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# MACHINERY BREAKDOWN INSURANCE (MB)

## POLICY WORDING

WHEREAS the Insured named in the schedule hereto by a proposal and declaration, which shall be the basis of this contract and is deemed to be incorporated herein has applied to SBI GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED., (herein-after called, the company) for the Insurance hereinafter contained and has paid the premium as consideration for such Insurance in respect of accident or damage occurring during the period of Insurance stated in the schedule or during any subsequent period for which the Insured pays and the Company may accept the premium for the renewal of the Policy.

## NOW THIS POLICY OF INSURANCE WITNESSETH

that subject to the terms, exceptions, exclusions, provisions and conditions contained herein or endorsed hereon, the company will at its own option by payment or reinstatement or repair indemnify the Insured against unforeseen and sudden physical damage by any cause not hereinafter excluded to any Insured property specified in the attached schedule(s) whilst in the premises therein mentioned necessitating its immediate repair or replacement. This Policy shall apply to the Insured items after successful completion of their performance/acceptance tests, whether they are at work or at rest, or being dismantled for the purpose of cleaning or overhauling, or in the course of the aforesaid operations themselves, or when being shifted within the premises, or during subsequent reerection. The liability of the Company for any one item of the Insured property shall not exceed in the aggregate in any one period of Insurance the Sum Insured set against such in the attached schedule(s), unless the Sum Insured under such item is reinstated after occurrence of a claim for balance period.

## GENERAL EXCEPTIONS

**THE COMPANY SHALL NOT BE LIABLE UNDER THIS POLICY IN RESPECT OF –**

1. Loss, damage and/or liability caused by or arising from or in consequence, directly or indirectly of fire including extinguishment of a fire or clearance of debris and dismantling necessitated thereby, smoke, soot, aggressive substance, lightning, explosion of any kind (other than bursting or disruption of turbines, compressors, cylinders of steam engines, hydraulic cylinders or fly wheels or other apparatus subject to centrifugal force, internal pressure) theft, collapse of buildings, subsidence, landslide, rockslide, water which escapes from water containing apparatus, flood, inundation, storm, tempest, earthquake, volcanic eruption or other Acts of God, impact of land borne or waterborne or airborne craft or other aerial devices and/or articles dropped therefrom.

   Any loss or damage by fire within the electrical appliances and installation Insured by this Policy arising from or occasioned by overrunning, excessive pressure, short circuiting, arcing, self heating or leakage of electricity, from whatever cause (lightning included), is covered; provided that this extension shall apply only to the particular electrical machine; apparatus fixture fitting or portions of the electrical installation so affected and not to other machines, apparatus, fixtures fittings or portions of the electrical installation which may be destroyed or damaged by fire so set up.

2 Loss damage and/or liability caused by or arising from or in consequence, directly of –

   a) War, invasion, Act of foreign Enemy, Hostilities or war like operations (Whether war be declared or not). Civil war, rebellion, revolution, Insurrection, Mutiny, Riot, Strike, Lockout and Malicious Damage, Civil Commotion, Military or Usurped Power, Martial Law, Conspiracy Confiscation, Commandeering by a group of malicious persons or persons acting on behalf of or in connection with any political Organisation, Requisition or Destruction or damage by order of any Government de-jure or de facto or by any Public, Municipal or Local Authority.

   b) Nuclear reaction, nuclear radiation or radioactive contamination.

3 Accident, Loss, damage/and/or liability resulting from over load experiments or tests requiring the imposition of abnormal conditions.

4 Gradually developing flaws, defects, cracks or partial fractures in any part not necessitating immediate stoppage, although at some future time repair or renewal of the parts affected may be necessary.

5 Deterioration of or wearing away or wearing out any part of any machine caused by or naturally resulting from normal use or exposure.

6 Loss, damage and/or liability caused by or arising out of the willful act to willful neglect or gross negligence of the Insured or his responsible representatives.

7 Liability assumed by the Insured by agreement unless such liability would have attached to the Insured notwithstanding such agreement.

8 Loss, damage and/or liability due to faults or defects existing at the time of commencement of this insurance and known to the Insured or his responsible representative but not disclosed to the Company.

9 Loss of use of the Insured's plant or property of any other consequential loss incurred by the Insured.

10 Loss, damage/and/or liability due to explosions in Chemical Recovery Boilers, other than pressure explosions for e.g. smelt, chemical, ignition, Explosions etc.

