

# Future of Life Insurance in India

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# Today we would discuss...

**1** Reflections on the **broader environment**

**2** Life insurance **opportunity in India**

**3** **Life insurer of the future**



# Reflections on the broader environment



# We operate in an extremely dynamic and evolving environment...



## Changing customer profiles and preferences

New segments (younger millennials, Gen-Z), demand for **personalization and convenience**



## Inflection in consumer digital ecosystems

Emergence of digital consumer ecosystems, exponential growth in **online transactions, digital payments**



## Evolution of India stack

Unique **digital infrastructure** to solve India's problems towards **presence-less and paperless service delivery**



## InsurTech coming of age

InsurTech funding nearly doubled in the last two years<sup>1</sup>; **disruption round the corner**



## Emerging opportunities in retirement, term products

India's changing demographics and vastly under-insured population present **macro opportunities for protection**



## Paradigm shift in regulatory landscape

New regulatory regime open to more flexibility for insurers; **dawn of new reforms**

### Notes:

1. BCG InsurTech Report 2022



...against this backdrop it becomes imperative for life insurers to protect their core whilst proactively reimagining insurance to 'scale' up business

### Protect the Core

- 1 **Diversify revenue sources** to *reduce dependence* on a particular line of business
- 2 **Lower long-term unit costs** enabling businesses to *improve their price competitiveness*
- 3 Set up moats to help **reduce vulnerability to external threats**; *keep competition at bay*



### Reimagine Insurance

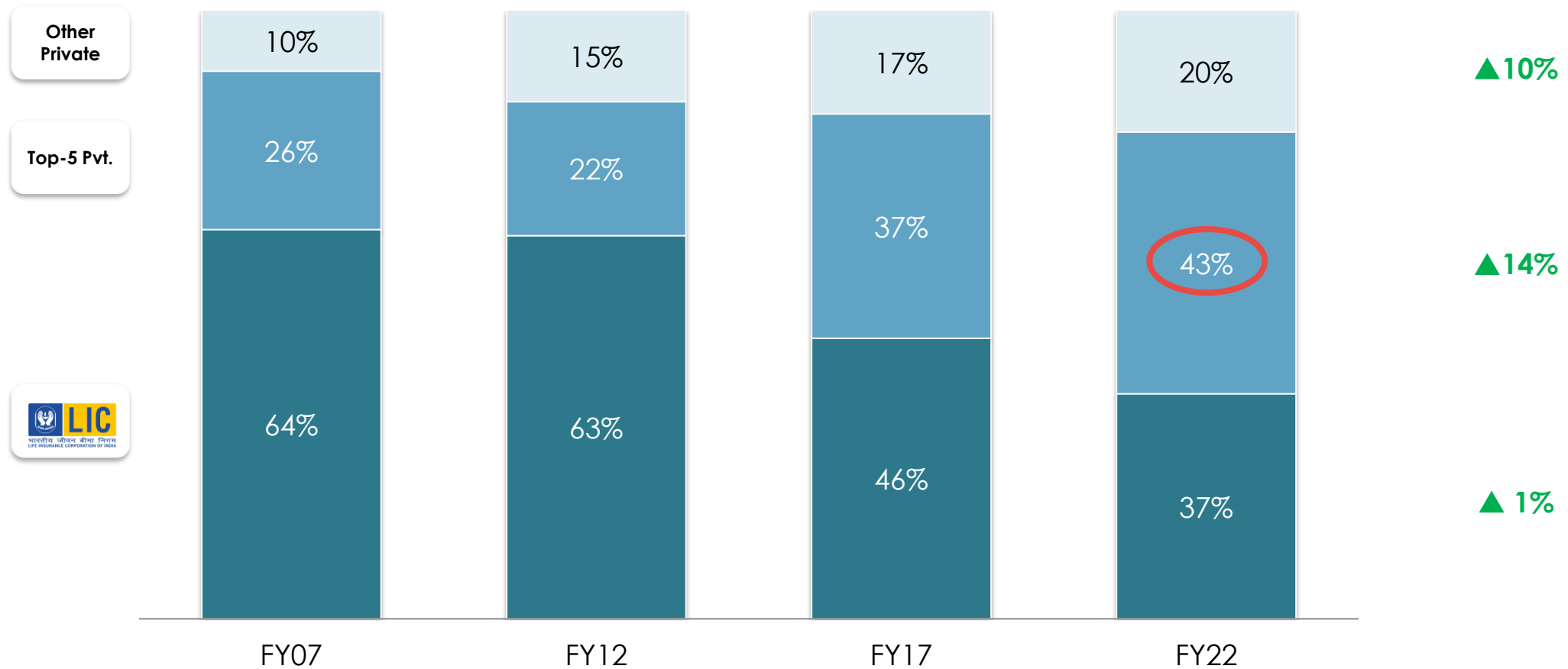
- 1 **Strong profits** enable growth through *increased technology investments* and *strategic initiatives*
- 2 **Enter into** diverse *distribution partnerships*, including new ecosystems
- 3 **Increase** in ability to *incubate ideas and innovate* on products, evolving customers needs and preferences



