# WHITEOAK INDIA BUSINESS LEADERS PMS



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## WhiteOak Capital Group











### Offices

India, Singapore, Mauritius, Switzerland, Spain and UK



## Founder's Profile and Track Record





## Prashant Khemka Founder

2000 Prashant joined Goldman Sachs Asset Management (GSAM) in the US Growth Equity Team

Became Senior PM and Co-Chair of the Investment Committee on the US Growth Equity team which managed US\$25 bn

2006 Returned to Mumbai to start GSAM India business, where he served as CIO and CEO / Co-CEO until 2013

2013 O Moved to Singapore as CIO and Lead PM of both India and Global Emerging Markets

2017 O Founded WhiteOak Capital Group

## Founder's Profile and Track Record





## Prashant Khemka Founder

- CIO and Lead PM of GS India Equity
- Prashant launched GS India Equity strategy in March 2007 with US\$ 5.0mn seed capital from Goldman Sachs
- Since inception the strategy delivered peer group leading cumulative 265.8% gross USD returns<sup>1</sup> vs. 66.1% for its benchmark
  - CIO and Lead PM of GS GEM Equity
- Prashant took over as CIO and Lead PM of GS GEM Strategy in 2013 with approximately US\$600 mn in total assets
- During his tenure, the strategy delivered peer group leading cumulative 36.3% gross USD returns<sup>2</sup> vs. 13.1% for its benchmark

Extensive investing record across India, Global Emerging Market (GEM) and the US

Scaled Goldman Sach's GEM and India Equity business to US\$6.0 bn with distribution across multiple channels in Europe, Asia, and USA

<sup>1</sup>Past performance Gross of Fees in US\$ for GS India Equity Portfolio. <sup>2</sup>Past performance Gross of Fees in US\$ for GS EM Equity Portfolio. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results and returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations. There can be no assurance that comparable results can be achieved or that similar investment strategy can be implemented or that investment objectives can be achieved. GEM = Global Emerging Market.

## WhiteOak Capital Group - Journey Till Date

October

2017

services





WhiteOak

Capital was

founded

Received SEBI registration for PMS and Advisory



Launched 1st

**Onshore AIF** 

Launched
Investment
Trust listed on
London Stock

July

2018

Exchange (LSE)



Launched 1st UCITS Fund in Europe



Launched 1st Onshore PMS



1st AIF Matured and money paid back to investors



Completes acquisition of YES Asset Management India



Launched First Equity Oriented Mutual Fund Scheme



Investment Culture: Team, Philosophy, Process & Portfolio Construction

## **Focused Investment Culture**



#### **Performance first**



**People: Team of Sector Experts with Global Experience** 



Disciplined Fundamental Research

Proprietary OpcoFinco™ analytical framework



Knowledge

**Edge** 

#### **Bottom-up Stock Selection based Philosophy**

Buy great businesses at attractive values Invest in business, don't bet on macro



#### **Balanced Portfolio Construction**

Aim to avoid top down bets on macro factors Aim to ensure performance a function of stock selection

## **Our Team**



#### Well resourced team with experience across emerging and developed markets

	Name/(Yrs of Exp) Coverage		Name/(Yrs of Exp) Coverage	Name <sup>2/</sup> (Yrs of Exp) Coverage	Name <sup>2/</sup> (Yrs of Exp) Coverage		Name/(Yrs of Exp) Coverage		Name <sup>3</sup> /(Yrs of Exp) Coverage		Name <sup>3</sup> /(Yrs of Exp) Coverage
	Prashant Khemka <sup>1</sup> (25) Founder		Fadrique Balmaseda (11) Consumer, Realty, Energy, Utils.	Ramesh Mantri (20) CIO, Equities (AMC)	Vishwamithra S. (4) Info-Tech, Industrials, Materials, Comm Svcs		Parag Jariwala <sup>3</sup> (17) Financials		Pratyush Agarwal (4) Info-Tech, Comm Srvcs		Shane Mathews Financials
	Manoj Garg <sup>1</sup> (27) Healthcare, Materials, Auto, Logistics		Jorge Robles <sup>4</sup> (8) Cons Disc, Comm Svcs, Commodities	Trupti Agrawal (15) Financials, Cons Disc	Vineet Narang (2) Healthcare, Financials, Materials		Rohit Chordia <sup>3</sup> (19) Consumer, Comm Srv Energy, Utils.		Tejkiran Magesh (3) Financials	9	Sadeev Singh Financials
	Sanjay Vaid <sup>1</sup> (34) Trading		Krishna Sathyamoorthi <sup>1</sup> Healthcare, Consumer, Industrials	Dheeresh Pathak (17) Healthcare, Materials	Divyanshu Sachdeva Healthcare, Materials		Anand Bhavnani <sup>6</sup> (12) Financials		Kshitij Bansal (2) Consumer, Realty		<b>Nikunj Sarda</b> Industrials, Consumer, Realty
9	Ayush Abhijeet¹(11) Info-Tech, Cons Disc, Comm Svcs	-	Charles Woo <sup>s</sup> Trading	Ashish Agrawal (18) Trading			Chaitanya Kapur³(6) Trading		Kritik Jain Financials	9	Naitik Shah Comm Svcs, Commodities
7	Arthur Kadish¹ (16) Consumer, Realty		Yu Heng Ong <sup>1</sup> Consumer Disc	Shariq Merchant (11) Consumer, Industrials, Realty		9	Aman Kapadia <sup>3</sup> (6) Forensics, ESG, Primary Research		Samvit Bordia Consumer, Materials		
	Lim Wen Loong <sup>1</sup> (11) Info-Tech, Industrials		George Chen <sup>1</sup> Info-Tech, Industrials	Neeraj Parkash (6) Industrials, Cons Disc, Energy, Utils			Dhanashree Chityala³ (4) Trading	9	Rishab Kothari Consumer		
	Nori Chiou¹(11) Info-Tech, Industrials			Anupriya Gupta (10) ESG Research		9	Darshak Lodhiya <sup>3</sup> (3) Financials, Auto, Industrials		Yash Verma Cons Disc, Industrials, Commodities		

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## **Investment Philosophy: Focus on Stock Selection**



#### Outsized returns can be earned over time by investing in great businesses at attractive valuations

#### **Great Business**

Well managed and scalable business, with superior returns on capital

## Valuation

Current price at a substantial discount to intrinsic value

#### Attributes we look for

Superior returns on incremental capital

Scalable long term opportunity

Strong execution and governance

#### **Our Valuation Framework**

Intrinsic value = present value of future cash flows

Value excess returns on capital vs capital employed

Value of a business = 
$$\frac{CF}{r-g}$$

#### Factors we evaluate

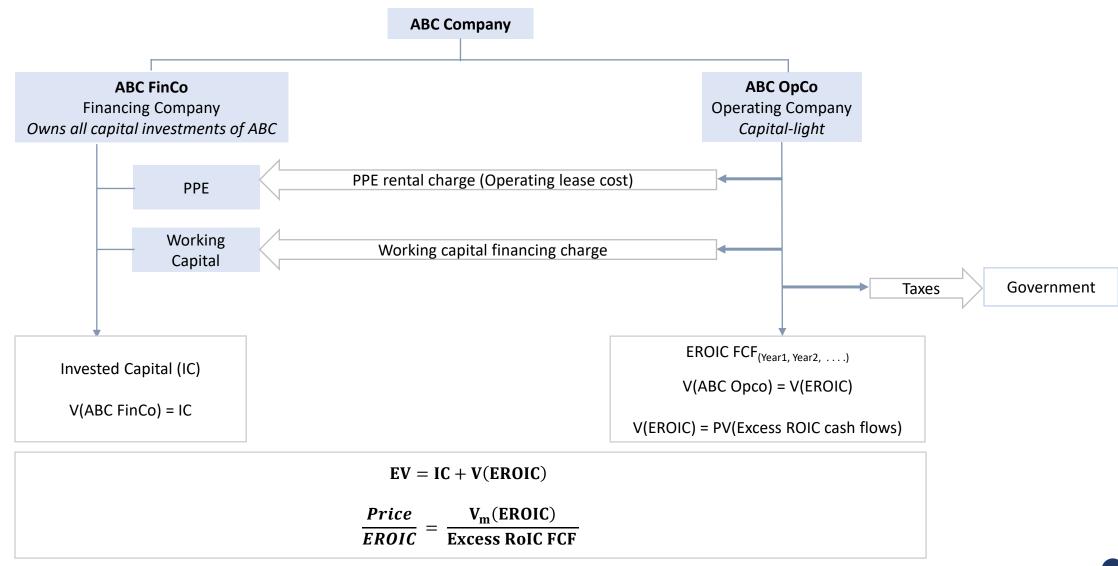
- Industry competitive intensity
- Sustainable competitive advantage
- Industry potential versus current size
- Expanding market share and scope
- Drive to create long-term value
- Interests aligned with minority shareholders

#### Insights we derive

- Economic FCF rather than accounting one
- Terminal value based on greatness of business
- Assess cash flows net of cost of capital
- OpcoFinco™ multiples for relative comps

## OpcoFinco™ Framework

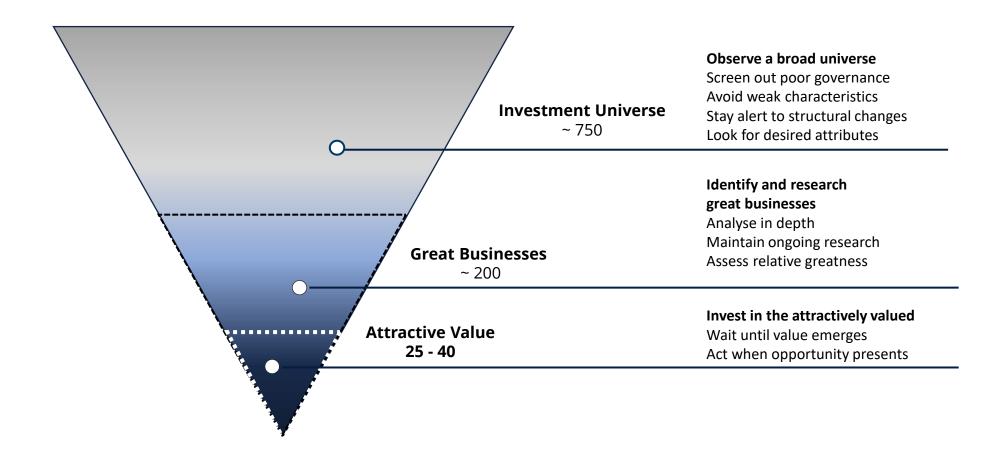




## **Investment Process**



#### We distil from a broad investible universe



## Impossible to Predict the Sectoral Leadership



2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Pvt Banks	IT Services	PSU Banks	Pharma	Metals	Real Estate	IT Services	Real Estate	Pharma	Metals	PSU Banks
68.6	60.2	69.9	9.7	48.4	111.0	26.0	29.3	61.5	73.4	74.9
Real Estate	Pharma	Pvt Banks	Telecom	Energy	Metals	FMCG	Pvt Banks	IT Services	IT Services	Metals
53.3	27.3	69.5	3.3	21.6	54.1	15.2	16.8	57.9	62.3	25.4
FMCG	Telecom	Auto	IT Services	Auto	Telecom	Pvt Banks	Telecom	Metals	Real Estate	Pvt Banks
50.4	18.6	58.2	1.5	11.7	51.2	8.6	14.4	18.0	54.7	22.0
Auto	FMCG	Pharma	FMCG	Pvt Banks	Energy	Energy	Energy	FMCG	PSU Banks	FMCG
44.3	13.3	44.4	1.4	8.5	42.1	2.7	13.3	14.7	44.8	20.1
PSU Banks	Auto	Infra	Energy	PSU Banks	Pvt Banks	Pharma	IT Services	Telecom	Telecom	Auto
43.2	10.7	24.2	1.1	5.1	41.8	-7.3	11.0	14.4	43.2	16.6
Pharma	Energy	IT Services	Auto	FMCG	Infra	Infra	Infra	Infra	Energy	Energy
32.7	1.9	20.1	0.3	4.6	36.2	-10.9	4.5	14.3	38.4	16.5
Infra	Pvt Banks	FMCG	Pvt Banks	Infra	Auto	PSU Banks	FMCG	Auto	Infra	Infra
22.9	-2.0	19.6	-2.4	-0.9	32.7	-16.5	0.1	13.0	37.8	7.5
Metals	Infra	Real Estate	Infra	Real Estate	FMCG	Metals	Pharma	Energy	Auto	Telecom
21.3	-2.8	10.8	-7.6	-3.5	31.3	-16.7	-8.7	9.5	20.3	-3.1
Energy	Metals	Energy	Real Estate	IT Services	PSU Banks	Auto	Auto	Real Estate	FMCG	Real Estate
15.4	-7.5	10.1	-14.3	-5.3	25.0	-22.2	-9.4	5.6	12.4	-10.6
IT Services	PSU Banks	Telecom	Metals	Pharma	IT Services	Real Estate	Metals	Pvt Banks	Pharma	Pharma
-0.2	-28.7	10.1	-29.4	-13.8	14.6	-32.5	-9.6	-2.9	10.9	-10.8
Telecom	Real Estate	Metals	<b>PSU</b> Banks	Telecom	Pharma	Telecom	PSU Banks	PSU Banks	Pvt Banks	IT Services
-2.9	-33.6	8.4	-32.0	-21.0	-5.7	-39.0	-18.3	-30.5	4.9	-24.5

It is not possible to consistently time the sectoral winners and there may be prolonged cycle of outperformance and under performance. Furthermore, there may be a good company in an under-performing sector and an average company within the out-performing sector. Hence, taking top-down bets on sectors may not always deliver good consistent results.

