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Ultimate chatbot experience: Discover India's top 7 general insurance providers in 2024













Scope

The information in this report is provided on an as-is basis. This document is produced by Twimbit per date of research and writing (September 2024) and is subject to change. The benchmark is prepared solely for information purposes over a limited period to provide a perspective on the market. All the data is derived and estimated by Twimbit analysts via primary interviews and publicly available information.

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Twimbit research methodology

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Shortlisting Health Insurance service providers:

Shortlisted 10 domestic (Indian) including 1 Indian aggregator and 3 international (Asian) insurance service providers on basis of IRDAI registered Indian General insurance companies

Out of 10 Indian players only 7 are evaluated as they have both types of BOTs available

3 international players are not included in benchmarking score because of journey limitation and BOT capabilities but best practices are included



Comparative analysis:

Performing 6 health insurance journeys through public website chatbot and WhatsApp bot under 3 categories:

- 1. Customer onboarding
- Acquire a new customer
- Issuance of policy
- Conduct KYC
- 2. Customer transactions
- Renew a policy
- · Policy claims
- 3. Customer services
- Policy servicing



Framework creation:

Defining broad 8 key success metrics

- Discoverability
- Pre-purchase experience
- Onboarding experience
- KYC experience
- Ease of policy renewal
- Ease of filing claim
- Policy servicing efficiency
- Overall BOT experience



Scoring and evaluation:

Each factor will be evaluated on a scale of 1-5, measuring responsiveness of

- Availability
- Completion of journey
- Time taken
- Visual design



Benchmarking:

Weighted scores will be given to identify the best BOT experience

Identified 32 CX innovation opportunities to ace chatbot journey

Provided independent recommendations and analyst opinion for improvement



A diagnostic framework to evaluate top insurance providers with BOTs experience

1. Discoverability

- o Ease of locating chatbot icon on Public website
- o Ease of locating WA bot icon on PW

2. Pre-purchase experience

- Number of health insurance types
- Benefits & features
- Inclusions/Exclusions
- Value added services/ Add-ons
- o Insurance payment summary

3. Onboarding experience

Allow to buy insurance policy and complete journey

4. KYC experience

- Direct CTA to do CKYC/KYC
- Steps to do CKYC/KYC
- o Option to perform KYC

5. Ease of policy renewal

o CTA to renew policy

6. Ease of filing claim

- o Ease of locating health insurance CLAIM CTA
- o Information about claim procedure
- o Defined steps/How to file claim
- o Option to track claim status
- o Requirement of document upload

7. Policy servicing efficiency

- Direct CTA to download policy documents
- o Download brochure
- Policy wording
- o Proposal form
- o Claim form
- o Prospectus
- o Download policy copy

8. Overall Bot experience

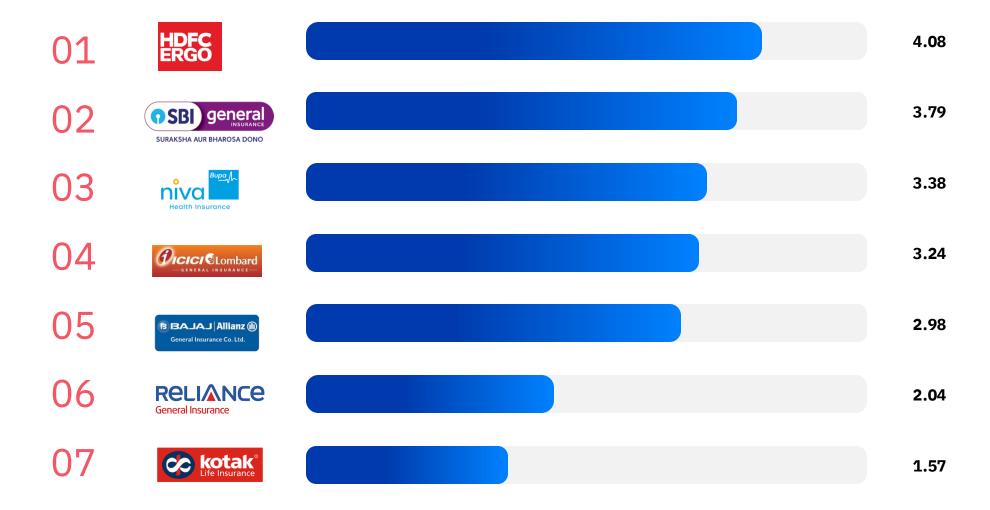
- o Language selection option
- o Option edit/update personal info.
- Customer feedback
- Menu bar
- Voice assistance
- o Design and interface





Leading 7 General Insurance providers to ace chatbot experience

Top 7 general insurance players to ace chatbot experience in India







32 CX innovation opportunities to ace chatbot journey

1. Humanize chatbot or create AI generated avatar

Discoverability	Bajaj Allianz	AXA	FWD	Shinhan Life	ICICI Lombard	HDFC Ergo
Ease of locating chatbot icon on Public website	Chat with us CTA/label on the home screen with no name for BOT and icon/image	Remi with Avatar and animation	Faith with Avatar	Virtual influencer – Rozy Oh	RIA with Avatar	DIA with Avatar



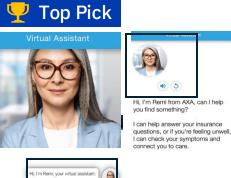
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Innovation opportunities

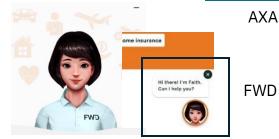
- Improve chatbot icon on Public Website (PW) by either humanizing chatbot or creating an AI generated avatar
- Display chatbot name
- Option to close chatbot icon
- Display 'Hi, I am BOT, your virtual assistant' or a short message







AXA







HDFC Ergo

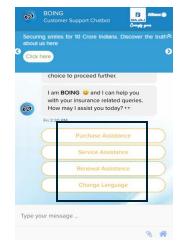


ICICI Lombard



2. Improve main menu bar by providing more direct options/CTAs with clear icons and labelling

Overall Bot experience	Bajaj Allianz	SBI General	ICICI Lombard	HDFC Ergo
Menu bar	Provides only 4 main categories with no icons.	Provide 12 clear CTAs with use of different and large icons and clear labels	Provide 8 clear CTAs with use of different icons	Provide 12 clear CTAs with use of different icons



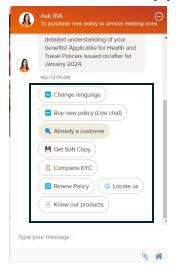




Innovation opportunities

- Improve main menu bar by providing more direct options/CTAs with clear icons and labelling.
- Eg: direct CTAs for buy policy, renewal, claim, download documents, claim status, KYC, FAQs, chat with expert etc

Bajaj Allianz



DIA
Your HOFC EROO Assistant

HI, I am DIA, your Digital Insurance Assistant from HDFC ERGO
I will be very happy to help you today

How may I help you?

How may I help you?

Policy Copy

Reverse
Policy Services
Policy Renewal

FAQ. Mobile App

Download Forms

Pour Locate Us

Port Health Policy
Become an Agent

Payment Status

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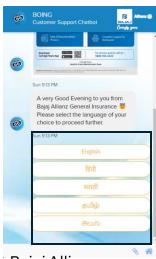
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3. Introduce more language options on PW bot and provide a fixed language icon

Overall Bot experience	Bajaj Allianz	Kotak Life	ICICI Lombard	HDFC Ergo
Language selection option	Provide only 5 language choices	Only 2 language options, English & Hindi	Only 2 language options, English & Hindi	Provide 9 language choices with a stable 'Aa' icon side of bot window

Innovation opportunities

- Provide more language options based on usage and customer demographic
- An icon for languages can provided on side of bot window or along side 'Type bar' area



Y Kindly choose an option from the

My Policy(s) Information

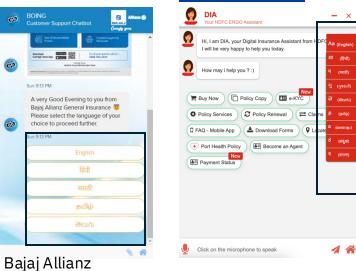
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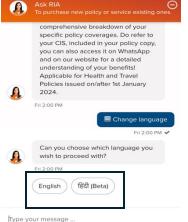
Request Statements

Claims





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Top Pick

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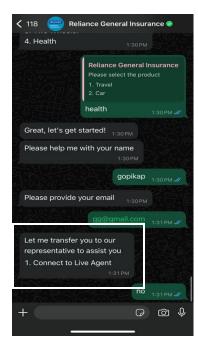


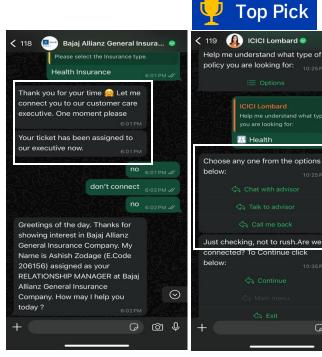
4. Provide customer an option and ask whether to connect to agent instead of directly connecting on WA bot

Overall Bot experience	Bajaj Allianz	Reliance General	ICICI Lombard
Connects to Agent	Connects to executive instantly without asking customers for it	Ask to type 1 to connect to live agent	Provide 3 options: chat with advisor, talk to advisor & call back option and ask first instead of directly connecting to agent

Innovation opportunities

- Provide and Ask customer whether to:
- 1. Chat with advisor
- 2. Talk to advisor
- 3. And other options like, call me back





Bajaj Allianz

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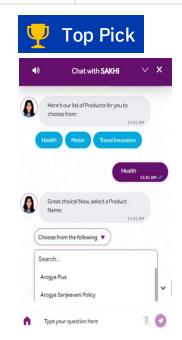
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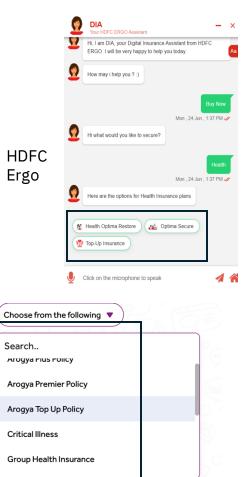
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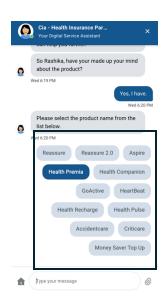
Pre-purchase experience	Bajaj Allianz	HDFC Ergo	Niva Bupa	SBI General
Number of health insurance types	N/A	Provide 3 types of health insurance plans	Provide around 9-10 health insurance options	Provide total of 8 types of health insurance to choose from with a drop- down list

Innovation opportunities

- Provide various health insurance types and categories for customers to choose from while taking purchase decision
- Offer customize policy recommendations according to customer needs







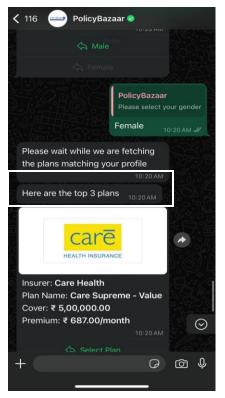
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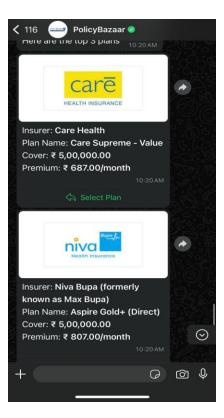


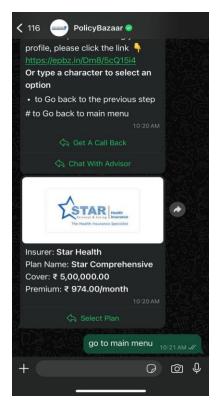


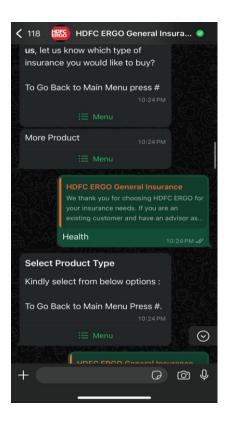
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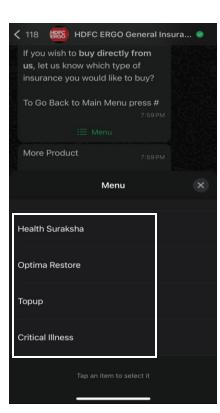












Policy Bazaar – Provided 3 health insurance types with clear information about cover and premium