# Bancassurance and product innovation have helped top private life insurers wrest share from LIC...

Individual WRP market share: LIC vs. Private Players

10-Year CAGR<sup>1</sup>



Notes:  
1. CAGR of Individual WRP

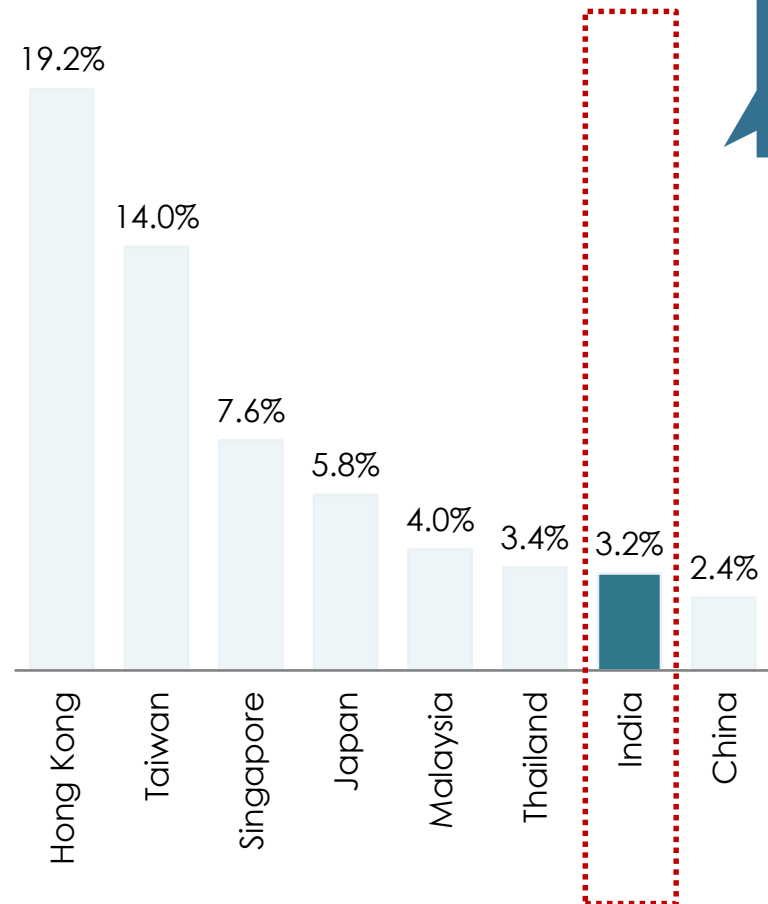


# Life insurance opportunity in India

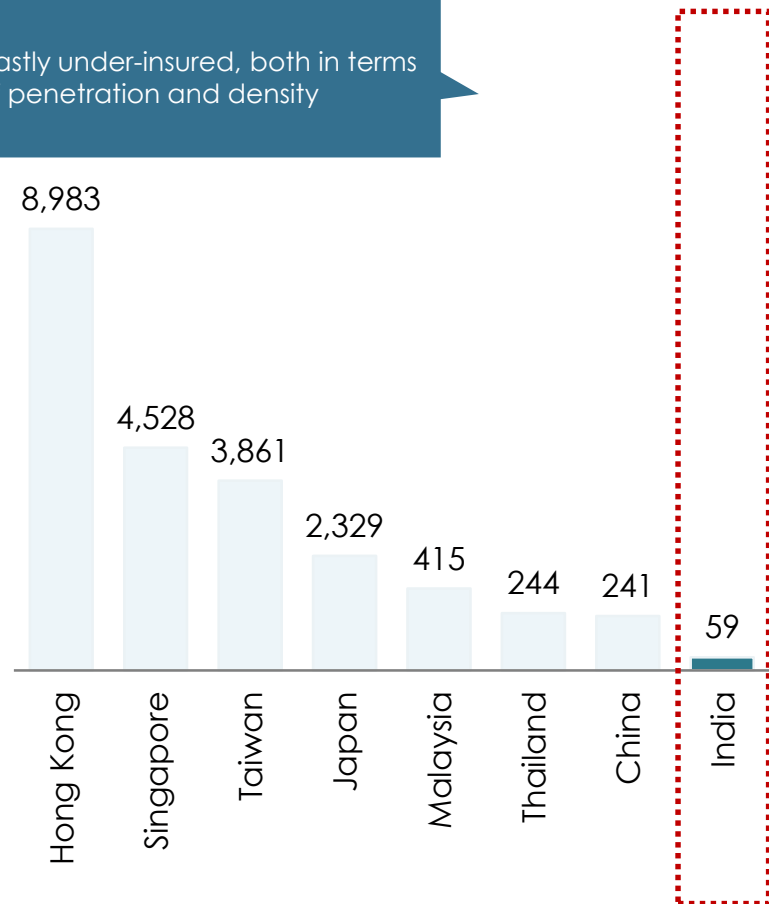


# India remains vastly under-insured, both in terms of penetration and density...

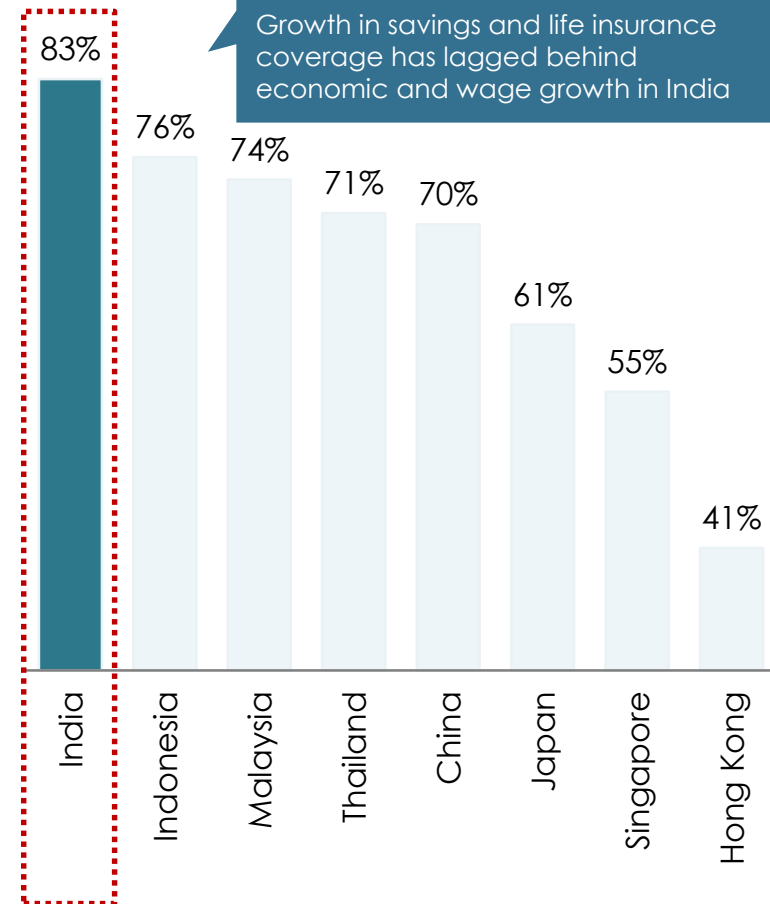
### Life insurance penetration<sup>1</sup>



### Life insurance density (US\$)<sup>2</sup>



### Protection gap<sup>3</sup>



Notes:

1. Penetration in FY21 as measured by premiums as % of GDP
2. Density defined as the ratio of premium underwritten in a given year to the total population
3. Protection gap defined as the difference between the amount of insurance that is economically beneficial and the amount of coverage actually purchased

Source: Swiss Re (Based on respective financial year of the countries)





# ...presenting macro opportunities in the Protection space...

## Large untapped addressable market...

Only 1 out of 40 people (2.5%) who can afford is buying a policy every year; sum assured as a multiple of income <1x

172 mn



Urban Working Population

68 mn



Addressable Market  
(excl. blue collared)

