



## **Request for Proposal**

From Life Insurance Companies for providing Group Term Life Insurance to cover Special Housing Loan of Bank of Baroda Customers

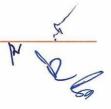
RFP No. BCC:RB:116/3934 dated 04th October, 2024





Bank of Baroda Retail Banking Department Baroda Corporate Centre, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, C-26, G-Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai-400 051

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## Important definitions/ clarifications:

- \* "Bank" means Bank of Baroda
- \* "BCC" means Baroda Corporate Centre
- \* "Recipient", "Respondent", "Vendor", "Agency" and "Bidder" means respondent to this RFP document
- Party to the bid can be "Company", "limited Liability Partnership", "Proprietorship firm", "Partnership firm",
- \* "RFP" means this Request for Proposal document
- \* "Selected Bidder" means the applicant who is declared successful after completion of the entire process of evaluation as defined under this RFP.
- \* "SLA" means Service Level Agreement
- \* "NDA" means Non Disclosure Agreement
- \* "TCO" means Total Cost of Ownership

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## SECTION 1: BANK'S PROFILE-

Bank of Baroda is one of the largest Public Sector Banks in India with international operations in overseas.

Bank of Baroda is known as India's International Bank and has a reputation of being at the fore front in the usage of technology. While Bank has a vast network of Branches, Bank's operations are fully automated and the customers of the Bank avail of various alternate channels of delivery.

It is an Indian state-owned banking and financial services company headquartered in Vadodara in Gujarat and having the Corporate Office in Mumbai. With the amalgamation of Dena Bank and Vijaya Bank with Bank of Baroda, the Bank's domestic presence increased to 8343 branches across India. It has pan-India presence and offers a range of banking products and financial services to corporate and retail customers through its branches and through its specialized subsidiaries and affiliates.

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Date: 04th October, 2024

Dear Sir,

Sub: Request for Proposal (RFP) for financial quotation from Life Insurance Companies for providing Group Term Life Insurance to cover Special Housing Loan of Bank of Baroda Customers.

This request for proposal document (RFP) has been floated to Life Insurance Companies ("Insurance Company") by Bank of Baroda to provide Group Term Life Cover to its Special Housing Loan Customers through its entire network of branches all over the country.

Name of the Insured	Bank of Baroda
Description of the Group	Special Housing Loan Customers
Address for Communication	Bank of Baroda Retail Banking Department Baroda Corporate Centre 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, C-26, G- Block, Bandra Kurla Complex Bandra (East), Mumbai - 400 051
Period of Insurance	One year from the date of issuance of the policy
Type of Policy	Group Term Life Cover
Scope of Cover	Group Term Life Insurance Cover
Amount of Coverage	Outstanding Loan Amount including all interest and charges (including penal interest and overdues) on the day of settling the claim to the maximum exposure of Rs. 23.72 Crores floating over 940 number of special housing loan customers (Data as on 30.09.2024)
	Number of Account and Total Amount as on the date of issuance of policy will be taken.
<b>Details of Scheme</b>	Annexure I & II

## Other Features:

- 1) The detailed terms and conditions governing the policy and bid process are attached in Annexure-I & II. Please note that any other terms and conditions whether implicitly or explicitly stated in any of your responses may be treated as void.
- 2) We, request you to **submit the quote for Group Term Life Cover** (format for Financial Quote enclosed as **Annexure-II**).
- The Quotations should be submitted in a sealed envelope as Financial Quotes. (Annexure II).
- 4) Quotes validity period will be 90 days from the date of opening of tenders.
- 5) The L1 quote will be selected based on the premium (including GST) quoted by the Insurance Company as the financial bid submitted vide Annexure II
- The Insurance Company will have to sign, Service Level Agreement / Non-Disclosure Agreement before issuance/commencement of the policy. The cost and responsibility of execution of such NDA / SLA will be of the insurer company.
- 7) Please note that the Bank reserves the right to reject one or all of the quotations received in this connection without assigning any reason.
- Please note that no insurance brokers are involved in the process and communications from any insurance brokers will not be entertained at Bank's level.

