Why Bharti AXA Life Hospi Cash Benefit Rider?

A Non - Linked Non - Participating Individual Health Insurance Rider

When it comes to medical emergencies, you need a partner who you can rely upon.

We at Bharti AXA Life bring to you a unique solution that ensures you receive a fixed amount in case of hospitalization or surgery.

About us:

Bharti AXA Life Insurance is a joint venture between Bharti, one of India's leading business groups with interests in telecom, agri business and retail, and AXA, one of the world's leading organisations with interests in financial protection and wealth management. The joint venture company has a 51% stake from Bharti and 49% stake of AXA.

As we further expand our presence across the country with a large network of distributors, we continue to provide innovative products and service offerings to cater to specific insurance and wealth management needs of customers. Whatever your plans in life, you can be confident that Bharti AXA Life will offer the right financial solutions to help you achieve them.

Bharti AXA Life Hospi Cash Benefit Rider is a non-linked non-participating and regular pay hospital and surgery cash insurance rider product that provides a fixed benefit for per day of hospitalization, ICU benefits and a lumpsum benefit on undergoing a surgery on an individual policy.

Benefits Payable

Daily Hospital Cash Benefit (DHCB):

Daily Hospital Cash Benefit is a fixed per day benefit paid to the Policyholder for each day of hospitalization. For this benefit to be payable the hospitalization should be for minimum periods of 48 hours while the Policy is in force. This is a fixed amount and not linked to the actual expenses incurred during Hospitalization.

Intensive Care Unit Benefit (ICU):

Intensive Care Unit Benefit is a fixed per day benefit equal to the DHCB amount, paid to the Policyholder for each day of hospitalization in Intensive Care Unit, if the hospitalization lasts 48 hours or more while Policy is in force. This is a fixed amount and not linked to the actual expenses incurred during Hospitalization.

Surgical Hospitalization Benefit (SCB):

In the event of Hospitalization (min 48 hours) for undergoing any valid and medically necessary surgery as specified in this document, in India and actually undergoing that Surgery, a lump sum benefit will be paid. In the event of undergoing more than one surgical procedure during a single admission to hospital a lump sum in respect of the surgical procedure attracting the highest benefit will be paid

Tax Benefits

You may be eligible for tax benefits as per prevailing Tax Laws. The tax benefits are subject to change as per change in Tax laws from time to time.

Benefit Schedule

The policyholder, at any point, during the term of the policy, cannot switch between the levels, as mentioned below:

Benefit**	Silver	Gold	Diamond		
Hospital Cash Benefit					
Daily Hospital Cash Benefit: DHCB	1,000	2,000	3,000		
Intensive Care Unit Benefit: ICU	+ 100% of DHCB	+ 100% of DHCB	+ 100% of DHCB		
Surgical Hospitalization Benefit					
Major Surgeries - For surgeries directly involving the brain, heart (including coronary arteries), liver & lung	20 x DHCB	20 x DHCB	20 x DHCB		
Minor Surgeries - All Other Surgeries	5 x DHCB	5 x DHCB	5 x DHCB Valid		
The maximum Surgical Hospitalization Benefit available in one policy year is capped to 90 times the DHCB Day Limits for Hospital Cash Benefit					
Daily Hospital Cash Benefit	Maximum of 40 days of Hospital Stay in one policy year.				
Intensive Care Unit Benefit	Maximum of 10 days of Intensive Care unit stay in one policy year.				
**The aggregate of all benefits payable in any one policy year under this policy will not exceed an amount equivalent to 150 times the DHCB under the plan opted for by the policyholder.					

Eligibility Criteria

Parameter	Eligibility Criteria		
Minimum / Maximum Age at Entry	91 days - 65 years (age last birthday)		
Maximum Maturity Age	85 years		
Policy Term	Fixed: 5, 7, 10, 15 & 20 years To Age: 75 years		
Premium Payment Frequency	Annual, Semi- Annual, Quarterly and Monthly*		
Premium Payment Term	Regular Premium		
Maturity / Death Benefit	No Maturity/ Death Benefit is Payable		
No Claim Bonus	Not Available		
Renewal	Guaranteed Renewal till the end of premium payment term of the base policy- No medicals at the time of renewal.		