## Taking a skewed bet on a particular style can result in extreme results



2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Value 108.4	Low Volatility -45.0	Value 133.0	Value 30.9	Quality -10.1	Alpha 52.1	Quality 19.6	Value 78.9	Alpha 15.3	Value 25.1	Alpha 69.9	Quality 8.8	Nifty 50 13.5	Alpha 52.5	Alpha 75.4	Value 23.2
Alpha 100.3	Quality -49.9	Quality 131.0	Low Volatility 29.1	Momentum -16.1	Momentum 38.6	Momentum 12.9	Alpha 69.3	Momentum 10.8	Momentum 9.6	Momentum 57.6	Nifty 50 4.6	Momentum 10.6	Quality 26.2	Value 56.4	Nifty 50 5.7
Momentum 100.3	Nifty 50 -51.2	Low Volatility 96.5	Quality 28.4	Low Volatility -18.2	Low Volatility 34.1	Nifty 50 8.1	Momentum 49.6	Low Volatility 10.1	Low Volatility 5.1	Value 47.1	Low Volatility 1.0	Alpha 7.8	Low Volatility 25.7	Momentum 53.8	Low Volatility 1.6
Nifty 50 56.5	Value -56.6	Alpha 88.0	Momentum 19.8	Alpha -20.7	Value 31.9	Low Volatility 4.9	Low Volatility 45.0	Quality 2.4	Nifty 50 4.4	Low Volatility 32.3	Momentum -1.7	Low Volatility 6.6	Momentum 19.9	Quality 26.2	Quality -4.4
Quality 50.2	Momentum -59.9	Nifty 50 77.6	Nifty 50 19.2	Nifty 50 -23.9	Quality 31.2	Alpha 3.6	Quality 40.5	Nifty 50 -3.0	Quality 1.0	Nifty 50 30.3	Alpha -13.5	Quality 5.6	Nifty 50 16.1	Nifty 50 25.6	Momentum -5.5
Low Volatility 41.2	Alpha -73.4	Momentum 69.3	Alpha 18.1	Value -37.8	Nifty 50 29.3	Value -14.0	Nifty 50 32.9	Value -7.2	Alpha -9.1	Quality 30.3	Value -26.0	Value -13.7	Value 8.4	Low Volatility 24.5	Alpha -13.5

Following or Skewness to a particular style may increase portfolio volatility and can adversely impact portfolio performance on risk adjusted basis



## **Challenges with Style or Theme Bias Approach**

Some Past Instances



#### Value Style Under-Performed for 3 Years



Before the come back in CY 2021, for three consecutive calendar years (2018, 2019, 2020), Value Style underperformed most of the other styles of fund management. Delivering poor investor experience.

#### **Roller-Coaster Ride with Quality Style**



Quality Style worked well in CY 2018 and CY 2020 but did poorly in CY 2017 and CY 2019.

#### **Domestic v/s Export Oriented Theme**



Sectors like IT Services and Pharma were among the worst performing sectors in CY 2016 and 2017 compared to broader market. Subsequently, IT Services outperformed most of the other sectors in CY 2018, 2020 and 2021, and Pharma outperformed in 2020.

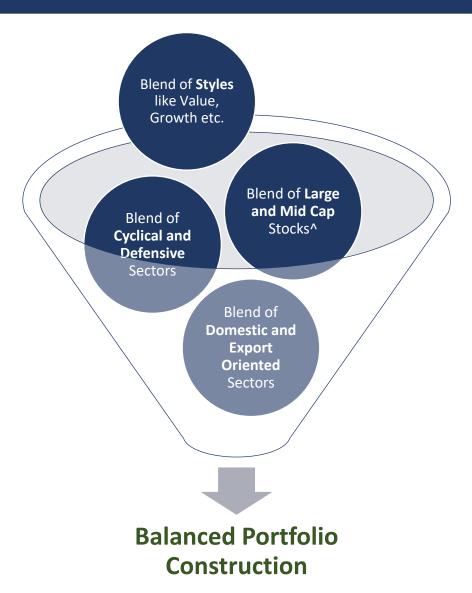
#### **Defensives v/s Cyclicals**



Some of the **Defensive Sectors did well in CY 2020** but in **CY 2021** many of the Cyclical Sectors performed relatively better than broader market and **Defensive Sectors were among the laggards.** 

## WhiteOak Capital's Approach towards **Balanced Portfolio Construction**





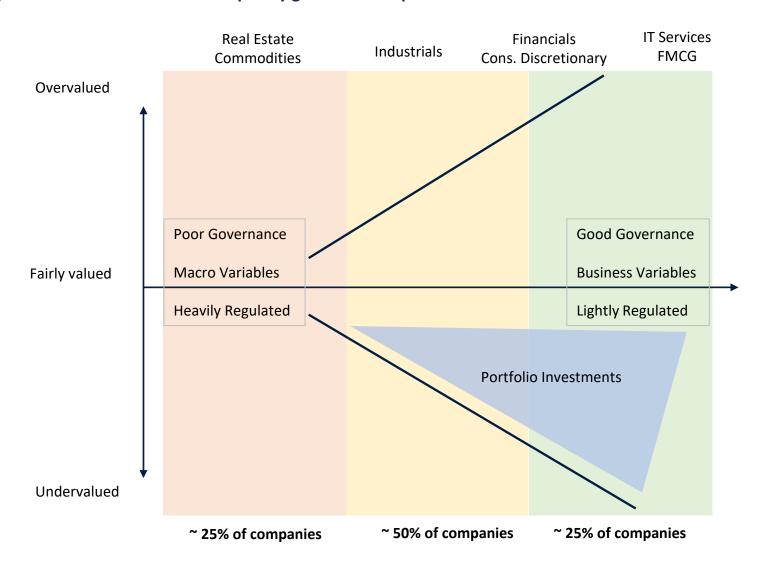
No particular **Style** performs consistently every year. Likewise, **Sector and Market Cap** performance keeps rotating year on year. Furthermore, there may be prolonged cycle of out performance and under performance.

Hence, a **Balanced Portfolio with blend** of these **factors** can help improving consistency of the performance.

## **Opportunity Funnel**



#### No sanctity of cash flows or valuations of poorly governed companies



#### Note:

Graphical representation is for illustration purpose only and not supposed to be precise or accurate.

For example, not all real estate companies are poorly governed, and not all IT Services companies are well-governed.



**Established Leaders: Investing Landscape in India** 

## **Opportunity in Established Leaders**









Indian Established Leaders are still Small in Global Context!

### **Some Usual Characteristics of Established Leaders**

They have Better Access to Resources





Easier access to Capital



Long Established Track Record



Generally Strong Balance Sheet which helps to Survive Economic Downturns



**Industry Leaders** 



Better Access and Availability of Talent



**Relatively Stable Business** 



**Reputed Management** 



**Highly Liquid stocks** 

### Only Two Indian Companies in World's Top 100

Top 100 by Market Cap in USD bn



Rank	Name	Мсар	Country
1	Apple Inc	2067	United States
2	Saudi Arabian Oil Co	1879	Saudi Arabia
3	Microsoft Corp	1788	<b>United States</b>
4	Alphabet Inc	1145	<b>United States</b>
5	Amazon.com Inc	857	<b>United States</b>
6	Berkshire Hathaway Inc	682	<b>United States</b>
7	UnitedHealth Group Inc	495	<b>United States</b>
8	Johnson & Johnson	462	<b>United States</b>
9	Exxon Mobil Corp	454	<b>United States</b>
10	Visa Inc	442	<b>United States</b>
11	Tencent Holdings Ltd	410	China
12	JPMorgan Chase & Co	393	<b>United States</b>
13	Tesla Inc	389	<b>United States</b>
14	Walmart Inc	382	<b>United States</b>
15	Taiwan Semiconductor	378	Taiwan
16	LVMH	366	France
17	NVIDIA Corp	360	<b>United States</b>
18	Procter & Gamble Co/The	359	<b>United States</b>
19	Eli Lilly & Co	348	<b>United States</b>
20	Chevron Corp	347	<b>United States</b>
21	Mastercard Inc	334	<b>United States</b>
22	Home Depot Inc/The	322	<b>United States</b>
23	Nestle SA	320	Switzerland
24	Meta Platforms Inc	316	United States
25	Kweichow Moutai Co Ltd	314	China

Rank	Name	Mcap	Country
26	Novo Nordisk A/S	308	Denmark
27	Pfizer Inc	288	United States
28	AbbVie Inc	286	<b>United States</b>
29	Merck & Co Inc	281	<b>United States</b>
30	Coca-Cola Co/The	275	<b>United States</b>
31	Bank of America Corp	266	<b>United States</b>
32	Roche Holding AG	263	Switzerland
33	Samsung Electronics	263	South Korea
34	PepsiCo Inc	249	<b>United States</b>
35	International Holding	245	UAE
36	Broadcom Inc	234	<b>United States</b>
37	Toyota Motor Corp	226	Japan
38	Oracle Corp	220	<b>United States</b>
39	Novartis AG	218	Switzerland
40	ASML Holding NV	218	Netherlands
41	TFS Inc	216	<b>United States</b>
42	ICBoC	214	China
43	AstraZeneca PLC	210	United Kingdom
44	Reliance Industries Ltd	208	India
45	Costco Wholesale Corp	203	United States
46	Shell PLC	197	United Kingdom
47	Cisco Systems Inc	196	United States
48	Danaher Corp	193	United States
49	McDonald's Corp	193	United States
50	L'Oreal SA	192	France

Rank	Name	Mcap	Country
51	Abbott Laboratories	191	United States
52	NIKE Inc	183	United States
53	Accenture PLC	176	Ireland
54	T-Mobile US Inc	174	<b>United States</b>
55	NextEra Energy Inc	166	<b>United States</b>
56	Verizon Communications	165	<b>United States</b>
57	TotalEnergies SE	165	France
58	Hermes International	163	France
59	Linde PLC	161	United Kingdom
60	China Construction Bank	159	China
61	Walt Disney Co/The	158	<b>United States</b>
62	BHP Group Ltd	158	Australia
63	Wells Fargo & Co	157	<b>United States</b>
64	Philip Morris	157	<b>United States</b>
65	Adobe Inc	156	<b>United States</b>
66	Charles Schwab Corp/The	155	<b>United States</b>
67	Bristol-Myers Squibb Co	153	<b>United States</b>
68	Comcast Corp	151	<b>United States</b>
69	United Parcel Service Inc	150	<b>United States</b>
70	Texas Instruments Inc	150	<b>United States</b>
71	Raytheon Technologies	148	<b>United States</b>
72	ConocoPhillips	147	<b>United States</b>
73	Agricultural Bank of China	145	China
74	China Mobile Ltd	145	Hong Kong
75	<b>Tata Consultancy Service</b>	144	India

Rank	Name	Мсар	Country
76	Honeywell International	144	<b>United States</b>
77	Morgan Stanley	144	<b>United States</b>
78	Amgen Inc	140	<b>United States</b>
79	Contemporary Amperex	139	China
80	Meituan	139	China
81	Prosus NV	138	Netherlands
82	China Merchants Bank	137	China
83	Salesforce Inc	133	<b>United States</b>
84	Christian Dior SE	132	France
85	Netflix Inc	131	<b>United States</b>
86	AT&T Inc	131	<b>United States</b>
87	AIA Group Ltd	131	Hong Kong
88	Royal Bank of Canada	130	Canada
89	Unilever PLC	128	United Kingdom
90	Deere & Co	128	<b>United States</b>
91	Lockheed Martin Corp	127	<b>United States</b>
92	IBM	127	<b>United States</b>
93	Union Pacific Corp	127	<b>United States</b>
94	Bank of China Ltd	127	China
95	SAP SE	127	Germany
96	PetroChina Co Ltd	126	China
97	China Life Insurance	125	China
98	Caterpillar Inc	125	<b>United States</b>
99	HSBC Holdings PLC	125	United Kingdom
100	QUALCOMM Inc	123	United States

No. of Companies in World's Top 100

India

2

China 11

United States **60** 

France

Source: Factset, WhiteOak Capital, Data as on end of calendar year 2022.

