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Terms & Conditions – Met Wealth Plus Unit Linked Life Insurance Plan (Non Par)

1. Basic Definitions

The words or terms below that appear in this Policy in Initial Capitals and **bold** type will have the specific meaning given to them below. These defined words or terms will, where appropriate to the context, be read so that the singular includes the plural, and the masculine includes the feminine.

- 1.1. Age means the Insured's age as shown in Section 1 of the Schedule.
- 1.2. Annualized Premium (applicable for Regular Premium policies) means one full year's Regular Premium(s). The Schedule will show if this is a Regular Premium or Single Premium Policy.
- 1.3. **Application** means the proposal form and any other information given to **Us** to decide whether and on what terms to issue this **Policy**.
- 1.4. **Appointee** means the person **You** have named to receive payment under this **Policy** if the **Nominee** is a minor at the time payment becomes due under this **Policy**.
- 1.5. Base Premium means the Regular or Single Premium You must pay for the Base Sum Assured and is as shown in Section 1 of The Schedule
- 1.6. Base Premium Fund Value means the total number of Units in the Base Premium Unit Account of this Policy multiplied by the Net Asset Value as at the Relevant Date.
- 1.7. Base Premium Unit Account or Top-Up Premium Unit Account means Your Unit Account pertaining to the Base Premium or the Top-Up Premium respectively.
- 1.8. Base Sum Assured means the amount of life insurance cover as chosen by You and is shown in Section 1 of the Schedule.
- 1.9. Business Day means a working day of Our Registered office.
- 1.10. **Date of Commencement** means the date when coverage under this **Policy** takes effect and is as shown in Section 1 of the **Schedule**
- 1.11. Date of Maturity means the expiry date of this Policy as shown in Section 1 of the Schedule.
- 1.12. Date of Issue is the date when the Policy gets issued after We have accepted the risk under the Application. The Issue Date is shown in Section 1 of the Schedule.

- 1.13. **Death Benefit** means the amount payable under this **Policy** in accordance with clause 2.1.1 in case of the death of the **Insured**.
- 1.14. **Insured** means the person insured as named in Section 1 of the **Schedule**.
- 1.15. Maturity benefit means the amount payable under this **Policy** in accordance with clause 2.1.2 on the **Date of** Maturity.
- 1.16. Mortality Charge means the cost of life insurance as shown in Section 3 of the Schedule.
- 1.17. Net Asset Value ("NAV") of a Unit Linked Fund means the price of a unit in a Unit Linked Fund at which We would allocate or cancel Units in that Unit Linked Fund at each Valuation Date.
- 1.18. Nominee means the person nominated by You as per the Application (or as may be subsequently notified to Us from time to time) to receive the benefits under the Policy in the event of the death of the Insured before the Date of Maturity.
- 1.19. Policy Month means the one month period between the Date of Commencement and every subsequent month thereafter until the Date of Maturity.
- 1.20. Policy Year means the one year period between the Date of Commencement and every subsequent year until the Date of Maturity.
- 1.21. Policy means this document, any endorsements issued by Us, the Schedule and the Application.
- 1.22. Partial Withdrawal means any part of the Unit Account that You encash in accordance with clause 2.1.4.
- 1.23. Policy Charges means the charges shown in Section 3 of the Schedule. Policy Charges will be determined and applicable in the manner shown in the Section 3 of the Schedule subject to the terms and conditions of the Policy.
- 1.24. Policy Term means the period between the Date of Commencement and the Date of Maturity. The duration of the Rider Cover, if opted, is specified in Section 1 of the Schedule and it may cease prior to the Date of Maturity.
- 1.25. Regular premium or Single Premium means the amount which You must pay as shown in the Schedule.
- 1.26. Relevant Date means:
 - 1.26.1. **Our** date of receipt of **Your** written notice for switches, **Partial Withdrawal**, **Surrender** or freelook cancellation.
 - 1.26.2. Our date of receipt of notice of the death of the Insured in the case of a Death Benefit claim.
 - 1.26.3. The Date of Maturity in the case of a Maturity Benefit claim.