^{*} Through ECS only

The Premium pertaining to health related or critical illness riders shall not exceed 100% of premium under the Base Policy, the Premiums under all other life insurance Riders put together shall not exceed 30% of premiums under the Base Policy and any benefit arising under each of the above mentioned Riders shall not exceed the Sum Assured under the Base Policy.

Case Study

Ajay is 35 years old. He is married and has a 1 year old son. His wife is a homemaker.

Concerns:

He is concerned about the expenses he will incur in case he is hospitalized.

He is looking at meeting his daily hospitalization expenses over and above his mediclaim/ health insurance policies.

Proposed Solution:

Name: Ajay. Age: 35 years. Gender: Male. Daily Hospital Cash Benefit Chosen: ₹1,000 (Silver) Policy Term: 5 years. Regular premium payable:

₹929 (exclusive of applicable taxes).

Scenario:

Ajay is admitted to a hospital for Hear t surgery for which he requires 20 days of hospital stay. He is admitted in the ICU for the initial 5 days and spends the next 15 days in general ward.

Benefit paid out:		
Daily Hospital Cash Benefit (DHCB):	15 days x 1000 per day	₹15,000
Intensive Care Unit Benefit:	5 days x 2000 per day	₹10,000
Surgical Hospitalization Benefit – Major Surgery (related to heart):	20 x DHCB	₹20,000
Total Payout		₹45,000

Needs Met:

- Ajay's daily hospital bills, ICU stay and Surgery charges are covered upto predefined daily limits.
- Ajay can claim the balance unutilized benefits available under the rider incase of him being readmitted in the hospital, subject to overall annual limits permissible.

Lapsation

In case you do not pay the premiums within the grace period, your Policy will lapse and no benefits will be paid under this policy. This policy will expire in case the base policy lapses.

Grace Period

Grace period is the time extended by the Company to facilitate the Policyholder to pay the unpaid premium, in case the premium/s had not been paid as on the due date. The Policyholder gets Grace Period (30 days for annual/ semi-annual/quarterly premium payment modes and 15 days for monthly mode) to pay the unpaid premium due under the Policy and the benefits under the Policy will remain unaltered during this period.

Revival

The Rider may be revived subject to the following conditions;

- The application for Revival of the Rider benefit is made within five (5) years from the date of first unpaid premium and before the termination of base Policy or Expiry Date of Rider , whichever is earlier;
- Satisfactory evidence of insurability of the Life Insured;
- An amount equal to all unpaid premiums together with interest at such rate as the Company may charge for such revival, as decided by the Company from time to time is paid in full
- The Company has not discontinued the Rider Benefits based on the intimation by the Policyholder to discontinue the Rider.
- "Declaration of Good Health" or the Policy holder needs to undergo medical examination (at his/her own expense) in the manner prescribed / to be prescribed by the Company as part of the process for revival.

The charges for medical examination, if any, for re-instatement of the Rider shall be borne by the Policyholder.

Premium Review & Guarantee

The premium rates are guaranteed for period of three years from the date of issuance of the policy and are subject to revision after ever y three years based on our experience.

The revised Rider Premium will be based on the then attained age of the Life Insured and the premium rates applicable for this Rider at that point of time. Such Premium is guaranteed to remain unchanged for a further period of 3 years from that date. This process shall continue till the Expiry of the Rider.

For new business, the rates may be revised based on the experience every year and the rates shall be guaranteed for a period of 3 years.

All such revision of premium is subject to IRDAI approval.

Please note that the premiums applicable will be different for standard and substandard lives.

Terms and Conditions

Waiting Period:

The Company shall not be liable to make any payment if claims are made due to any treatment of illness/ailment/disease diagnosed or hospitalization taking place during the first 60 days of the policy commencement date or date of revival. This waiting period will not apply to valid hospitalization events arising out of accidents.

