



## **INVESTMENT POLICY**

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# BELSTAR INVESTMENT AND FINANCE PRIVATE LIMITED INVESTMENT POLICY

## 1. Introduction:

Belstar Investment and Finance Private Limited (hereafter called “The Company”) being a NBFC-MFI (Micro finance institution), has to be very cautious in making investment decisions and making use of the surplus funds.

Further as per the Notification issued by the Reserve Bank of India regarding NBFC Prudential Norms vide notification no. RBI/2015-16/13DNBR (PD) CC.No.043/03.10.119/2015-16 July 01, 2015(Updated as on April 11, 2016) and RBI/2012-13/37 DNBS (PD) CC No. 279 / 03.02.001 / 2012-13, all Non deposit taking NBFCs are required to frame an investment policy and implement the same.

Hence it becomes imperative for the company to have a prudent investment policy to safeguard the Company’s funds and at the same time maximize income.

## 2. About the Policy:

This document lays down the policy of the Company and the guidelines to be adhered to while undertaking investment transactions for deployment of funds and advancing loans, placing short/ long term deposits with body corporate and Banks etc.

## 3. Objectives of the Policy:

The policy is framed with the following objectives: -

1. Effectively manage and invest the funds in the Permitted investments for the duration available.
2. Effectively manage and invest the other surplus funds which may be available comparatively for a longer period.
3. Effective management of interest rate risk by adopting certain maturity pattern, particularly when the funds are invested in Government Securities.
4. Effective Internal Control on the operations/execution of Investment Transactions.
5. Proper recording/accounting of the investment transactions.
6. Effective reporting of the Investment transaction to the Management

Surplus funds available for investment will be as far as possible deployed for the available duration in specific instruments or deployed in instruments which have high liquidity.

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### 4. Authorization:

The Asset Liability Committee of the Management (ALCO) shall be responsible for determining the number of surplus funds that can be invested in the forms detailed in this policy. The duty and responsibility of utilizing the investible surplus to the maximum extent possible lies with the Investment Committee constituted by the ALCO as given below:

The Investment Committee shall consist of 3 Members:

1. Vice President
2. Chief Finance Officer
3. Head of Treasury

The Vice President shall act as the Chairman of the committee.

The following activities shall be responsibility of the Investment Committee:

1. Fixing criteria for classifying the investments into current and long term investments,
2. Investment of funds as per the policy guide lines,
3. Day to day monitoring of Investment portfolio,
4. Disposal of securities and realization of proceeds and revenue dues,
5. Accounting of the Securities transactions and reconciliation thereof,
6. Review of portfolio as and when required.

The Investment Committee shall be fully authorized to invest the surplus funds of the company in any form of investment it considers to be beneficial to the company with in the framework approved by the Board of Directors.

The committee shall meet once in every Quarter to review the investment portfolio of the Company and the return earned by the company on the same, and make investment decisions as is considered necessary.

While making investment decisions, the following factors are to be taken into account-

The Investments should provide for:

- a. Liquidity
- b. Interest rate risk management
- c. Additional profits

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### 5. Investible Surplus:

Investible surplus is that amount which remains after all expenses and liabilities have been taken care of and therefore could be ploughed back into the business. Growth and business expansion is impossible without timely reinvestment and hence, any surplus should be dealt with appropriately.

### 6. Classification of investments:

Investments in securities shall be classified into current and long term, at the time of making each investment.

“Current Investment” means an investment which is by its nature readily realisable and is intended to be held for not more than one year from the date on which such investment is made.

“Long Term Investment” means an investment other than a current investment.

### 7. Exposure Norm

The exposure norm are as below:

- Single fund investment exposure should be not more than 25% of the Investible surplus ceiling limit fixed by the Board of Directors from time to time.
- Group Investment exposure should be not more than 30% of the Investible surplus ceiling limit fixed by the Board of Directors from time to time.

### 8. Belstar Investment policy

The Company shall make Investments in any of the following instruments as decided by the Investment Committee: -

1. Securities issued by the Central Government including Treasury Bills.
2. Securities issued by the State Governments
3. Securities issued by the Indian Financial Institutions
4. Term Deposits with Banks
5. Instruments issued by Government of India wholly owned Corporations with a rating of AA by CARE or P1 by CRISIL or equivalent rating by other rating agencies such as ICRA or D & P.
6. Mutual Funds – Debt Funds

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## Individual Product Guidelines

### 1. Central Government Securities including T Bills and State Government Securities: -

The decision as to which securities to invest in, depends upon the maturity and coupon rate of the security. If the investment is largely to meet statutory requirements, the Company shall avoid taking undue market risk and buy securities with shorter maturity. Within the shorter maturity range (say 5-10 years) the Company shall buy securities which are liquid, that is, securities which trade in relatively larger volumes in the market.

All investments shall be made in demat form only.

### 2. Corporate Debentures/CPs/Bonds

Investment shall be made subject to rating of P1 in the case of CPs and AA for debentures given by one of the rating agencies namely, CRISIL, ICRA, CARE or D & P.

### 3. Investments in units of Mutual Funds

Selection of Mutual Fund schemes in which the company shall invest depends on Past performance of the scheme, timing, and expense ratio of the fund and the NAV of the fund.

The maximum outstanding investment in units of debt schemes which includes, income, liquid, short term or any other such debt schemes should be within 30% of the corpus of the scheme as per last available fact sheet.

## 9. Accounting for Income from Investment:

- a. Income from bonds and debentures of corporate bodies and from Government securities/bonds may be considered on accrual basis:

Provided that the interest rate on these instruments is pre-determined and interest is serviced regularly and is not in arrears.

- b. Income on securities of corporate bodies or public sector undertakings, the payment of interest and repayment of principal of which have been guaranteed by Central Government or a State Government may be taken into account on accrual basis

## 10. Report to the Board:

The Investment Committee of the Company shall submit its report on the investment portfolio of the Company (including Nil report) on quarterly basis to the Board of Directors.

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**11. Policy Review:**

The Investment Policy shall be reviewed by the Board once in every two years and make amendments if considered necessary.