#### India's Established Leaders are still Small in a Global Context

One Foreign Company > Entire Sector in India



Market Cap (USD bn)



The Largest Pharma Company is 7x of India's Top 5 Pharma Companies.

And this is not an exception limited to only Pharma Sector.

## Scale: India vs China vs USA

India's Biggest Company is still Small in Global Context



		Market Cap (USD bn)	
Sector	India's Biggest	China's Biggest	World's Biggest
Retail	31	284	878
Auto	31	99	357
Beverages	5	14	49
Mining	10	64	274
Hospitals	16	77	167
Insurance	8	33	72
Chemicals	16	137	132

Compared	to India (x)
China's Biggest	World's Biggest
9.3 x	28.6 x
3.2 x	11.6 x
2.6 x	9.0 x
6.2 x	26.6 x
4.8 x	10.4 x
4.2 x	9.3 x
8.7 x	8.4 x

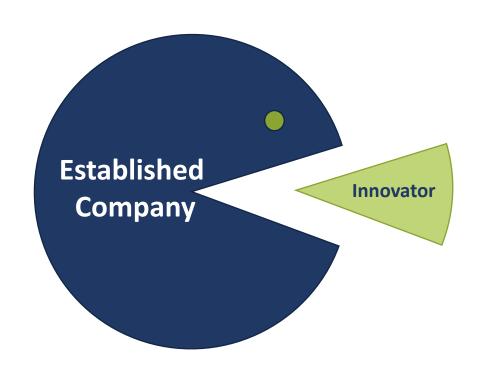


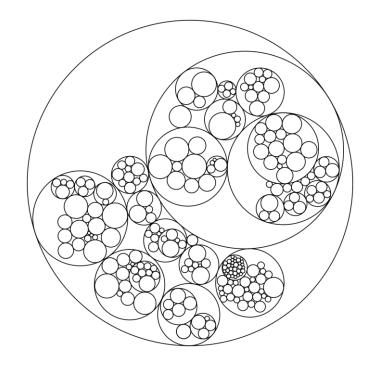


## **Creating Synergies by Acquiring the Innovators**

Companies within the company







Large companies often acquire their service providers or disruptors or innovators in their sector, often resulting in better synergies. This also helps in talent acquisition.

### **Established Leaders: House of many Smaller Businesses**

Embedded Value of Subsidiaries, Associates and JV









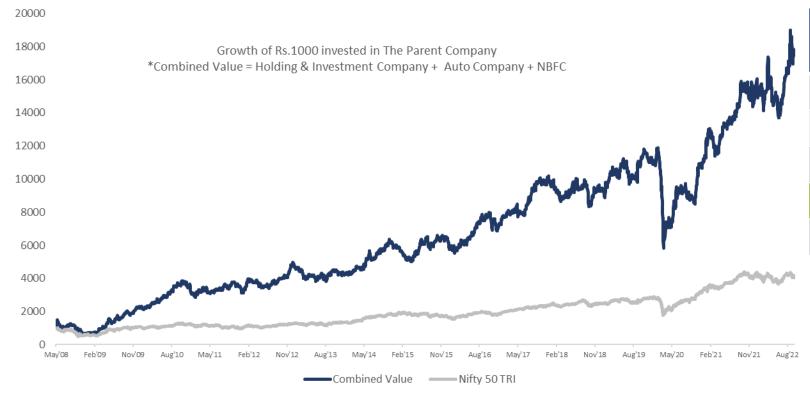


**An Industrial Conglomerate (113)** 

Generally, such embedded value gets unlocked through Spin-offs, Carve-outs, Divestments. The value creation may depend on type and objective of demerger.

## **Example: Value Unlocking through a Demerger**





Company Name	<b>CAGR (%)</b> (23-May-2008 to 30-Sep-2022)
Holding & Investment Company	21.2%
<b>Auto Company</b>	22.0%
NBFC	27.9%
Combined Value*	24.2%
Nifty 50 TRI	10.4%

Past performance may or may not be sustained in the future.

In a big corporate structure with multiple businesses, a demerger of disparate businesses unlocks the financial and management bandwidth required for the respective businesses to grow and may result in better value unlocking.

Scheme of Arrangement of Demerger: A parent company was demerged into three entities; Holdings and Investment Company, Auto Company and NBFC.

<sup>\*</sup>Combined Value is Combined return of Holding and Investment Company, Auto Company and NBFC as on 30-Sep-2022, if invested in Parent Company on 23-May-2008.

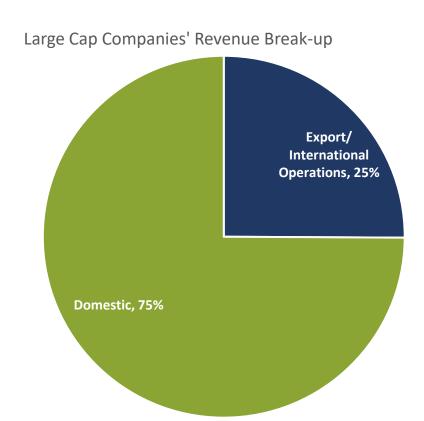
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### **Established Leaders: Serving Local + Global Market**

**Geographically Diversified** 



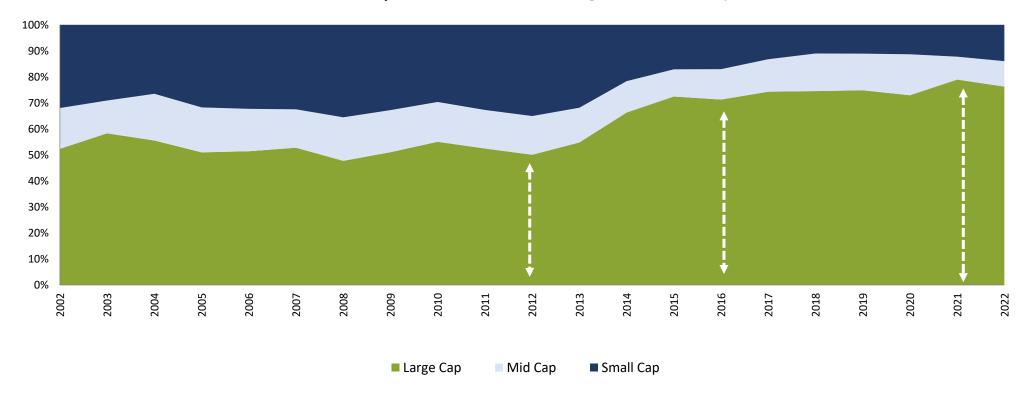


Many of the Large Cap Companies not only serve Domestic market but international market as well. Nearly one fourth of their revenue comes from outside India. Making them geographically more diversified.

## Many a Times Leaders Gain from Disorder



#### **Annual Capex Breakdown** between Large, Mid and Small Caps



During the last few years of uncertainties like Demonetisation, GST Implementation, NBFC Crisis, Covid, etc., Large Cap Companies' share in total Capital Expenditure has increased substantially.



**Emerging Leaders: Investing Landscape in India** 

## **Opportunity in Emerging Industries in India**



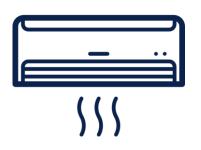




**India is House of many Emerging Leaders!** 

## **Emerging Leaders : Scope of Penetration**





**Largest Consumer Durable** company is a mid-cap



**Largest QSR Chain** is a mid-cap

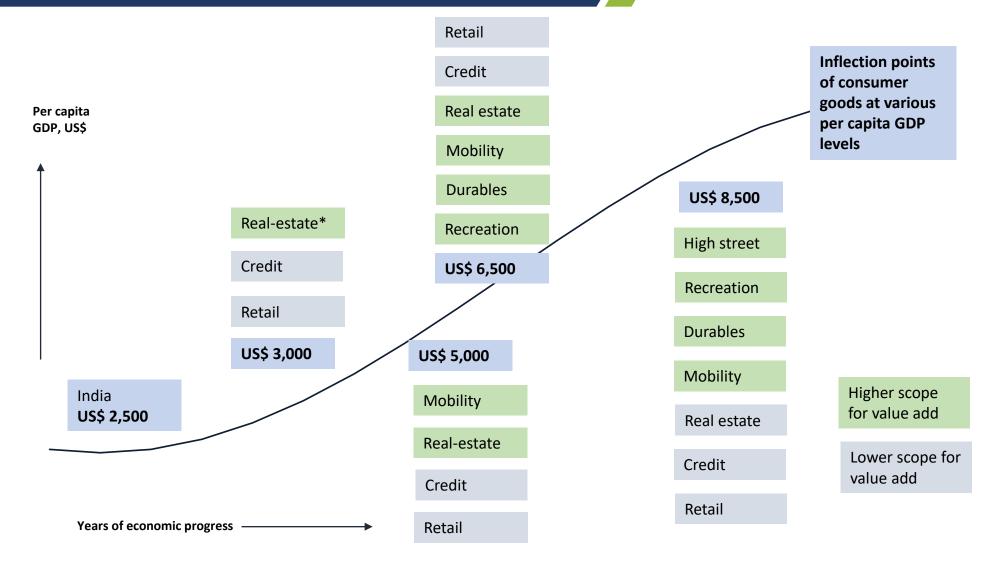




**Largest Tyre** company is a mid-cap

## With Rising per Capita Income, Discretionary Consumption grows meaningfully





## Availability of Broad Spectrum of Businesses in SMID Segment



	% share of sector in each mkt	cap bucket
Sector	NSE Laregcap 100 NSE Midcap 150	NSE Smallcap 250
Auto OEMs		
Oil & Gas		
Power		
Metals & Mining		
Construction Materials		
Information Technology		
FMCG		
Telecom		
Financial Services		
Pharma		
Realty		
Logistics		
Chemicals		
Healthcare Services		
Auto Anciliaries		
Construction		
Capital Goods		
Consumer Durables		
Consumer Services		
Textiles		
Media		

Green indicates higher share of the sector in that market cap bucket; Yellow indicates a lower share

High Low

#### **Beneficiaries of**



Shift towards formalisation



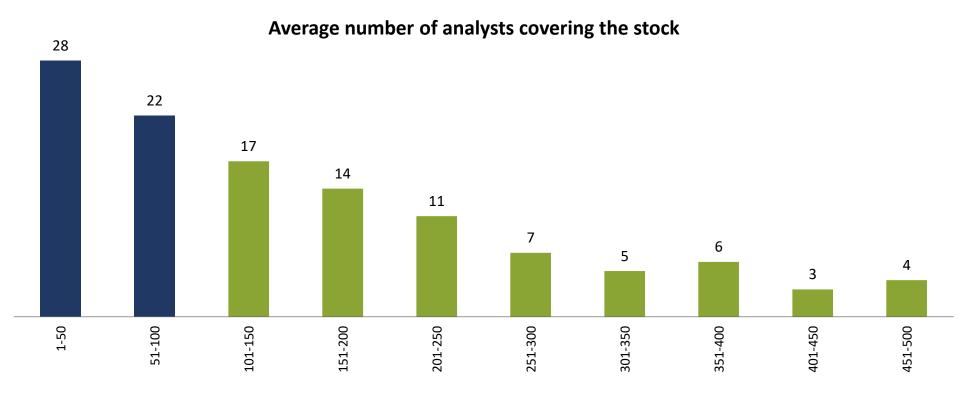
Market share gains due to disruption



Acceleration in 'China +1'

## SMID Segment is Less Researched as Compared to Large Cap – Potential for Attractive Valuation





Stocks grouped by market capital categorisation (Universe: NSE 500)