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## Request for Proposal Schedule

RFP Date	04-10-2024		
Last date for issue of Clarifications Via e-mail	04-11-2024		
Last Date and Time for submission of RFP	05-11-2024, Tuesday at 14.30 PM		
Opening of Commercial Bid	05-11-2024, Tuesday at 14.45 PM		
Email address	Ranjan.behra@bankofbaroda.com Rajasekhar.avvaru@bankofbaroda.com homeloans.bcc@bankofbaroda.com		
Contact Details for any clarifications	<ol> <li>Mr. Ranjan Behera</li> <li>Contact No. +91 7008306609, 022 6698 5330</li> <li>Email Id – Ranjan.behra@bankofbaroda.com</li> <li>Mr. Rajasekhar Avvaru</li> <li>Contact No. +91 6281397316, 022 66985304</li> <li>EmailId-Rajasekhar.avvaru@bankofbaroda.com</li> </ol>		
Sealed RFPs to be submitted to:	The Head – Mortgages & Retail Assets Bank of Baroda Baroda Corporate Centre 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, C-26, G- Block, Bandra Kurla Complex Bandra (East), Mumbai – 400051		

From the time this RFP is issued until award notification is made, all contact with Bank of Baroda regarding this RFP must be made through the aforementioned RFP coordinators. No other person / employee are empowered to make binding statements regarding this RFP. Violation of this provision may lead to disqualification from the bidding process at the Bank's discretion.

Yours aithfully,

(Kamlesh Kumar Choudhary) Head – Mortgages & Retail Assets

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## Annexure I-Details of the Proposal

Age-wise Distribution of Customers as on 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2024

Particulars	Upto 25	Above 25 Upto 30	Above 30 Upto 35	Above 35 Upto 40	Above 40 Upto 45	Above 45 Upto 55	Above 55 Upto 65
Age wise details	0	0	0	27	85	458	308

Particulars		Above 75 Upto 80		Total
Age wise details	52	8	2	940

All the borrowers' upto the age of 86 years must be covered under the policy without any conditions.

B. Gender-wise distribution of Customers as on 30th September, 2024

Gender	No. of Customers
Female	136
Male	804
Grand Total	940

C. Details of claims during the previous -9- years:-

Year	Claim Details
2015-16	Nil
2016-17	Nil
2017-18	Nil
2018-19	Nil
2019-20	Nil
2020-21	Nil
2021-22	Nil
2022-23	Nil
2023-24	Nil

### D. SCOPE OF COVER

Bank shall purchase the Group Term Life Insurance policy from the selected bidder for a period of one year w.e.f. 19.12.2024 to 18.12.2025, for the sum insured, per annum, in the event of any kind of death such as natural death, accidental death, suicidal death, death due to any illness, death due to pre-existing illness including critical illness etc. or any other reason.

#### E. DETAILS OF SUM INSURED

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Outstanding Loan Amount including interest, penal interest, penal charges, charges, overdues or any other sum payable by the borrower, on the day of settling the claim to the maximum exposure of Rs. 23.72 Crores floating over 940 number of special housing loan customers till the tenure of such loan (Number of Account and Total Amount as on the date of issuance of policy will be taken).

## F. PRE-REQISITES OF THE PROPOSED POLICY

- ✓ Group Term Life Insurance Policy purchased by the Bank from the selected bidder will cover its 940 special housing loan customers on the day of settling the claim to the maximum exposure of Rs. 23.72 Crores (Number of Account and Total Amount as on the date of issuance of policy will be taken).
- $\checkmark$  The minimum and maximum age of the customers will be 18 years and 86 years respectively.
- Payment of claim should be settled for all kinds of deaths, within a month from the date of submission of claim.
- ✓ The selected bidder should release the payment of claim to the Master Policy holder by way of credit to the Loan account of the borrower on submission of attested copy of death certificate and claim form.
- ✓ Waiting period of any nature to be waived off.









### **Annexure II-Bid Process**

The Commercial Offers duly signed on each page and sealed envelope kept inside a common cover should reach us on or before the last date for submission at the following address:

The Head – Mortgages & Retail Assets
Bank of Baroda
Baroda Corporate Centre
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, C-26, G- Block,
Bandra Kurla Complex
Bandra (East), Mumbai - 400 051

## All envelopes should be properly sealed and super-scribed with following:

- i. Type of Offer (Commercial)
- ii. RFP Reference Number
- iii. Name of Company
- iv. Name, Telephone No. & email id of contact person

## The common envelope should contain the followings:

- i) Copy of RFP duly signed with full signature and date by the Authorized Signatory of the Insurance Company acknowledging the Terms & conditions thereof on each page of RFP.
- ii) Commercial Offer on the Insurance Company's letter head bearing Insurance Company's seal and the name, designation and signature of the Authorized Signatory.

