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Sub: Investor Release - Q2 & H1 FY26

Dear Sir/Madam,

Pursuant to Regulation 30 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, we are enclosing Investor Release – Q2 & H1 FY26 being issued by the Company on the outcome of its Board meeting held on November 11, 2025.

You are requested to kindly take the aforesaid on record.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully For Max Financial Services Limited

Siddhi Suneja Company Secretary & Compliance Officer

Encl: as above





# **Max Financial Performance Update**

**Investor Release H1 FY'26** 

November 11, 2025







# **SECTION I**

Max Financial Services and Axis Max Life Insurance H1 FY'26 Key Highlights

### Key highlights of Max Financial Services and Axis Max Life Insurance for H1 FY'26





#### Revenue

- Individual Adjusted first year Premium at Rs 3,891 cr grew by 18% vs Private industry growth of 8% during H1 FY'26.
- Private Market share at 10.1% during H1 FY'26 expanded by 83 bps from 9.3% during H1 FY'25.
- Total APE# also grew by 15% driven by robust NOP growth of 10%.
- MFSL revenue\* excluding investment income at Rs 15,090 cr, grows 18% in H1 FY'26. Consolidated Profit After Tax at Rs 92 cr.

#### Value creation

- H1 FY'26 VNB at 974 cr grew by 27% yoy and NBM at 23.3 % vs Q2 FY'25 VNB at 640 cr grew by 25% yoy and NBM at 25.5%.
- H1 FY'26 operating RoEV is at 16.3% and MCEV as of Sept'25 at Rs 26,895 cr. Raised 800 Cr Sub-debt, strengthening solvency ratio to 208% as of Sep'25.

# Distribution strength

- Proprietary channels APE grew by 17% on YoY basis driven by strong growth momentum from offline proprietary.
- Total Partnership grew by 13% on YoY basis during H1 FY'26 driven by scale up of new Partnership.
- Maintained leadership position## at Overall E-commerce with Rank #1 at online Protection & online Savings.
- Successfully on-boarded 31 new partners during H1 FY'26, i.e., 15 Group partners and 16 Retail Partners.

# Segments of Choice

- Retail Protection and Health APE grew by **36%** to **540 cr** during **H1 FY'26** vs 396 cr during H1 FY'25, **Rider APE** grew by **80%**.
- Annuity APE grew by 85% to 343 cr during H1 FY'26 vs 185 cr during H1 FY'25. In Q2 FY'26 it grew by 122% to 229 cr from 103 cr in PY
- Group Credit Life grew by 24% in Q2 FY'26 leading to a growth of 14% in H1 FY'26.
- Maintained Rank 3 in Individual Sum Assured with a growth of 25% during H1 FY'26.

## Product Innovation

- Launched the Group Smart Health Insurance Plan, a comprehensive fixed-benefit health solution, that offers the benefit to choose from multiple benefit options
- Introduced short Premium Payment Term options in our flagship annuity product "SWAG Pension plan"

#### **Customer Focus**

- Continued leadership position in 13M Persistency at NOP basis and rank #2 in both 25M and 37M persistency, underscoring consistent performance across long-term customer retention metrics.
- **"Smart Term Plan Plus"** was recognized as the **Product of the Year 2025** showcasing excellence in Innovation and customer value
- Axis Max Life's **Customer App** onboarded **21% new to our digital ecosystem customers**. Rated 4.7 on iOS and 4.8 on Android.

### Axis Max Life Insurance's financial performance summary for H1 FY'26



Total APE <sup>1</sup>	Ind Adjusted FYP	Gross Written Premium	Renewal Premium
Rs 4,175 cr 15% [Rs 3,623 cr]	Rs 3,891 18% [Rs 3,309 cr]	Rs 15,490 cr 18% [Rs 13,137 cr]	Rs 9,503 cr [Rs 8,046 cr]
AUM  Rs 1,85,336 cr [Rs 1,70,144 cr]	Rs 172 cr [Rs 267 cr]	Net Worth  Rs 6,294 cr [Rs 5,961 cr]   6%  ←	Policyholder Opex to GWP Ratio <sup>2,3</sup> 15.5% [16.5%]
New business margin  23.3%  [21.2%]  220 bps	Operating RoEV  16.3% [16.8%]	26,895 cr [23,338 cr]	208% [198%]
Value of New Business  974 cr [766 cr]	Policies Sold ('000)  391 [356]	Ind. New business  Sum assured  2,15,673 cr  [1,72,338 cr]	Protection Mix** Individual Group Total 12% 7% 20% [10%] [7%] [17%]

<sup>4</sup> 

# **SECTION II**

Axis Max Life Insurance- Business Overview and Financial Update



**5-Yr CAGR of 15%** on Individual new business vs

10% for Total life insurance industry<sup>1</sup>



Asset Under Management at INR 1.7 lakh cr, CAGR of 21% over last 5 years



Consistent
leadership<sup>2</sup>
position in
online protection
& Savings



5-Yr APE CAGR of 24% in Prop channels



5-Yr APE CAGR

of

11% in Banca Channel



Retail Protection APE more than doubled in last 5 years



VNB CAGR of 19% in 5 years



Market Cap<sup>3</sup>
5 year CAGR
is 24%



5-Yr EV<sup>4</sup> CAGR of 20%



Employee





Great Places to
Work rank #28 in FY25
Among the Top
25 in BFSI organisations



with half of the leadership's tenure with Axis Max Life of a decade or more



Accorded the Laureate<sup>4</sup>
honor by Great Places to
Work in FY'24

Customer



Industry leader in Claims paid ratio at 99.70% in FY25



Company NPS<sup>2</sup> at 62 and TNPS at 78 in FY'25



Rank #2 third time in customer experience for 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive year as per Hansa research

Brand



**Voice** in the industry in FY25 with **42%** share



Brand Consideration score<sup>3</sup> improved by 7% in FY25 Vs FY24

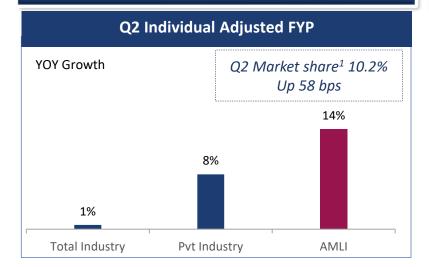


Maintained rank #3 in Brand Search Query in the industry

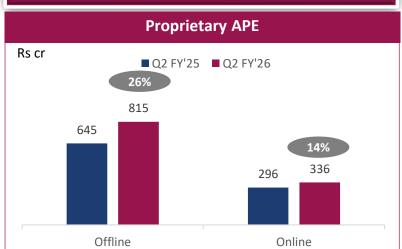
### Continue to post industry leading growth in Q2 FY'26 fueled by strong growth in proprietary channels