### Thus, in-house research capabilities matters a lot in identifying winners in SMIDs

## Among peers, India SMID universe is among the most well-diversified

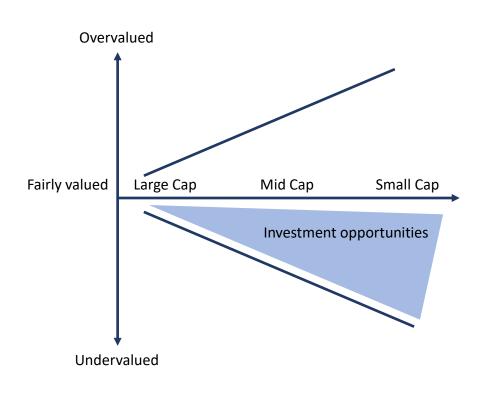


	MSCI Country Small-Mid (SMID) Index							
% Weight	China	India	Korea	Taiwan	Brazil	South Africa	Indonesia	Mexico
Communication Services	6.5	4.1	7.0	0.7	1.8	2.8	6.7	8.3
Consumer Discretionary	16.8	16.6	10.8	9.2	16.6	11.5	4.9	3.0
Consumer Staples	5.2	6.8	6.8	2.0	11.0	17.5	15.7	13.6
Energy	1.5	1.7	1.0	0.0	11.7	4.4	14.6	0.0
Financials	5.6	15.0	9.1	11.2	1.3	22.9	8.9	13.4
Health Care	17.8	9.4	12.1	3.9	5.3	5.0	9.0	1.3
Industrials	13.3	16.6	25.7	11.6	14.1	5.4	3.9	33.0
Information Technology	12.6	5.5	13.7	51.9	4.8	0.3	0.8	0.0
Materials	8.8	17.8	12.5	7.3	11.0	18.7	29.0	9.5
Real Estate	9.3	3.7	0.7	2.0	4.1	10.2	4.2	17.9
Utilities	3.3	2.8	0.5	0.1	19.0	0.0	2.4	0.0
HHI*	42	50	60	67	192	289	295	463

- The Indian market has the most heterogeneous composition at a sectoral level, and within that it is the most diverse at company level
- India has a well distributed investible universe of companies by index weights

## **Higher Opportunities Exist in SMID Segment**



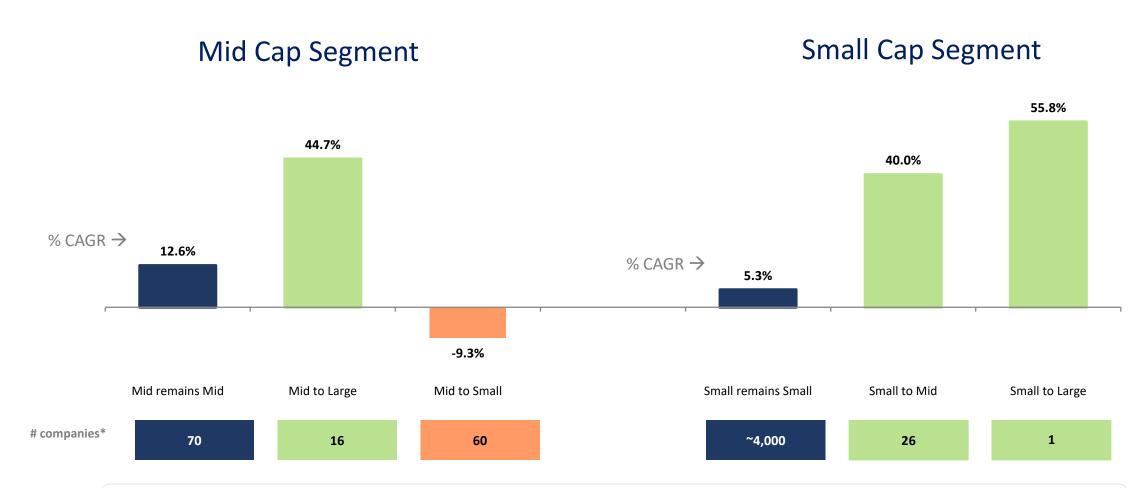




Broader spectrum of undervaluation and hence higher investment opportunities exist in small-cap and mid-cap as compared large-cap stocks

## SMID Segment: There can be Large Winners... and Losers too (2017-2022)





Only handful Mid Cap stocks managed to turn into Large Caps, similarly only few Small Cap could turn into Mid Caps.

This shows **Stock Selection** plays a vital role in generating good performance in SMID segment.

## **Avoiding Corporate Governance Disasters** is Equally important

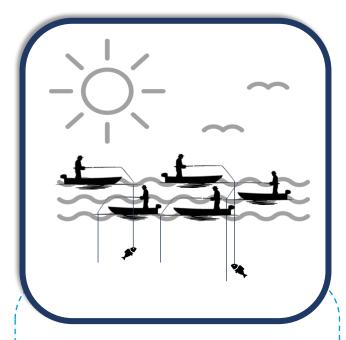


Stock	% institutional holding in June 2018	Subsequent Stock Price Correction
A Travel Company	40.6	-99%
Housing Finance Company	29.0	-97%
Jewellery Business	22.0	-96%
Services Company	27.0	-93%
A Private Sector Bank	67.7	-96%

- In the absence of adequate governance, a business may be great but only for the controlling shareholders and not for minority investors
- The best way to make money from such companies is by avoiding them

### SMID Segment: Many Opportunities but...



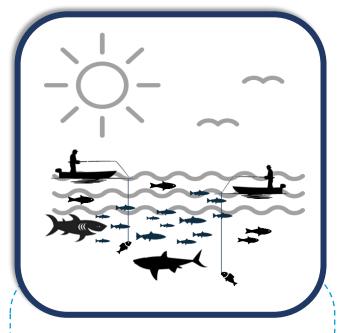


#### In Safer Sea

Lots of Fishermen + Few Fishes to Catch + Relatively Safer Environment

#### Large-Cap

Generally, in Large-Cap space many analysts cover the same stocks, which reduces the potential alpha generation



#### In Deep Sea

Few Fishermen + More Fishes + Risk of being attacked by Sharks

#### **SMID-Cap**

Space provides lots of alpha generation possibilities but with higher potential risks as well

Large Investment Team can help to identify opportunities available in SMID segment.

Internal Forensic Team
to create Negative List of stocks
can help in avoiding large
Corporate Governance issues.



# WhiteOak India Business Leaders PMS

### WhiteOak India Business Leaders PMS

Endeavours to invest in a combination of Large and Mid Cap Stocks



Established
Players
(Large Cap)







**Established Leaders: Large, Yet Small!** 

Emerging Players (Mid Cap)







**India is a House of Many Emerging Leaders** 

### WhiteOak India Business Leaders PMS

Market Cap Wise Tentative Equity Exposure



# **Established Leaders**

**Large Caps** 

Can provide **Stability** and **Growth** during challenging times



## **Emerging Leaders**

Mid caps

Can grow **Faster** during good times

### Why WhiteOak India Business Leaders PMS



### **Large Investment Team**

Covering ~1000 Stocks with more than Rs. 1000 Crore Market Cap

### **Balanced Portfolio Construction**

Portfolio of Pro-cyclical and Counter-cyclical stocks to help reducing macro economic shocks

### **Sectoral Analyst: Team within Team Structure**

Each sector is tracked by several analysts for in-depth analysis

### **Analysts' Experience**

Many analysts in team are tracking the same sector for more than a decade

### **Forensic for Negative List of Stocks**

Helps reduce possible accidents due to poor corporate governance

### **Allocation to Large Caps and Mid Caps**

to capture compelling opportunities in these segments

### **Endeavor is to maintain reasonable Active Share**

A necessary ingredient for potential alpha generation



### **WhiteOak India Business Leaders PMS**

Portfolio Strategy



Investment Objective	Sustained capital appreciation through superior returns over time
Benchmark	S&P BSE 500 TR
Inception Date	January 2021
Investment Approach	Bottom-up
Investment Style	Style Agnostic
Market Cap	Large and Mid Cap
Estimated Holdings	25 – 40

The allocations mentioned above are tentative and for illustration purpose only. Final portfolio can have higher or lower allocation depending on prevailing market scenario. Portfolio will be managed as per stated Investment objective, investment strategy & asset allocation in the PMS Disclosure Document and is subject to the changes within provisions of PMS Disclosure Document.

### Portfolio Performance: WhiteOak India Business Leaders PMS



### 22 January 2021 - 31 May 2023, Net of Fees in INR

	Portfolio	Benchmark % S&P BSE 500 <sup>2</sup>	Excess Returns (bps)
May 2023	4.4%	3.8%	+67
YTD 2023	3.8%	2.4%	+141
2022	-6.1%	4.8%	-1090
Part 2021	28.8%	27.8%	+98
Since Inception (CAGR)	10.1%	14.3%	-422
Since Inception (Cumulative)	25.5%	37.1%	-1162

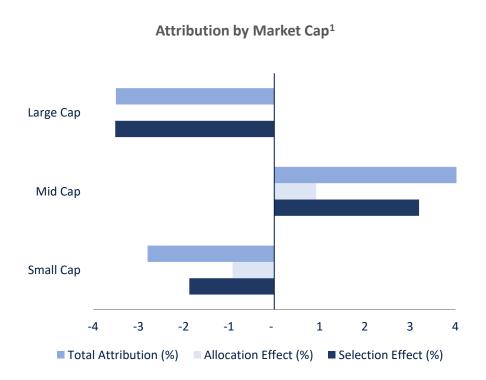
S&P BSE 200 <sup>1</sup>	S&P BSE 100 Large cap <sup>1</sup>	S&P BSE 150 Mid cap <sup>1</sup>	S&P BSE 250 Small cap <sup>1</sup>
3.7%	3.3%	5.5%	5.5%
2.1%	1.4%	5.9%	6.1%
5.7%	5.5%	3.6%	-1.0%
25.4%	23.4%	42.8%	54.6%
13.7%	12.5%	21.0%	22.9%
35.2%	31.9%	56.7%	62.5%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All indices are Net Total Return in INR. Performance is net of all fees and expenses (including taxes). Performance shown since 22 January 2021 as client monies were managed from this date. Performance is net of all fees and expenses. Performance related information provided herein is not verified by SEBI. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. Please note that performance of your portfolio may vary from that of other investors and that generated by the Investment Approach across all investors because of 1) the timing of inflows and outflows of funds; and 2) differences in the portfolio composition because of restrictions and other constraints. Performance relative to other Portfolio Managers within the selected Strategy: Click Here. <sup>2</sup>Based on SEBI and APMI guidelines, the Benchmark of the Portfolio Approach is changed from S&P BSE 200 to S&P BSE 500 TRI w.e.f. April 1, 2023. CAGR: Compound Annual Growth Rate

### Market Cap Attribution Analysis<sup>1</sup>



Stock selection drives performance: 22 January 2021 – 31 May 2023



	Portfolio		Benchmark		Attribution			
	Average Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Average Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Selection Effect (%)	Allocation Effect (%)	Total Attribution (%)	
Large Cap	67.1	31.6	78.5	36.3	-3.5	0.0	-3.5	
Mid Cap	24.9	47.9	14.3	40.8	3.2	0.9	4.1	
Small Cap	3.5	-16.8	7.2	42.3	-1.9	-0.9	-2.8	
Cash/Futures/Others	4.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	+	-0.8	
Total	100.0	34.1	100.0	37.1	-2.2	-0.8	-3.0	

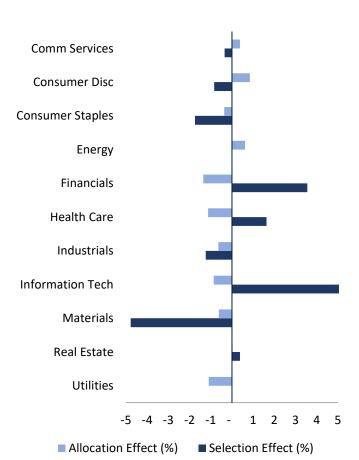
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### Sector Attribution Analysis<sup>1</sup>



### Stock selection drives performance: 22 January 2021 – 31 May 2023

### **Attribution by Sector**



Sector	Portfolio		Benchmark		Attribution			
	Average Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Average Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Selection Effect (%)	Allocation Effect (%)	Total Attribution (%)	
Comm Services	0.9	-17.7	2.8	16.8	-0.3	0.4	0.0	
Consumer Disc	12.3	41.2	8.7	42.5	-0.8	0.8	0.0	
Consumer Staples	7.8	28.2	8.2	50.7	-1.7	-0.4	-2.1	
Energy	0.0	0.0	9.2	29.6	0.0	0.6	0.6	
Financials	34.2	43.1	30.4	33.1	3.6	-1.4	2.2	
Health Care	8.5	25.7	5.4	10.8	1.6	-1.1	0.5	
Industrials	6.4	45.2	7.5	81.7	-1.2	-0.6	-1.9	
Information Tech	15.4	40.5	12.7	13.1	5.4	-0.9	4.5	
Materials	9.1	-0.7	10.3	55.4	-4.8	-0.6	-5.4	
Real Estate	0.9	99.7	0.8	51.9	0.4	0.0	0.4	
Utilities	0.0	0.0	4.0	68.8	0.0	-1.1	-1.1	
Cash/Futures/Others	4.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	-	-0.8	
Total	100.0	34.1	100.0	37.1	2.0	-5.0	-3.0	

<sup>1</sup>FactSet's Attribution Analysis: GICS Classification. Performance is gross of fees, taxes and expenses.