A specific waiting period of 2 years for any hospitalization for treatment of any of the following diseases or surgeries or procedures and any complications arising out of them from the date of commencement of policy or date of revival shall apply,

- Fibroids, menorrhagia, Dysfunctional Uterine Bleeding, Uterine Prolapse.
- Removal of uterus, fallopian tubes and/or ovaries, except for malignancy.
- Hernia (Inguinal / Ventral / Umbilical / Incisional).
- Hydrocoele / Varicocoele / Spermatocoele.
- Benign Enlargement of Prostrate.
- Thyroidectomy for Nodular / Multi Nodular Goitre.
- Calculus / Calculi in Kidney / Ureter / Bladder / Urethra.
- Deviated Nasal Septum / Sinusitis.
- Piles / Anal Fissure / Fistula-in-ano / Rectal prolapse.
- Cholecystitis / Gall stones.
- Breast Lumps, except for malignancy.
- Heart valve and Coronary Artery diseases.
- Arthroscopy unless post-accident.
 - Disorders of the spine.

Exclusions for the Hospitalisation Benefit

The Company shall not be liable to make any payment if hospitalization or claims are attributable to, or based on, or arise out of, or are directly or indirectly connected to any of the following:

- Pre Existing Disease means any condition, ailment, injury or disease: a) That is/are diagnosed by a physician within 48 months prior to the effective date of the policy issued by the insurer or its reinstatement or (b) For which medical advice treatment was recommended by, or received from, a physician within 48 months Prior to the effective date of the policy issued by the insurer or its reinstatement.
- Hospitalisation not in accordance with the diagnosis and treatment of the condition for which the hospital confinement was required;
- Hospitalisation and/or treatment within the waiting period and hospitalisation and/or treatment following the diagnosis within the waiting period;
- Elective surgery or treatment which is not medically necessary;
- Treatment for weight reduction or weight improvement regardless of whether the same is caused (directly or indirectly) by a medical condition; Study and treatment of sleep apnoea;
- Any dental care or surgery of cosmetic nature, extraction of impacted tooth/teeth, orthodontics or orthognathic surgery, or tempero-mandibular joint disorder except as necessitated by an accidental injury;
- Treatment for infertility or impotency, sex change or any treatment related to it, abortion, sterilization and contraception including any complications relating thereto;
- Hospitalisation for treatment arising from pregnancy and it's complications which shall include childbirth or miscarriage;
- Stay in hospital where no active regular treatment is given by specialist medical practitioner;
- Experimental or unproven procedures or treatments, devices or pharmacological regimens of any description (not recognized by Indian Medical Council) or hospitalisation for treatment under any system other than allopathy;
- Treatment of any mental or psychiatric condition including but not limited to insanity, mental or nervous breakdown / disorder, depression, dementia, Alzheimer's disease or rest cures;

- Admission to a nursing home or home for the care of the aged unless related to the treatment of an acute medical condition:
- Treatment directly or indirectly arising from alcohol, drug or substance abuse and any illness or accidental physical injury which may besuffered after consumption of intoxicating substances, liquors or drugs;
- Treatment directly or indirectly arising from or consequent upon war, invasion, acts of foreign enemies, hostilities (whether war be declared or not), civil war, terrorism, rebellion, active participation in strikes, riots or civil commotion, revolution, insurrection or military or usurped power, and full-time service in any of the armed forces:
- Cosmetic or plastic surgery except to the extent that such surgery is necessary for the repair of damage caused solely by accidental injuries; treatment of xanthelesema, syringoma, acne and alopecia; circumcision unless necessary for treatment of a disease or necessitated due to an accident;
- Nuclear disaster, radioactive contamination and/or release of nuclear or atomic energy;
- Treatment for accidental physical injury or illness caused by intentionally selfinflicted injuries; or any attempts of suicide while sane or insane; or deliberate exposure to exceptional danger (except in an attempt to save human life);
- Treatment for accidental physical injury or illness caused by violation or attempted violation of the law, or resistance to arrest;
- Treatment for accidental physical injury or illness caused by professional sports, racing of any kind, scuba diving, aerial sports, activities such as hand-gliding, ballooning, and any other hazardous activities or sports unless agreed by special endorsement:
- Hospitalization where the insured is a donor for any organ transplant;
- Any hospitalisation outside of Republic of India.
- No benefits are payable on surrender of the Rider.
- If the Life Insured, whether medically sane or insane, commits suicide, within one year of the Issue Date/ Revival Date, the Rider shall be void and The Company will not be liable to pay any Rider Benefit to the Policyholder/nominee.