## **ENVELOPE-** (Commercial Bid):

The Commercial Offer must be as per Commercial Bid Format mentioned below:-

Particulars	Amount in Rupees	
Rate of Premium per thousand exclusive of GST	XXXX	
GST	XXXX	
Total amount of premium quoted per thousand	XXXX	

A separate sealed envelope super scribed "Financial Bid-  $Name\ of\ the\ Company'$  should be placed in one envelope superscribed – 'Proposal for Group Life Insurance Cover for Special home Loan, RFP No. BCC:RB:116:3934 dated  $04^{th}$  October, 2024.

The commercial quote should be submitted on the Insurance Company's letter head and should bear the Insurance company's seal and the name, designation and signature of the Authorized Signatory of the Insurance Company.

The Bank reserves the right to reject any or the entire proposal and / or annuls the entire process without assigning any reason what so ever. The Bank may abort the entire process at any stage without thereby incurring any liability to the affected insurance Company or any obligation to inform the affected Insurance(s) of the grounds for Bank's action.

The Insurance Companies sending their expression of interest in response to this RFP may refer to Terms & Conditions contained in this document. These terms and conditions will be binding on all the participants and may form part of the agreement to be entered into with the successful Insurance Company after the outcome of the RFP process.

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## A. Modification and Withdrawal of Offers

The Insurance Companies participating in the RFP process will be allowed to either modify or withdraw their offer prior to last date for submission of bids only upon receiving a written request to do so from the authorised representative. No offer can be modified or withdrawn subsequent to the closing date and time for submission of offers.

## B. Opening of Commercial Bids

The qualified bidders will be called during opening of financial bid as per pre-decided schedule. The tariffs received through financial bids will be assessed across all the terms and conditions mentioned.

## C. Assessment of Commercial Bids & Award of Contract

Premium quoted by the insurance companies qualifying for L-1 (without any riders/conditions) will be called for submission of their acceptance.

## D. Validity of Offer & Contract

The Bank will make effort to complete the entire RFP process leading to engagement of insurance Companies and commencement of operation by the selected insurance Company within the shortest possible time. However, the bids offered by the insurance Companies shall remain valid for <u>90 days</u> from the date of submission and no change will be permitted during its validity.

The tie up between the insurance Company and the Bank shall be OYRT (One Year Renewal Term) commencing from the date of start of policy cover. The tie-up arrangement may be renewed for a further period at the discretion of the Bank and on consent of all parties, subject to satisfying performance by the Company during contract period and Bank's / CVC extant guidelines.

#### E. Terms of Contract

- i. Any publicity campaign undertaken by the insurance company to promote the schemes using the name and logo of the Bank may be done only with the explicit written concurrence of Bank and prior approval of the regulator IRDAI, if applicable.
- ii. Disclosure of any information by the insurance Company, in course of business, to parties not binding to this contract will be treated as breach of trust, thereby, inviting legal action. The insurance company shall give an indemnity in Non-Disclosure Agreement to the Bank to the effect that they will not use or part with the data for any purpose other than for what it is intended for. The full cost of execution of such agreement will be borne by the insurance company.
- iii. In case the Insurance Company commits any breach of contract entered into between the Bank and the Company, it will be liable to the Bank for any loss or damages arising out of such action. The terms and provisions of this Contracts shall be governed and interpreted in accordance with the acts and regulations in force and are subjected to the Court of law at Mumbai (Maharashtra) which shall have exclusive jurisdiction.