- 1.27. Rider means the additional benefit as described therein which You have chosen over and above the Base Sum Assured.
- 1.28. Rider Cover means the amount of coverage under the Rider chosen by You as shown in Section 1 of the Schedule
- 1.29. Rider Premium means the premium that You must pay if You have opted for Rider Cover as shown in Section 1 of the Schedule.
- 1.30. **Schedule** means the **Schedule We** issue along with any annexure, unit statement, tables or endorsements attached to it from time to time.
- 1.31. Surrender means Your termination of the Policy before the Date of Maturity.
- 1.32. **Surrender Value** means the amount payable in accordance with clause 2.1.3 and is the **Total Fund Value** less the Surrender Charge shown in the Section 3 of the **Schedule**.
- 1.33. **Top-up Premium** means the single sum amount **You** may optionally pay in addition to the **Base Premium** which is subject to **Our** rules and limits which may be revised at **Our** sole discretion from time to time.
- 1.34. Top-Up Premium Fund Value means the number of Units in Your Top-Up Premium Unit Account of this Policy multiplied by the Net Asset Value as on the Relevant Date.
- 1.35. Total Fund Value means the sum of the Base Premium Fund Value and the Top-Up Premium Fund Value under this Policy as on the Relevant Date.
- 1.36. **Unit Linked Fund** means a separately identifiable investment-linked fund set up and managed by **Us** for the purpose of achieving the objectives of the fund. The **Unit Linked Funds** available under this **Policy** are mentioned in Section 2 of the **Schedule**.
- 1.37. Unit means a notional and proportionate part of the Base Premium Unit Account/ Top-Up Premium Unit Account created upon the allocation of Base Premium or Top-up Premium and shall be used solely for the purpose of determining the value of benefits under the policy.
- 1.38. Unit Account means the notional accounts that We administer in which Your Units are allocated or redeemed.
- 1.39. Valuation Date means the date on which the assets to which a Unit Linked Fund are referenced, are valued and the date on which NAV is determined.
- 1.40. We, Us or Our means MetLife India Insurance Company Limited.
- 1.41. You or Your means the policyholder as named in Section 1 of the Schedule

2. Policy Benefits

Met Wealth Plus is the name of the product offered by us under this **Policy**. It is a Non-Participating **Single Premium** or **Regular Premium** unit linked insurance plan which matures on the Date of Maturity. **Your Policy** provides the following benefits:

2.1.1 Death Benefit

- 1. If the Insured dies before Age 60 during the Policy Term, then We will pay You or Your Nominee the higher of:
- (a) The Base Premium Fund Value; and
- (b) or the **Base Sum Assured**, less any **Partial Withdrawals** made from the **Base Premium Unit Account** in the 24 months preceding the **Insured's** death.
- If the Insured dies during the Policy Term having attained Age 60, then. We will pay You or Your Nominee the higher of:
- (c) The Base Premium Fund value; and
- (d) The Base Sum Assured less the higher of:
 - (i) any **Partial Withdrawals** made from the **Base Premium Unit Account** in the 24 months preceding the **Insured's** death; and
 - (ii) any **Partial Withdrawals** made from the **Base Premium Unit Account** after the **Insured** attained Age 60

In addition to whichever of the payments is due under 1 or 2, We will pay You or Your Nominee the Top–Up Premium Fund Value, in the event applicable.

Any Policy Charges that accrued during the grace period will be deducted from any payment to be made.

Accidental Death Benefit Rider (UIN: 117C014V01)

If You have opted for this Rider and the Insured dies due to an Accident as defined in the Rider Cover terms and conditions, then We will pay You (or a Nominee) the Rider Cover in addition to the Base Sum Assured

2.1.2 Maturity Benefit

If the **Insured** is alive on the **Date of Maturity**, then **We** will pay **You** the **Total Fund Value** of this **Policy** at the applicable NAV as on the **Relevant Date. You** may choose to take **Your Maturity Benefit** as per the Settlement Option provided in clause 2.1.6.

2.1.3 Surrender Value

- (a) A Surrender Value is only payable after the first three (3) Policy Years. The Surrender Value will be the Total Fund Value less the Surrender Charge shown in Section 3 of the Schedule.
- (b) For the purpose of computing the **Surrender Value**, the **Total Fund Value** in the **Unit Account** will be determined using the **Net Asset Value** on the **Relevant Date**
- (c) In exceptional circumstances that **We** will determine **We** may defer the surrender of the **Policy** for a period not exceeding thirty days (30) from the date of application. Examples of such circumstances are:
 - (i) When one or more stock exchanges which provide a basis for valuation for a substantial portion of the assets of the fund are closed other than for ordinary holidays.
 - (ii) When, as a result of political, economic, monetary or any circumstances that are out of Our control the disposal of the assets of the Unit-Linked Fund(s) are not reasonable or would not in Our view be reasonably practicable without being detrimental to the interests of remaining policyholders invested in the Unit-Linked Fund(s).
 - (iii) During periods of extreme market volatility during which surrenders would, in **Our** opinion, be detrimental to the interests of the existing policyholders invested in the Unit-Linked Fund(s).
 - (iv) In case of natural calamities, strikes, war, civil unrest, riots and bandhs;
 - In the event of any circumstance of force majeure or disaster that affects **Our** normal functioning;

2.1.4 Partial Withdrawals

Partial Withdrawals can be requested from the **Total Fund Value** if (a) the Policy has been in force for at least three (3) years from the **Date of Commencement** and (b) **the Policyholder** is by then at least Age 18.

