

## SENIOR CITIZEN'S SAVINGS SCHEME (SCSS)



# **KEY** Highlights

**DEPOSIT SAFETY** (Govt. guaranteed)

SHORT LOCK-IN (5 years)

**LIQUIDITY** (foreclosure possible)

TAX SAVINGS

(Deductible under Section 80C up to ₹ 1.5 lakh)

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**REGULAR INTEREST PAYOUT** (Quarterly)

### **Salient Features**

The Government of India introduced this scheme in 2004. It is a fixed deposit scheme that pays an assured returns at regular intervals to senior citizens.

#### **Secured Capital**

SCSS is a government - endorsed scheme, making the capital in this scheme secure and guaranteed.

#### **Account Portability**

Can be moved from bank to bank or post office and vice-versa

Loan No such provision

**ECS** Transfer of interest to the savings account can be done



### **Product Details**

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### Minimum Investment ₹ 1,000

#### Maximum Investment ₹15 Lakh

Tenure

Interest

**5 years** (can be extended for another 3 years within a year of maturity)

**8%** per annum compounded annually (varies quarterly as announced)

Interest is paid on the last working day of April, July, October and January

Deposit	Quarterly Payout At 8%		
₹5 lakh	₹10,000		
₹ 10 lakh	₹20,000		
₹ 15 lakh	₹30,000		





### **Product Details**

#### Account Holding



Eligibility - You need to be a resident Indian to open an account.

Age - You need to be 60 years of age or above. (Defence personnels and those taken VRS have some relaxations)

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A depositor may operate more than one account in individual capacity or jointly with spouse (husband/wife)

Any number of accounts can be opened in any post office subject to maximum investment limit by adding balance in all accounts

Nomination Facility
Available

### **Pre-mature Closure**



If closed before 1 year, no interest will be payable, if paid already will be recovered.



If closed after 1 year, an amount equal to 1.5% of the deposit to be deducted.



If closed after 2 years, 1% of the deposit to be deducted.



If the account is closed prematurely due to the death of the depositor, then no charges will be levied on the deposits



**Tax Benefit** 

Investment in this scheme is eligible for tax deduction subject to an upper limit of ₹1.5 lakh, under section 80C of the Income-Tax Act, 1961.

Interest received from the scheme is eligible for deduction under section 80TTB of the Income-tax.



### **Historical Interest Rate**

PERIOD	INTEREST RATE
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarters of Financial Year 2022-23	8.00%
1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarters of Financial Year 2022-23	7.40%
Financial Year 2021 – 22	7.40%
Financial Year 2020 – 21	7.40%
2nd, 3rd and 4th Quarters of Financial Year 2019 – 20 (July to April)	8.60%
1st Quarter of Financial Year 2019 – 20 (April to June)	8.70%
4th Quarter of Financial Year 2018 – 19 (January to March)	8.70%
3rd Quarter of Financial Year 2018 – 19 (October to December)	8.70%
2nd Quarter of Financial Year 2018 – 19 (July to September)	8.30%
1st Quarter of Financial Year 2018 – 19 (April to June)	8.30%
4th Quarter of Financial Year 2017 – 18 (January to March)	8.30%
3rd Quarter of Financial Year 2017 – 18 (October to December)	8.30%
2nd Quarter of Financial Year 2017 – 18 (July – September)	8.30%
1st Quarter of Financial Year 2017 – 18 (April – June)	8.40%
Financial Year 2016 – 17	8.50%
Financial Year 2015 – 16	9.30%
Financial Year 2014 – 15	9.20%
Financial Year 2013 – 14	9.20%
Financial Year 2012 – 13	9.30%



### **Account Opening**