### **Portfolio Performance**



### Top 10 contributors and detractors for 22 January 2021 – 31 May 2023

Top 10 Contributors	Ending Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Contribution to Alpha (bps)
Cholamandalam Investment	5.1	+151.1	+302
Persistent Systems	2.4	+241.1	+244
Coforge	2.8	+88.6	+229
ICICI Bank	9.9	+79.4	+141
Titan Company	4.0	+90.4	+106
Navin Fluorine International	1.7	+88.0	+87
Bajaj Finserv	1.8	+60.1	+76
CG Power & Industrial Solutions	1.5	+71.9	+50
Astral	1.7	+95.4	+44
Phoenix Mills	1.1	+99.7	+39

Top 10 Detractors	Ending Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Contribution to Alpha (bps)
Indigo Paints	0.0	-50.5	-233
Axis Bank	1.4	+18.2	-104
HDFC Bank	9.9	+14.7	-104
FSN E-Commerce Ventures	0.0	-63.6	-64
Intellect Design Arena	0.0	-42.2	-64
Crompton Greaves Consumer	0.0	-23.8	-58
Infosys	2.6	-3.8	-53
Hindalco Industries	1.1	-23.3	-48
Asian Paints	1.2	+24.6	-45
HDFC Life Insurance	0.7	-13.3	-43

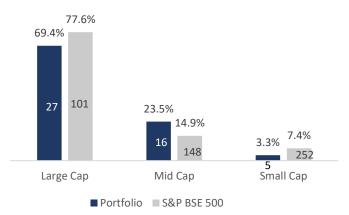
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### **Portfolio Composition**



As at 31 May 2023 GICS Sector Weights<sup>1</sup>





<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The number inside the bars denote the number of companies in each classification. ETF's and Index futures are included in large cap. Based on SEBI and APMI guidelines, the Benchmark of the Portfolio Approach is changed from S&P BSE 200 to S&P BSE 500 TRI w.e.f. April 1, 2023. <sup>2</sup> Market Cap Classification as per Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) guidelines for Mutual Funds. <sup>3</sup> WhiteOak Research, Bloomberg.

### WhiteOak India Business Leaders PMS

Structure and Key Terms



Investment Approach	WhiteOak India Business Leaders PMS						
Structure	Discretionary Portfolio Management Service	Discretionary Portfolio Management Services					
Portfolio Manager	White Oak Capital Management Consultant	s LLP					
Investment Objective	investment strategy is long only with a bott earned over time by investing in great bus	e long term capital appreciation by primarily is com up stock selection approach. The investme inesses at attractive values. A great business, on incremental capital. Valuation is attractive	nt philosophy is, that outsized returns are in our view, is one that is well managed,				
Minimum Investment	INR 50 lakhs						
Investment Amount &	INR 50 lakhs – INR 2 crores	INR 2 crores – INR 5 crores	> INR 5 crores				
Management Fees	2.00% per annum	1.75% per annum	1.60% per annum				
Exit Load	Nil						
Operating Expenses	At actuals, capped at maximum prescribed by regulations						
Benchmark	S&P BSE 500 TR Index						
Custodian	ICICI Bank, Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited ar	d HDFC Bank Limited					

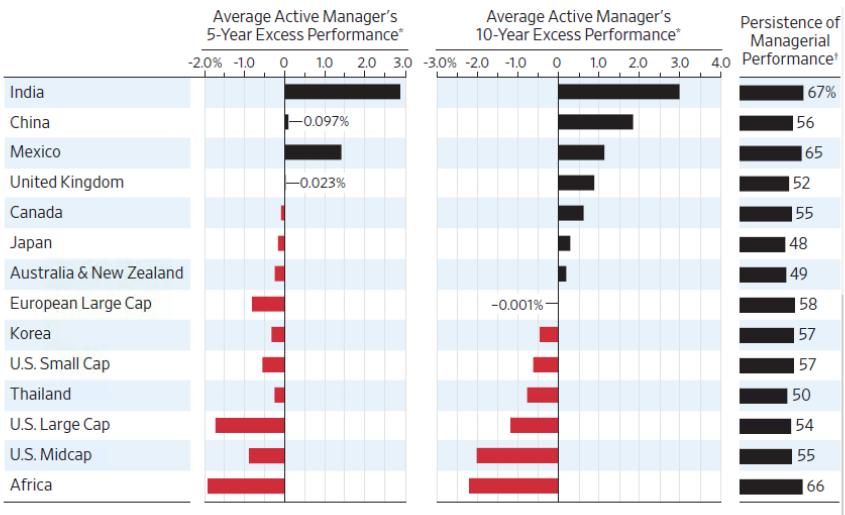




# Investment Case for Indian Equities

### Alpha Opportunity – Most Compelling Reason to Invest





<sup>\*</sup>Annualized, compared with benchmark/index †Persistence of Managerial Performance = Percentage of active managers in the top half of performance from 2009 to 2013 that are in the top half of performers from 2014 to 2018

Source: The Wall Street Journal.

### The Long-term Case for Indian Equities



**Economic evolution** 

**2022 US\$3.2tn: 5<sup>th</sup> largest** 

2030est. US\$6tn: 3rd largest

• Once in an era transformation

• Multi-generational opportunity

Strong domestically driven growth

Consumption = 58% of GDP

• Key driver for global growth over coming years

• Attractive demographics, domestic consumption and investment

Profitable and diverse corporate universe

**20-year RoE=17%** 

• Superior corporate profitability, superior asset mix

• Entrepreneurially driven capital allocation

Institutional infrastructure of a mature democracy

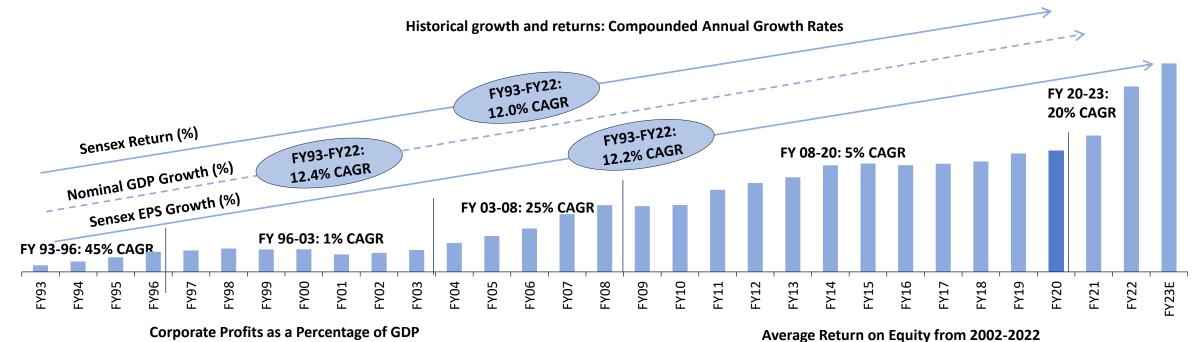
Net Democracy score 9/10\*

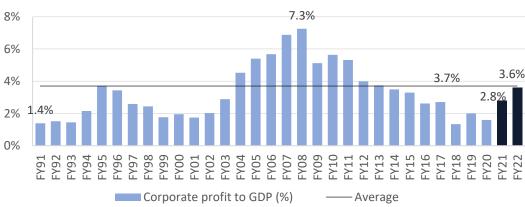
- Independent Central Bank, Election Commission and Judiciary
- Strong property rights under a Common Law system

Source: White Oak; 2030 estimates from CEBR (The Centre for Economics and Business Research), \* As per Polity Database. GDP = Gross Domestic Product

### **Corporate Earnings**







India	16.5%
Asia Pacific ex-Japan	12.0%
Emerging Markets	12.5%
World	11.2%

Source: Motilal Oswal Institutional Research, Spark, Bloomberg, White Oak Research; As at March 2023; CAGR refers to Compounded Annual growth Rate, EPS= Earnings per share, FY=Fiscal Year (ending March). GDP = Gross Domestic Product, FY23 GDP estimate as per the CSO (Central Statistical Office, Government of India).

### Healthy trend in earnings trajectory



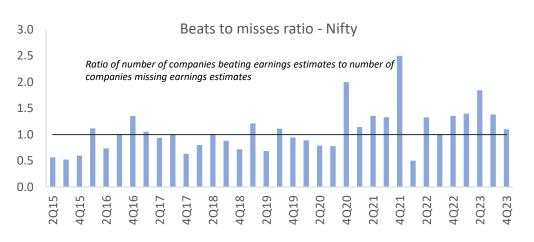
#### FY23td earnings growth at 13% YoY



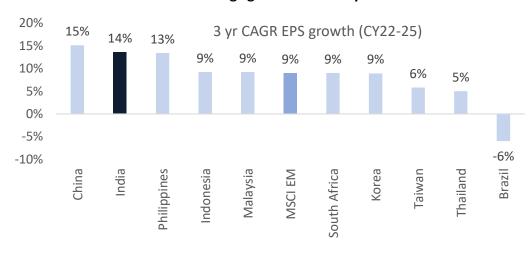
#### FY22 earnings growth the best since FY04



#### Earnings surprises continue albeit at a slower pace



#### India's earnings growth relatively more stable

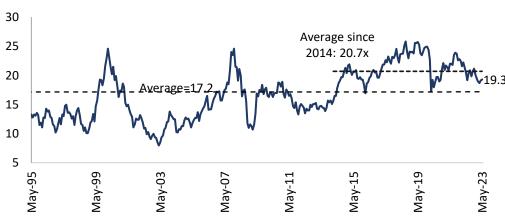


Source: Credit Suisse, Morgan Stanley, Motilal Oswal, UBS, White Oak; As at May 2023; 1H refers to First half, FY refers to First half, FY refers to calendar year (ending Dec). YoY refers to year over year growth; Q1F12 refers to Q1 or Apr-Jun quarter of 2011 (fiscal year ending March 2012) and so on. Economic and market forecasts presented herein reflect a series of assumptions and judgments as of the date of this presentation and are subject to change without notice.

### **Valuation History**



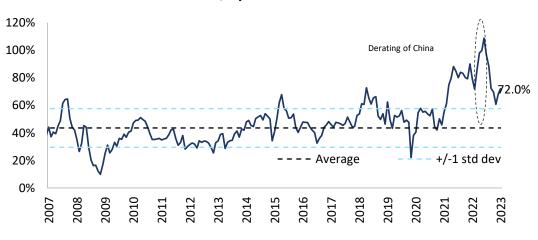




### Sensex Forward P/B 1,2



#### MSCI India P/E premium over MSCI EM %<sup>2,3</sup>



MSCI India P/B premium over MSCI EM %2,3

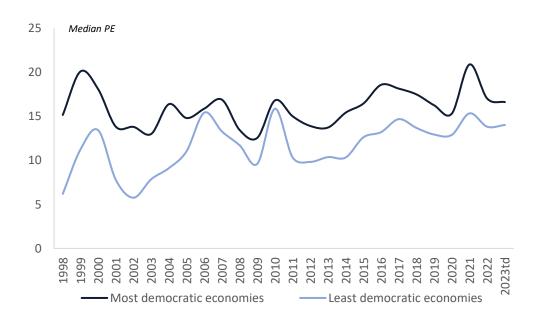


Source: Bloomberg, Motilal Oswal Institutional Research, Credit Suisse. <sup>1</sup>As at May 2023. <sup>2</sup> Sensex is the benchmark index of India's Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE). The Sensex is comprised of 30 of the largest and most actively-traded stocks on the BSE, providing a gauge of India's economy. <sup>3</sup>The MSCI India Index is designed to measure the performance of the large and mid cap segments of the Indian market.