Requests for any **Partial Withdrawals** must be given to **Us** in writing and must specify the amount or percentage of the Total Fund Value to be partially withdrawn. No **Partial Withdrawal** will be processed if (a) the amount of **Partial Withdrawal** is less than Rupees Ten Thousand (Rs. 10,000/-), or (b) exceeds 25% of the Total Fund Value or (c) the Total Fund Value after any Partial Withdrawal would be less than 120% of the **Annualised Premium**.

Requests will be processed subject to Our approval which will be based on the applicable Unit Linked Fund rules.

Two (2) **Partial Withdrawals** (from both **Regular and as well Top-Up Premium Accounts)** in each **Policy Year** will be processed free of charge. For every **Partial Withdrawal** thereafter, the **Partial Withdrawal** Charge mentioned in section 3 of the **Schedule** shall be applicable.

Partial Withdrawals will be effected by first canceling any Units in the **Top-Up Premium** Unit Account if the **Top-Up Premium** has been invested for at least three (3) years from the date of its receipt. This condition shall

not apply if the **Top-Up Premium** is credited to the Policy in the three (3) Policy Years immediately before the **Date of Maturity**.

2.1.4 Loans

No loans are available under this **Policy**.

2.1.5 Settlement Option

- 1. If the **Insured** is alive on the **Date of Maturity**, **You** may receive **Your Maturity Benefit** either in a lump sum or in the form of regular payments over a fixed period not exceeding 5 years from the **Date of Maturity** (the "Settlement Period") or a combination of part lump sum and part regular payments.
- 2. If **You** choose the Settlement Period option, then
 - a) You must let Us know in writing at least 90 days before the Date of Maturity by sending a written request to Us, failing which We will pay You the Total Fund Value as on the Date of Maturity; and
 - b) The Fund Value payable will be the Net Asset Value as on the Relevant Date of withdrawal; and
 - c) You must specify the frequency of such payments. We will permit a maximum of 12 withdrawals in any calendar year and each regular payment must be a minimum of 5% of the Fund Value (as on the date We receive Your written request for the Settlement Period option). The value of the regular payments will depend on the performance of the Unit Linked Funds You select for investment;
 - d) You agree and understand that
 - i. You will bear all of the risks of and associated with the performance of the Unit Linked Funds; and
 - ii. All applicable Fund Management Charges will continue to be levied during the Settlement Period; and
 - iii. During the Settlement Period, no life or other insurance cover will be provided and upon the Insured's death We shall only be obliged to return the remaining Total Fund Value to You (or Your Nominee); and
 - iv. Switching and **Partial Withdrawal** (other than for the regular payments) are not available during the Settlement Period; and
 - v. At any time during the Settlement Period You may decide to take the remaining Total Fund Value as on the Relevant Date and close the Policy.

3. Premium Provisions

3.1 Regular/Single Premium/Rider Premium

3.1.1 Section 1 of the Schedule shows whether You have chosen the Regular Premium or Single Premium option.

- 3.1.2 For **Regular Premium** policies, **You** must pay the amount of **Regular Premium** on or before its due date. If **You** have chosen a **Rider Cover**, then in addition to the **Regular Premium**, **You** must also pay the **Rider Premium** as shown in section 1 of the **Schedule** on or before its due date.
- 3.1.3 **You** may only change the frequ**enc**y of premium payment with **Our** prior written approval, and such approval if given will only be effective from the following **Policy Year.**
- 3.1.4 All amounts payable to Us or by Us shall be paid in Indian Rupees and will be payable or paid at Our Corporate Office, Registered Office, Regional Office or any other office.

