

BASIC SAVING BANK DEPOSIT ACCOUNT **(PNB ZERO BALANCE ACCOUNT)**

Scheme Details

1. Eligibility:

The Saving Fund account may be **opened by** an **INDIVIDUAL** singly or jointly, minors of the age of **10 years and above**, minors under natural / legal guardianship. An illiterate or a visually impaired person is also eligible to open Saving Fund account under the scheme with usual safeguards.

2. Minimum balance requirement:

This account shall not have the requirement of any minimum balance. For these accounts, minimum balance/initial balance requirement would be ZERO.

3. KYC Compliance:

The account would be subjected to RBI instructions on Know Your Customer (KYC) / Anti Money Laundering (AML) for opening of bank accounts issued from time to time.

4. Issuance of Cheque Book:

A cheque book of 20 leaves may be issued (at the discretion of the branch incumbent) free of cost in a year. Thereafter, normal cheque book charges would be applicable.

5. Extent of transactions/ Operation permitted:

- There will be no limit on the number of deposits that can be made in a month.
- Account holder will be allowed a maximum of four withdrawals in a month. However the number of ATM withdrawals will be excluded in overall limit of four withdrawals in a month.

6. Debit Card/ATM Card:

Facility of ATM-cum-Debit Card shall be available without any charge.

7. Nomination:

All normal rules relating to nomination would also be applicable in this account.

8. Other Terms and Conditions:

In addition to the normally stipulated guidelines, following terms and conditions be also strictly adhered to:

- Holder of Basic Saving Bank Deposit Account will not be eligible for opening any other saving bank deposit account in the same bank. BSBDA

holder will be required to close all existing saving fund account in our Bank within 30 days from the date of opening of the account.

- The services available in the account will include deposit and withdrawal of cash at bank branch as well as ATMs, receipt/ credit of money through electronic payment channel or by means of deposit/collection of cheques drawn by Central/State Government agencies and department.
- No charge will be levied for non-operation / activation of in-operative Basic Saving Bank Deposit Account.
- The existing basic banking 'no frill' accounts will be converted to Basic Savings Bank Deposit Account (PNB Zero Balance Account) after completing KYC norms.

SMALL ACCOUNTS

The instructions regarding opening of Small Saving accounts where, the person is not having any KYC document, were received vide Point No 4 of RBI's Press release No 2014-15/410 dated 26/08/2014 which stated as under:

"Those persons who do not have any of the 'official valid documents' can open 'small accounts' with banks. A 'small account' can be opened on the basis of a self-attested photograph and putting her/his signature or thumb print in the presence of an official of the bank. Such accounts have limitations regarding the aggregate credits (not more than Rupees one lakh in a year), aggregate withdrawals (not more than Rupees ten thousand in a month) and balance in the accounts (not more than Rupees fifty thousand at any point in time). These small accounts would be valid normally for a period of twelve months. Thereafter, such accounts would be allowed to continue for a further period of twelve more months, if the account holder provides a document showing that she/he has applied for any of the officially valid document, within twelve months of opening the small account."

As per Gazette Notification received from Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance dated 01.06.2017, PMLA rules 2005 have been amended. The guidelines related to Small accounts at Point No 5 are reiterated as under:

"Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-rules (4) and (4A), an individual who desires to open a small account in a banking company may be allowed to open such an account on production of a self-attested photograph and affixation of signature or thumb print, as the case may be, on the form for opening the account:

Provided that-

- (i) the designated officer of the banking company, while opening the small account, certifies under his signature that the person opening the account has affixed his signature or thumb print, as the case may be, in his

presence;

(ii) the small account shall be opened only at Core Banking Solution linked banking company branches or in a branch where it is possible to manually monitor and ensure that foreign remittances are not credited to a small account and that the stipulated limits on monthly and annual aggregate of transactions and balance in such accounts are not breached, before a transaction is allowed to take place;

(iii) the small account shall remain operational initially for a period of twelve months, and thereafter for a further period of twelve months if the holder of such an account provides evidence before the banking company of having applied for any of the officially valid documents within twelve months of the opening of the said account, with the entire relaxation provisions to be reviewed in respect of the said account after twenty-four months;

(iv) the small account shall be monitored and when there is suspicion of money laundering or financing of terrorism or other high risk scenarios, the identity of client shall be established through the production of officially valid documents, as referred to in sub-rule (4) and the Aadhaar number of the client or where an Aadhaar number has not been assigned to the client, through the production of proof of application towards enrolment for Aadhaar along with an officially valid document;

Provided further that if the client is not eligible to be enrolled for an Aadhaar number, the identity of client shall be established through the production of an officially valid document;

(v) the foreign remittance shall not be allowed to be credited into the small account unless the identity of the client is fully established through the production of officially valid documents, as referred to in sub rule (4) and the Aadhaar number of the client or where an Aadhaar number has not been assigned to the client, through the production of proof of application towards enrolment for Aadhaar along with an officially valid document:

Provided that if the client is not eligible to be enrolled for the Aadhaar number, the identity of client shall be established through the production of an officially valid document.