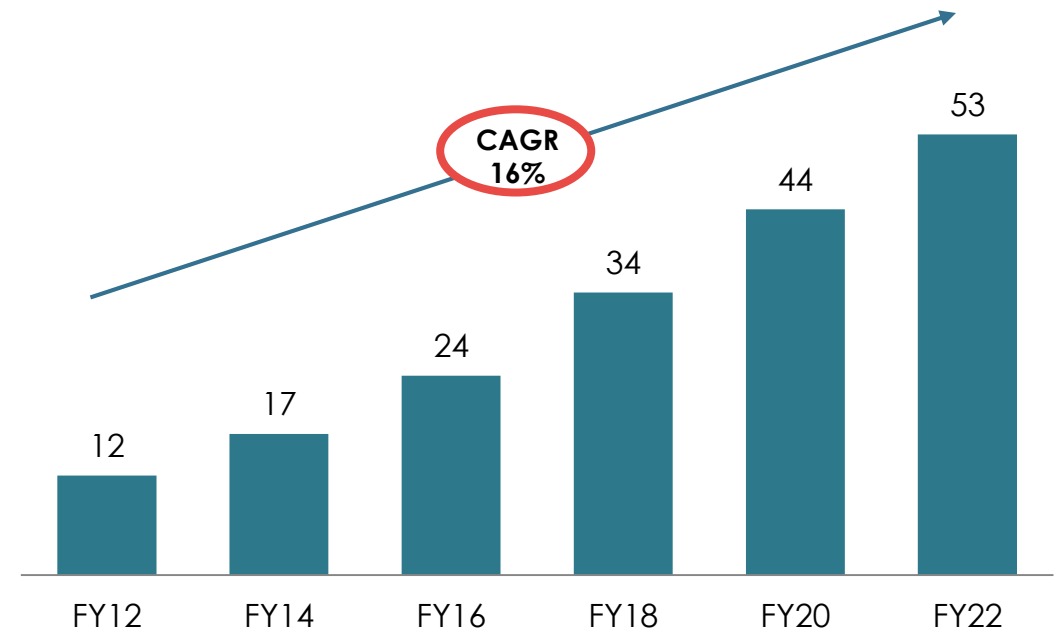
1.7 mn



Annual Policy Sales

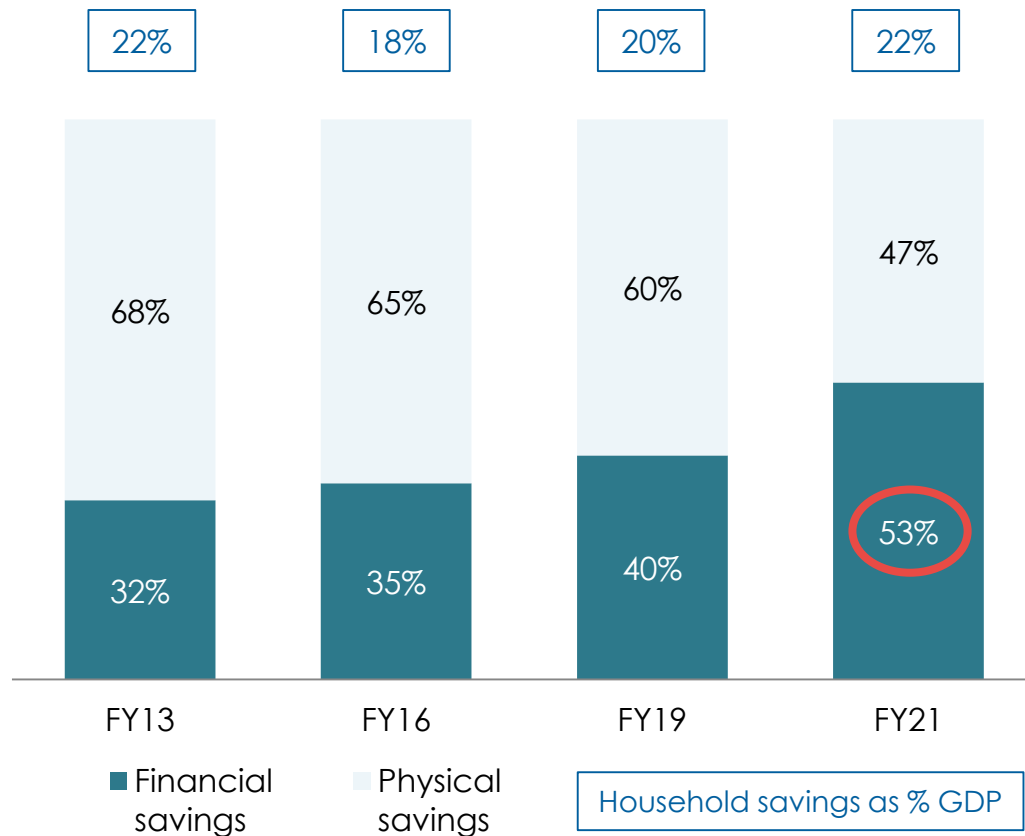
## Spur in retail loans (Rs. Tn)

Increasing retail indebtedness to spur need for credit life products; enhancement in insurance attachment with retail credit products