## SPECIAL EXCLUSIONS

The Company shall not be liable for –

1 The Excess, as stated in the Schedule, to be first borne by the Insured out of each and every claim; where more than one item is damaged in one and same occurrence, the Insured shall not, however, be called upon to bear more than the highest Excess applicable to any one such item;

2 Loss of or damage to belts, ropes, chains, rubber tyres, dies, moulds, blades, cutters, knives or exchangeable tools, engraved or impression cylinders or rolls; objects made of glass, porcelain, ceramics, all operating media (e.g. lubricating oil, fuel, catalyst, refrigerant, dowtherm) felts, endless conveyor belts or wires; sieves, fabrics, heat resisting and anti-corrosive lining and parts of similar nature, packing material, parts not made of metal (except insulating material) and non-metallic lining or coating of metal parts;

3 Loss or damage for which the manufacturer or supplier or repairer of the property is responsible either by law or contract.

In any action, suit or other proceeding where the Company alleges that by reason of the provisions of the exceptions or exclusions above, any loss, destruction, damage or liability is not covered by this insurance, the burden of proving that such loss, destruction, damage or liability is covered shall be upon the Insured.

## PROVISIONS

**1. SUM INSURED –**

It is the requirement of this Insurance that the Sum Insured shall be equal to the cost of replacement of the Insured property by new property of the same kind and same capacity which shall

mean its replacement cost including freight and customs duties, if any, and erection costs.

2. BASIS OF INDEMNITY –

a) In cases where damage to an Insured item can be repaired, the Company will pay expense necessarily incurred to restore the damaged machine to its former state of serviceability plus the cost of dismantling and re-erection incurred for the purpose of effecting the repairs as well as ordinary freight to and from a repair shop, customs duties if any to the extent such expenses have been included in the Sum Insured. If the repairs are executed at a workshop owned by the Insured the Company will pay the cost of materials and wages incurred for the purpose of the repairs plus a reasonable percentage to cover overhead charges.

No reductions shall be made for depreciation in respect of parts replaced except for (a) wear and tear parts and (b) parts for which the manufacturers have specified a fixed life for use and the like. It is now clarified that parts which are not supposed to last the full life of the machine will have to be treated as wear and tear parts.

If the cost of repairs as detailed hereinabove equals or exceeds the actual value of the machinery Insured immediately before the occurrence of the damage the settlement shall be made on the basis provided for in (b) below.

b) In cases where an Insured item is destroyed, the Company will pay the actual value of the item immediately before the occurrence of the loss including costs for ordinary freight erection and customs duties if any provided such expenses have been included in the Sum Insured, such actual value to be calculated by deducting proper depreciation from the replacement value of the item. The Company will also pay any normal charges for the dismantling of the machinery destroyed but the salvage will be taken into account.

Any extra charges incurred for overtime, night-work, work on public holidays, express freight are covered by this insurance only if especially agreed to in writing.

In the event of the makers' drawings, patterns and for boxes necessary for the execution of a repair not being available the Company shall not be liable for cost of making any such drawing patterns or core boxes.

The cost of any alterations, improvements or overhauls shall not be recoverable under this Policy. The cost of any provisional repairs will be borne by the Company if such repairs constitute part of the final repairs and do not increase the total repair expenses.

If the Sum Insured is less than the amount required to be Insured as per Provision 1 hereinabove, the Company will pay only in such proportion as the Sum Insured bears to the amount required to be Insured. Every item if more than one shall be subject to this condition separately.

The Company will make payments only after being satisfied, with the necessary bills and documents that the repairs have been effected or replacements have taken place, as the case may be. The Company may, however, not insist for bills and documents in case of total loss where the Insured is unable to replace the damaged equipments for reasons beyond their control. In such cases claims can be settled on 'Indemnity Basis'.

**3. INSPECTION OF TURBINES AND TURBO-GENERATORS –**

All Mechanical and Electrical parts of any steam turbine, gas turbine or generator upto 30,000 KW shall be inspected and overhauled thoroughly under the supervision of Maker's representatives, in a completely opened up state at least every two years: for turbines or generators exceeding 30,000 KW such inspection and overhaul shall take place after 32,000 hours of operation or every four years. The cost of inspection and overhauling shall be borne by the Insured and a copy of the Report issued by the Maker's representative on such inspection and overhauling shall be furnished to the Company immediately after the work has been carried out.

The Insured shall arrange for these regular inspections in such a way as to enable the company's representative to be present at the inspection at their own expenses. The Company shall be notified at least seven days in advance of the commencement of any overhauling necessary according to expert opinion.