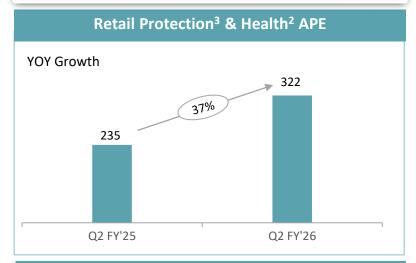
### **Industry leading outcomes**

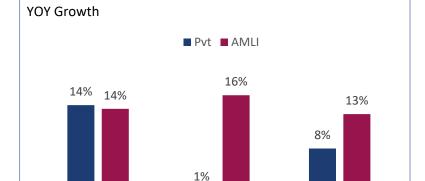


### Secular Growth



#### **Segments of choice**



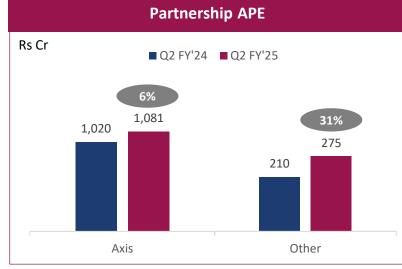


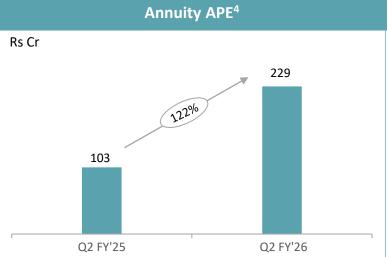
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Industry beating growth<sup>1</sup> in Q2





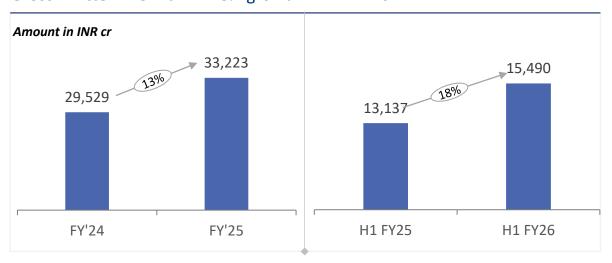
### Axis Max Life has delivered strong performance across business segments



#### New Business Premiums (on APE¹ basis)



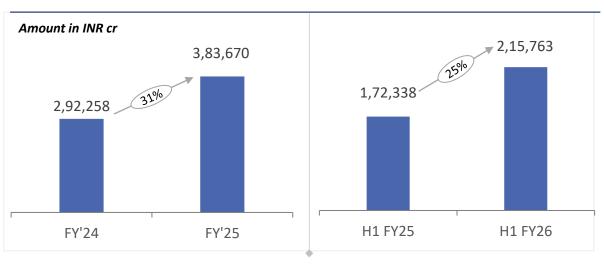
#### Gross Written Premium - 18% growth in H1 FY'26



#### Renewal Income – Delivering consistent growth



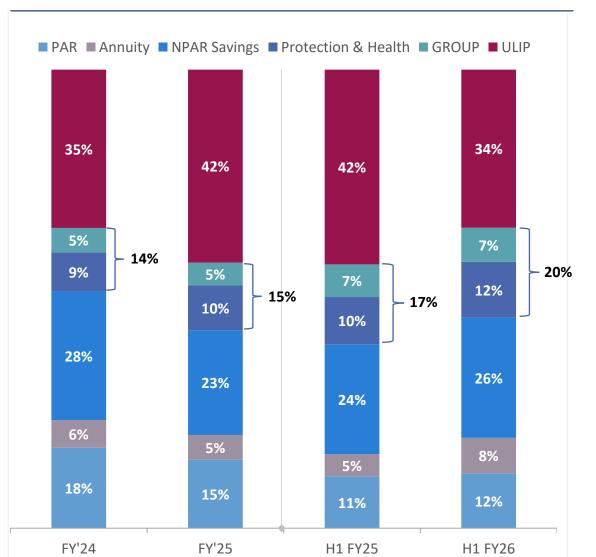
#### Individual Sum Assured of New business- Rank<sup>2</sup> 3 in individual sum assured



### Healthy growth in Value of new business growth supported by a balanced product mix strategy

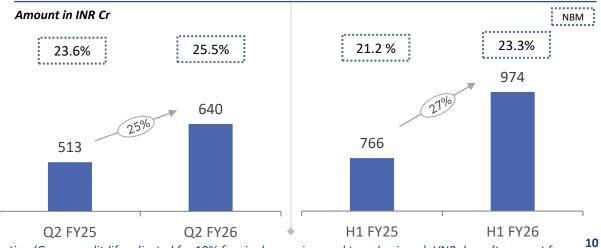


#### **Product Mix :** Focus on driving Balanced Product mix



Line of Business#	H1 FY'25	H1 FY'26	Growth
Par	435	532	22%
Annuity	185	343	85%
NPAR Savings	921	1,165	26%
Protection <sup>2</sup> & Health	396	540	36%
<b>Group Credit Life</b>	56	64	14%
Group Term Life	217	266	22%
ULIP	1,630	1,532	-6%

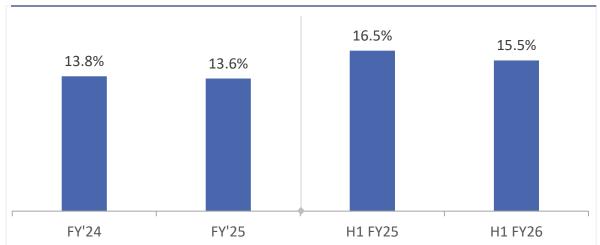
#### Value of New Business: Driven by higher protection & Non-Par Savings mix