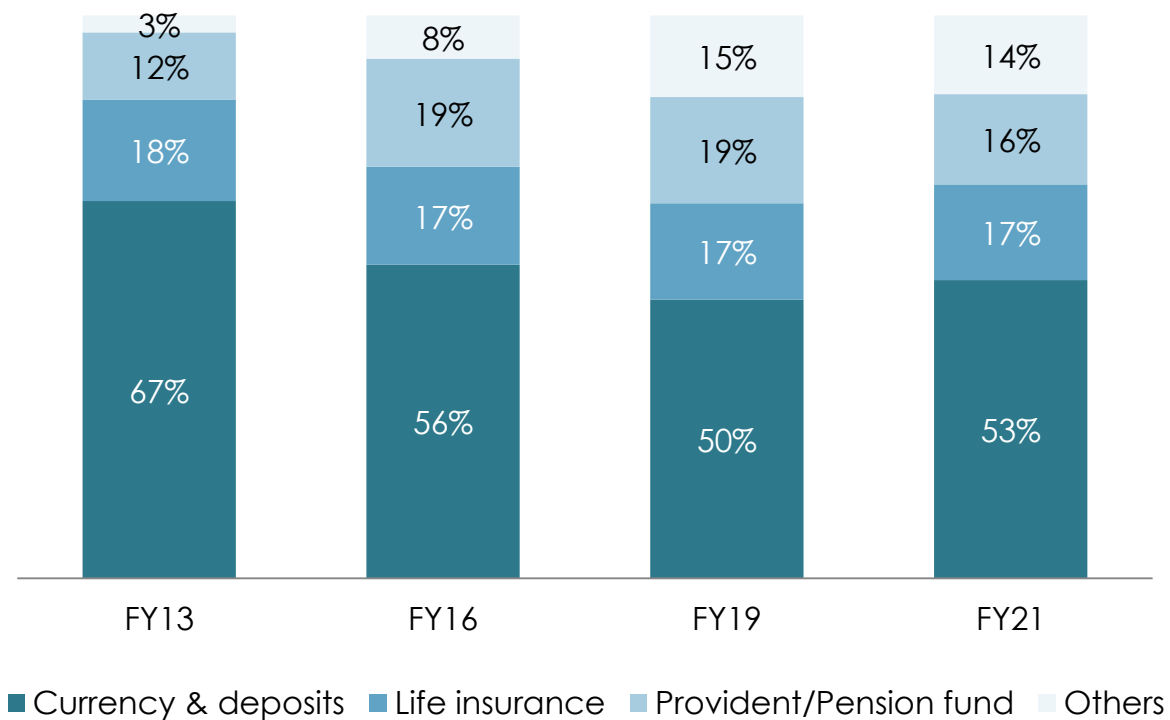


# ...Savings space, as household savings get financialized...

## Financialization of household savings



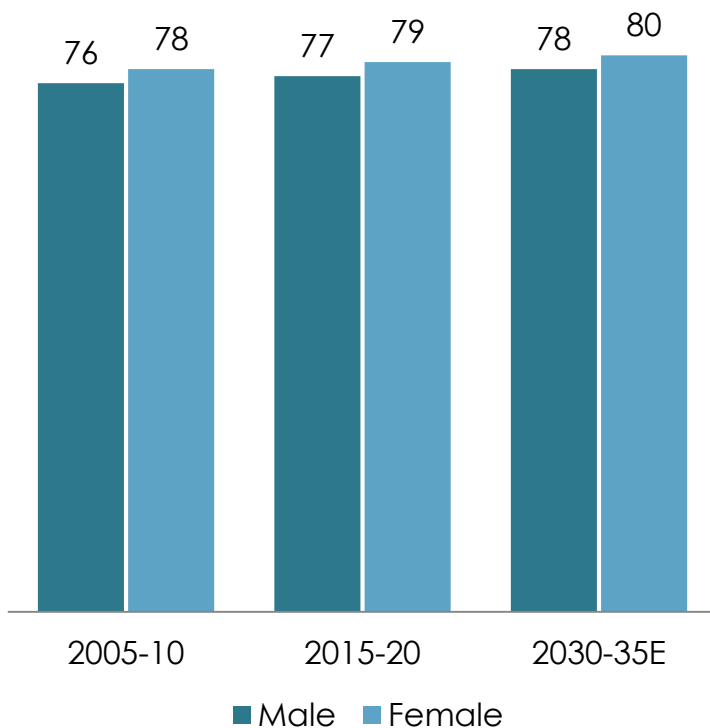
## Financial savings mix



# ...and Retiral space, as India's demographics change from 'young' to 'aging'...

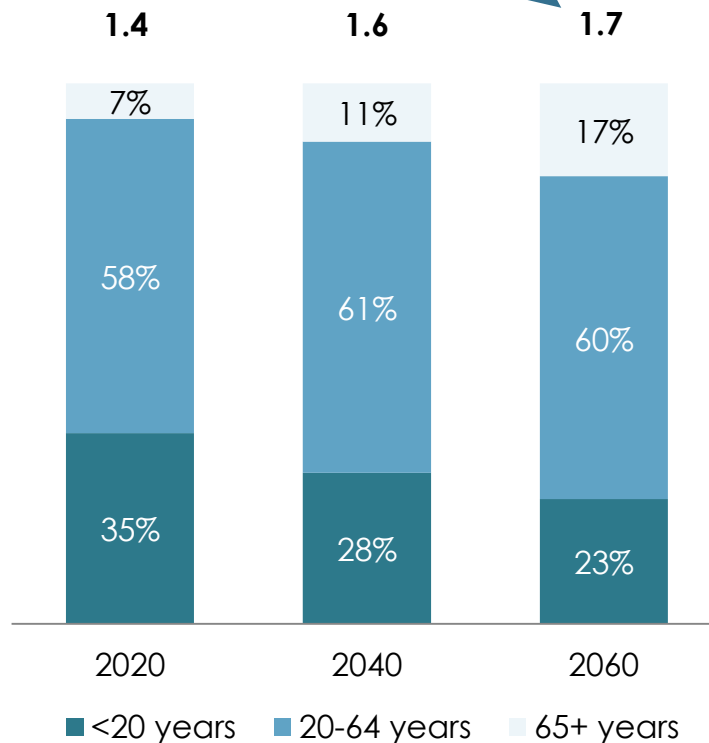
## Life expectancy at age 60 years

Improvements in life expectancy will lead to an average post retirement period of ~20 years



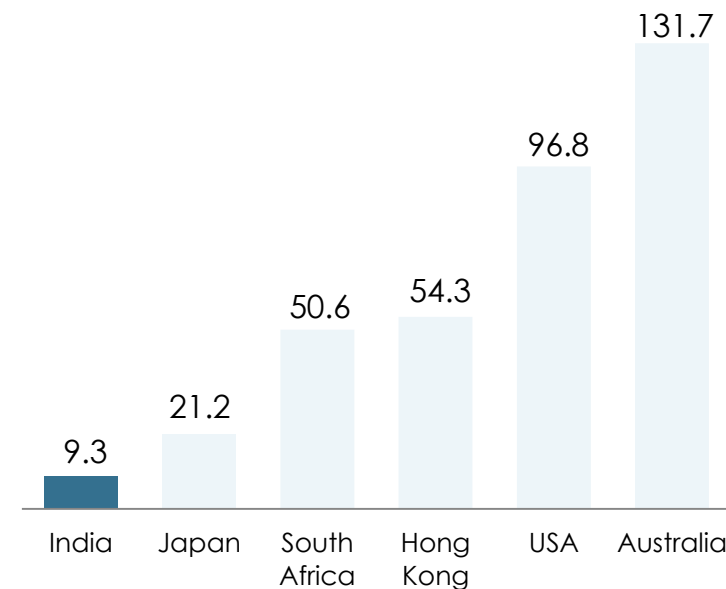
## Population composition (billion)