HDFC Ergo – Provides 4 type of health insurance



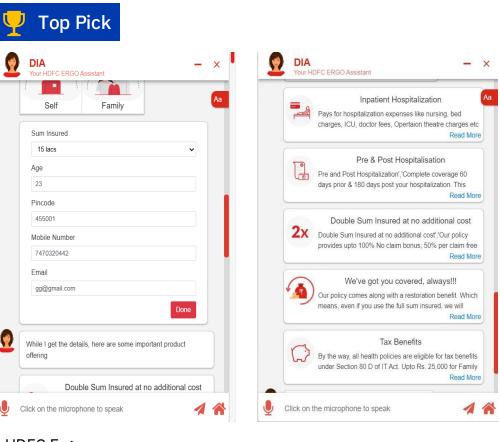
6. Allow BOT to provide benefits & features of health insurance types with icons and CTA to "read more" instead of connecting to

live agent

Pre-purchase experience	Bajaj Allianz	HDFC Ergo
Benefits & features	N/A	Clear benefits and features with icons are by provided by BOT itself with option to read more.

Innovation opportunities

- Allow BOT to provide comprehensive details about policy type, its features, benefits
- Provide link or CTA to read more
- · Use of icons and initutive design



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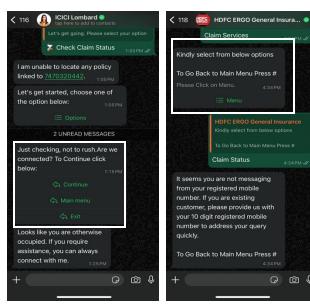


7. Provide direct CTA to go back to main menu on WA bot in case of unsuitable options or after every response

Overall Bot experience	Bajaj Allianz	HDFC Ergo	ICICI Lombard
Menu bar	No direct CTA available to go to main menu for new customers. Direct CTA available to go to menu, only available for the existing customers	To go back to main menu press #	Direct CTA available to go back to main menu

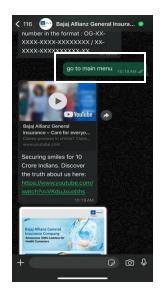
Innovation opportunities

- Allow new customers also to go back to main menu
- Or CTA to exit/Refresh chat

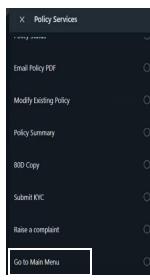


ICICI Lombard

HDFC Ergo



Bajaj Allianz



For existing customers only

8. Provide direct link or a QR code that redirects to WA bot chat instead of just displaying number on PW

Overall Bot experience	Bajaj Allianz	Digit	Policy Bazaar	SBI General
Ease of locating WA bot icon on PW	Only number, does not redirect to WhatsApp chat	WhatsApp no. available on public website with a direct link to WhatsApp chat	WhatsApp icon available on public website that connects to Whatsapp chat directly	Clear WhatsApp icon available on PW, that redirects WhatsApp chat

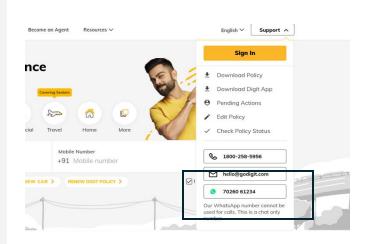




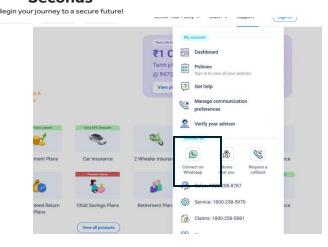
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Innovation opportunities

 Provide QR code and redirect customers directly to WhatsApp chat instead of just providing number on website



CustomizeYour Plan & Get QuoteWithin Seconds



Policy Bazaar

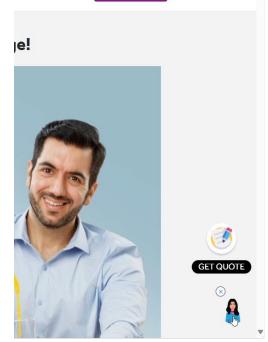


9. Provide voice assistance feature by enabling audio/verbal ability and option to turn it off

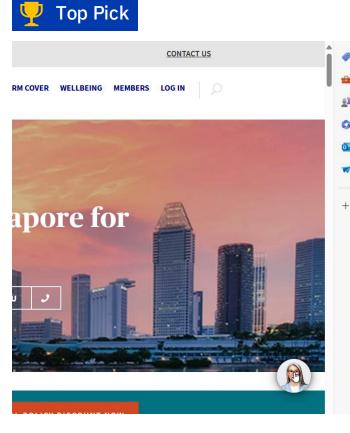
Overall Bot experience	Bajaj Allianz	AXA	SBI General
Voice assistance	N/A	Has voice assistance, Bot ask if customers want to continue with audio	Bot provides voice assistance at opening screen itself



- Provide voice assistance in various languages
- · Use of speaker icon and,
- Ask question 'whether to continue with audio'



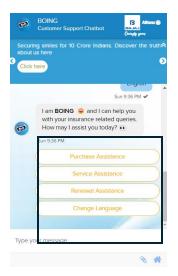
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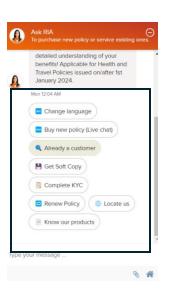
AXA

10. Enhance purchase journey design with use of icons, different colour schemes for option selection or information display

Overall BOT experience	Bajaj Allianz	SBI General	ICICI Lombard	HDFC Ergo
Design and interface	Use of iconography not done for option selection or information display	Proper use of iconography done for option selection or information display	Proper use of iconography done for option selection or information display	Proper use of iconography done for option selection or information display



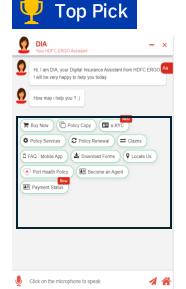
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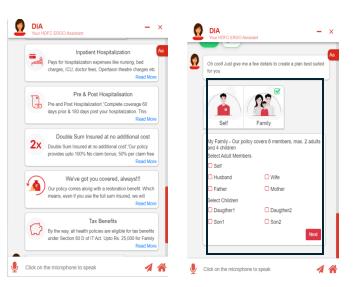
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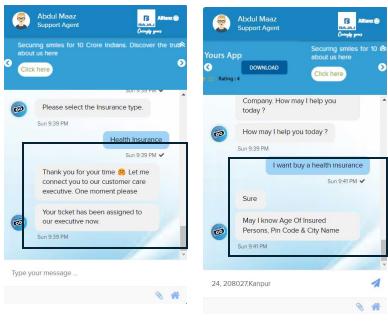


