least in part, by employees of the NFE (5) Annuities (6) The excess of gains over losses from the sale or exchange of financial assets that gives rise to passive income (7) The excess of gains over losses from transactions (including futures, forwards, options and similar transactions) in any financial assets, (8) The excess of foreign currency gains over foreign currency losses (9) Net income from swaps (10) Amounts received under cash value insurance contracts But passive income will not include, in case of a non-financial entity that regularly acts as a dealer in financial assets, any income from any transaction entered into in the ordinary course of such dealer's business as such a dealer.
(iv) Controlling persons Controlling persons are natural persons who exercise control over an entity and includes a beneficial owner under sub-rule (3) of rule 9 of the Prevention of Money-Laundering (Maintenance of Records) Rules, 2005. In the case of a trust, the controlling person means the settlor, the trustees, the protector (if any), the beneficiaries or class of beneficiaries, and any other natural person exercising ultimate effective control over the trust. In the case of a legal arrangement other than a trust, controlling person means persons in equivalent or similar positions. Pursuant to guidelines on identification of Beneficial Ownership issued vide SEBI circular no. CIR/MIRSD/2/2013 dated January 24, 2013, persons (other than Individuals) are required to provide details of Beneficial Owner(s) ('BO'). Accordingly, the Beneficial Owner means 'Natural Person', who, whether acting alone or together, or through one or more juridical person, exercises control through ownership or who ultimately has a controlling ownership interest of / entitlements to:

- (1) More than 10% of shares or capital or profits of the juridical person, where the juridical person is a company;
- (2) More than 10% of the capital or profits of the juridical person, where the juridical person is a partnership; or
- (3) More than 15% of the property or capital or profits of the juridical person, where the juridical person is an unincorporated association or body of individuals.

Where the client is a trust, the financial institution shall identify the beneficial owners of the client and take reasonable measures to verify the identity of such persons, through the identity of the settlor of the trust, the trustee, the protector, the beneficiaries with 10% or more interest in the trust and any other natural person exercising ultimate effective control over the trust through a chain of control or ownership. Provided that in case of a trust, the reporting entity shall ensure that trustees disclose their status at the time of commencement of an account-based relationship or when carrying out transactions as specified in clause (b) of sub-rule (1) rule 9.

Where no natural person is identified the identity of the relevant natural person who holds the position of senior managing official.

(A) Controlling Person Type (UBO):

UBO Code	Sub-category
01	CP of legal person-ownership
02	CP of legal person-other means
03	CP of legal person-senior managing official
04	CP of legal arrangement-trust-settlor
05	CP of legal arrangement-trust-trustee
06	CP of legal arrangement-trust-protector
07	CP of legal arrangement-trust-beneficiary
08	CP of legal arrangement-trust-other
09	CP of legal arrangement-Other-settlor equivalent
10	CP of legal arrangement-Other-trustee equivalent
11	CP of legal arrangement-Other-protector equivalent
12	CP of legal arrangement-Other-beneficiary equivalent
13	CP of legal arrangement-Other-other equivalent

(v) Specified U.S. person – A U.S. person other than the following:

- (1) a corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets;
- (2) any corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group, as defined in section 1471(e)(2) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code, as a corporation described in clause (i);
- (3) the United States or any wholly owned agency or instrumentality thereof;
- (4) any State of the United States, any U.S. Territory, any political subdivision of any of the foregoing, or any wholly owned agency or instrumentality of any one or more of the foregoing;
- (5) any organization exempt from taxation under section 501(a) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code or an individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code;
- (6) any bank as defined in section 581 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code;
- (7) any real estate investment trust as defined in section 856 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code;
- (8) any regulated investment company as defined in section 851 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code or any entity registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-64);
- (9) any common trust fund as defined in section 584(a) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code;
- (10) any trust that is exempt from tax under section 664(c) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code or that is described in section 4947(a)(1) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code;
- (11) a dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any State;
- (12) a broker as defined in section 6045(c) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code; or
- (13) any tax-exempt trust under a plan that is described in section 403(b) or section 457(g) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.

(vi) Owner documented FI

An FI meets the following requirements:

- (a) The FI is an FI solely because it is an investment entity;
- (b) The FI is not owned by or related to any FI that is a depository institution, custodial institution, or specified insurance company;
- (c) The FI does not maintain a financial account for any non participating FI;
- (d) The FI provides the designated withholding agent with all of the documentation and agrees to notify the withholding agent if there is a change in circumstances; and
- (e) The designated withholding agent agrees to report to the IRS (or, in the case of a reporting Model 1 IGA, to the relevant foreign government or agency thereof) all of the information described in or (as appropriate) with respect to any specified U.S. persons and (2). Notwithstanding the previous sentence, the designated withholding agent is not required to report information with respect to an indirect owner of the FI that holds its interest through a participating FI, a deemed-compliant FI (other than an owner-documented FI), an entity that is a U.S. person, an exempt beneficial owner, or an excepted NFE.

(vii) Direct reporting NFE

A direct reporting NFE means a NFE that elects to report information about its direct or indirect substantial U.S. owners to the IRS.

(viii) Exemption code for U.S. persons	
Code	Sub-category
A	An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37)
B	The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities
C	A state, the District of Columbia, a possession of the United States, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities
D	A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Reg. section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)
E	A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Reg. section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)
F	A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state
G	A real estate investment trust
H	A regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940
I	A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a)
J	A bank as defined in section 581
K	A broker
L	A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1)
M	A tax exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan

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