

RCapital files for listing of Reliance General Insurance

SUBRATA PANDA
Mumbai, 14 August

The Anil Ambani-owned Reliance Capital has filed an application with the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (Irdai) to list its non-life insurance company, Reliance General Insurance, via an initial public offering, according to sources.

The company expects to raise ₹1,500-2,000 crore by listing its general insurance business, said sources.

It is also seeking approval to sell up to 25 per cent of its shares in Reliance General Insurance. Currently, Reliance Capital has 100 per cent ownership of Reliance General Insurance.

Reliance Capital is looking to list its subsidiary companies — Reliance Nippon Asset Management Company, Reliance Home Finance and Reliance General Finance. Reliance Nippon Asset Management Company and Reliance Home Finance would be listed this year.

Reliance General Insurance reported a 22 per

cent increase in net profit to ₹44 crore for the first quarter ended June 30. It also posted a robust growth of 41 per cent in its gross premium written for the quarter ended June 30, which stood at ₹1,278 crore.

The investment book of the general insurer increased 22 per cent year-on-year to ₹6,888 crore. The combined ratio, which indicates a non-life insurer's total outflow on its net earned premium, stood at 104 per cent in Q1FY18 compared with 114 per cent in Q1FY17.

New India Assurance and General Insurance Corporation, the two government-owned non-life insurers, have already filed their draft red herring prospectus. National Insurance, United India Insurance and Oriental Insurance are in the process of listing their businesses as part of the government's plans to list five non-life insurers in which it holds stakes.

ICICI Lombard was the first general insurance company to file a prospectus for listing.



The company expects to raise ₹1,500-2,000 crore by listing its general insurance business