11. Eliminate asking customer question about how can an agent help after chat being redirected to agent

Onboarding experience	Bajaj Allianz
Connects to Agent	Chat with us CTA/label on the home screen with no name for BOT and icon/image

Innovation opportunities

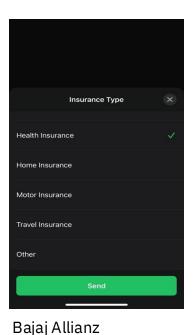
 Auto-fetch chat history and continue to solve query instead of starting chat again



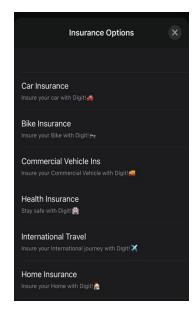
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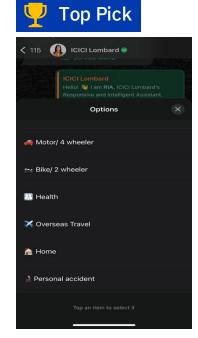
12. Use of more iconography while displaying insurance types for WhatsApp Bot

Overall BOT experience	Bajaj Allianz	Digit	ICICI Lombard	Policy Bazaar
Design and interface	Proper use of iconography not done while displaying insurance types	Proper/clear use of iconography done while displaying insurance types	Proper/clear use of iconography done while displaying insurance types	Proper/clear use of iconography done while displaying insurance types



Select Option Term Insurance 郥 Health Insurance 🚑 Car Insurance 🚙 Two-wheeler Insurance 🛵 Investments 3% Others 🏬





Policy Bazaar

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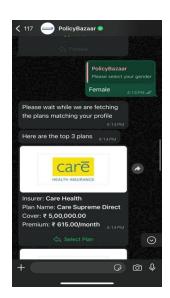


13. Provide list of different suitable health insurance plans with info. about policy sum insured and premium on WhatsApp itself

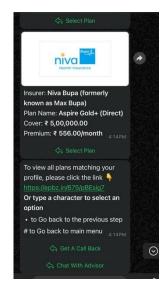
Pre-purchase experience	Bajaj Allianz	Policy Bazaar
Number of health insurance types	No information about insurance plans on WA bot	List of different suitable health insurance plans with info. about policy sum insured, cover and premium provided – call back, chat with advisor option provided – for detailed product information click the link

Innovation opportunities

 Provide list of different suitable health insurance plans with info. about policy sum insured and premium on WhatsApp itself







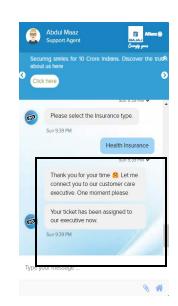
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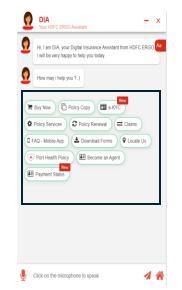
14. Allow customer to buy policy via PW bot instead of connecting to agent so early

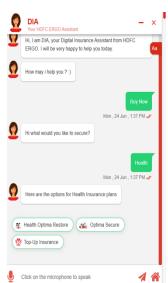
Onboarding experience	Bajaj Allianz	HDFC Ergo
Option to purchase policy	After selecting 'buy new policy' – BOT ask for personal details like name/phone number – select insurance type – and chat gets transferred to agent instantly	BOT allows to customer to buy insurance Direct CTA to buy now – policy category – health policy type – policy benefits with CTA to read more- – Bot then ask to provide information about members covered and few other details like email mobile no./OTP – provide quote for various policies with clear information about premium and CTA to buy now and call back – then generates interaction number

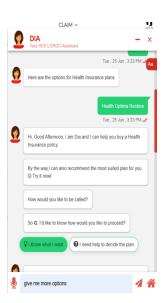
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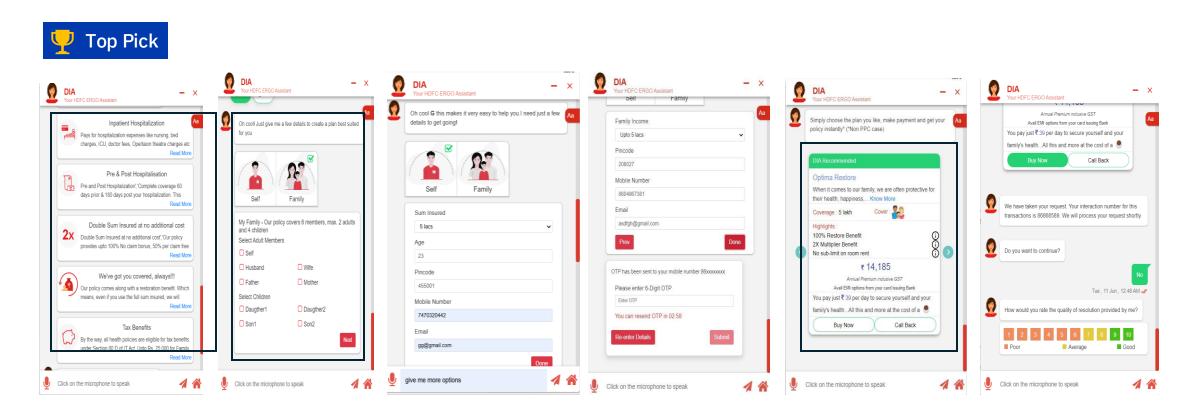


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HDFC Ergo



Allow customer to buy policy via PW bot instead of connecting to agent so early – HDFC Ergo



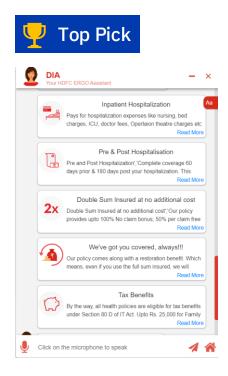


15. Allow PW bot to provide comprehensive information about policy types with it's benefits and features

Pre-purchase experience	Bajaj Allianz	HDFC Ergo
Benefits & features	Bot does not provide any information about policy types and benefits/features	Direct CTA to buy now – policy category – health policy type – policy benefits with CTA to read more – benefits provided by the BOT itself

