

CIRCULAR

ALL INSURERS

No. IRDA/F&A/064/JAN/05

12th January, 2005

Re.: Details of Equity holding pattern of insurers

Attention is drawn to Circular dated 23rd July, 2003 requiring all insurers to furnish details of their equity holding pattern to facilitate monitoring of foreign equity holding in the insurance companies as provided in the clause 11(1) read with clause 2(g) of the IRDA (Registration of Indian Companies) Regulations, 2000. As per the Circular, all insurers have been advised to furnish particulars of their equity holding pattern, on a quarterly basis in the prescribed proforma. While furnishing the particulars, insurers are also required to give details of the equity holding pattern of the Indian promoters of insurance company.

As per the requirements of the Circular under reference, insurers are required to ensure that the names of all the shareholders who hold equity in the insurance company are furnished. This information is required to be given in respect of both the Indian and foreign promoters. **Names of all the promoters are required to be mentioned in Part A of the Format.**

Further, in Part B of the format, particulars of equity holding pattern of the Indian promoter company(s) are required to be furnished. The prescription is that details of equity holdings of the foreign promoter (and its subsidiaries and nominees) of the Indian Insurance Company in the Indian promoter companies are clearly reflected. The format, as given at Part B is an exhaustive list of various categories under which shares may be held in a corporate. While listing out the categories under which shares are held in respect of each of the Indian promoter companies, the insurer must clearly bring out the details of the shares held by the Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs) and through foreign direct investments to the extent the same have been made by companies belonging to the "Group" of the foreign partner of the Indian insurance company.

In case there is more than one Indian promoter, Part B needs to be replicated for each one of them separately.

It is reiterated that while furnishing the details of the Indian promoter(s), insurers are required to highlight shareholders which fall within the purview of clause 11 (1) (iii) of the said regulations.

It has however been noticed that in some cases, the insurers are not disclosing full particulars as required by the Authority. Accordingly, the Authority has now modified the format of the return to be filed by the insurers on a quarterly basis to remove any ambiguity as to the details to be furnished.

You are requested to ensure that while filing the details of equity holding pattern effective for the quarter ended 31st December, 2004, the requirements as indicated above are fully complied with. In case the Return has already been filed with the Authority, a revised Return is required to be filed as per the modified format, bringing out the particulars as indicated above.

While a certified return is required to be filed with the Authority, a copy of the same may also be sent through e-mail at mamta@irdaonline.org. The information may be furnished, so as to reach the Authority within a fortnight of this communication.

Sd /-

(C.S. Rao)
Chairman

Enclosed: Revised format for filing of details of equity holdings of insurers.

DETAILS OF EQUITY HOLDINGS OF INSURERS

PART A:

PARTICULARS OF THE SHAREHOLDING PATTERN OF THE _____
INSURANCE COMPANY, AS AT QUARTER ENDED _____

Sl. No.	Category	No. of shares held	% of shareholdings	Paid up equity (Rs. in lakhs)
1.	Promoters*			
(a)	--Indian Promoters <i>Individuals:</i> (Names of major shareholders) <i>Bodies Corporate:</i> (i) (ii) (iii)			
(b)	--Foreign Promoters <i>Individuals:</i> (Names of major shareholders) <i>Bodies Corporate</i> (i) (ii) (iii)			
2.	Persons acting in Concert (Please specify)			
	Total			

Footnote: At 1(a) and (b) above, the names of individuals and bodies corporate must be specifically and separately mentioned.

*As defined under clause 2(g) of the regulations for registration of Indian insurance companies.

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PART (B):

PARTICULARS OF THE SHAREHOLDING PATTERN IN THE INDIAN PROMOTER COMPANY(S) AS INDICATED AT (A) ABOVE.

Name of the Indian Promoter: _____

(Please repeat the tabulation in case of more than one Indian Promoter)

Sl. No.	Category	No. of shares held	% of shareholdings	Paid up equity (Rs. in lakhs)
I	Promoters' holding			
I(a)	Promoters --Indian Promoters <i>Individuals:</i> (Major holdings) <i>Bodies Corporate:</i> (i) (ii) (iii)			
I(b)	--Foreign Promoters <i>Individuals:</i> (Major holdings) <i>Bodies Corporate</i> (i) (ii) (iii)			
	Sub-Total			
II	Non Promoters' Holding			
1.	Institutional Investors			
a.	Mutual Funds and UTI			
b.	Banks, Financial Institutions, Insurance Companies (Central/State Government/Non-Government Institutions)			
c.	FII's: #			
2.	Others:			
a.	Private Corporate Bodies			
b.	Indian Public			
c.	NRIs			
d.	OCBs\$			
e.	Employees			
f.	Trusts			
g.	Directors (independent Director)			
h.	NSDL TRANSIT POSITION			
	Sub-Total			

	Grand Total			
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Footnotes:

1. At **I 1 (a) & (b) of Part B above**, the names of individuals and bodies corporate must be specifically and separately mentioned.
 2. Insurers are required to highlight the categories which fall within the purview of clause 11(iii) of the Regulations for registration of Indian insurance companies.
- # Please specify the names of the FIIs, indicating those FIIs which belong to the Group of the Joint Venture partner of the Indian insurance company.
- \$ Please specify the names of the OCBs, indicating those OCBs which belong to the Group of the Joint Venture partner of the Indian insurance company.

CERTIFICATION

1. Certified that the details of the equity holding of the foreign partner (and its subsidiaries and nominees) of the Indian insurance company, in the Indian promoter as provided for in clause 11 (1)(iii) of the IRDA (Registration of Indian Insurance Companies) Regulations have been indicated in Part B of the Statement.
2. Further certified that the above information is correct and complete, and reflects the true position.

(Signature)
Chief Executive Officer

Date:
Place: