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## Performance of the Insurance Industry – Q3, 2021

### **Gross Written Premium**

The insurance industry was able to achieve a growth of 6.19% in terms of overall Gross Written Premium (GWP), during the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter of 2021, recording an increase of Rs. 9,366 million when compared to the same period in the year 2020. The GWP for Long Term Insurance and General Insurance Businesses was Rs. 160,649 million compared to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter of 2020, amounting to Rs. 151,283 million.

The GWP of Long-Term Insurance Business amounted to Rs. 86,626 million (Q3, 2020: Rs. 72,297 million) recording a growth of 19.82%. The GWP of General Insurance Business amounted to Rs. 74,023 million (Q3, 2020: Rs. 78,986 million) recording a decline of 6.28%



#### **Chart 1- Gross Written Premium Income**

## **Total Assets**

The value of total assets of insurance companies has increased to Rs. 832,180 million at the end of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2021, when compared to Rs. 773,803 million recorded as at the end of Q3 2021, reflecting a growth of 7.54%. The assets of Long-Term Insurance Business amounted to Rs. 615,538 million (Q3, 2020: Rs. 556,157 million) depicting a growth rate of 10.68%, mainly due to increase in business volume which is represented by investments in government debt securities and corporate debts. The assets of General Insurance Business amounted to Rs. 216,642 million (Q3, 2020: Rs. 217,646 million) indicating a slight decline of 0.46%.



#### **Chart 2- Total Assets**

#### **Investment in Government Securities**

Investments in Government Debt Securities amounted to Rs. 239,478 million representing 43.37% (Q3, 2020: Rs. 227,584 million) of the total investments of Long Term Insurance Business and increased by 5.23%, while such investment of the total investment of General Insurance Business amounted to Rs. 51,008 million representing 36.29% (Q3, 2020: Rs. 61,557 million) and decreased by 17.14%. Accordingly, the total investment in Government Securities in the two businesses amounted to Rs. 290,486 million (Q3, 2020: Rs. 289,141 million), showing an overall increase of 0.47% respectively.

#### **Claims incurred by Insurance Companies**

The claims incurred by insurance companies in both Long Term Insurance Business and General Insurance Business were Rs. 61,865 million (Q3, 2020: Rs. 60,327 million) showing an increase in total claims amount by 2.55% year-on-year. The Long-Term Insurance claims, including maturity and death benefits, amounted to Rs. 32,565 million (Q3, 2020: Rs. 27,521 million). The claims incurred in General Insurance Business, including Motor, Fire, Marine and other categories, amounted to Rs. 29,300 million (Q3, 2020: Rs. 32,806 million). Hence, during the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter of 2021, claims incurred by Long Term Insurance Business has increased by 18.33% and claims incurred by General Insurance Business has decreased by 10.69% when compared to the same period in 2020.



### **Chart 3- Claims incurred by Insurance Companies**

### Profit (Before Tax) of Insurance Companies

The profit (before tax) of insurance companies as at the end of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2021 in both Long Term Insurance Business and General Insurance Business amounted to Rs. 22,306 million (Q3, 2020: Rs. 26,252 million) showing a significant decrease in total profit amount by 15.03%. The profit (before tax) of Long-Term Insurance Business amounted to Rs. 11,655 million (Q3, 2020: Rs. 9,978 million), while the profit (before tax) of General Insurance Business amounted to Rs. 10,650 million (Q3, 2020: Rs. 16,273 million). Thus, profit (before tax) of Long-Term Insurance Business has increased by 16.81% and General Insurance Business has decreased by 34.55%.



## **Chart 4- Profitability of Insurance Companies**

### Insurers

Out of twenty-seven (27) Insurance Companies (Insurers) in operation as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021, thirteen (13) are engaged in Long Term (Life) Insurance Business, twelve (12) companies engaged in General Insurance Business and two (02) are composite companies (dealing in both Long Term and General Insurance Businesses).

### **Insurance Brokers**

Sixty-eight (68) insurance brokering companies, registered with the Commission as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021. Total Assets of insurance brokering companies have increased to Rs. 7,618 million as at the end of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2021, when compared to 5,951 million recorded at the same period of 2020, indicating a growth of 28.03%.

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#### Notes:

- 1) The above Q3 2021 information represents insurance companies' information excluding information of the National Insurance Trust Fund (NITF). The comparative information of Q3 2020 represents insurance companies' information including National Insurance Trust Fund (NITF).
- 2) Total assets of the Insurance Brokering Companies represent all Insurance Brokering Companies excluding 4 Brokering Companies due to non-submission of Quarterly Returns.

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