Free Look Period

If policyholder disagrees with any of the terms and conditions of the policy, policyholder has the option to return the original policy bond along with a letter stating reasons for the objection within 15 days of receipt of the Policy Bond in case of offline Policy and within 30 days of receipt of the Policy in case of Policy sourced through distance marketing (i.e. online sales). The Policy will accordingly be cancelled and the Policyholder will be refunded an amount equal to the Premium paid subject to a deduction of a proportionate risk premium for the period on cover, the expenses incurred by the Company on medical examination (if any) and stamp duty charges. All rights under this Policy shall stand extinguished immediately on the cancellation of the Policy under the free look option.

If the Policy is opted through Insurance Repository (IR), the computation of the said Free Look Period will be as stated below:-

For existing e-Insurance Account: Computation of the said Free Look Period will commence from the date of delivery of the e mail confirming the credit of the Insurance Policy by the IR.

For New e-Insurance Account: If an application for e-Insurance Account accompanies the proposal for insurance, the date of receipt of the 'welcome kit' from the IR with the credentials to log on to the e-Insurance Account(e IA) or the delivery date of the email confirming the grant of access to the eIA or the delivery date of the email confirming the credit of the Insurance Policy by the IR to the eIA, whichever is later shall be reckoned for the purpose of computation of the free look period.

Definitions

Day: "Day" in Hospital means a period of a full 24 hours during a period of confinement. The first Day of confinement shall commence at the time of admission to the Hospital and each subsequent Day shall commence 24 hours after the commencement of the previous Day. In the event of the time of discharge of the life insured from the Hospital being more than 12 hours, but less than 24 hours from the end of the previous Day, then the day of discharge shall also be regarded as a Day.

Hospital: "Hospital" means any institution established for indoor or in-patient care and day care treatment of sickness and/or injuries and which has been registered either as a Hospital or Nursing Home with the local authorities and is under the supervision of a registered and qualified Medical Practitioner OR must comply with all minimum criteria as under:

- Has at least 10 inpatient beds, in those towns having a population of less than 10,00,000 and 15 inpatient beds in all other places;
- Has fully qualified nursing staff under its employment round the clock;
- Has fully qualified doctor(s) in charge round the clock;
- Has a fully equipped operation theatre of its own where surgical procedures are carried out; and
- Maintains daily records of patients and will make these accessible to the insurance company.

Hospital does not include any institution which is operated primarily as a convalescent or rest home or a sanatorium, or a home for the aged, or a place for rehabilitation of alcoholics or drug addicts, or for any similar purpose.

Medical Practitioner means a person who holds a valid registration from the Medical Council of any state or Medical Council of India or Council for Indian Medicine or for Homeopathy set up by the Government of India or a State Government and is thereby entitled to practice medicine within its jurisdiction; and is acting within the scope and jurisdiction of the licence.

Intensive Care Unit: "ICU" means a specially equipped and designated ward in any Hospital that is used for the sole purpose of the treatment of patients with a critical or exigent condition, and where the patient is under 48 hour care and monitoring, by a Physician and specially trained nursing staff.

Medically Necessary: "Medically Necessary" refers to a procedure, a treatment or a period of hospitalization which is ordered by a registered medical practitioner and

- Which is required for the treatment of a medical condition, and
- Appropriate and consistent with the symptoms and findings or diagnosis and treatment of the life insured medical condition, and
- Provided in accordance with generally accepted medical practice on a national basis, and
- Not of an experimental nature, not of an investigative nature and not in the nature of research

Pre-existing condition: Pre Existing Disease means any condition, ailment, injury or disease: a) That is/are diagnosed by a physician within 48 months prior to the effective date of the policy issued by the insurer or its reinstatement or (b) For which medical advice or treatment was recommended by, or received from, a physician within 48 months Prior to the effective date of the policy issued by the insurer or its reinstatement.

Surgery: "Surgery" means medically necessary procedure or intervention per formed by a qualified medical professional and carried out through either a natural orifice or approached by the cutting or penetration of any part of the body to treat a disease, deformity or injury. Procedures which are only diagnostic or investigative in nature are excluded from the scope of this definition.