Innovation opportunities

 Allow PW bot to provide comprehensive information about policy types with benefits and features



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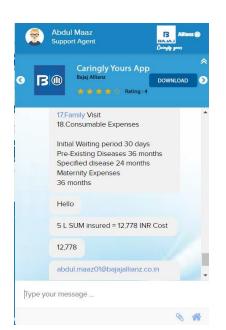


16. Allow BOT to provide information about sum insured and premium details include tax and discount if any

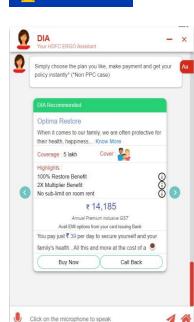
Onboarding experience	Bajaj Allianz	HDFC Ergo
Insurance payment summary	Payment summary details is provided by support agent not BOT	In-detail information about policy and payment summary is provided by BOT with no agent intervention with CTA to buy now and call back

Innovation opportunities

 Allow BOT to provide information about sum insured and premium details including tax and discount if any



Bajaj Allianz



Top Pick

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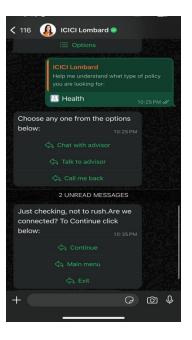


17. Provide clear CTA to buy now or get a call back after all the information is provided WhatsApp bot

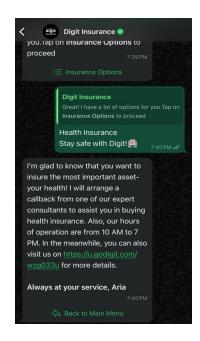
Onboarding experience	Bajaj Allianz	Digit	ICICI Lombard
Chat with agent	No clear CTA for chat with agent or get a call back provided by WA bot	No clear CTA for chat with agent or get a call back provided by WA bot	After selecting policy type – provides options like chat with advisor, talk to advisor, call me back

Innovation opportunities

 Provide clear CTA to buy now or get a call back after all the information is provided WhatsApp bot



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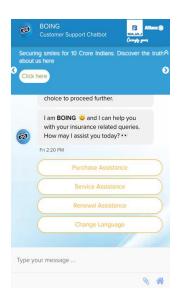


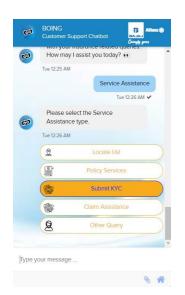
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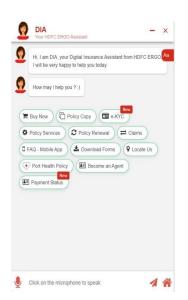


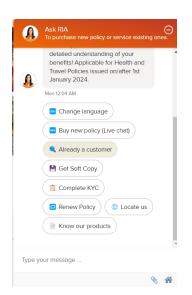
18. Provide direct CTA to do KYC/CKYC

KYC experience	Bajaj Allianz	SBI General	ICICI Lombard	HDFC Ergo
KYC/CKYC experience	No direct CTA available for KYC. Need to click 'Service assistance' – Submit KYC	Provides clear CTA for CKYC with icon Provides clear CTA for CKYC with icon	Direct option to complete KYC	Provides clear CTA on bot opening screen to do KYC/e- KYC











Bajaj Allianz HDFC Ergo

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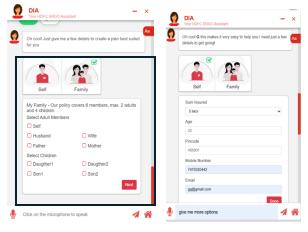
SBI General



19. After fetching policy details, provide a box to input fields like PAN and DOB and tick box for agreeing to T&C to reduce prompts

and drive engagement

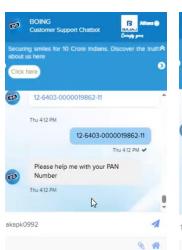
KYC experience	Bajaj Allianz	HDFC Ergo
KYC/CKYC experience	Enter PAN no. – DOB – agree to T&C - digital KYC details validated	Tick box provided for selecting family members

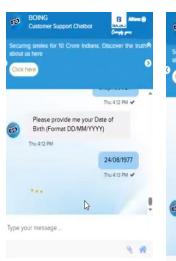


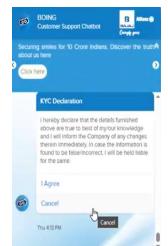
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Innovation opportunities

 Instead of asking individual response many time, BOT can provide a box and ask customer to input various details and submit once just like DIA does.







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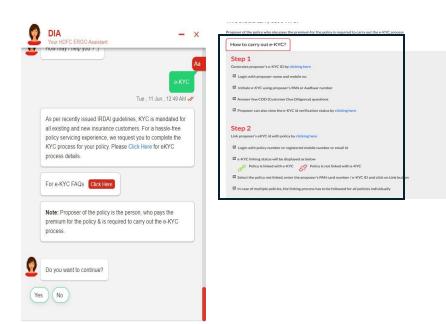


20. Provide step-by-step instructions for performing KYC or link to website that provide information about 'how to do KYC'

KYC experience	Bajaj Allianz	HDFC Ergo
KYC/CKYC experience	No information provided on 'how to do KYC'	Direct CTA for e-KYC – Link to 'to know KYC process' detail - step-by-step instructions on how to do KYC available

Innovation opportunities

 Provide step-by-step instructions for performing KYC or link to website that provide information about 'how to do KYC



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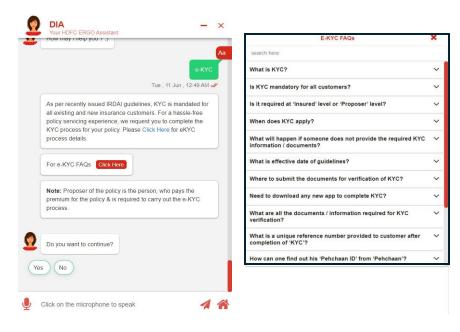
Click on the microphone to speak

21. Provide separate FAQ section for KYC

KYC experience	Bajaj Allianz	HDFC Ergo
KYC/CKYC experience	No FAQ section for KYC	Direct CTA for eKYC FAQs available

