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Subject: Enhancement of Investment Choice Options under the National Pension System (NPS) in respect of Employees of NIHFV-reg.

In pursuance of the Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, Government of India, Office Memorandum No. F.No.1(3)/EV/2020 dated 1 July 2026, and the **Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA)** letters C.No.5741-PFRDA/17/07/0003/2017-SUP-CAB-Part(1) dated 14 July 2026 and 17 July 2026, it is informed that additional investment choice options under the National Pension System (NPS) have been introduced for the employees of Central Autonomous Bodies covered under NPS.

2. Eligible NPS subscribers may now opt for the following additional Lifecycle Funds:

a. Aggressive Life Cycle Fund (LC-75) now named as LC-75-High: An investment option with equity exposure of up to 75%, designed for subscribers seeking higher growth potential over the long term.

b. Balanced Life Cycle Fund (BLC) now named as Aggressive Life Cycle Fund: An investment option with equity exposure capped at 50%, with gradual reduction in equity allocation beginning at the age of 45 years, offering a balanced approach between growth and stability.

3. **How to Apply:** Eligible subscribers may exercise these investment options online through the Central Recordkeeping Agency (CRA) system. The detailed **Standard Operating Procedure (SOP)** for updating investment allocation choices is available on the **Protean CRA Portal**.

4. All employees covered under the National Pension System (NPS) are requested to visit the Protean CRA Portal and update their investment choice, if they wish to avail themselves of the above options.

This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.


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