9. Loan Security & Collateral Questions

1. **Do I need collateral to apply for a home loan, personal loan, or business loan?**
   For a **home loan**, the property being purchased or constructed itself acts as collateral. **Personal loans** from ICICI Bank are typically unsecured, meaning you do not need to provide any collateral. For a **business loan**, it can be either secured (requiring collateral such as property or equipment) or unsecured, depending on the loan type and amount.

2. **What type of assets can be used as collateral for a loan (e.g., property, car, gold)?**
   ICICI Bank accepts various assets as collateral for secured loans. Common examples include:

- Residential or commercial property (for home loans, loan against property, or business loans)

- Vehicles (for car or auto loans)

- Gold (for gold loans)

- Other financial assets such as fixed deposits or securities (for specific loan products)

3. **How does pledging collateral affect my loan eligibility and interest rate?**
   Pledging collateral generally improves your loan eligibility, allowing you to borrow higher amounts and access longer tenures. It also typically results in a lower interest rate compared to unsecured loans,

as the risk to the bank is reduced.

4. **What happens if I fail to repay my loan secured by collateral? Will I lose my property?**
   If you default on a secured loan, ICICI Bank has the legal right to take possession of the pledged collateral (such as your house or car) and sell it to recover the outstanding loan amount. This is standard practice for all secured loans.

5. **Can I change the collateral for my loan after it's been disbursed?**
   Changing the collateral after loan disbursement is generally not permitted. Any such request would require a fresh assessment and approval by the bank, and is rarely allowed except in exceptional circumstances.

6. **How do you evaluate the value of my collateral before approving a secured loan?**
   ICICI Bank assesses the value of your collateral through professional valuation agencies or in-house experts. The market value, legal status, and ownership documents are verified to ensure the asset is suitable and sufficient to secure the loan. The approved loan amount is usually a percentage of the collateral's appraised value, depending on the asset type and bank policy.