### Efficient capital management with profitable growth



#### PH Opex to GWP¹: Investing towards building distribution

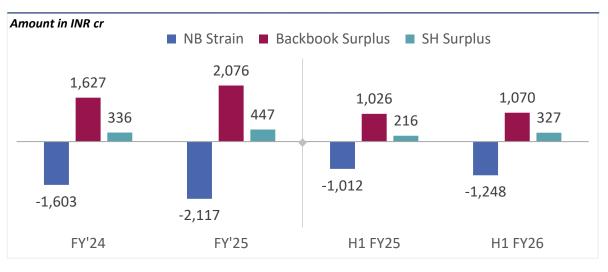




#### Solvency Ratio (Pre-dividend): Aided by debt raise of 800 cr during Q2 FY'26



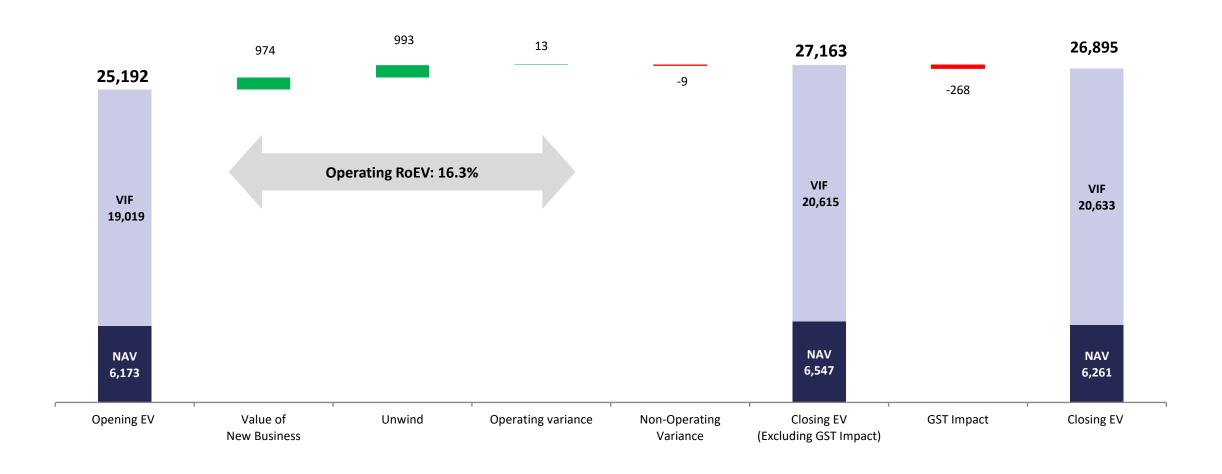
#### **Underwriting Profits**



### **EV movement analysis: March 2025 to September 2025**



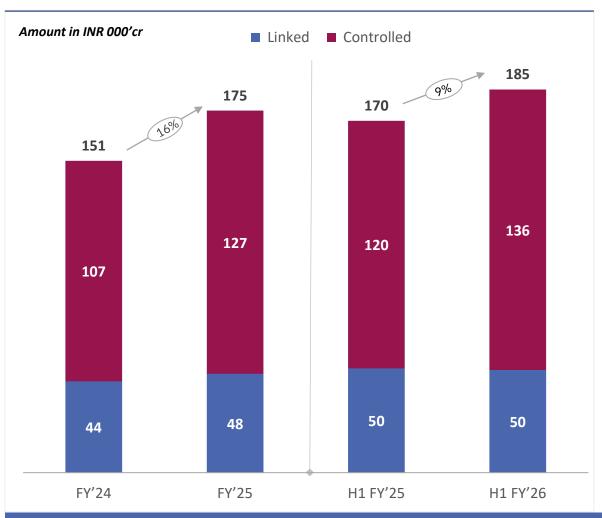
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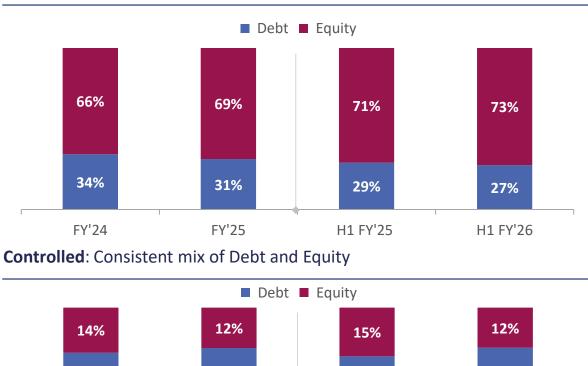
### Axis Max Life has consistently grown its Asset Under Management, reached INR 1.8 Lakh crore<sup>1</sup>



**Assets Under Management -** AMLI is the 4th largest<sup>2</sup> manager of private LI AUMs and Largest Par fund<sup>2</sup>



**Linked**: Healthy mix of Debt and Equity



 14%
 12%

 86%
 88%

 85%
 88%

More than 95% of debt investments is in sovereign papers and AAA rated securities

# Axis Max Life has been recognized by a number of Indian and foreign business bodies for its excellence in business, customer service and focus on people



#### **Business Excellence**



INR critics Special Mention Award for Best Banking and Financial Sector Campaign – 'The Bharosa Blueprint' - Fulcrum Awards



Ranked #2 amongst India's top Insurers in delivering **Best In Class Customer Experience** in the 4<sup>th</sup> edition of Hansa Research's marquee CuES Report



Won At The Martech Summit And Awards 2025 By Financial Express For Excellence In Insights / Data Analytics



Clinched bronze for the 'Most Innovative Use of Al' at the Financial Express FU Tech Awards!



Smart Term Plan Plus (STPP) Was Named The Product of The Year 2025



Won The Best Term Plan Award At Global Financial Planner's Summit 2025

### **Leaders in Quality**



No. 2 in Customer Loyalty survey by Hansa Research



Wins "Swift and Prompt Insurer" Award at ET Now Insurance Summit

Received Environment Excellence Award, 2024 from the Indian Chamber of Commerce under the silver category amongst the service sector



Won GOLD at Brandon Hall Group HCM Excellence Awards For Its L&D Intervention, VISHWAAS –Customer Obsession Journey
 Silver at the 14<sup>th</sup> ACEF Global Customer



Engagement Awards for our 'What Women Want' Campaign With Radio Mirchi

Most Innovative Customer Experience



Most Innovative Customer Experience
Initiative for Super Customer Week At India
CX Summit & Awards 2026



Gold At The IPRCCA Awards for The 'Double Bharosa' Campaign



Won 'Excellence In Consumer Insights' At ACEF Awards For Brand Refresh

### Focus on People



Ranked 28<sup>th</sup> in The 'Top 100 Best Companies To Work For' In India In 2025



Ranked By GPTW Among 'Top 50
 India's Best Workplaces Building A
 Culture Of Innovation By All' in 2025



Ranked Among The 'Top 25 Best Workplaces In BFSI 2025' by Great Place To Work Institute



 Among Top 50 India's Best Places For Health And Wellness By The Great Place To Work Institute



 Received Gold At People Matters Infini-t Awards 2025 For HR Onboarding Course Bandhan

# **SECTION III**

► Axis Max Life Insurance: Business Strategy

### Axis Max Life will continue to focus on its chosen strategic pillars with emphasis on long term imperatives



















Digitization for efficiency and

intelligence

#### **Predictable & Sustainable** growth

- Fastest growing profitable proprietary distribution
- **Leader in Online Acquisition**
- **Inorganic Expansion**
- Deepen Bancassurance partnerships
- Proprietary channels grew by 17% driven by strong growth of 23% in offline proprietary
- Overall online LI market Rank #1\*\* with continued leadership in **Online Protection & Online Savings**
- On-boarded & 15 Group partner and 16 retail partner.
- New partnerships contribute 5% of Individual APE with a yoy growth of **87%** during H1 FY'26

#### **Product innovation to** drive margins

- Leader in Protection + Health & Wellness proposition
- Leader in Retirement
- Drive Non PAR saving
- Enhanced investment and mortality risk management
- Retail Protection & Health grew by 36% and Annuity grew by 85% driven by launch of newer limited pay variants;
- Launched the Axis Max Life Group Smart **Health Insurance Plan**, a comprehensive fixed-benefit health solution.
- Rider attachment at 37% for H1 FY26, Rider APE grew by 80%

- Customer centricity across the value chain
- Improve position in 13M and 61M persistency ranking
- Highest Relationship Net Promoter Score (NPS) in the industry
- Continue with digitization agenda across the organisation
- Build intelligence (AI) in all digital assets

- Claim paid ratio at 99.70% at the end of FY25, best in the industry
- Persistency\* improved by **500 bps** in 25th month from 71% in H1 FY'25 to 76% H1 FY'26
- Continued leadership position at 13th month NOP based persistency# at ~83% and Rank 2 in both 25th month & **37**<sup>th</sup> **month** Persistency
- Overall **NPS** improved to **57** in H1 FY'26 vs 52 in FY'25

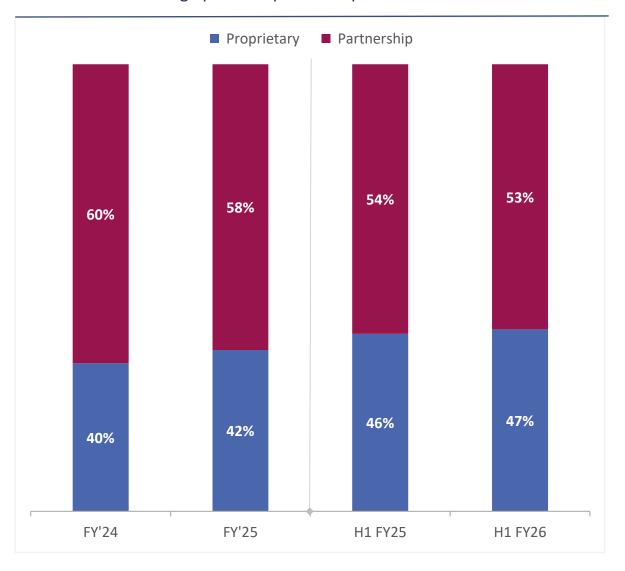
- Launched of Sales Navigator a comprehensive sales performance analytics platform with near real time sales numbers & incentive tracking
- Converse Pro Automated Agentic AI customer email resolution system handling 30% email volumes
- Customer App: 21% new to our ecosystem customers onboarded.
- mSpace scaled as a unified digital platform: enhanced performance dashboards, nudges & notifications; achieving 85% adoption in Agency and 100% in Direct Sales Force