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- iv. Guidelines issued by IRDAI or any other Regulatory Authorities from time to time with regard to Insurer's responsibility & liability towards insured shall be automatically applicable to this Insurance Contract.
- v. The Insurance Company shall be liable for all costs, consequences, penalties arising out of the settlement of the claims lodged by the insured. Bank shall not be held liable for any deficiency or negligence in the services rendered by the Insurance Company. The Insurance Company shall indemnify the Bank for all such costs and consequences arisen out of the claims on the insurance policy by the members enrolled. The liability of the Insurance Company towards the enrolled members shall be continuing upto the maximum claim period irrespective of the termination of the contract as per the terms of the RFP.
- vi. The Insurance Company must comply with prevailing guidelines pertaining to Regulations in force. The Insurance Company will alone be responsible for any breach thereof and for all its implications including financial ones. The Insurance Company shall indemnify Bank for any of its act during the course of business attracting penalties from regulatory authorities.
- vii. The claim administration shall be a simplified procedure to settle the basic Sum Assured within a reasonable time from the date of submission of all necessary documents required to process the claim.

## F. Submission, Evaluation & Acceptance of RFP

- i. Proposal is to be submitted in accordance with the requirements specified in this RFP. Bank reserves the right to retain all submitted proposals irrespective of their fate.
- ii. This RFP contains no contractual proposal of any kind. Mere participation in the bid process does not confer any right on the participant for being selected or reimbursed.
- iii. Bank shall be under no obligation to accept the lowest or any other offer received in response to this RFP and shall be entitled to reject any or all offers including those received late or incomplete offers without assigning any reason whatsoever.
- iv. The submitted offers carrying any hand-written addition / alterations shall make the offer ineligible.
- v. All proposals will be evaluated in accordance with the provisions of the evaluation criteria as specified in this RFP conforming to CVC guidelines. It is absolutely essential for the companies to quote the lowest rate at the time of making the offer in their own interest.
- vi. The selected company shall submit acceptance of SLA / NDA including terms and conditions.
- vii. Bank reserves the right to select the company achieving L-2 or below rank, if the L-1 or above ranked company withdraws its offer or found to be submitted misleading information in the proposal or divergence in terms and conditions of this RFP. Bank also reserves right to take such action as it deems fit including claim for damages.

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- viii. It shall be sole responsibility of Company to comply with all statutory and regulatory provisions (including RBI and IRDAI) while delivering the services mentioned in the RFP.
- Bank of Baroda reserves the right to:
  - a. Reject any or all bids received in response to the RFP without assigning any reason whatsoever.
  - b. Cancel the RFP at any stage, without assigning any reason whatsoever.
  - c. Reject the INCOMPLETE offer as per the RFP requirements.
  - d. Reject any conditional submission made by the company in its offer.
  - e. Reject if the company remains silent on time bound submission of any supplementary information or clarification sought for evaluation of bids.
  - f. Select the company obtaining L-2 rank or thereafter, if the L-1 or thereafter ranked company fails to commence operation within a specified time period.
  - g. Share the information / clarifications provided in response to RFP by any insurance company with all other participating companies, in similar fashion as provided to the company raising the query.

#### G. Disclaimer

- i. This RFP is prepared with an objective to enable various Life insurance Companies to participate in the process of bidding and does not constitute, nor should it be interpreted as an offer or invitation for the appointment of the company participating in the bid process. This document constitutes no commitment on the part of the Bank.
- ii. No representation, expressed or implied, is or will be made as to the reliability, accuracy or the completeness of any of the information contained herein. The conditions on roles and responsibilities of companies shall be subject to alterations at any time during the validity of RFP.
- iii. While this document has been prepared in good faith, neither the Bank, nor any of their officers/directors make any representation or shall have any responsibility or liability whatsoever in respect of any statements or omissions here from. Any liability is accordingly and expressly disclaimed by the Bank and any of their officers/directors, even if any loss or damage is caused by any act or omission on the part of the Bank or any of their directors, officers, employees, representatives, whether negligent or otherwise.
- iv. The participating companies shall be accepting any superseded information made available by way of written communication to any or all of the companies by or on behalf of the Bank.
- v. All interested companies shall carry out an independent assessment and analysis of the requirements of the information, facts and observations contained herein.

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vi. This RFP confers neither the right nor an expectation on any party to participate in the proposed process. It shall be presumed that the participating company has fully ascertained and ensured about its eligibility to act as an insurer in the event of the same being selected to act as insurer fully understanding that there is no statutory or regulatory prohibition imposed on it.

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