Elderly population is expected to almost triple by 2060



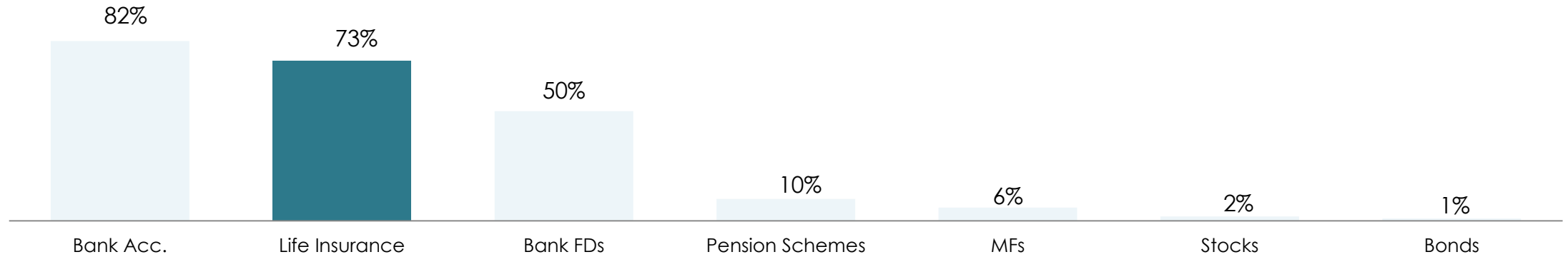
## Underpenetrated pension market

India's pension market is underpenetrated at 9.3% of GDP

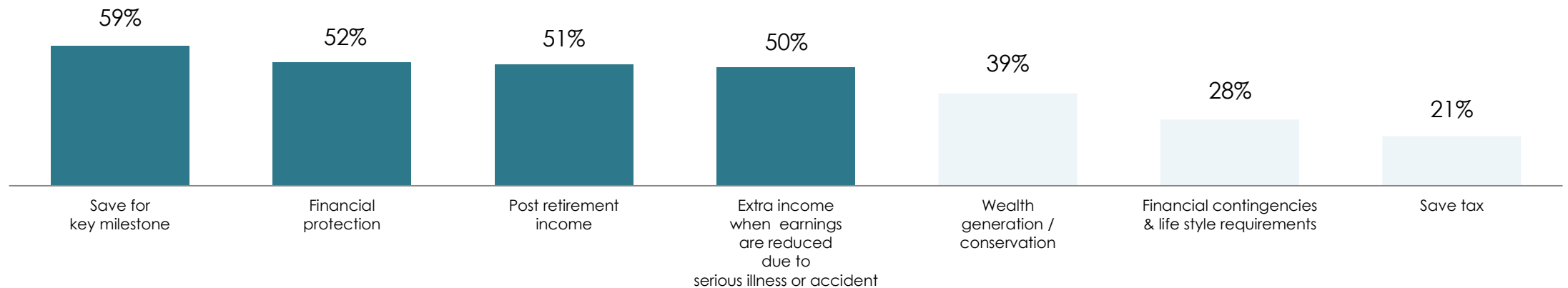


# Life insurance as a preferred 'savings' instrument will make it relatively easier to tap into the macro opportunities...

Life insurance ranks amongst top 3 financial instruments and the importance of life insurance as an instrument largely remains same across age groups and gender



Across age-groups, savings for key milestones in life like child's education, marriage, remains the top reason to buy life insurance