Accident: A sudden, unintended and fortuitous external and visible event, occurring independently of any other causes.

Prohibition of Rebate: Section 41 of the Insurance Act, 1938

No person shall allow or offer to allow, either directly or indirectly, as an inducement to any person to take or renew or continue an insurance in respect of any kind of risk relating to lives or property in India, any rebate of the whole or part of the commission payable or any rebate of the premium shown on the policy, nor shall any person taking out or renewing or continuing a policy accept any rebate, except such rebate as may be allowed in accordance with the published prospectuses or tables of the insurer:

Any person making default in complying with the provisions of this section shall be punishable with fine which may extend to ten lakh rupees.

Section 45 of the Insurance Act, 1938

Fraud, Misrepresentation and forfeiture would be dealt with in accordance with provisions of Sec 45 of the Insurance Act 1938 as amended from time to time.

[A Leaflet containing the simplified version of the provisions of Section 45 is enclosed in appendix – I for reference]

Appendix I: Section 45 – Policy shall not be called in question on the ground of mis-statement after three years

Provisions regarding Policy not being called into question in terms of Section 45 of the Insurance Act, 1938, as amended from time to time are as follows:

- 1. No Policy of Life Insurance shall be called in question on any ground whats ever after expiry of 3 years from:
- a. The date of issuance of Policy or
- b. The date of commencement of risk or
- c. The date of reinstatement of Policy or
- d. The date of rider to the Policy whichever is later.
- On the ground of fraud, a Policy of Life Insurance may be called in question within 3 vears from:
 - a. The date of issuance of Policy or
 - b. The date of commencement of risk or
 - c. The date of reinstatement of Policy or
 - d. The date of rider to the Policy whichever is later.
 - For this, the insurer should communicate in writing to the insured or legal representative or nominee or assignees of insured, as applicable, mentioning the ground and materials on which such decision is based.
 - 3. Fraud means any of the following acts committed by insured or by his agent, with the intent to deceive the insurer or to induce the insurer to issue a life insurance Policy:
 - a. The suggestion, as a fact of that which is not true and which the insured does not believe to be true:
 - b. The active concealment of a fact by the insured having knowledge or belief of the fact;
 - c. Any other act fitted to deceive; and
 - d. Any such act or omission as the law specifically declares to be fraudulent.
 - 4. Mere silence is not fraud unless, depending on circumstances of the case, it is the duty of the insured or his agent keeping silence to speak or silence is in itself equivalent to speak.
 - 5. No Insurer shall repudiate a life insurance Policy on the ground of Fraud, if the Insured/beneficiary can prove that the misstatement was true to the best of his knowledge and there was no deliberate intention to suppress the fact or that such mis-statement of or suppression of material fact are within the knowledge of the insurer. Onus of disproving is upon the Policyholder, if alive, or beneficiaries.

- 6. Life insurance Policy can be called in question within 3 years on the ground that any statement of or suppression of a fact material to expectancy of life of the insured was incorrectly made in the proposal or other document basis which Policy was issued or revived or rider issued. For this, the insurer should communicate in writing to the insured or legal representative or nominee or assignees of insured as applicable, mentioning the ground and materials on which decision to repudiate the Policy of life insurance is based.
- 7. In case repudiation is on ground of mis-statement and not on fraud, the premium collected on Policy till the date of repudiation shall be paid to the insured or legal representative or nominee or assignees of insured, within a period of 90 days from the date of repudiation.
- 8. Fact shall not be considered material unless it has a direct bearing on the risk undertaken by the insurer. The onus is on insurer to show that if the insurer had been aware of the said fact, no life insurance Policy would have been issued to the insured.
- 9. The insurer can call 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 of age of life insured. So, this Section will not be applicable for questioning age or adjustment based on proof of age submitted subsequently.

[Disclaimer: This is not a comprehensive list of amendments of Insurance Laws (Amendment) Ordinance, 2014 and only a simplified version prepared for general information. Policyholders are advised to refer to Original Ordinance Gazette Notification dated December 26, 2014 for complete and accurate details.]

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