3.2 Top-up Premium

You may pay **Top-up Premium** if **You** have paid **Your Regular Premium** as required. **You** must clearly inform us when **You** are paying **Top-up Premium**, otherwise:

- 3.2.1 If the amount paid is equal to the **Regular Premium** due, then it will be accepted as the **Regular Premium** payable on the next due date.
- 3.2.2 If the amount paid is less than the **Regular Premium** due, then it will be held in an interest free deposit account for up to 45 days and, when the next installment of **Regular Premium** is due, it will be taken as part payment of the **Regular Premium** then due, provided the balance **Regular Premium** is paid by **You** on that date, else the same shall be returned to **You**. If 45 days pass without the next installment of **Regular Premium** becoming due, then **We** will refund the amount to **You** without interest.
- 3.2.3 The **Top-Up Premium** can be paid at any time. Each **Top-Up Premium** shall not be less than the then prevailing minimum amount (currently set as Rupees Ten thousand (Rs 10,000)) and not more than 25% of the total **Annualized Premiums** paid as at the date **You** wish to pay **Top-Up Premium**.
- 3.2.4 Allocation of the **Top-Up Premiums** shall be subject to the rules, if any, of the applicable Unit **Linked Fund**.
- 3.2.5 Top-Up Premium paid is subject to a lock-in period of 3 years from the date of payment for effecting Partial Withdrawals. However such lock-in period will not be applicable to **Top-Up Premiums** paid during the last 3 years of the **Policy Term**.

3.3 Premium Discontinuance

- 3.3.1 If **You** fail to pay **Regular Premium** due on the due date, then **We** will allow a grace period of 30 days (15 days if **Regular Premium** is due monthly).
- 3.3.2 If the Regular Premium due is not paid within the grace period and this occurs in the first 3 Policy Years, then upon the expiry of the grace period, the life cover will immediately cease to exist and the Policy will lapse with effect from the due date of first unpaid premium. We will cease deducting Mortality Charges and Policy Administration Charges; however Fund Management Charges will continue to be levied as shown in Section 3 of the Schedule. The Units in Your Unit Account shall be subject to the performance of the underlying Unit Linked

Funds and the applicable Fund Management Charges will be deducted from the **Unit Account**. You may apply to reinstate the **Policy** within 2 years from the due date of the first unpaid **Regular Premium** subject to the reinstatement conditions set out in (iv) below. If the Policy is not reinstated within 2 years then it will automatically terminate at the earliest of the following:

- 3.3.3 The later of the end of the 2 year period (as mentioned above) or the commencement of the fourth Policy Year, in which case we will pay You the Surrender Value as on the Relevant Date; or
- 3.3.4 The death of the **Insured**, in which case **We** will pay **You** the **Total Fund Value** as on the **Relevant Date**
- 3.3.5 The **Total Fund Value** becoming insufficient to meet the **Policy Charges** as they fall due;
- 3.3.6 If a **Rider** has been chosen, the status of the **Rider** for premium payment purposes will be same as that of the base policy. If the base policy lapses, the **Rider** also lapses. During the period allowed for reinstatement, the **Rider** benefit is discontinued. The **Rider** will be reinstated along with the base policy conditional to the **Rider Premium** being paid in full along with the **Base Premium**.
- 3.3.7 If the **Regular Premium** due is not paid within the grace period and this occurs after the first 3 **Policy Years** during which time all **Regular Premium** due has been paid, then the **Policy** will remain in full force for 2 years from the due date of the first unpaid **Regular Premium** and the **Policy Charges** shown in Section 3 of the **Schedule** will continue to be deducted. **Policy** may automatically terminate earlier within the 2 year period if the **Fund Value** becomes equal to the sum of 120% of **Annualised Premium** and applicable surrender charges, at which time the **Surrender Value** will become payable. Subject to (vi) below, **You** may:
 - 3.3.7.1 Apply to reinstate the **Policy** within 2 years from the due date of the first unpaid **Regular Premium** subject to the reinstatement conditions at (vi) below; or
 - 3.3.7.2 Surrender the policy in which case **We** will pay **You** the **Surrender Value** as on the **Relevant Date**; or
 - 3.3.7.3 Continue the **Policy** beyond the 2 year period without paying further **Regular Premium** as long as **You** request this to **Us** in writing at least 7 days before the expiry of the said 2 year period. If **We** agree to the continuation request, then the **Policy** will continue in full force and **Policy Charges** will continue to be deducted. The **Policy** shall automatically terminate when the **Surrender Value** reaches 120% of **Annualized Premium**, at which time we will pay you the **Surrender Value** per 2.1.3 above.

If **You** do not exercise any of these options within the 2 year period then the **Policy** shall automatically terminate at the end of the 2 year period **We** will pay **You** the **Surrender Value** per 2.1.3 above.