# Life insurer of the future



# Life insurer of the future...

## Customer experience expectations

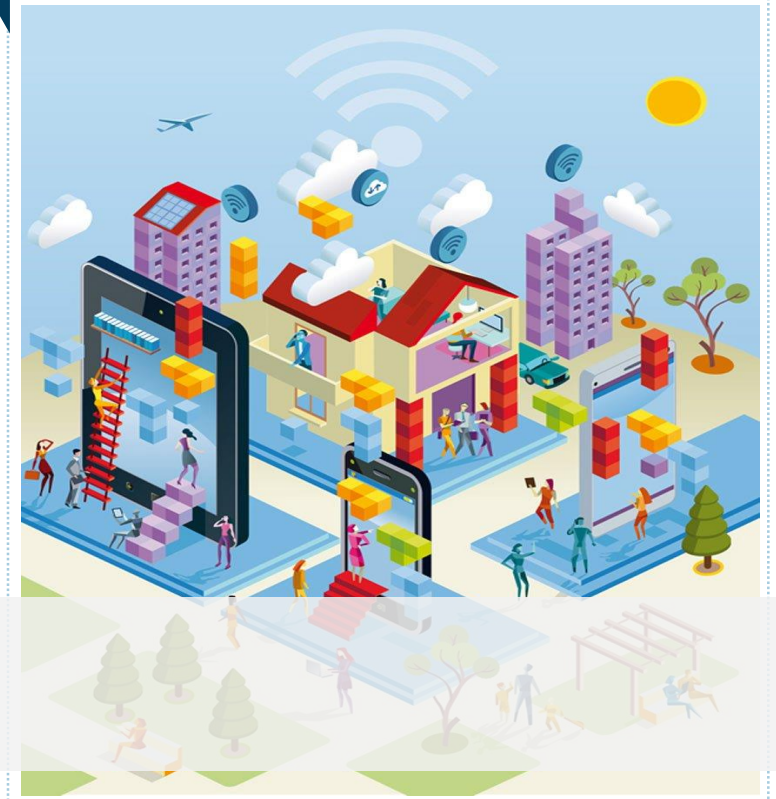
### Product innovation



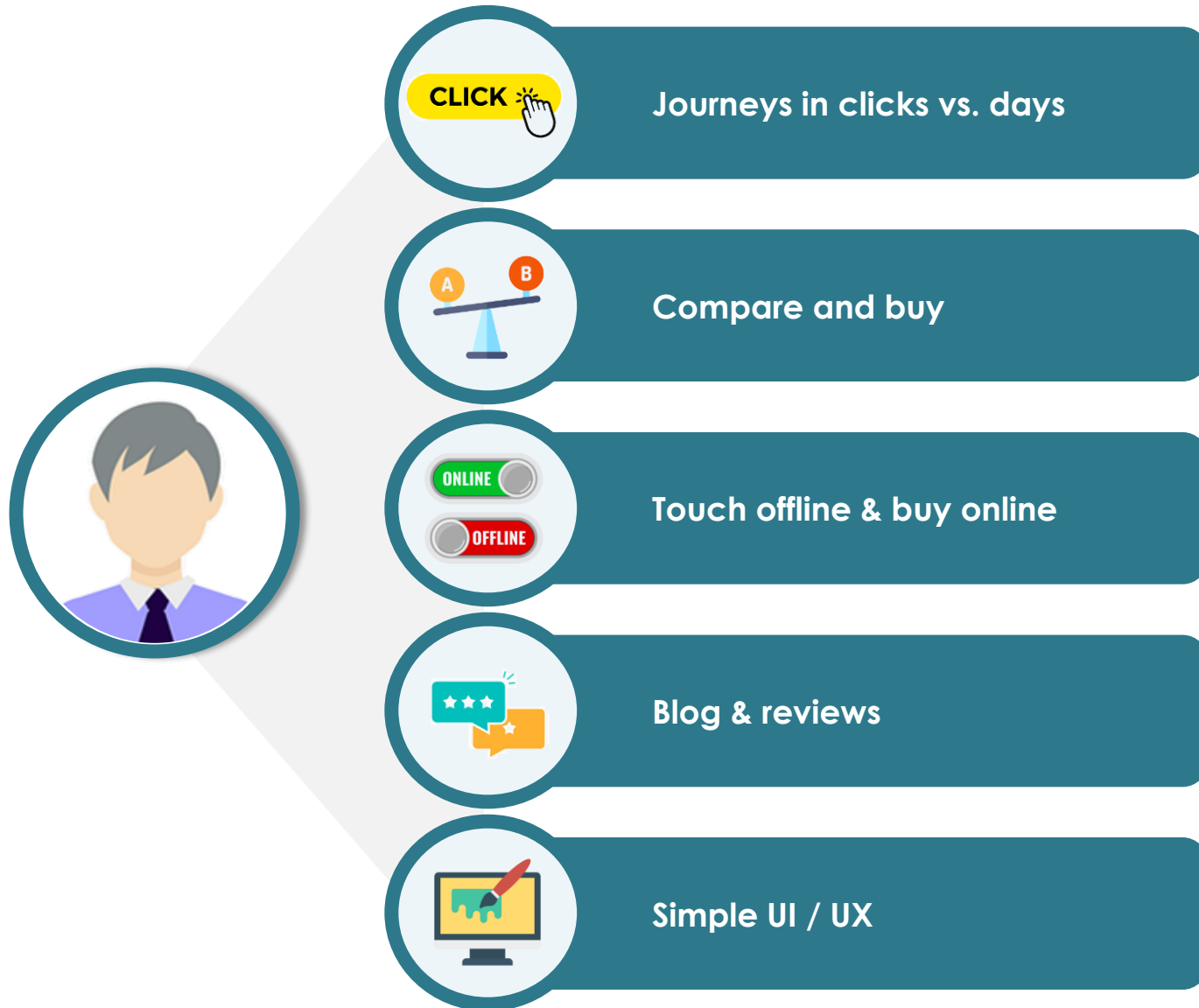
### Digital distribution and operations



### Data-led ecosystems



# Changing customer experience expectations...



## Perceptions that need to be worked upon:

- 1** Term premium is a 'cost'
- 2** Unbundling is better
- 3** 5 year horizon than long term horizon
- 4** Annuity is taxed – don't buy
- 5** Savings products – still need significant human intervention to sell



# Broad-based product innovation driven by changing customer needs, preferences and easing regulations...

## Combo products

1

**Two Savings plans** with distributed cashflow plans over the policy term / life time

2

**Term and Savings** to manage risks and address evolving needs across various life stages

3

**Life and health plans** to cover risk and address health care costs

## Savings products

4

**Equity oriented savings plans** with lower cost structure, flexible investment terms and more fund options

5

**Par pension plans** allowing more flexible income streams during retirement

## Embedded / co-created products

6

**Protection plans embedded with healthcare products / service** (e.g., Term plans with wellness ecosystem membership)

7

**Pay-as-you-live plans** to cover risk of aging / older population segment

8

**Co-created products** with related services (e.g., healthcare)





# 'Phygital' distribution and 'digital' operations...

## 'Phygital' Distribution



**'Bionic' agents and brokers**  
powered by digital tools



Digitally enabled **Point of Sale Products (POSP)** distribution



**Insurance marketplace**  
developed and managed by the regulator

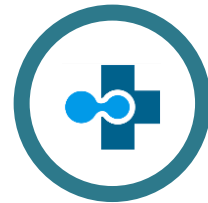
## 'Digital' Operations



**Digital experience & convenience** for customers increasingly using digital channels in daily life



**AI-powered 24X7 operations** to serve customers, redefining the process and operations for 'remote first'



**Digital and data interventions** for medicals, underwriting and claim decisions



# Data-led ecosystems powering new business, servicing and risk management



## New business

- ✓ Customer data management and sharing frameworks including AA<sup>1</sup>, IIB<sup>2</sup>, EPFO<sup>3</sup>, Traces etc.