### **Democracy and SOE composition impact PE multiples**



#### PE differential – Most and Least Democratic countries



Sample list of countries that are most democratic (Net Democracy score >= 8)	India, Taiwan, Indonesia, South Africa, Poland, Brazil, Chile
Sample list of least democratic economies (Net Democracy score < 5)	China, Egypt, Ukraine, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Turkey

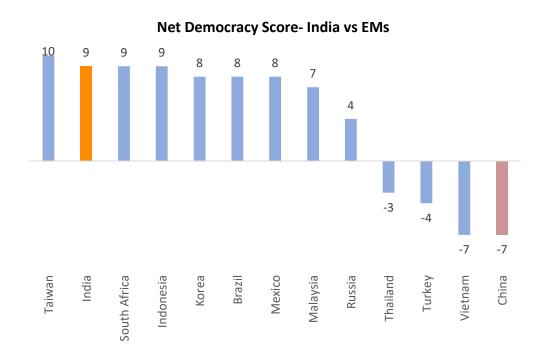
#### PE differential among EM universe – SOE vs non SOE



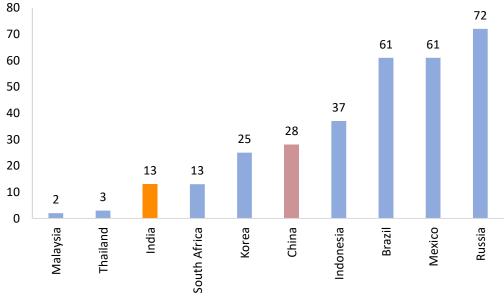
Source: Polity Project Database, Factset, data updated till May 2023

## Democratic Institutions and Minority Protection - India vs EM peers









Source: World Bank Doing Business Report 2020, Polity Project database

<sup>.\*</sup> Net Democracy Score = Polity score obtained by deducting autocracy score from democracy score. In the Polity database, countries are rated between -10 (full autocracy) to +10 (full democracy).

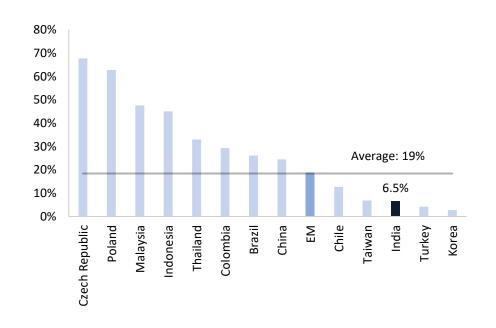
### Entrepreneurially driven diverse corporate universe



#### **MSCI Country IMI Index**

% weight	India	China	South Africa	Brazil	Mexico	Korea	Taiwan
Comm. Services	3.2	18.8	7.2	1.6	17.0	6.3	2.3
Cons. Disc.	10.8	26.5	18.7	5.4	1.0	9.2	3.4
Cons. Staples	8.7	5.9	8.9	9.1	32.4	2.9	2.0
Energy	9.9	3.1	1.3	15.2		1.3	0.3
Financials	24.0	17.3	29.4	23.9	16.9	7.8	12.0
Health Care	5.8	6.4	2.5	3.5	0.3	6.4	1.2
Industrials	9.0	5.8	2.6	10.8	11.9	12.0	4.6
Technology	12.6	6.1	0.2	1.4		43.2	67.3
Materials	11.2	3.6	25.3	18.2	14.4	10.3	6.3
Real Estate	1.2	3.5	4.0	1.3	6.0	0.2	0.5
Utilities	3.6	2.8		9.6		0.4	0.1
HHI*	200	325	426	641	681	1,175	1,315

#### **State-Owned Enterprise weights in Emerging markets**

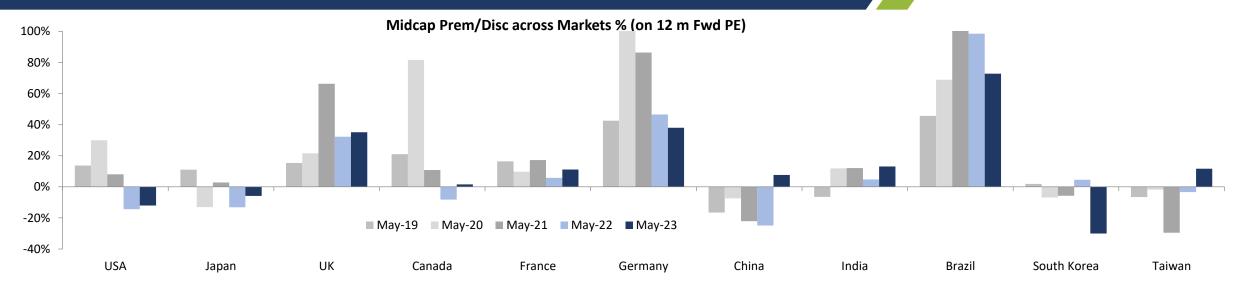


Source: Factset, White Oak, As at May 2023

<sup>\*</sup> Herfindahl–Hirschman Index (HHI) as calculated by Factset provides numerical measure of the portfolio concentration of an aggregate. This is measured by summing the squared weights of the constituents. Weights of securities that have the same parent equity are consolidated for this metric.

### Mid-Cap Multiples Premium/Discount





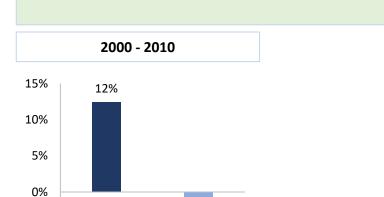
India's historical Mid Cap vs Large Cap stocks premium % (on 12 m Fwd PE)



Source: Bloomberg. As at May 2023, data for SMID vs Large cap 12m forward PE ratio for respective country's MSCI index.

### A tale of two decades – India vs US

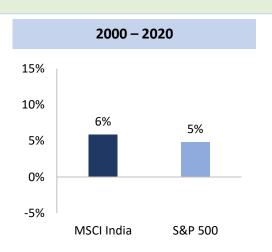


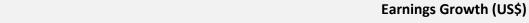


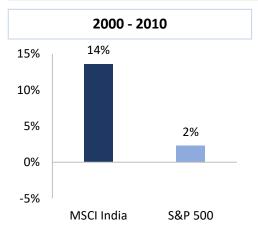
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S&P 500



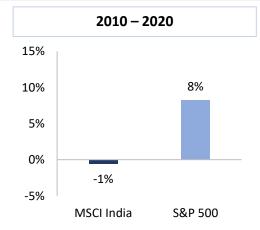






MSCI India

-5%





Source: Bloomberg. \*Data shown above is for fiscal year ending March 2020.



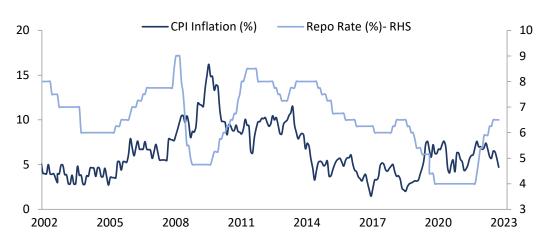


### **Macro - Environment**

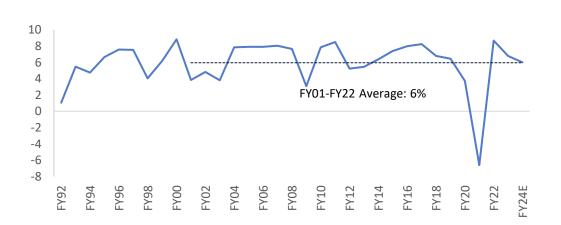
### **Macroeconomic Indicators are supportive**



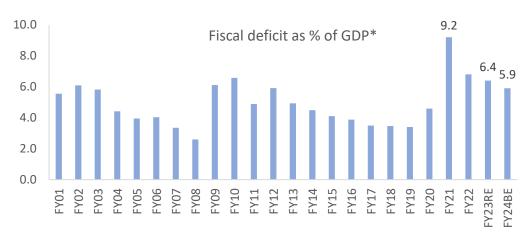
#### **Inflation and Interest Rates**



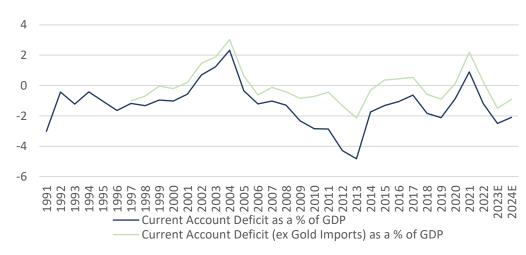
#### Real GDP Growth Rate (%)



#### **Fiscal Deficit**



#### Current Account Deficit (CAD) to GDP, %

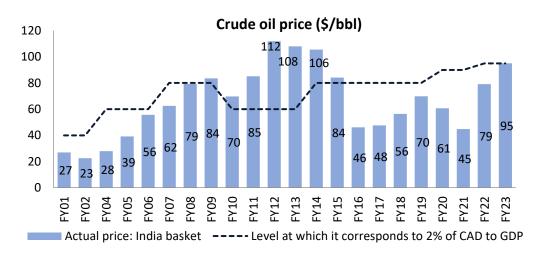


Source: Bloomberg, Reserve Bank of India. \* FY24 budgeted estimate as per FY24 Union Budget announcement, Updated through May 2023; FY refers to Fiscal year (ending March) CY refers to calendar year (ending Dec). GDP = Gross Domestic Product

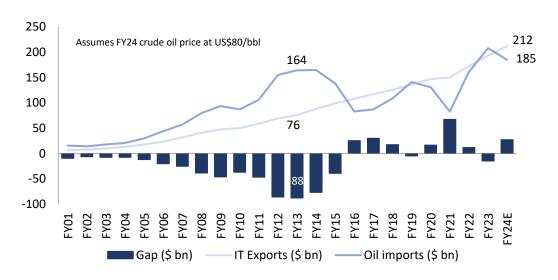
### **Evolving dynamics of external sector**



### Vulnerability to oil prices lower....



### As IT exports have surpassed the oil import bill



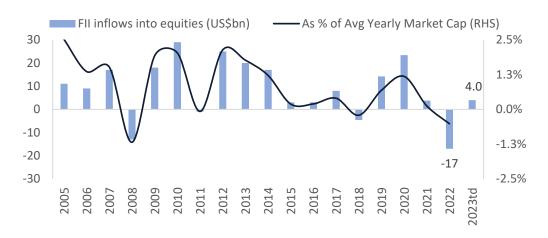
- For every US\$10/bbl increase in crude oil prices, it is estimated that CAD to GDP increases by 40bps
- Over the years, growing software exports and narrowing of non-oil trade deficit due to rising exports in engineering goods, electronics and textiles have reduced India's vulnerability to higher crude oil prices
- Initiatives like Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme likely to further reduce import dependency in manufacturing sector

Source: Bloomberg, Spark, White Oak. CAD= Current Account Deficit; GDP = Gross Domestic Product. Economic and market forecasts presented herein reflect a series of assumptions and judgments as of the date of this presentation and are subject to change without notice.

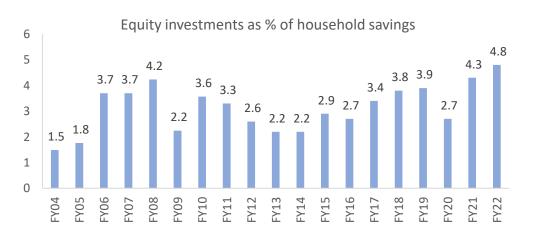
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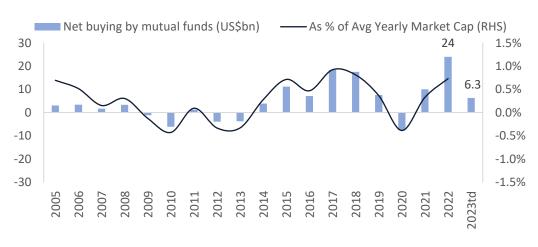
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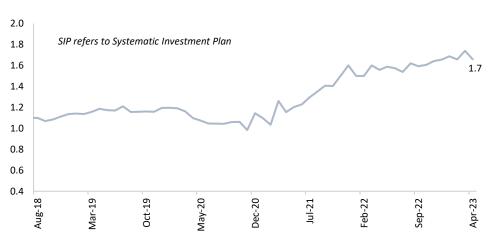
#### **Domestic Savings in Equities (%)**



#### Net buying by domestic mutual funds (US\$ billion)



#### SIP inflows into mutual funds (US\$bn)



Source: Bloomberg, NSDL, SEBI, AMFI. FII and mutual funds inflows data for calendar year; FY refers to Fiscal year (ending March) CY refers to calendar year (ending Dec).