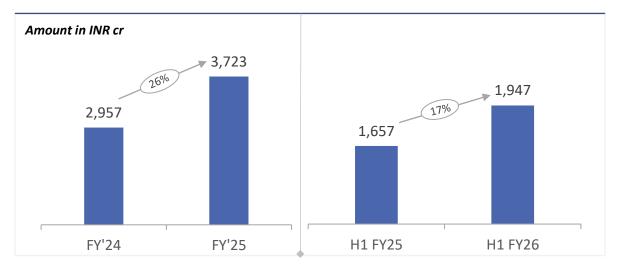
### Axis Max Life has focused on ensuring growth in both its Proprietary and Partnerships channels



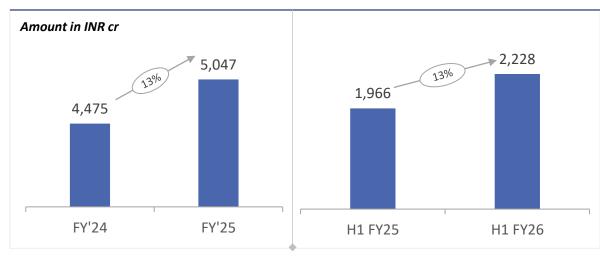
#### **Channel Mix**# –Scaling up of new partnerships



#### **Proprietary Channels New Business (APE)**\*



#### **Partnership Channels (APE)**





Axis Max Life has been augmenting its distribution capability by expanding both traditional and emerging ecosystems with 31 new partnerships in H1 FY'26



#### **Ecosystems**

Retail

#### Key partners signed by Max Life











Lokmanya







**Faarms** 



































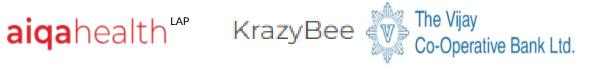










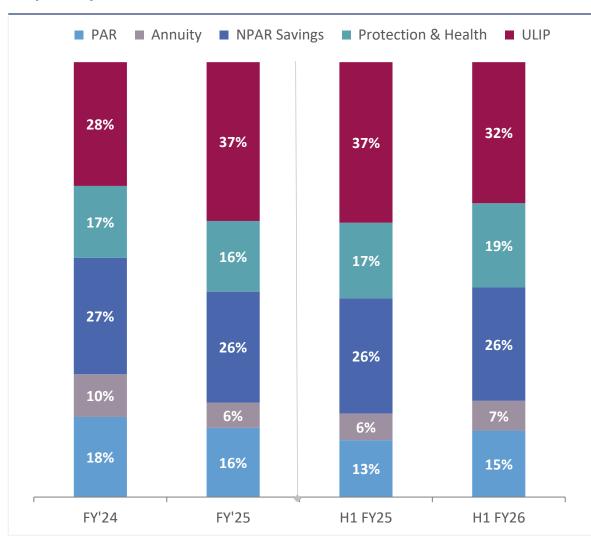




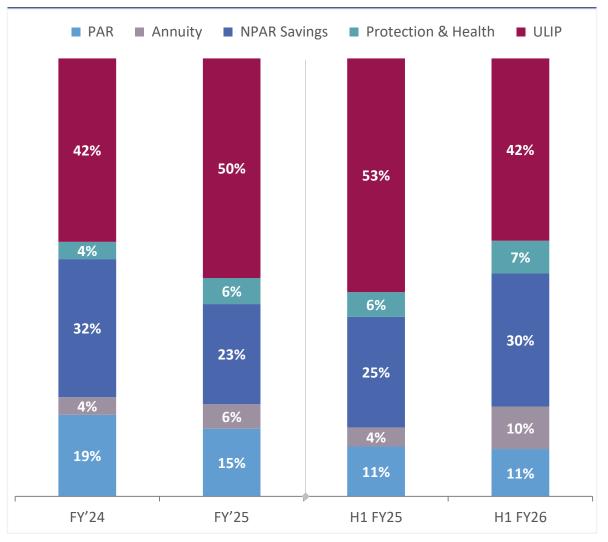




#### **Proprietary Product mix**



#### **Partnership Product Mix**



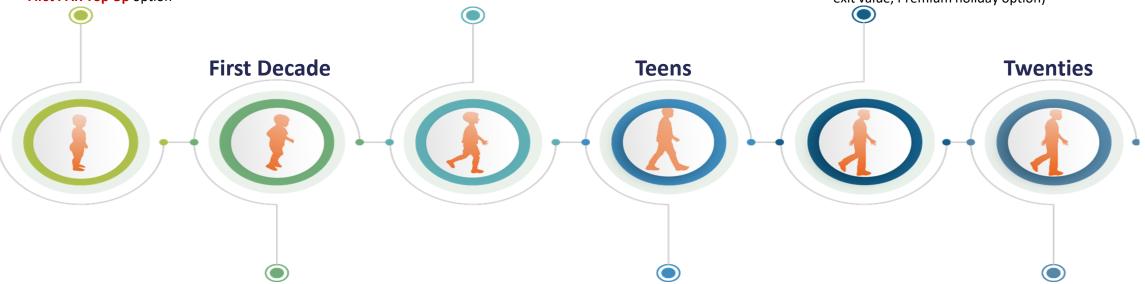
### Axis Max Life has been at the forefront of driving Products Innovation by creating first-in-industry propositions



- Break the endowments category clutter with Industry First Whole Life plan
- Provide liquidity & flexibility through First Cash & **Premium Offset Bonus** options
- First PAR Top Up option

Enabled transparent customer participation in Bonds with First Index-Linked Non PAR plan

- **Hedged Guarantees with Derivatives** 
  - Launched industry First COVID-19 Rider (diagnosis & death benefit)
  - Differentiated Term plan with industry firsts (Special exit value, Premium holiday option)



- Enable Customer Obsession through First "Freelook Period", became Regulation later
- INR created Universal Life product Enable transparent customer participation in Debt market

- Scaled "Monthly Income" category first on Non PAR and then on PAR platforms
- Strengthened PAR proposition (guarantees under early income variant) Launched new savings proposition **Smart Fixed-return Digital Plan**
- Ventured into health segment with Secure Earnings and **Wellness Advantage**
- Launched Smart term Plan Plus with 7 variants to better address customer needs
- Launched Smart Term with Additional Returns ULIP with High sum Assured multiple.
- Launched Smart Value Income & Benefit Enhancer Plan with flexibility to choose 1<sup>st</sup> year income.
- Launched Group Smart Health Insurance Plan, a comprehensive fixed-benefit health solution.