## Servicing

- ✓ Build customer profiles / views, 360° view, offers, targeted upsell etc.



## Risk management

- ✓ Early warning indicators to reduce frauds, persistency issues, mis-sale etc.



# On the bedrock of prudent, time-tested risk management practices...

## Mortality & morbidity risks

Balance pricing & U/W to limit impact on profitability and solvency

### Active review & re-pricing



Identify outliers and take corrective actions

### Proactive reserving



Well provisioned to prevent sudden shocks (e.g., Covid)

### Product boundary conditions



Conditions based on customer profile & distribution channels

## Interest rate risks

Prudent asset liability management and natural hedges

### Cashflow & duration matching



Immunize portfolio to manage parallel shifts in yield curve

### Dynamic hedging



Natural hedges and external hedging instruments

### Stress test scenarios



Low sensitivity to economic market movements

## Operational risks

Balanced, conservative and calibrated approach

### Diversify distribution & products



Tap into new distribution partners and balanced product mix

### Regular experience analysis



Review of experience vs assumptions; corrective actions

### Conservative investments



Focus on delivering risk adjusted returns over the long term



## Many moving parts in the medium term

**Composite licence?**

**Health indemnity?**

**Access to national health data?**

**Risk-based capital?**

**Relaxed sand box?**

**Expanded open architecture?**

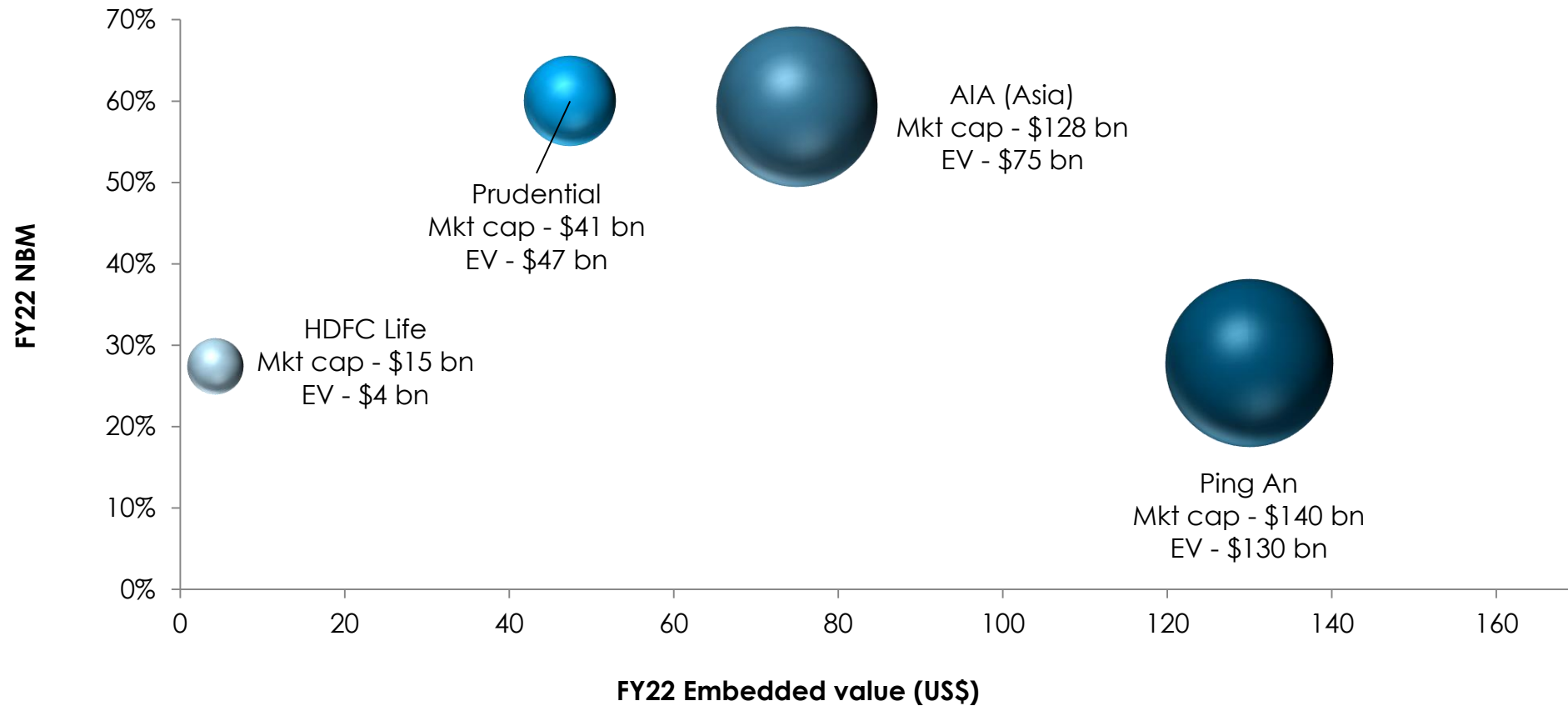
**Fintech subsidiary?**

**Invest abroad?**

**Life council-led aggregator model?**



# This is just the beginning of a large opportunity...



**Regional players 10-30 X larger in terms of EV and market cap; huge runway for Indian life insurers**



Thank You