### Reforms progressing in the right direction...



### Phase II - Growth Enabling

- · Labour reforms
- Outright privatisation
- Mining sector reforms
- Liberalisation of foreign direct investment (FDI) in various sectors

### **Phase III - Growth Enhancing**

- · Corporate tax rate cuts
- Production Linked Incentive (PLI)
   Schemes
- National Infrastructure Pipeline

#### Phase I - Restructuring

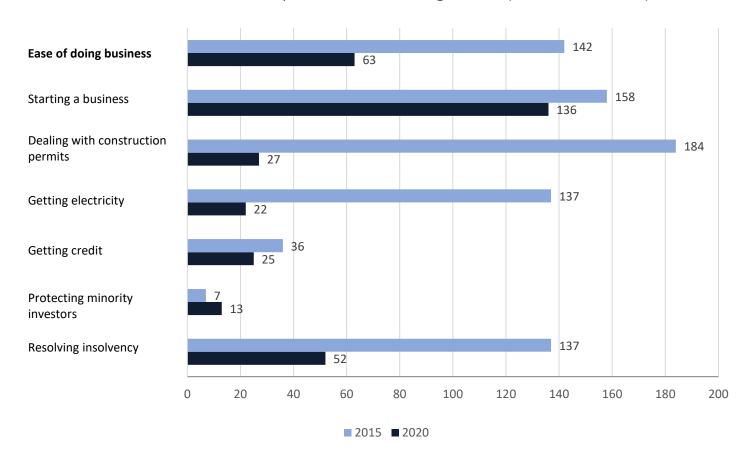
- Goods & Services Tax (GST)
- Modern bankruptcy law
- Real Estate Regulation reform
- Subsidy reforms in energy, fertilisers

Source: White Oak Research

### ...Reflected in improved 'Ease of Doing Business' rankings



Ranks across various components of Ease of Doing Business (across 189 countries)



Source: World Bank Report as of 2020

### **Production Linked Incentives (PLI) for manufacturing**



Sector	Outlay (US\$bn)				
Execution stage					
Mobiles and electronics	5.5				
Pharmaceuticals	2.0				
Telecom & Networking Products	1.6				
IT Hardware	1.0				
Others	3.7				
Policy formulation/approval stage					
Semiconductors	10.0				
Automobiles	3.5				
Solar PV modules	3.2				
Advance Chemistry Cell Battery	2.4				
Others	2.3				
Total	35.2				

#### What is different?

- Time bound
- Focus on creating national champions
- Incentives linked to production

### Global companies which have applied or commenced operations

- Electronics: Samsung, Foxconn, Wistron, Pegatron
- Telecom products: CommScope, Flextronics, Jabil Circuit
- Auto OEM: Hyundai, Suzuki, Kia, Ford
- White goods: Daikin, Panasonic, Hitachi

Source: PIB, Credit Suisse, White Oak Research

### **Shifting Supply Chains: Specialty Chemicals**



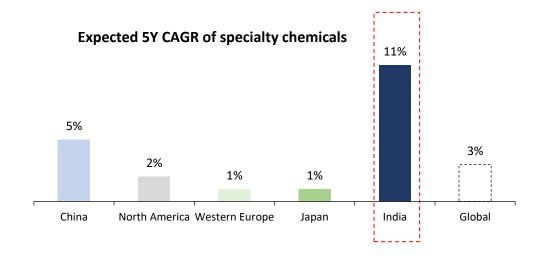
#### Make in India

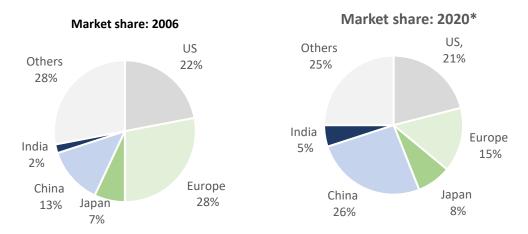
Indian speciality chemicals industry positioned strongly to win global market share

- MNCs seek to diversify procurement away from China
- Covid has exposed global supply chain vulnerability
- China's erstwhile competitive advantages of labour cost, and lax compliance are weakening

#### **Advantage India**

- Strong adherence to global manufacturing standards
- Capabilities in complex chemistry
- Strong IP protection





Source: Aarti Industries AGM Presentation of Sep 2022, CMIE, White Oak; Economic and market forecasts presented herein reflect a series of assumptions and judgments as of the date of this presentation and are subject to change without notice.

### Robust Long-term Market Returns



		India			United States		
	2000	2022	Delta	2000	2022	Delta	
Economy							
Nominal GDP (US\$ billion)1	477	3,500	7.3x	10,251	25,000	2.4x	
Per Capita GDP (US\$) <sup>1</sup>	451	2,500	5.5x	36,313	75,000	2.1x	
Corporate Earnings per share (US\$) <sup>2</sup>	7.3	30.3	4.2x	56.2	200.1	3.6x	
Equity Market Index (US\$) <sup>2</sup>	100	929	9.3x	1,837	8,178	4.5x	
Market Cap (US\$ billion) <sup>3</sup>	184	3,330	18.1x	15,226	41,061	2.7x	

#### Major macroeconomic and geopolitical setbacks

- 2000: coming out of Kargil war (1999) with Pakistan
- Terrorist attack on Parliament 2001, Mumbai train attacks in 2006, attacks on Mumbai Hotels in 2008
- 2008: Global Financial Crisis
- Oil Price volatility from US\$25 per bbl to over US\$145
- 2010 2014: Telecom spectrum (2G) scam; Commonwealth Games scam; Coal scam; Bribe-for-loan and other scams
- 2020: Covid pandemic
- 2022: Russia's invasion of Ukraine

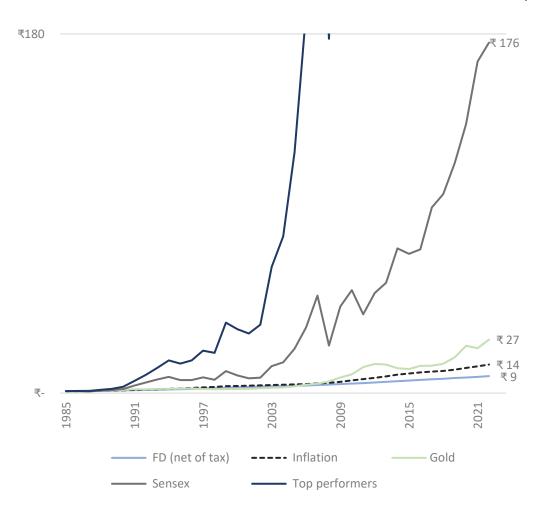
Source: Bloomberg, Reserve Bank of India. <sup>1</sup> CY 2022 estimates as per IMF <sup>2</sup>Returns between Dec 2000 – Dec 2022 for MSCI India Net Total Return USD Index (M1IN Index) and S&P 500 Total Return Index (SPTR Index); <sup>3</sup>Data for WCAUINDI Index, WCAUUS Index between Dec 2000 – Dec 2022; GDP = Gross Domestic Product.

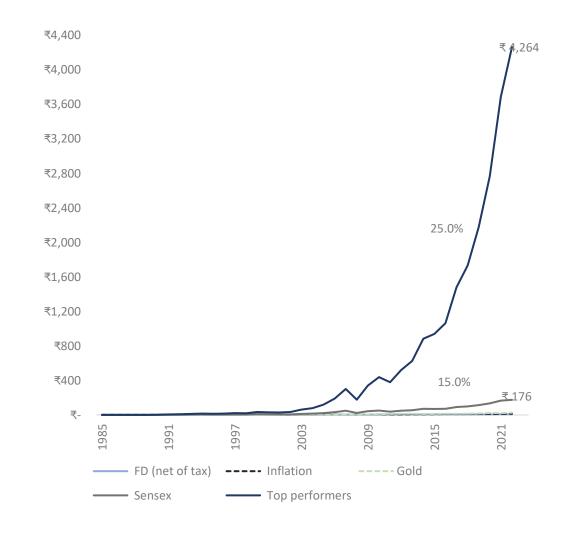
### **Guaranteed Real Loss vs Compounding Gains**



### **Fixed deposit vs Equities**

### **Equity returns since 1985**





Source: Bloomberg, Updated till Dec 31, 2022

### **Lessons from 2020**



#### Macro-Shacro

20-20 from 2020: The futility of predicting investment returns based on macroeconomic worries and events

#### Lesson #1

- The usual perennial macroeconomic worries of the well-known unknowns variety are a colossal waste of time
- They hardly influence the future returns from equity markets, if any at all

#### Lesson #2

- Nobody has a crystal ball to forecast cataclysmic risk events of the unknown unknown variety, ex: the pandemic
- Market implications remain unpredictable even if one were bestowed with perfect prior knowledge

#### Lesson #3

• Investment decisions bereft of bottom up analysis, and instead driven by macro considerations, are fraught with high risk of substantial absolute and relative losses

## White Oak's Perspective



The value of the market at any time is present value of aggregate perpetual future cash flows

The market is fairy valued at all times

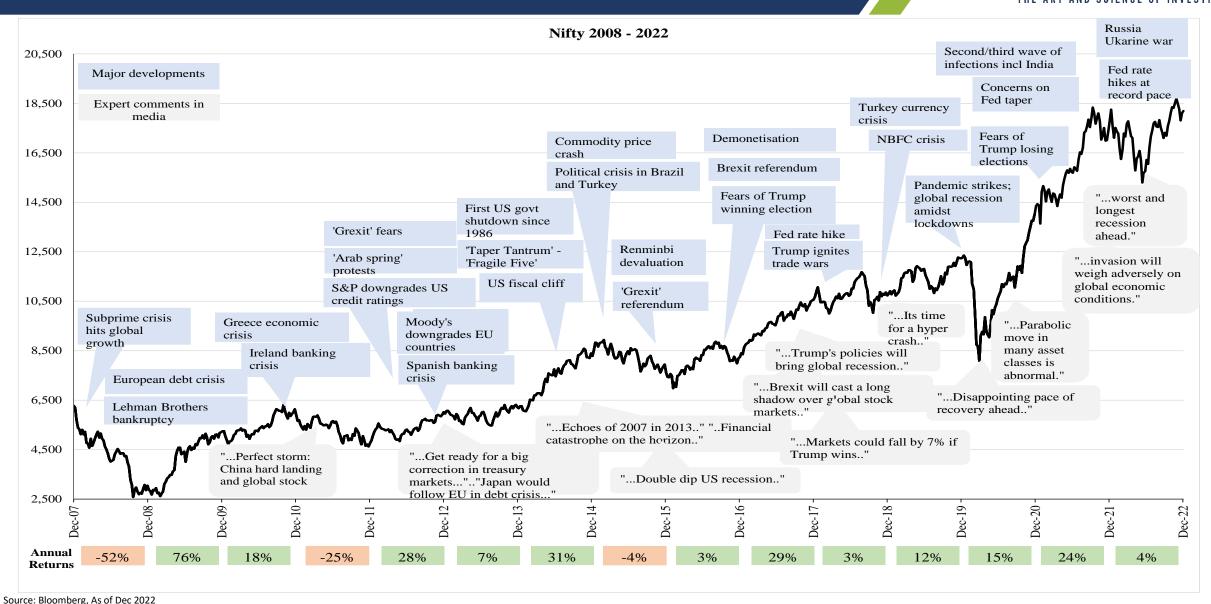
#### Relevance of Macro

- View macros as source of random risks, not as opportunity to add alpha
- Consciously avoid top-down misadventures market timing, sector rotation
- Stay fully invested, with a bottom up approach to investing in great businesses at attractive valuations
- Maintain a balanced portfolio construction approach at all times

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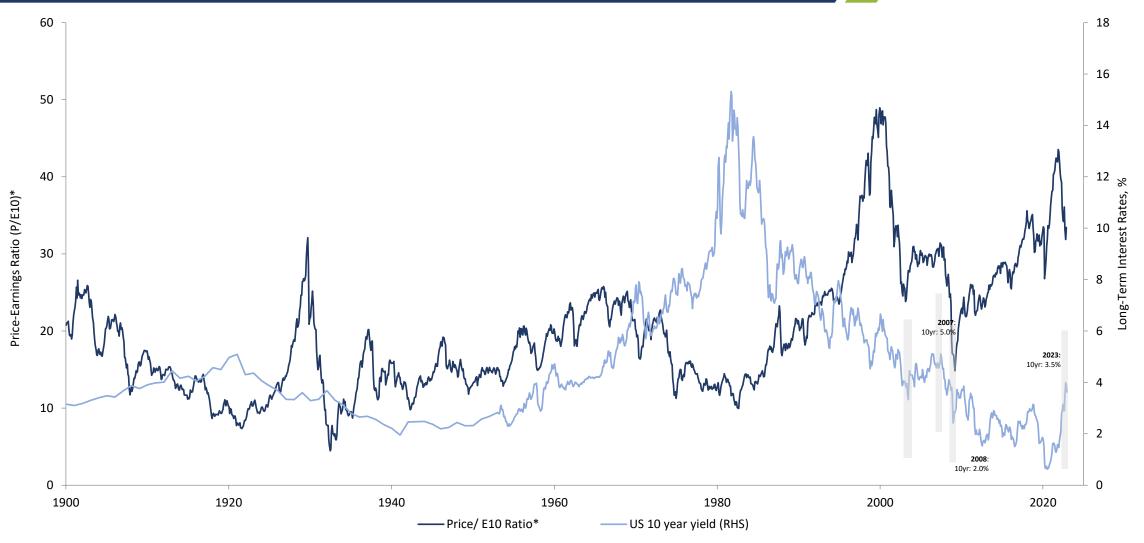
# Nifty 2008 - 2022