Innovation opportunities

Provide separate FAQ section for KYC queries

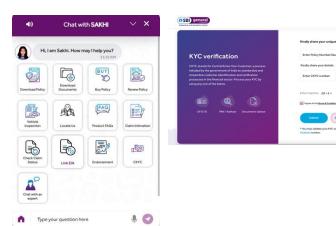


HDFC Ergo



22. If Bot is unable to perform KYC, then provide link that redirects to website for completing KYC

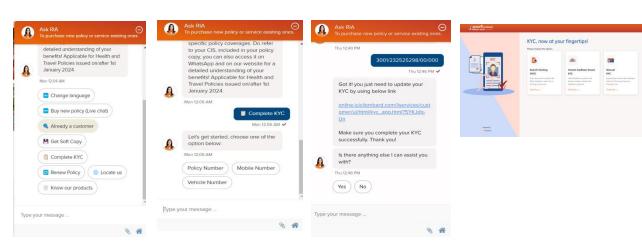
KYC experience	Bajaj Allianz	SBI General	ICICI Lombard
KYC/CKYC experience	Bot can perform KYC with PAN card and DOB details	Redirects to website for KYC	Provides a link and redirect to website where various methods to do KYC online are available



SBI General

Innovation opportunities

 If Bot is unable to perform KYC, then BOT can provide link that redirects to website for completing KYC



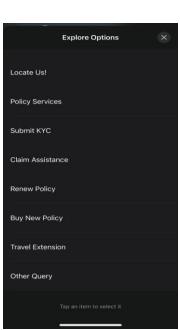
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23. KYC experience (WhatsApp bot): Use of more iconography

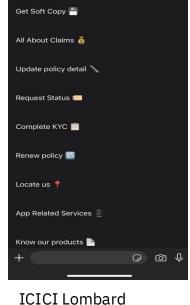
KYC experience	Bajaj Allianz	ICICI Lombard	SBI General
KYC/CKYC experience	Lacks iconography on WA bot	Proper use of iconography	Proper use of iconography

Innovation opportunities

 Use of more iconography on WhatsApp bot for KYC experience



Bajaj Allianz



Service Menu

SBI General

Check Free Credit Score

Top Pick

Select Option

Download Policy

Claim Assistance

Cyber Policy

Locate Us

Submit KYC

Make a Change in Policy

Select Option

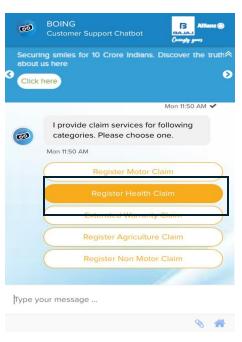


24. Shorten text on CTA while selecting policy type category for registering claim and use of icons to differentiate

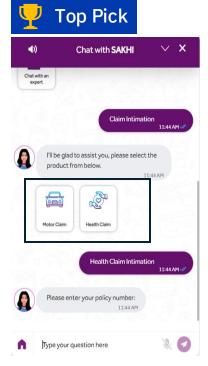
Claim journey	Bajaj Allianz	SBI General
Ease of locating health insurance CLAIM CTA	Lacks iconography on WA bot	Provide clear and short CTA for claim registration with symbolic representation & smaller text

Innovation opportunities

 Shorten text on CTA while selecting policy type category for registering claim and use of icons to differentiate



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Check Claim Status

17Il be glad to assist you, please select the product from below.

12:49 PM

Personal Accident Health

12:49 PM

Type your question here

Chat with SAKHI

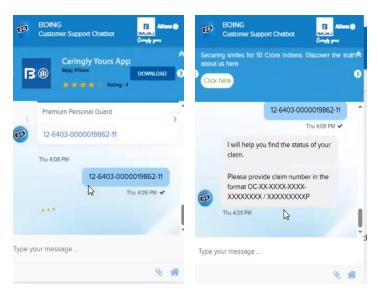
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25. Improve claim status journey by providing status update information with use of either policy number/claim number

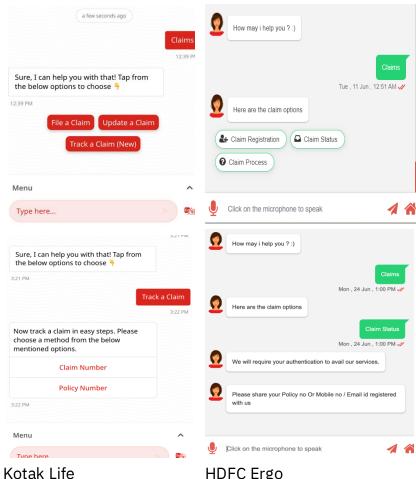
Claim journey	Bajaj Allianz	Kotak Life	HDFC Ergo
Option to track claim status	Bot ask for policy no. and claim no. both to check claim status	Direct CTA Claims - Track a claim – enter policy no./claim no.	Claims CTA - Claim status - Input details-policy no. or Mobile no

Innovation opportunities

 Improve claim status journey by providing status update information with use of policy number itself, instead of asking claim number as second field again



Bajaj Allianz - Direct CTA claim status - enter policy no. – enter claim no.



Top Pick





26. Provide other CTAs under 'Claim assistance' category

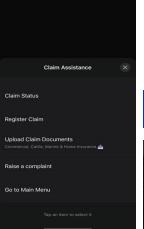
Claim journey	Bajaj Allianz	HDFC Ergo
Other Claim related CTAs	No CTAs under claim assistance	- Claim Services - Provides various other CTAs like - digital claim form, pending claim document

Innovation opportunities

 Other CTAs that can be included under PW Bot and WA Bots 'Claim assistance' category include - Digital claim form, pending claim documents

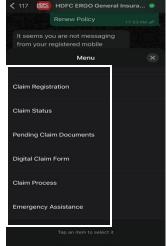


Bajaj Allianz







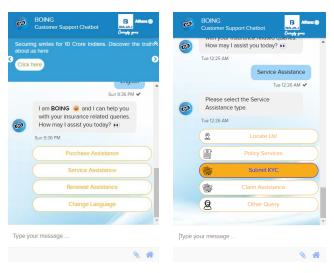


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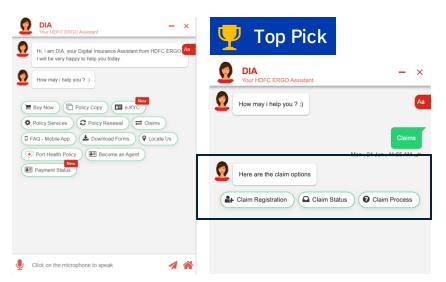