### Accelerating product innovation agenda through experiments and creating new customer segments



Benefits to cater to need of death, Health & Savings

Secure Earnings & Wellness Advantage Plan



High Sum Assured Multiple with market linked returns



Flexibility to choose their first-year income level

Smart Value Income & Benefit Enhancer Plan (Smart VIBE)



Income streams (Cash Bonus + Guaranteed)

Smart Wealth Advantage Growth Par Plan



Option to receive return of premium on maturity



7 plan variants to better address customer needs





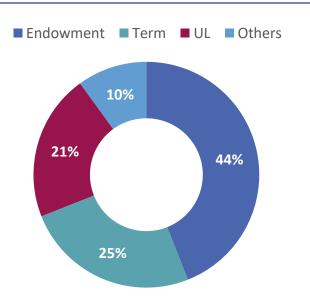
# Axis Max Life has a complete suite of products and focus is on selling longer term products along with improving penetration of pure protection & Health offerings



## Axis Max Life has products across all categories



# Current portfolio¹ biased towards traditional products

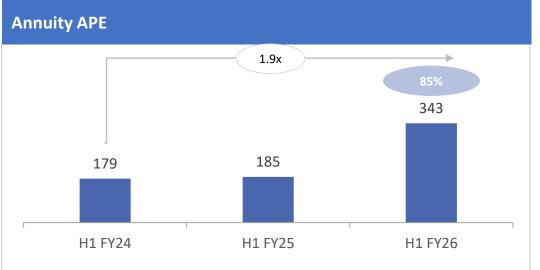


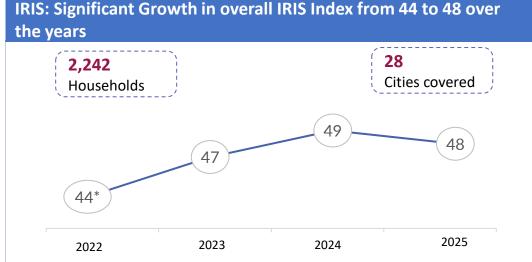


# Retainment remains a key focus area for Axis Max life due to the long term structural opportunity within the segment



India Retirement Index indicating the degree to which Indians feel prepared for tomorrow's retired life on a scale of 0 to 100.





#### **Survey Findings**

- The overall IRIS Index has grown significantly from 44 to 48, with the most significant gains in health preparedness. Financial index and emotional outlook remain stable
- 7 in 10 believe ₹1 Cr is needed for comfortable retirement. Retirement corpus sufficiency erodes as only 37% Indians believe their corpus will last more than a decade
- Gig workers' financial confidence aligns closely with national average, signaling greater stability and optimism among this cohort toward future finances
- 2 in 5 women confident that retirement kitty will last more than a decade.
- Emotional index steady however loneliness concerns grow as 71% Indians feel they will lack social support during their retirement years

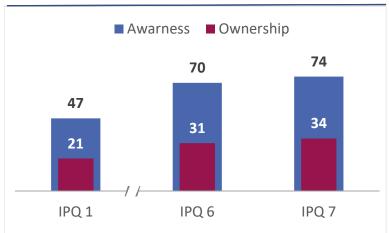




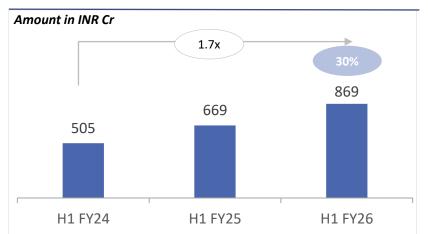
### Driving protection sales based on customer needs and with its efficient risk management



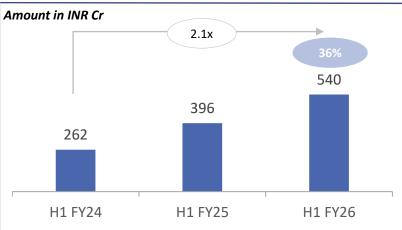
#### Awareness & Ownership Gap for Term Products<sup>1</sup>



#### Total Protection<sup>2</sup> and Health APE



#### Retail Protection<sup>2</sup> and Health APE



### **Customer Profiling and Selection**

- AI based risk models, Credit Bureaus, IIB Database deployed in underwriting risk assessments
- Stringent medical and financial underwriting controls deployed

### **Experience monitoring**

- Regular portfolio review/ Post issuance verification
- Al models leveraged to monitor and forecast experience
- Early warning framework for early course correction
- Industry collaboration against organized frauds

### **Profitability & Risk Management**

- Regular repricing of products
- Product boundaries based on geography, income and channel
- Adequacy of reserve to minimize P&L volatility
- Adequate reinsurance to protect against claims volatility





#### **Interest Rate Risks**

# Robust Asset Liability Management Framework:

- Cash flow and duration matching
- Comprehensive hedging program
- Natural hedge
- Limit on non-par sales
- Active policyholder bonus management for Par business

# Focused Product Management:

- Repricing to align benefits with current rates
- Variant and channel level granular monitoring

## Resilience and Expert Validation:

- Direct Board oversight
- Stress testing
- Sensitivity tracking
- Peer review of liabilities
- Periodic external review of Derivatives

#### **Investment Risks**

#### Front Office – Led by CIO:

- Differential strategy as per the fund characteristics
- Ensuing diversification and credit quality across portfolio, minimize credit and concentration risks

#### Middle Office – Led by CRO:

- Independent credit review of portfolio and all new investment proposals
- Derivative risk management
- Early Warning Framework
- Consequence management of stressed assets

#### **Back Office – Led by CFO:**

- Ensuring implementation of cash flow matching requirement of ALM
- Valuation, Collateral and Margin management of Derivatives
- Appropriate provisioning for stressed assets

# **Information Security and Business Continuity Risks**

# Cyber DARE framework for managing security goals:

Robust framework based on ISO 27001

# Internal and External Validation:

- Dedicated CISO, internal security team and external security partner(s)
- Independent external benchmarking (Bit Sight) to keep abreast with emerging security trends

#### **Business Continuity:**

- Robust framework based on ISO 22301
- Business continuity plans reviewed annually
- Annual BCP drill
- Alternate Disaster Recovery (DR site) and regular data backups with movement to DR site
- Crisis Action Manual

#### **Operational Risks**

### **Preventive Programs:**

- Multi-tier governance and automation for highest impact areas
- Quantified risk appetite for
  - Operational errors
  - Product set up errors
- Comprehensive Vendor due diligence

#### **Detective Programs:**

- Customized Incident
   Management program
- Enterprise-wide tool for incident disclosures
- Risk certifications for critical processes

#### **Corrective programs:**

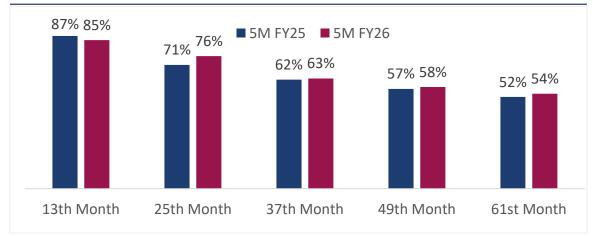
- Revenue Assurance model for concurrent checks
- Cross functional forum for system gaps



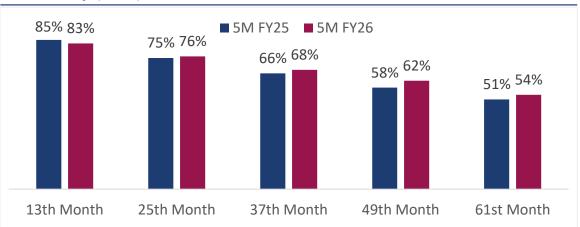
# Strong focus towards customer measures has helped deliver superior performance across health parameters and will continue to remain an important priority



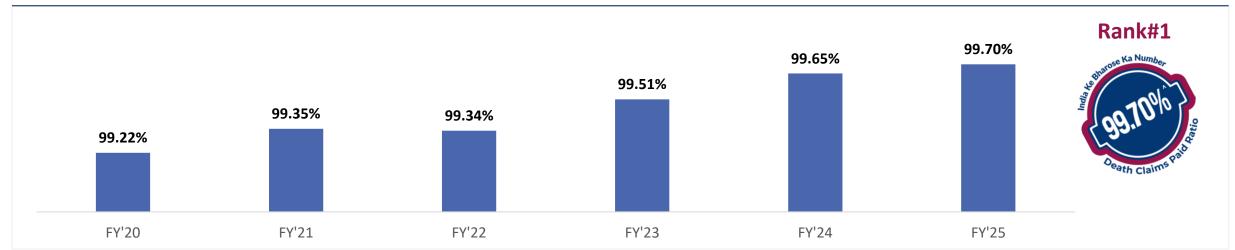
#### Persistency# (Premium)



#### Persistency#(NOP)



#### Claims Paid Ratio: Leader at Claims paid ratio since FY'20













Pervasive Intelligence (AI/ML & Analytics embedded in all key processes)

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Agile, Scalable, Resilient Technology Platforms

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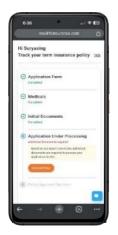


### Leadership in Ecommerce enabled by Best-in-Class On-boarding Platform



#### **B2C & B2B ON-BOARDING PLATFORM**







- Best-in-class journey with smarts for better seller and customer experience
- Customer verification with intelligent fraud detection capabilities
- Ready APIs for fast onboarding of new Bank/Broking partners Issuance
- Real time policy status views from application to issuance
- **®** Document Collection on WhatsApp



#### FRICTIONLESS ONBOARDING

















- State of the art Integration stack with third parties like CIBIL, PAYU, AA, OCR for digital extraction of financial transactions.
- Journey enabled for existing customers for pre-population of data, document waiver and medical suppression basis previous policy.







### **Digital Proprietary**

## Super App for SALES Force



- One App for all
- Detailed Contest View
- Smart Nudges
- Performance Dashboard
- Unified Calendar



# UNIFIED LEARNING & TRAINING MANAGEMENT



- 140% increase in module completion
- (Dec' 24 vs Mar '25)
- 2500+ Agency Arohan on mPitch Pro

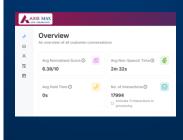


# Gen-Al Speech Analytics



Generative AI Powered Call Centre Analytics for Sharper Call and Agent Performance Insights ~2500 Calls being analyzed

daily



### **Banca Partnerships**

D2C JOURNEY Smart Fixed Return Plan

1.35L

DIY customer acquired



ALTERNATE
CHANNELS (including
CAT Axis)

15%

Growth in customer repurchasing new product.



Integration Marketplace

>95%
Reusable API

60%

New Partner integration TTM reduced

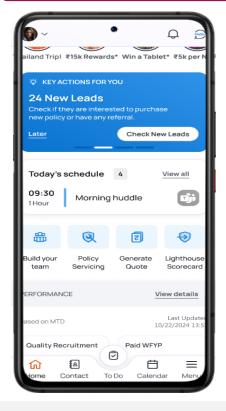


# Sales Navigator transforming our sales force into a truly Bionic Sales Force, to get maximum outcome from an average seller.





#### **One Stop Solution**



- **Single login** with integrated workflow to perform day-to-day job ( Recruitment, Training, Sales, and Review )
- Real-time nudge and notification for NBA

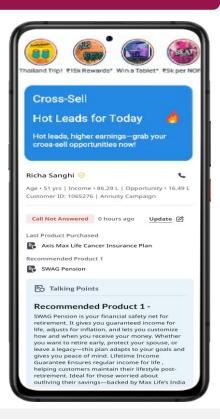




• Sales analytics platform with near real-time sales performance and incentive tracking-.

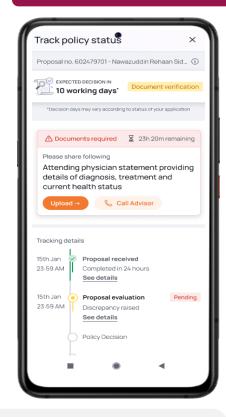


#### **Cross Sell**



• **Al-based** product recommendation with Talk points for better conversion

### Track your Policy



• **Empowering** a seller to track his policy and take action

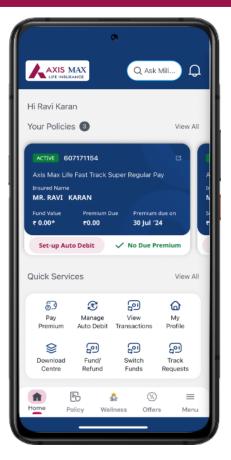


# Empowering customers with DIY Servicing and Wellness, while driving cross-sell through the newly launched Axis Max Life Insurance App





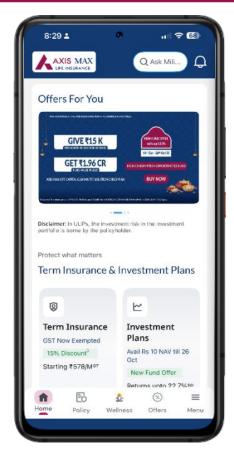
**DIY Servicing & Renewals** 



- Biometric login
- Self-serving capability at fingertips

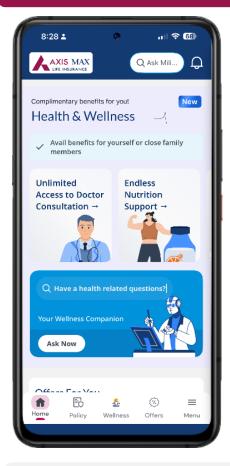


**Cross Sell** 



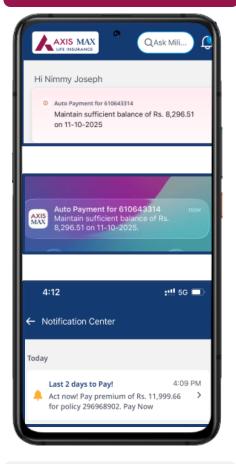
- Crossell offers
- Online buying journey
- Track policy application





Free **Doctor** consultation Fitness steps tracking, **health** risk assessment





Push notifications & message center, Smart nudges Voice Search & Al powered Mil



# Leveraging generative AI for competitive advantage and digitizing customer service to deliver superio experiences



1. Sales Enablement

2. Customer Service

3. Employee Experience

#### **Enterprise Grade use case development**



Generative AI Sales Assistant to enhance seller productivity

### ConversePro

Conversational intelligence engine for e2e resolution on customer queries and emails.