- 3.3.8 If the base policy lapses, the **Rider** also lapses. During the period allowed for reinstatement, the **Rider** benefit is discontinued. The **Rider** will be reinstated along with the base policy conditional to the **Rider Premium** being paid in full along with the base policy premium. In case You choose to cease to pay the **Base Premium** and submit a written request to Us opting to continue the **Policy** by deduction of applicable charges, the **Rider** benefit shall be discontinued.
- 3.3.9 The reinstatement of the **Policy** and the terms on which it is reinstated will be in **Our** sole and absolute discretion. We shall not reinstate the **Policy**, unless:
 - (1) You have given written notice to Us of Your intention to reinstate at least 7 days before the end of the 2 year period from the due date of the first unpaid Regular Premium; and
 - (2) You meet Our underwriting requirements, at the time of reinstatement and
 - (3) **You** provide **Us** with all the information and documentation that **We** may seek for the purposes of reinstatement; and
 - (4) You have agreed to such terms that We may seek or impose as a condition of reinstatement; and
 - (5) **You** have paid all unpaid **Regular Premium/Rider Premium** (in the event applicable) due between the date of default to the proposed date of reinstatement ; and
 - (6) You agree to the deduction of applicable Policy Charges; and
 - (7) You agree that any reinstatement to which We consent shall only be effective from the date of **Our** written endorsement of reinstatement.
- 3.3.10 Premium Redirection: All premiums (including Top –up Premium) will be allocated to the funds specified in Your application and allocated in the proportion also specified in Your application. You may change the premium allocation proportion once every Policy Year free of charge. The second and subsequent changes in a Policy Year will attract the Miscellaneous Charge specified in Section 3 of the Schedule. Any change You make must comply with the applicable rules of the Unit Linked Fund, if any, and will only be processed if (a) the sum of the proportionate allocations is equal to one hundred percent; and (b) the allocation proportion for any funds is at least 20% of the premium.

4 Fund Provisions

4.1 Unit Allocation

The Base Premium/Top-up premium (if any) net of allocation charges will be allocated to the **Unit Linked Funds You** had chosen in the **Application**, subject to a minimum allocation proportion of fund being 20% and further subject to applicable rules, if any, of the said **Unit Linked Fund**. The **Base Premium/Top-up premium** (if any) net of allocation charges will be used to buy **Units** in the chosen **Funds** using the **Net Asset Value** as determined in Section 4.4 subject to the following:

- 4.1.1 If the premium is received by Local Cheque/DD (payable at par where the premiums are received) before 1500 hours on a **Business Day**, the **Valuation Date** will be the same **Business Day**.
- 4.1.2 If the premium is received by Local Cheque/DD (payable at par where the premiums are received) after 1500 hours on a Business Day, the Valuation Date will be the next Business Day.
- 4.1.3 If the premium is received by any other authorized mode, the **Valuation Date** will be the **Business Day** on which the payment is realised.
- 4.1.4 If no valuation is undertaken on a **Business Day**, then the **Valuation Date** will be the date when the next valuation is done. Regular Premium received prior to the due date will be allocated to the chosen **Unit Linked Funds** only on the due date.

4.2 Unit Allocations & Nominal Value

Unit allocations will be rounded up to four decimal places. The nominal value of Units is Rs.10 each.

4.3 Valuation of Funds

- 4.3.1 The assets to which the **Unit Linked Funds** are referenced will be valued daily and will be based on whether overall **Units** are to be purchased (Appropriation price) or sold (Expropriation price) in the **Unit Linked Funds** in order to meet the day to day transactions in that **Unit Linked Fund**.
- 4.3.2 We will determine the Appropriation price using the following methodology: (Market value of the assets held by the Unit Linked Fund plus expenses incurred in the purchase of assets plus the value of any current assets plus any accrued income net of Fund Management Charges as shown in Section 3 of the Schedule less the value of any current liabilities less provisions, if any)/number of outstanding units in the relevant Unit Linked Fund.
- 4.3.3 We will determine the Expropriation price of a Unit Linked Fund using the following methodology: (Market Value of the assests held by the Unit Linked Fund less the expenses incurred in the sale of such assets plus the value of any current assets plus any accrued income net of Fund Management Charges as shown in Section 3 of the Schedule less the value of any current liabilities, less provisions, if any)/number of outstanding in the relevant Unit Linked Fund.
- 4.3.4 **We** shall make all decisions about the selection and valuation of the assets to which a **Unit Linked Fund** is referenced subject to regulatory guidelines in the regard.
- 4.3.5 The fund value will be calculated using the **Net Asset Value** on the correspoding **Valuation Date** falling on or immediately after the **Relevant Date**. If a request/notice is received:

- 4.3.5.1 Before 1500 hours on a **Business Day**, the **Valuation Date** will be the same **Business Day**;
- 4.3.5.2 After 1500 hours on a **Business Day**, the **Valuation Date** will be the next **Business Day**.
- 4.3.6 If no valuation is undertaken on a **Business Day**, then the **Valuation Date** will be the date when the next valuation is done.
- 4.3.7 We reserve the right to change these rules by sending You 15 days prior written notice.