27. Provide a direct CTA for claim assistance in main menu

Claim journey	Bajaj Allianz	Niva Bupa	ICICI Lombard	HDFC Ergo
Ease of locating health insurance CLAIM CTA	No direct CTA for claim registration – Service assistance – claim assistance	Service assistance- Know claim procedure- Claim procedure type	Various claim related CTAs also various other CTAs related to claims – claim videos, how to claim, register a claim, claim process guide etc.	CTA for registration/Status/Pr ocess







Bajaj Allianz SBI general

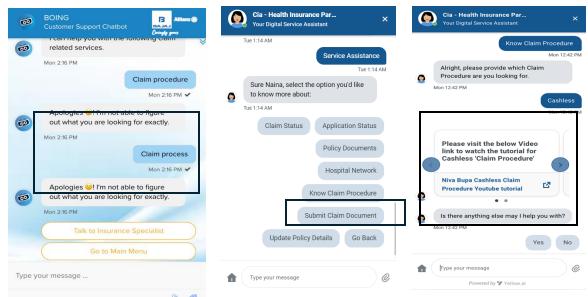
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28. Provide tutorial videos and website links for a more detailed explanation of the process

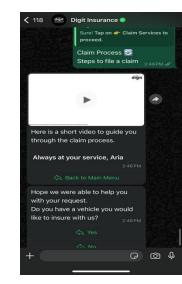
Claim journey	Bajaj Allianz	Niva Bupa	ICICI Lombard	Digit
Information about claim procedure	No information provided on how to file claim Entered 'Claim procedure' manually-Bot unable to understand	Service assistance- Know claim procedure-Claim procedure type-Video tutorial link and website link	Provides a clear and in detail information on how to file a claim, including the stepby-step guide with proper use of icons on public chatbot as well as WhatsApp bot	Claim process - Provide video to guide you through claim process

Innovation opportunities

- Provide in detail information about how to file a claim, including the step-by-step guide with proper use of icons
- Provide tutorial videos and website links for a more detailed explanation of the process



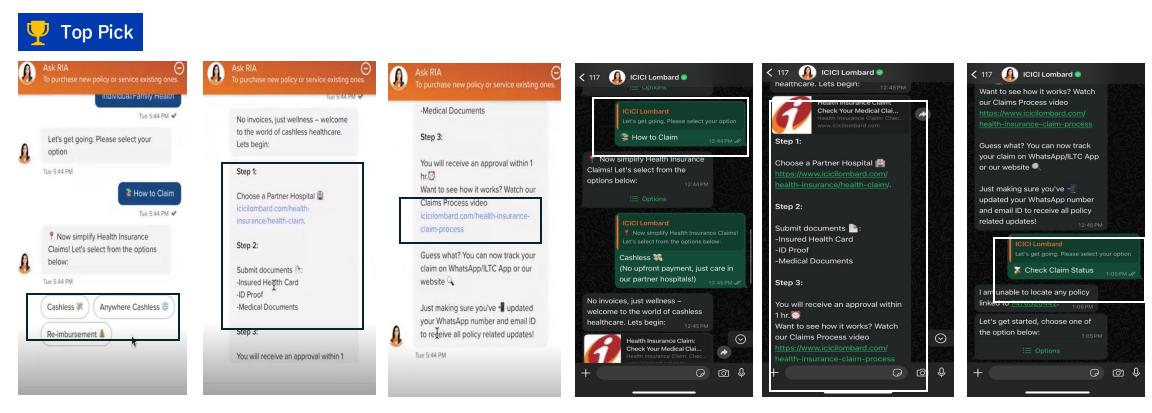
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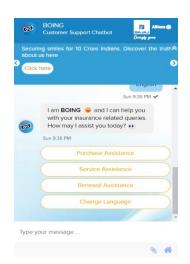
ICICI Lombard – Provides a clear and in detail information on how to file a claim, including the step-by-step guide with proper use of icons on public chatbot as well as WhatsApp bot

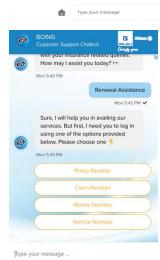
29. Provide other direct renewal related CTAs under renewal assistance option

Ease of policy renewal	Bajaj Allianz	Niva Bupa
CTA to renew policy	Direct CTA for renewal assistance	Direct CTA for Policy renewal-Renew my policy- provides link to renew, simple and straight journey

Innovation opportunities

 Provide other direct renewal related CTAs under renewal assistance like get renewal notice, how to renew policy procedure, connect to agent, go back to main menu, website link to renew policy, or YouTube video link to know renewal process

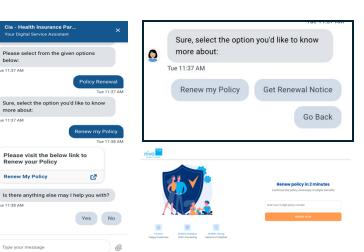




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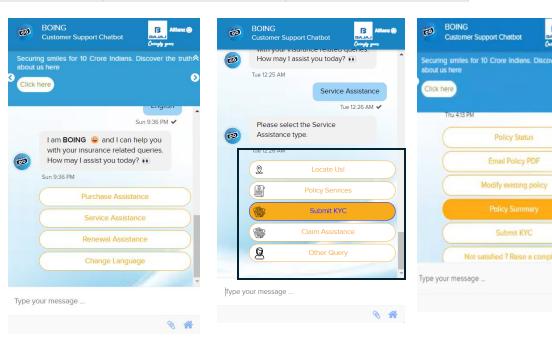


30. Provide direct CTA or an option under service assistance to download policy documents (1/2)

Policy servicing efficiency	Bajaj Allianz	ICICI Lombard	SBI General
Chatbot functionality	No direct CTA available to download policy copy, Select 'Service assistance' – policy status - email policy PDF	Direct CTA available to get policy copy – enter policy no. – policy copy downloaded	Direct CTA available to download documents – selected option – policy wording, product brochure, proposal form

