

Tax Reckoner FY 2026-27



Taxation Changes post Union Budget 2025

Categories of Funds	Short Term	Long Term	^LTCG Holding period	Listed	STT Paid (Yes or No)	Does Section 111A Applies ?	Does Section 2 Clauses (42A) applies for 12 Month ?	Classification
Equity Oriented (>65% in Equity assets)	20%	12.5%	>1 Year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Units of Equity Oriented Mutual Fund
Debt Oriented (> 65% Debt Assets)/Fund of fund investing > 65% in such debt-oriented fund				No	No	No	No	Short-term Capital Asset as per Section 2 (42A)
- Units Acquired before 01.04.2023	Tax Slab	12.5%	>2 Year					
- Units Acquired after 31.03.2023	Tax Slab	Tax Slab	Irrelevant					
Fund of Fund with (Debt is <65% and Equity ETF is less than 90%)				No	No	No	No	Short-term Capital Asset as per Section 2 (42A)
- Units Acquired before 01.04.2023	Tax Slab	12.5%	>2 Year					
- Units Acquired after 31.03.2023	Tax Slab	12.5%	>2 Year					
Commodities ETF Listed on exchange				Yes	No	No	Yes	Listed on Recognized Stock Exchange
- Units Acquired before 01.04.2023	Tax Slab	12.5%	>1 Year					
- Units Acquired after 31.03.2023	Tax Slab	12.5%	>1 Year					
Foreign Equity ETF (India Domiciled) Listed on Exchange				Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Listed on Recognized Stock Exchange
- Units Acquired before 01.04.2023	Tax Slab	12.5%	>1 Year					
- Units Acquired after 31.03.2023	Tax Slab	12.5%	>1 Year					
Domestic Equity ETF FOF^^ (where >90% is in Domestic Equity ETFs as per Explanation 1 of Sec 112A)				No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Units of Equity Oriented Mutual Fund
- Units Acquired before 01.04.2023	20	12.5%	>1 Year					
- Units Acquired after 31.03.2023	20	12.5%	>1 Year					
Commodities FOF^^				No	No	No	No	Short-term Capital Asset as per Section 2 (42A)
- Units Acquired before 01.04.2023	Tax Slab	12.5%	>2 Year					
- Units Acquired after 31.03.2023	Tax Slab	12.5%	>2 Year					
Foreign FOF^^ (investing in offshore Schemes)				No	No	No	No	Short-term Capital Asset as per Section 2 (42A)
- Units Acquired before 01.04.2023	Tax Slab	12.5%	>2 Year					
- Units Acquired after 31.03.2023	Tax Slab	12.5%	>2 Year					
Foreign FOF^^ (investing in India listed offshore Schemes)				No	No	No	No	Short-term Capital Asset as per Section 2 (42A)
- Units Acquired before 01.04.2023	Tax Slab	12.50%	>2 Year					
- Units Acquired after 31.03.2023	Tax Slab	12.50%	>2 Year					
Foreign Equity Index Fund (India Domiciled)				No	No	No	No	Short-term Capital Asset as per Section 2 (42A)
- Units Acquired before 01.04.2023	Tax Slab	12.50%	>2 Year					
- Units Acquired after 31.03.2023	Tax Slab	12.50%	>2 Year					

Important Sections pertaining to Mutual Funds & Taxation of Mutual Funds which have undergone changes

Section	Impact
50AA	Specified Mutual Fund - (new definition is effective 1st April, 2025) ‘(ii) “Specified Mutual Fund” means,— (a) a Mutual Fund by whatever name called, which invests more than sixty-five per cent. of its total proceeds in debt and money market instruments; or (b) a fund which invests sixty-five per cent. or more of its total proceeds in units of a fund referred to in sub-clause (a); Earlier there was no specific definition for a debt mutual fund, it was always referred as other than Equity, now it’s clearly defined under Specified Mutual Fund
111A	Short Term Capital Gains rate has been changed from 15% to 20% w.e.f July 23,2024
112A	Exemption limit for Long Term Capital Gains has increased from INR 100,000 to INR 125,000 Long Term Capital Gains (LTCG) increased from 10% to 12.5%
Section 155	Securities Transaction Tax (STT) rates have been revised, come in force from 01 Oct 2024 Options - 0.1% Futures - 0.02%
Section 2 (Clause 42A)	Short Term Definition changed from 36 months to 24 months for all assets except security listed in a recognized stock exchange in India or a unit of the Unit Trust of India established under the Unit Trust of India Act, 1963 (52 of 1963) or a unit of an equity-oriented fund or a zero coupon bond or in case of a share of a company (not being a share listed in a recognised stock exchange)

^ STCG - Short Term Capital Gain | ^LTCG - Long Term Capital Gain | ^^ FOF - Fund Of Fund | ETF - Exchange Traded Fund

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SGB buy back by RBI (redeemed to RBI)

Exemptions have been provided only in case of **individuals under section 47(viic)** of the Income Tax Act, 1961 wherein any gains arising on redemption/ maturity of SGBs is not regarded as "transfer" and hence no capital gains tax shall arise on transfer of such SGBs

As per section 2(42A) any listed security held for more than 12 months will qualify as a long-term asset. We agree the period of holding for SGBs listed on exchange should be 12 months. However, taxability will be as per section 112 and not 112A, i.e 20% with indexation and at 12.5% (without indexation) post Finance Bill 2024. SGBs taxability will not differ if the SGBs are bought from the stock market or from authorized banks / institutions.

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