If the Insured fails to comply with the requirements of his condition, the Company shall be free from all liability for loss or damage caused by any circumstances, whatsoever.

The Insured may apply for an extension of the period between any two regular inspections, and such extension may be considered if in the opinion of the Company the risk is not aggravated thereby.

**4. CONDITIONS –**

a) This Policy and the attached Schedule(s) shall be read together as one contract and words and expressions to which specific meanings have been attached in any part of this Policy or of the attached Schedule(s) shall bear the same meaning wherever they may appear.

b) If a claim is in any respect fraudulent or if any false declaration is made or used in support thereof or if any fraudulent means or devices are used by the Insured or any one acting on his behalf to obtain benefit under this Policy, or if a claim is made and rejected and no action, or suit is commenced within three months after such rejection or in a case of arbitration taking place as provided therein within three months after the arbitrator or arbitrators or umpire have made their awards, all benefit under this Policy shall be forfeited.

c) No admission, offer, promise, payment or indemnity shall be made or given by or on behalf of the Insured without the written consent of the Company who shall be entitled if they so desire to take over and conduct in the name of the Insured the defence or settlement of any claim for indemnity or damage or otherwise and shall have full discretion in the conduct of any proceeding or in the settlement of any claim and the Insured shall give all such information and assistance as the Company may require.

d) The due observance and fulfillment of the terms, provisions and conditions of and endorsement on this Policy in so far as they relate to anything to be done or complied with by the Insured and the truth of the statement and answers in the said proposal shall be conditions precedent to any liability of the Company to make any payment under this Policy.

**5. OBLIGATIONS OF THE INSURED –**

a) The Insured shall take all reasonable steps to maintain the Insured property in efficient working order and to ensure that no item is habitually or intentionally over loaded. The Insured shall fully observe the manufacturer's instructions for operating, inspection and overhaul, as well as government, statutory municipal and all other binding regulations in force concerning the operation and maintenance of the Insured plant and machinery;

b) The Company's Officials shall at all reasonable times have the right to inspect and examine any property Insured hereunder and the Insured shall provide the Officials of the Company with all details and information necessary for the assessment of the risk. The Company shall provide the Insured with a copy of the inspecting Official's report; which shall however be treated as strictly confidential both by the Insured and the Company.

c) In the event of any -

i) Material change in the original risk; ii) Alteration, modification or addition to Insured item iii) Departure from prescribed operating conditions, whereby the risk or loss or damage increases iv) Changes in the Insured's Interest (such as discontinuation or liquidation of thebusiness or being placed in receivership) taking place, the Policy shall be void unless its continuance be agreed by endorsement signed by the Company.

**6. DUTIES FOLLOWING AN ACCIDENT –**

In the event of any occurrence which might give rise to a claim under this Policy the Insured shall

a) immediately notify the Company by telephone or telegram as well as in writing, giving an indication as to the nature and extent of loss or damage;

b) take all reasonable steps within his power to minimise the extent of the loss or damage;

c) Preserve the damaged or defective parts and make them available for inspection by an official or surveyor of the Company.

d) furnish all such information and documentary evidence as the Company may require.

The Company shall not be liable for any loss or damage of which no notice and completed claim form have been received by the Company within Fourteen days of its occurrence.

Upon notification of a claim being given to the Company, the Insured may proceed with the repair of any minor damage not exceeding Rs. 2,500/- provided that the carrying out of such repair is without prejudice to any question of liability of the Company and that any damaged part requiring replacement is kept for inspection by the Company, but in all other cases a representative of the Company shall have the opportunity of inspecting the damage before any alterations repairs or replacement are effected. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Insured from taking such steps as are absolutely necessary to maintain the operation of the plant.

The liability of the Company under this Policy in respect of any item of property sustaining damage, for which indemnity is provided, shall cease if the said item is kept in operation without being repaired to the satisfaction of the Company.

**7. OTHER INSURANCE –**

If at the time any claim arises under this Policy there is any other insurance covering the same loss damage or liability the Company shall not be liable to pay or contribute more than its rateable proportion of such loss damage or liability.

**8. POSITION AFTER A CLAIM –**

a) The Insured shall not be entitled to abandon any property whether taken possession of by the Company or not.

b) As from the day of loss the Sum Insured for the remainder of the period of insurance is reduced by the amount of the compensation. To prevent under insurance during the remainder of the current period of insurance the amount Insured must be reinstated. The premium will be calculated pro-rata from the day repaired item is again put to work. For subsequent period of insurance the original indemnity and premium are again in force unless circumstances justify an alteration.