#### **mPitchPro**

AI-Driven role-play based assessment for the field teams to identify training & learning needs basis pitch evaluation

#### 4. Marketing & other functions+: Leveraging GenAl products for enhancing functional productivity

Gen AI tools for campaigns, customer communications & training videos in multiple languages





Automated KFDs, articles and vernacular communication







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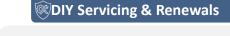
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Track

#### Newly launched customer app





- Biometric login
- Policy documents, Track Fund Value
- Renewal reminders & One Click Payments
- Application Status Tracker



#### Cross Sell

- Cross Sell offers
- Online buying journey
- Track policy application & onboarding

#### (48)

#### **Engagement**

- Push notifications & Smart nudges
- Voice Search & Al powered Mili
- Plans & Financial Calculators



#### **Health & Wellness**

- Complimentary Doctor consultation
- Steps based reward points for SEWA & CIDR
- Al powered health Bot







**Data & Analytics Platform** 

Compliance & Security



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**Cloud Foundation** 



Legacy Modernization



Lakehouse architecture providing Single Source & Version for Applied & GenAl enablement

Daily Reporting & with reporting cycle from T-1 data to near real time

**BitSight Security Maturity Score:** 

4

800 (Best in Industry)

80% on hybrid, multi-cloud architecture ~100% Resiliency
For Cloud & Critical Apps

Provisioning from 8 weeks to 1-2 Days

4X peak volume scaled organically

1st organization in India & 2nd in world to have core systems on cloud

Future Proof the core (Dynamic Scaling)

Reduced RPO (near real time) & RTO (8 Hrs)

30% performance improvement

# SECTION IV

**ESG** 





# Four pillars of our sustainability framework (2/3)





# **Work Ethically & Sustainably**

- Corporate Governance
- Ethics & Compliance
- Digital Initiatives
- Ethical usage of Data
- Operational Risk Management



# **Care for People**

- Diversity & Inclusion
- Employee Development
- Health & Wellness programs
- CSR (with Financial Empowerment)



# **Financial Responsibility**

- Sustainable Investing
- Product responsibility
- Customer feedback integration



# **Green Operations**

- Waste Management
- Water Management
- Energy efficiency
- Emissions control

# Four pillars of our sustainability framework (3/3)





# Work Ethically & Sustainably



### Governance

Diverse Board composition with optimum no. of Independent Directors (>50% - MFSL; ~30% - Axis Max Life Insurance)



### **Data Privacy & Security**

Received DSCI Excellence Award for Best Security Practices in India in 2021;

BitSight rating of 810-Best in financial services



### **Risk Management**

Axis Max Life has a robust governance framework with Board risk committee (REALMC) supported by domain expertise committees



### **Compliance & Policies**

Platforms, mechanisms, channels in place for grievance addresses, incident investigations and corrective actions and policies



### **Care for People**



### **Diversity & Inclusion**

**Gender diversity ratio:** 29.4% as of 30th Sept 2025



### **Well-being of Employees**

- PAN India Health Camps & webinars with 4500+ employee participation
- Monthly Gaming Hour launch (500+ monthly participation)



# **Employee Development & Policies**

36 learning hours achieved against the target of 20 learning hours



### **CSR Initiatives**

85K students and 25K educators benefited from education efforts of Max India Foundation, 2078 beneficiaries reached through 286 employee volunteers under Joy of Giving, 12,200 beneficiaries enrolled into government welfare schemes in Varanasi, Jamshedpur, Unnao and Haridwar.



### **Financial Responsibility**



# Committed to responsible investments

100% ESG integration will be ensured in all equity investment research and decision making



# **Responsible Investments**

Comprehensive stewardship policy in place and a detailed summary of AMLI's voting actions are disclosed on a quarterly basis.



### **Product Responsibility**

Benefits for females/transgenders for financial inclusion by way of preferential discounts & Higher returns.



# Integrating Customer Feedback

NPS for Q4 stands at an all time high of 63; YTD exit at 62 improving 6 points from previous year.



### **Green Operations**



### **Energy Management**

- A total of 270 ton energy-efficient AC units with 3-star ratings have been installed across 85 locations.
- Solar panels at our 90C office generate ~15,376 units, reducing CO2 emissions by 11 tons in Q2. Total target of 500 tons till Mar 26



### **Water Conservation**

~1034 KL water recycled through STP in Q2 at 90C office in Gurugram



# **Waste Management**

- Installed sanitary pad disposal bins at HO & 24 branches resulting in ~102 kg carbon footprint conserved for FY 2025-26
- Tissue papers, previously discontinued only at Head Office, have now been discontinued across 200 branches effective May 2025.



# Progress made in our key strategic shifts identified in our ESG journey- as on 30<sup>th</sup> Sept 2025



	Indicators	Key Metric for ESG Indicators	Key Targets	Current Status		
<b>O</b>	Digital Operations	Digital penetration	95% of digital penetration by FY 2026	92.66% as of 30th Sept 2025		
ion	Diversity & Inclusion	Overall Gender Diversity Ratio	Achieve 30% gender diversity ratio by FY26	29.4% as of 30th Sept 2025		
ion	Workforce Training	Number of learning hours to upskill and reskill employees	40 learning hours per employee FY 2025	36 learning hours achieved against the target of 20 learning hours		
	Responsible Investments	ESG integration* & Compliance^ in Investment Decision Making	ESG evaluation in equity investment research and decision making   75% of equity portfolio to be ESG compliant at all times   100% compliance for equity portions of shareholders fund to be adhered to	CRISIL has been on-boarded for ESG integration. Responsible Investment Policy in place		
	Carbon Neutrality	Reduce carbon footprint and achieve Carbon Neutrality	Net-zero target by 2050*	63 green meters installed in branch offices situated in Maharashtra amounting to 59.47 TCo2e emission saving.		

• Exploring more ways to transition to

green energy in other states.

<sup>\*</sup>ESG Integration refers to evaluation of ESG risks and opportunities for each company in the portfolio

<sup>^</sup>ESG compliance refers to all ESG rating categories excluding severe risk category, as per rating agency scores

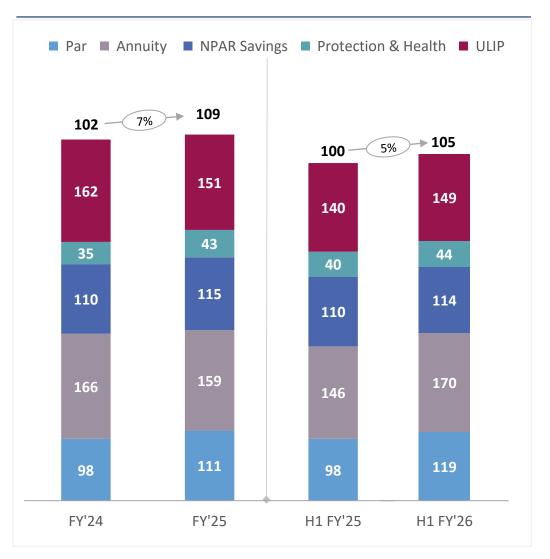
<sup>\*</sup>Earlier target was to reduce carbon emissions by 80% by 2028

# Annexures

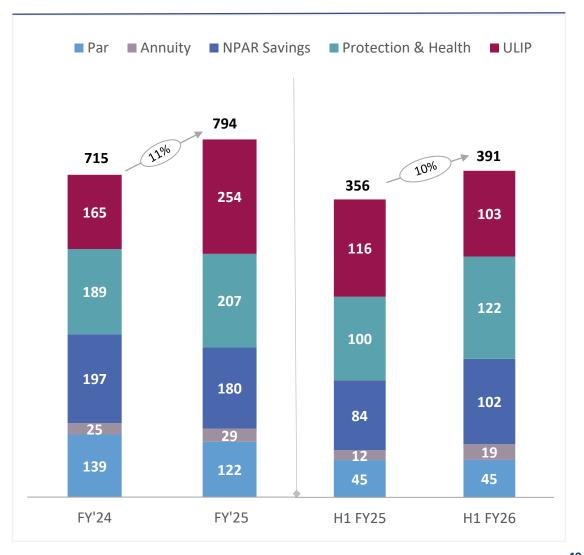
# Expansion in both case size and number of policies sold in H1 FY'26