4.4 Calculation of Net Asset Values

4.4.1 We will calculate the Net Asset Value in accordance with the following formula:

(Market/Fair value of investments +/- Expenses incurred + Current Assets + Accrued Income - Current Liabilities and Provisions – Fund Management Charge) / (Number of outstanding **Units** under the relevant Unit Linked **Fund**)

4.4.2 The **Net Asset Value** will be rounded up to four decimal places but there will be no difference between the prices at which **Units** are bought or sold on a particular day.

4.5 Switches between Unit Linked Funds

- 4.5.1 In addition to requesting a change in premium allocation between Unit Linked Funds (subject to the applicable rules, if any, of the Unit Linked Funds), You may also request a switch between existing investments in Unit Linked Funds. (subject to their applicable rules). Your request to switch between Unit Linked Funds must be made to us in writing.
- 4.5.2 First Twelve (12) switches are free of charge in a **Policy Year**. Any subsequent switch in a **Policy Year** will be charged as shown in section 3 of the **Schedule**.
- 4.5.3 The minimum amount of any switch must be at least Rs. 10000/-.
- 4.5.4 No switching is allowed out of the Return Guarantee Fund.

4.6 Limitation of Interest

The allocation of the **Unit**s to the Unit Account shall be notional and shall operate solely for the purpose of determining the value of benefits under the **Policy**. The assets to which the **Unit Linked Funds** are referenced, and any income arising from these assets, is and shall remain **Our** property at all times. Accordingly, the **Policy** does not confer any title to or any beneficial interest in any such assets or **Our** other assets, or to any income from these assets including, but not limited to, any assets to which any **Unit Linked Funds Fund** is referenced or income from it.

4.7 Changes in existing Fund

- 4.7.1 We may in Our sole and absolute discretion establish a new Unit Linked Fund or close any of the Funds stated in Section 2 of The Schedule with the approval of the regulatory authority
- 4.7.2 You will be given at least 4 weeks prior written notice of Our intention to close any Unit Linked Fund and the Unit Linked Fund closure date. If You have not informed Us of another Unit Linked Fund to which the closing Fund Value is to be switched before the Unit Linked Fund closure date, then We will automatically switch the said Fund Value to the Unit Linked Fund which offers the highest proportion of investment in Government Securities. We will not charge any switching fee for any such Unit Linked Fund closure

4.8 Change to Terms and conditions

- 4.8.1 We reserve the right to change these terms and conditions, the rules for the Unit Linked Funds and the benefits conferred by the Policy if there is a change in the law, legislation or taxation affecting Us or the Unit Linked Funds or the Policy, or if there is a change in circumstances which makes it impossible or impracticable for Us to follow these terms and conditions with prior approval from the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority.
- 4.8.2 **We** will intimate **You** about any changes to the terms and conditions, rules for the Unit Linked Funds and benefits within four weeks from the date of effecting such changes.
- 4.8.3 If **You** do not agree with the changes and do not so intimate **Us** within four weeks after **We** have sent intimation thereof, it will be deemed that **You** have accepted the change.

5 Ownership Provisions

5.1 The Policyholder

You are the Policyholder and beneficiary of this **Policy** as shown on Section 1 of the **Schedule** until changed. Only **You** can, during the **Insured's** lifetime, exercise all rights, privileges and options provided under this Policy subject to any assignee's rights.

5.2 Nomination & Assignment

- 5.2.1 If You are also the **Insured** under this **Policy**, then at any time before the **Date of Maturity** You may nominate an individual or change any existing nomination by giving **Us** prior written notice. No nomination or change in **Nominee** will be effective before it is registered in **Our** records and **We** have sent an endorsement confirming the identity of the **Nominee**.
- 5.2.2 If no nomination has been made or all **Nominee** die before payment becomes due under the **Policy**, then **Our** payment to **You** or **Your** legal heirs or **Your** legal representatives will be a final and valid discharge of **Our** obligations under the **Policy**.
- 5.2.3 If the **Nominee** is a minor at the time payment becomes due under the **Policy**, then **We** shall make payment to the **Appointee You** named in the **Application**.

- 5.2.4 You may assign this **Policy** by giving **Us** written notice. An assignment will be effective against **Us** only once **We** have received written notice of the assignment, a copy of the **Policy** document and **We** have sent an endorsement confirming that the assignment has been recorded.
- 5.2.5 In registering an assignment or nomination, **We** do not accept any responsibility or express any opinion as to its validity or legality.