**9. TRANSFER OF INTEREST –**

The insurance granted by this Policy shall cease to attach to any items described in the Schedule the interest in which shall pass from the Insured otherwise than by will or operation of law. Unless the consent of the Company for the continuance of the Insurance shall be obtained and signified by endorsement hereon.

**10. TERMINATION OF INSURANCE –**

This insurance may be terminated at any time at the request of the Insured, in which case the Company will retain the premium calculated at the customary short period rate for the time the Policy has been in force. This insurance may also at any time be terminated at the option of the Company by 15 days notice to that effect being given to the Insured, in which case the Company shall be liable to repay on demand a rateable proportion of the premium for the unexpired term from the date of the cancellation.

**11. RECOURSE –**

The Insured shall at the expense of the Company do and concur in doing and permit to be done all such acts and things as may be necessary or required by the Company in enforcing any right or remedies of obtaining relief or indemnity from parties (other than those Insured under this Policy) to which the Company shall be or would become entitled or subrogated upon their paying for or making goods of any loss damage under this Policy, whether such acts and things shall be or become necessary or required before or after the Insured's indemnification by the Company.

**12. Arbitration –**

"The parties to the contract may mutually agree and enter into a separate Arbitration Agreement to settle any and all disputes in relation to this policy.

Arbitration shall be conducted under and in accordance with the provisions of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996."

**13. Defination**

**"Complaint" or "Grievance"** means written expression (includes communication in the form of electronic mail or other electronic scripts) of dissatisfaction by a complainant with respect to solicitation or sale of an insurance policy or related services by insurer and /or by distribution channel.

**"Distribution Channels"** include insurance agents and intermediaries or insurance intermediaries and any persons or entities authorised by the Authority to involve in sale and service of insurance policies

**"Mis-selling"** means sale or solicitation of policies by the insurer or through distribution channels, directly or indirectly by

a. exercising undue influence, use of dominance position or otherwise; or

b. making a false or misleading statement or misrepresenting the facts or benefits, or

c. concealing or omitting facts, features, benefits with respect to products, or

d. not taking reasonable care to ensure suitability of the policy to the policyholders.

**"Proposal form"** means a form to be filled in by the prospect in physical or electronic form, for furnishing the information including material information, if any, as required by the insurer in respect of a risk, in order to enable the insurer to take informed decision in the context of underwriting the risk, and in the event of acceptance of the risk, to determine the rates, advantages, terms and conditions of the cover to be granted.

**Explanation:**

i) **"Material Information"** for the purpose of these regulations shall mean all important, essential and relevant information and documents explicitly sought by insurer in the proposal form.

ii) The requirements of "disclosure of material information" regarding a proposal or policy, apply both to the insurer and the prospect, under these regulations.

**"Salvage"** The amount that is assessed which the damaged asset will fetch in the open ,arket.This amount is deducted from the claim amount.

**"Solicitation"** means the act of approaching a prospect or a policyholder by an insurer or by a distribution channel with a view to persuade the prospect or a policyholder to purchase or to renew an insurance policy.

**"Unfair trade practice"** shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the Consumer Protection Act, 2019, as amended from time to time.

## Grievances Redressal Mechnism:

If You have a grievance about any matter relating to the Policy, or Our decision on any matter, or the claim, You can address Your grievance as follows:

**Stage 1**

If you wish to register your grievances directly with us, you may write to us at head.customercare@sbigeneral.in or gro@sbigeneral.in or call our toll free number- 1800 102 1111. After examining the matter, final response would be conveyed within a period of 14 days from the date of receipt of your complaint. In our initial acknowledgement of receipt letter, we will provide the name and title of the person who is handling your Grievance. This person will have the authority necessary to investigate and resolve the Grievance.

Details of our Grievance Redressal Officer is mentioned on our website at

https://www.sbigeneral.in/grievance-redressal

Note: The Company shall endeavour to maintain the regulatory TAT of 14 days in resolving your grievances.

Alternatively, you may Register your grievance with the regulator through Bima Bharosa which is a grievance redressal platform provided by the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI). You may access the Bima Bharosa Portal using the following link: https://bimabharosa.irdai.gov.in/Home/Home

**Stage 2: Escalation to Insurance Ombudsman**

If you feel that the response to your Grievance was unsatisfactory, or if you believe your concerns have not been adequately addressed by the company, you may escalate the matter to the Insurance Ombudsman.

Submit your Grievance online:

https://www.cioins.co.in/Ombudsman