# Case Size\* (INR'000)



### NoP's (000's)



# **Sensitivity analysis as at 30th September 2025**



	EV	/	Value of nev	v business	New Business Margin		
Sensitivity	Value (Rs Cr)	% change	VNB (Rs Cr)	% change	NBM	% change	
Base Case	26,895	-	974	-	23.3%	-	
Lapse/Surrender - 10% increase	26,930	0.1%	931	(4.4%)	22.3%	(1.0%)	
Lapse/Surrender - 10% decrease	26,849	(0.2%)	1,019	4.6%	24.4%	1.1%	
Mortality - 10% increase	26,169	(2.7%)	899	(7.8%)	21.5%	(1.8%)	
Mortality - 10% decrease	27,626	2.7%	1,050	7.8%	25.1%	1.8%	
Expenses - 10% increase	26,647	(0.9%)	867	(11.0%)	20.8%	(2.6%)	
Expenses - 10% decrease	27,142	0.9%	1,081	11.0%	25.9%	2.6%	
Risk free rates - 1% increase	26,020	(3.3%)	978	0.4%	23.4%	0.1%	
Risk free rates - 1% reduction	27,885	3.7%	970	(0.4%)	23.2%	(0.1%)	
Equity values - 10% immediate rise	27,222	1.2%	974	Negligible	23.3%	Negligible	
Equity values - 10% immediate fall	26,568	(1.2%)	974	Negligible	23.3%	Negligible	
Corporate tax Rate - 2% increase	26,305	(2.2%)	940	(3.5%)	22.5%	(0.8%)	
Corporate tax Rate - 2% decrease	27,484	2.2%	1,008	3.5%	24.1%	0.8%	
Corporate tax rate increased to 25%	24,259	(9.8%)	823	(15.5%)	19.7%	(3.6%)	

- 1. Reduction in interest rate curve leads to an increase in the value of assets which offsets the loss in the value of future profits, resulting in an overall increase in EV.
- 2. Risk free rate sensitivities under new business allow for the change in the value of assets as at the date of valuation.

### **Definition of the EV and VNB**



# Market consistent methodology

- The EV and VNB have been determined using a market consistent methodology which differs from the traditional EV approach in respect of the way in which allowance for the risks in the business is made.
- For the market consistent methodology, an explicit allowance for the risks is made through the estimation of the Time Value of Financial Options and Guarantees (TVFOG), Cost of Residual Non-Hedgeable Risks (CRNHR) and Frictional Cost (FC) whereas for the traditional EV approach, the allowance for the risk is made through the Risk Discount Rate (RDR).

## **Components of EV**

The EV is calculated to be the sum of:

- Net Asset value (NAV) or Net Worth: It represents the market value of assets attributable to shareholders and is calculated as the adjusted net worth of the company (being the net shareholders' funds as shown in the audited financial statements adjusted to allow for all shareholder assets on a market value basis, net of tax).
- Value of In-force (VIF): This component represents the Present Value of Future expected post-tax Profits (PVFP) attributable to shareholders from the in-force business as at the valuation date, after deducting allowances for TVFOG, CRNHR and FC. Thus, VIF = PVFP TVFOG CRNHR FC.

### **Covered Business**

 All business of Axis Max Life is covered in the assessment except one-year renewable group term business and group fund business which are excluded due to their immateriality to the overall EV.

# Components of VIF (1/2)



# **Present Value of Future Profits (PVFP)**

- Best estimate cash flows are projected and discounted at risk free investment returns.
- PVFP for all lines of business except participating business is derived as the present value of post-tax shareholder profits from the in-force covered business.
- PVFP for participating business is derived as the present value of shareholder transfers arising from the policyholder bonuses *plus* one-tenth of the present value of future transfers to the participating fund estate and one-tenth of the participating fund estate as at the valuation date.
- Appropriate allowance for mark-to-market adjustments to policyholders' assets (net of tax) have been made in PVFP calculations to ensure that the market value of assets is taken into account.
- PVFP is also adjusted for the cost of derivative arrangements in place as at the valuation date.

# Cost of Residual Non-Hedgeable Risks (CRNHR)

- The CRNHR is calculated based on a cost of capital approach as the discounted value of an annual charge applied to the projected risk bearing capital for all non-hedgeable risks.
- The risk bearing capital has been calculated based on 99.5 percentile stress events for all non-hedgeable risks over a one-year time horizon. The approach adopted is approximate.
- The stress factors applied in calculating the projected risk capital in the future are based on the latest EU Solvency II directives recalibrated for Indian economic conditions.

# Components of VIF (2/2)



# Time Value Of Options and Guarantees (TVFOG)

- The TVFOG for participating business is calculated using stochastic simulations which are based on 5,000 stochastic scenarios.
- Given that the shareholder payout is likely to be symmetrical for guaranteed non-participating products in both positive and negative scenarios, the TVFOG for these products is taken as zero.
- The cost associated with investment guarantees in the interest sensitive life non-participating products are allowed for in the PVFP calculation and hence an explicit TVFOG allowance has not been calculated.
- For all unit-linked products with investment guarantees, extra statutory reserves have been kept for which no release has been taken in PVFP and hence an explicit TVFOG allowance has not been calculated.

# **Frictional Cost (FC)**

• The FC is calculated as the discounted value of tax on investment returns and dealing costs on assets backing the required capital over the lifetime of the in-force business.

# **Key Assumptions for EV and VNB (1/2)**



# **Economic Assumptions**

- The EV is calculated using risk free (government bond) spot rate yield curve taken from FBIL<sup>1</sup> as at September 2025. The VNB is calculated using the beginning of respective quarter's risk free yield curve (i.e. 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 and 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025).
- No allowance has been made for liquidity premium because of lack of credible information on liquidity spreads in the Indian market.
- Samples from 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025 and 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 spot rate (semi annualized) yield curves used are:

Year	1	2	3	4	5	10	15	20	25	30	40	50
Sept-25	5.56%	5.84%	5.94%	6.12%	6.30%	6.68%	7.07%	7.40%	7.53%	7.54%	7.66%	7.91%
Mar-25	6.44%	6.43%	6.44%	6.45%	6.49%	6.65%	6.76%	7.00%	7.10%	7.13%	7.19%	7.14%
Change	-0.88%	-0.59%	-0.50%	-0.33%	-0.19%	0.03%	0.31%	0.40%	0.43%	0.41%	0.47%	0.77%

# **Demographic Assumptions**

The lapse and mortality assumptions are approved by Board committee and are set by product line and distribution channel on a best estimate basis, based on the following principles:

- Demographic assumptions are set to reflect the expected long term experience.
- Assumptions are based on company's own experience along with expectations of future experience given the likely impact of any current and proposed management actions on such assumptions.
- Aims to avoid arbitrary changes, discontinuities and volatility where it can be justified.
- Aims to exclude the impacts of non-recurring factors.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Financial Benchmark India Pvt. Ltd.

# **Key Assumptions for EV and VNB (2/2)**



# **Expense and Inflation**

- Maintenance expenses are based on the recent expense studies performed internally by the Company.
- The future CSR rate is derived after allowing for the exemption on dividend income and is applied to the post-tax, risk-adjusted profits emerging each year.
- The commission rates are based on the actual commission payable, if any.

### Tax

- The Corporate tax rate is the effective tax rate, post allowing for exemption available on dividend income. Tax rate is nil for pension business.
- For participating business, the transfers to shareholders resulting from surplus distribution are not taxed as tax is assumed to be deducted before surplus is distributed to policyholders and shareholders.
- Goods and Service tax is assumed to be 18%.
- The mark to market adjustments are also adjusted for tax.

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