6 Termination of Policy

The **Policy** will be terminated on the earliest of the following:

- The date of confirmation by Us of the Surrender of the Policy
- Date of Maturity of the Policy if You have opted for lumpsum payment, subject to the provisions of section 2.1.5
- The date of receipt of the intimation of death of the **Insured**
- Automatic termination as described in Section 3.3

7 General Provisions

- 7.1 Free Look Period: You have the right to cancel the Policy by giving written notice to Us stating the reasons for your objection and You will receive an amount equal to non-allocated premiums plus charges levied through cancellation of units plus Fund Value at the date of cancellation subject to deduction of expenses towards medical examination, stamp duty and proportionate risk premium for the period of cover Such notice must be signed by You and received directly by Us within 15 days after You or Your designated agent receive the Policy
- **7.2 Taxes:** Service tax is applicable as per governing laws and the same shall be borne by **You**. We reserve the right to recover from **You**, any levies or duties or taxes (including but not limited to service tax), as imposed by the government from time to time.
- 7.3 Suicide: If the Insured commits suicide whilst sane or insane within 1 year of the Date of Issue or the date of the last reinstatement, whichever is later, Our liability to make any payment under this Policy shall be limited to the Total Fund Value.
- 7.4 Currency & place of payment: All amounts payable either to or by Us will be paid in the currency shown in Section 1 of the Schedule. Such amounts will be paid by a negotiable bank draft or cheque drawn on a bank in the country in which the currency of this Policy is denominated
- 7.5 Disclosure: This Policy has been issued on Your representation that You have made full and accurate disclosures of all material facts and circumstances and that You have not misrepresented or suppressed any material facts or circumstances. In the event it comes to Our knowledge that You have misrepresented or suppressed any material facts and circumstances We shall reserve the right to take such action, as We deem appropriate including cancellation of the Policy and forfeiture of the Regular Premium(s) received.

If **You** or anyone acting for **You** or at **Your** direction or with **Your** knowledge makes or advances any claim knowing it to be false, fraudulent or dishonest in any respect, then this **Policy** and any **Rider** will be void and any payments due to **You** or made by **You** will be forfeited.

- **7.6 Proof of Age**: Subject to Section 45 of the Insurance Act 1938, if the actual age of the **Insured** differs from the **Age** stated in the **Application** then:
 - 7.6.1 If the Insured's actual age is higher than Age stated in the Application, then the accumulated difference between the Mortality Charges applied and applicable to the actual age will be paid to Us from the Date of commencement with interest at such rate and in such manner as We charge for the late payment of Regular premium. The difference so paid will not be used to buy Units. If such difference and interest is not paid within of it being requested, We are hereby authorised to recover the same by the cancellation of Units.
 - 7.6.2 If the **Insured**'s actual age is lower than **Age** stated in the **Application**, the **Mortality Charges** shall be altered corresponding to the actual age from the **Date of commencement** and **We** may, at **Our** discretion, refund without interest the accumulated difference between the Corrected **Mortality Charges** and the original **Mortality Charges**.
 - 7.6.3 If the **Insured**'s actual age is such that it would have made him ineligible for this **Policy**, then **We** may at **Our** option cancel the **Policy** and pay the Surrender Value as per section 2.1.3

7.7 Claims Procedure

- (a) We will not be obliged to make any payment of **Death Benefit** unless and until We have received all of the information and documentation We request, including but not limited to
 - (i) The Original **Policy** document.
 - (ii) The Claim forms as prescribed by us.
 - (iii) The official death certificate issued by a competent authority acceptable to the Company.
 - (iv) Written intimation of death by the Nominee/ legal heir.
 - (ii) First Information Report, Police inquest report and a post-mortem report where the death is due to an unnatural cause.
 - (iii) Proof of title to the **Policy** where applicable
 - (iv) Nominee/legal heir Identification and Address proof as per regulatory requirement.
- (b) We will not be obliged to make any payment of the Maturity Benefit unless and until We have received all of the information and documentation We request, including but not limited to
 - (i) The **Policy** document
 - (ii) The claim forms as prescribed by **Us**
 - (iii) The discharge voucher as prescribed by **Us**
- 7.8 Loss of the Policy document: If the Policy is lost or destroyed, You may make a written request for a duplicate Policy which We will issue duly endorsed to show that it is in place of the original document, as long as You first pay Us the fee We prescribe for issuing the duplicate Policy. Upon the issue of a duplicate policy, the original will cease to have any legal force or effect.