Innovation opportunities

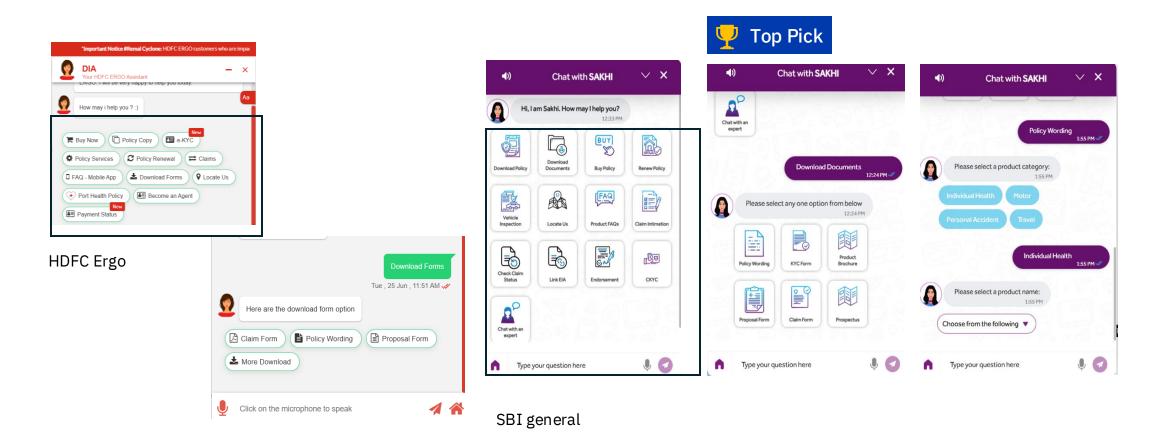
 Provide direct CTA or an option under service assistance to download policy documents like policy copy with help of policy/claim/registered mobile no.



Bajaj Allianz



Provide direct CTA or an option under service assistance to download policy documents (2/2)

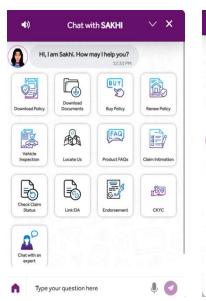


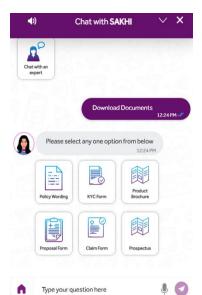
31. Under policy documents, provide direct CTA to download documents like brochure, policy wordings, proposal from, prospectus (1/2)

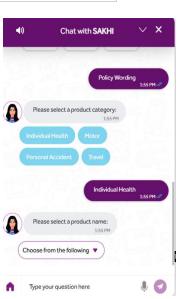
Policy servicing efficiency	Bajaj Allianz	HDFC Ergo	SBI General
Ease of downloading documents	No direct CTA available to download policy documents like policy wordings/brochure/claim form/proposal form/prospectus etc.	Direct CTA available to download forms - redirects to website page from where all types of documents can be downloaded	Direct CTA available to download documents – select document type policy wording, product brochure, proposal form – option to download/receive email or SMS

Innovation opportunities

- Under policy documents, provide direct CTA to download documents like brochure, policy wordings, proposal from, prospectus
- Provide various modes of getting policy copy like on email, SMS etc.
- Provide option to download policy brochure for new customer

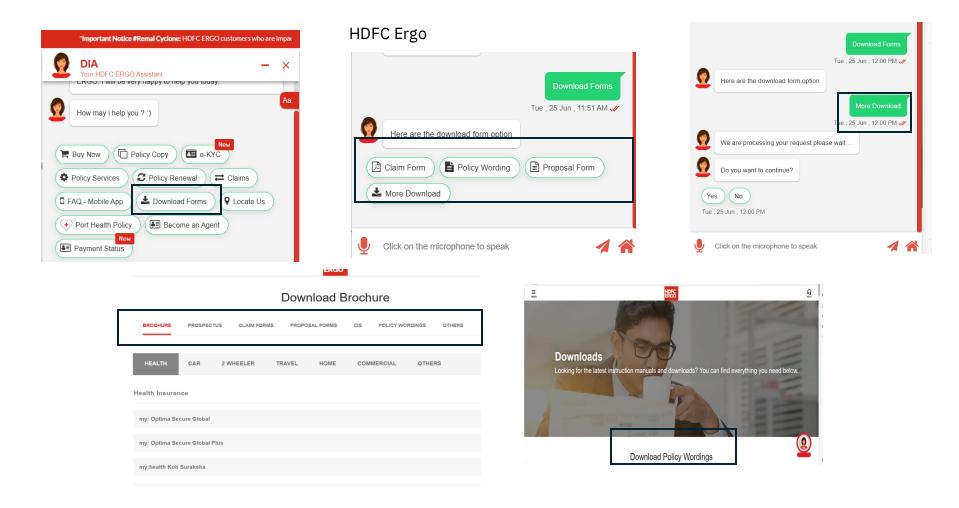






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Under policy documents, provide direct CTA to download documents like brochure, policy wordings, proposal from, prospectus (2/2)

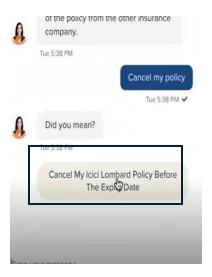


32. Provide CTA for policy cancellation or atleast accept cancellation application

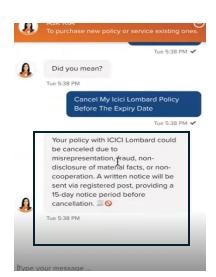
Policy servicing efficiency	Bajaj Allianz	ICICI Lombard
Policy cancellation	No direct CTA for cancellation of policy -manually entered cancellation of policy – for further process connects to live agent etc.	Entered manually 'cancel my policy' – Provide CTA to cancel before expiry

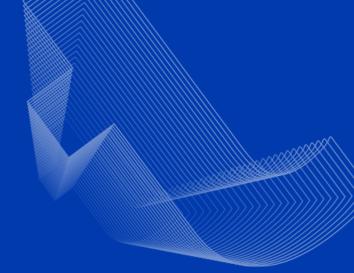
Innovation opportunities

 Provide CTA for policy cancellation or allow BOT to atleast accept cancellation application



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