- **7.9** The Policyholder's Rights; To exercise **Your** rights, under this **Policy**, **You** should follow the procedures stated in this **Policy**. If **You** want to request a change in payment mode, payment of **Top-Up Premium**, change in beneficiary, change an address or any other action by **Us**, **You** should do so only on the forms prescribed for each purpose. These forms are available from the Your Financial Advisor or from Our local office.
- **7.10Travel, Residence and Occupation**: This **Policy** does not impose any restrictions as to travel, residence or occupation, except as otherwise provided in any special provisions to this Policy or notified by local governments for travel advisory risks.
- **7.11Governing Law &Jurisdiction**: The terms and conditions of the **Policy** shall be governed by and be subject to Indian law and be subject to the sole and exclusive jurisdiction of the courts situated in Bangalore.
- 7.12Changes to Terms and Conditions: We may, in Our sole and absolute discretion change the Policy terms and conditions for the Funds with the prior approval of the Insurance Regulatory Development Authority. We will tell You of any changes to the terms and conditions within four weeks of the change taking place. If You object to the changes You must let Us know within a further 4 weeks or You will be deemed to have accepted the change. If You give notice of Your objection within 4 weeks the Policy will be surrendered and the Policy terminated.
- **7.13Address for Communication**: All notices and communications in respect of this Policy shall be addressed to **Us** at the following address:

MetLife India Insurance Company Limited Registered Office, 'Brigade Seshamahal' 5, Vani Vilas Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore – 560 004.

8 Grievance Redressal Mechanism

1. In case **You** have any query or complaint/grievance, **You** may approach **Our** office at the following address:

MetLife India Insurance Company Ltd., 'Brigade Seshamahal' 5 Vani Vilas Road Basvangudi Bangalore – 560 004 India.

Toll Free Help line: 1-800-425-6969 (8am –8pm) Phone: +91 80 2650 2244 Fax +91 80 41506969 Email: <u>indiaservice@metlife.com</u> Web: www.metlife.co.in

Please address **Your** queries or complaints to the Customer Services Department, and **Your** grievances to the Grievance Redressal Officer, who are authorized to review **Your** queries or complaints or

grievances and address the same. Please note that only an officer duly authorized by **Us** has the authority to resolve **Your** complaints and grievances. **We** shall in no way be responsible, or liable, or bound by, any replies or communications or undertakings, given by or received from, any financial advisor or any employee who was involved in selling **You** this **Policy**.

2. In case **You** are not satisfied with the decision of the above office, or have not received any response within 10 days, **You** may contact the following official of IRDA for resolution:

Grievance cell (Complaint against Life insurer) Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority Parishrama Bhawanam, 5-9-58/B, Basheerbagh, Hyderabad – 500 004. Phone: +91-40- 6682 0964/6678 9768 (Ext –251) E-mail: <u>lifecomplaints@irda.gov.in</u>

- 3. In case **You** are not satisfied with the decision/resolution of the Company, **You** may approach the Insurance Ombudsman at the address enclosed as Annexure A mentioned after the terms and condition section if **Your** grievance pertains to:
 - Insurance claim that has been rejected or dispute of a claim on legal construction of the Policy
 - Delay in settlement of claim
 - Dispute with regard to premium
 - Non-receipt of **Your** insurance document
- 4. The complaint should be made in writing duly signed by the complainant or by his legal heirs with full details of the complaint and the contact information of complainant.
- 5. As per provision 13(3)of the Redressal of Public Grievances Rules 1998, the complaint to the Ombudsman can be made:
 - Only if the grievance has been rejected by the Grievance Redressal Machinery of the Insurer
 - Within a period of one year from the date of rejection by the insurer
 - If it is not simultaneously under any litigation.

9 Section 45 of the Insurance Act 1938

No policy of life insurance effected before the commencement of this Act shall after the expiry of two years from the date of commencement of this Act and no policy of life insurance effected after the coming into force of this Act shall after the expiry of two years from the date on which it was effected, be called in question by an insurer on the ground that a statement made in the proposal for insurance or in any report of a medical officer, or referee, or friend of the insured, or in any other document leading to the issue of the policy, was inaccurate or false, unless the insurer shows that the such statement was on material matter or suppressed facts which it was material to disclose and that it was fraudulently made by the policy owner and that the owner knew at the time of making it that the statement was false or that it suppressed facts which it was material to disclose:

Provided that nothing in this section shall prevent the insurer from calling for proof of age at any time if he is entitled to do so, and no policy shall be deemed to be called in question merely because the terms of the policy are adjusted on subsequent proof that the age of the life insured was incorrectly stated in the proposal.