# Lower interest rates have contributed to higher multiples globally





US long bond yield is the ultimate benchmark for all assets globally

Source: Yale University, as of Jan 2023, \*Price/ (average earnings over 10 years) or Cyclically adjusted PE (CAPE), adapted from Robert Shiller (Yale University)





# **Appendix**

## **Portfolio Performance - India Acorn Fund Limited\***



#### 01 September 2017 – 31 May 2023, Net of Fees in INR

	Fund	Benchmark % S&P BSE 500 <sup>1</sup>	Excess Returns (bps)
May 2023	5.7%	3.8%	+191
YTD 2023	2.3%	2.4%	-8
2022	-11.0%	4.8%	-1581
2021	37.8%	31.6%	+615
2020	38.9%	18.4%	+2049
2019	13.4%	9.0%	+444
2018	1.3%	-1.8%	+310
Partial 2017	20.6%	9.2%	+1140
S.I. (Annualised) <sup>2</sup>	16.6%	12.4%	+421
S.I. (Cumulative) <sup>2</sup>	141.4%	95.4%	+4596

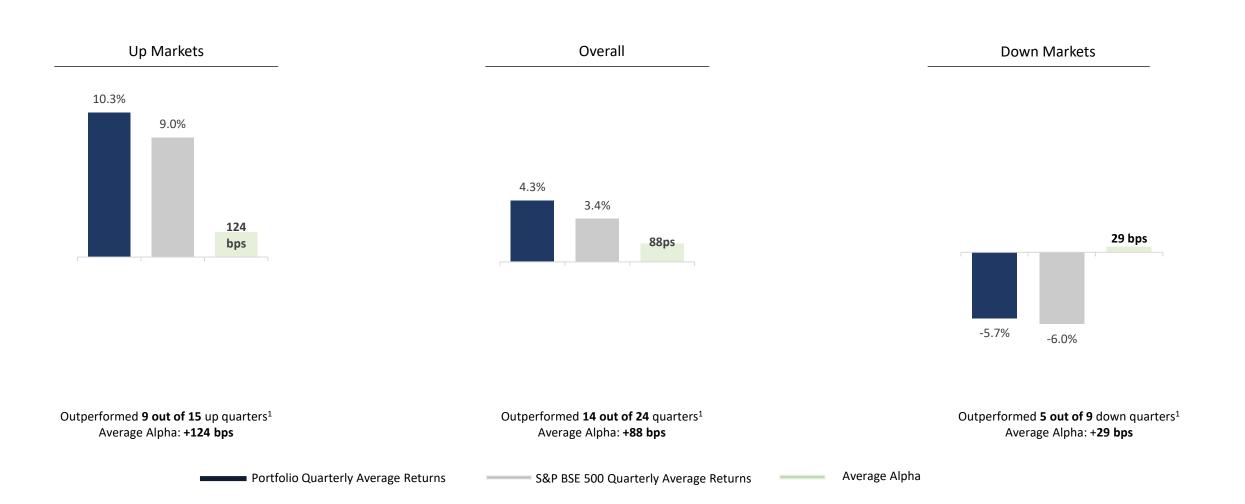
S&P BSE 100 Large cap <sup>1</sup>	S&P BSE 150 Mid cap <sup>1</sup>	S&P BSE 250 Small cap <sup>1</sup>
3.3%	5.5%	5.5%
1.4%	5.9%	6.1%
5.5%	3.6%	-1.0%
26.9%	48.6%	59.1%
16.6%	26.3%	27.9%
11.8%	0.9%	-8.4%
3.0%	-13.0%	-23.7%
7.0%	16.7%	17.7%
12.3%	13.9%	10.3%
94.9%	111.0%	75.7%

India Acorn Fund (Cayman): 01 Sept 2017. ¹All indices are Net Total Return. ²The NAV for 31 May 2023 is based on estimates and hence the performance might be restated post the final valuation. The performance is net of all fees and expenses for Founder class shares at the Master Fund level. Fund performance in INR v/s S&P BSE 500 TR Index. The performance is after accounting for all taxes paid on realized gains but doesn't account for potential taxes on unrealized gains. Please note the published NAV of India Acorn Fund (Cayman) is after adjusting for potential taxes on unrealized gain, and to that extent its performance may differ from the above. Performance is calculated using Net NAV of India Acorn Fund (Cayman). \*White Oak Capital Partners Pte. Ltd acts as an investment manager to India Acorn Fund Limited. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

# **Average Quarterly Performance in Different Market Environments**



#### 01 September 2017 – 31 May 2023, for Founder class shares

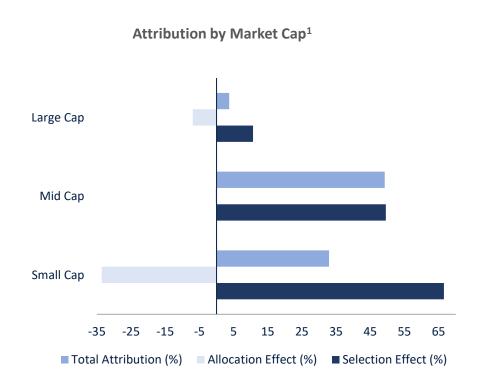


<sup>1</sup>Quarters considered for data are calendar year quarters- except Q3CY17 part: 01 Sep 2017 to 30 Sep 2017. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

# Market Cap Attribution Analysis - India Acorn Fund Limited\*



Stock selection drives performance: 01 September 2017 – 31 May 2023



	Fu	nd	Bench	nmark	Attribution		
	Average Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Average Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Selection Effect (%)	Allocation Effect (%)	Total Attribution (%)
Large Cap	45.2	155.7 79.3		107.3	10.7	-7.0	3.7
Mid Cap	22.4	293.1	13.8	79.7	49.6	-0.3	49.2
Small Cap	28.0	221.4	7.0	21.2	66.5	-33.6	32.9
Cash/Futures/Others	4.4	3.6	0.0	0.0			-7.1
Total	100.0	174.1	100.0	95.3	126.8 -48.0		78.8

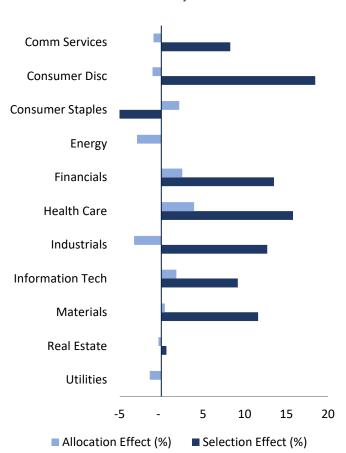
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## Sector Attribution Analysis<sup>1</sup>



#### Stock selection drives performance: 01 September 2017 – 31 May 2023

#### **Attribution by Sector**



Sector	Fur	nd	Bench	nmark	Attribution		
	Average Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Average Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Selection Effect (%)	Allocation Effect (%)	Total Attribution (%)
Comm Services	2.8	119.7	2.7	25.2	8.3	-0.9	7.3
Consumer Disc	15.1	186.9	9.3	63.3	18.5	-1.1	17.4
Consumer Staples	8.2	68.4	9.1 105.3		-5.1	2.1	-3.0
Energy	0.0	0.0	9.4	123.9	0.0	-2.9	-2.9
Financials	28.5	122.4	31.4	69.0	13.5	2.5	16.0
Health Care	9.4	299.1	5.3	92.6	15.8	3.9	19.7
Industrials	7.3	246.3	7.3	108.5	12.7	-3.3	9.4
nformation Tech	14.1	311.7	11.7	207.1	9.2	1.8	11.0
Materials	9.6	276.6	9.7	107.2	11.6	0.4	12.0
Real Estate	0.6	66.1	0.7	84.0	0.6	-0.4	0.3
Utilities	0.0	0.0	3.5	106.3	0.0	-1.4	-1.4
Cash/Futures/Others	4.4	3.6	0.0	0.0	-	-	-7.1
Total	100.0	174.1	100.0	95.3	85.0	-6.2	78.8

<sup>1</sup> FactSet's Attribution Analysis: GICS Classification. Performance is gross of fees, taxes and expenses. \* White Oak Capital Partners Pte. Ltd acts as an investment manager to India Acorn Fund Limited

## Portfolio Performance - India Acorn Fund Limited\*



#### Top 10 contributors and detractors for 01 September 2017 – 31 May 2023

Top 10 Contributors	Ending Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Contribution to Alpha (bps)	
LTIMindtree	0.0	+395.9	+801	
Info Edge India	0.9	+303.0	+717	
Navin Fluorine International	1.6	+744.4	+592	
IPCA Laboratories	0.0	+269.6	+533	
V I P Industries	0.0	+15.3	+522	
KEI Industries	0.0	+35.6	+504	
L&T Technology Services	0.0	+343.3	+482	
Dixon Technologies (India)	0.0	+334.3	+450	
Balkrishna Industries	0.6	+11.7	+424	
Intellect Design Arena	0.0	+177.1	+377	

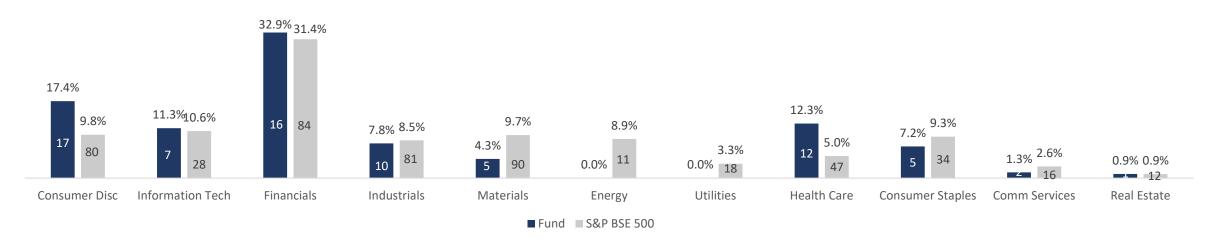
Top 10 Detractors	Ending Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Contribution to Alpha (bps)	
Dishman Carbogen Amcis	0.0	-65.1	-295	
Bharti Airtel	0.0	-12.9	-270	
Karur Vysya Bank	0.0	-20.4	-236	
National Stock Exchange	4.9	-25.7	-225	
Camlin Fine Sciences	0.0	-57.3	-223	
CarTrade Tech	0.5	-69.7	-188	
PB Fintech	0.0	-20.2	-153	
Godrej Industries	0.0	-33.3	-142	
Heritage Foods	0.0	-22.1	-138	
Infosys	2.1	+53.7	-127	

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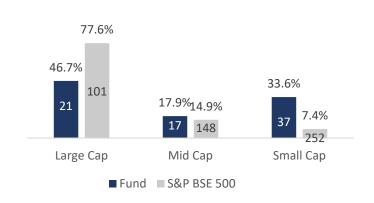
## **Portfolio Composition**







#### Market Cap Weights<sup>1,2</sup>



#### Key characteristics<sup>3</sup>

	Portfolio	Sensex
Number of Holdings	76	30
Weighted Avg Market Cap	US \$21.2 bn	US \$79.9 bn
FY23 ROE	19.9%	13.5%
FY24 OpcoFinco™ P/FCF	30.4x	33.9x
FY25 OpcoFinco™ P/FCF	25.7x	29.3x
FY24 P/E	22.0x	20.5x
FY25 P/E	18.7x	18.0x
Projected Revenue 3 year cagr	15.2%	9.5%
Projected Earnings 3 year cagr	16.7%	13.1%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The number inside the bars denote the number of companies in each classification. ETF's and Index futures have been included in large cap. <sup>2</sup>Market Cap Classification as per Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) guidelines. <sup>3</sup>White Oak Research, Bloomberg. White Oak Capital Partners Pte. Ltd acts as an investment manager to India Acorn Fund Limited

# **Assets Under Management or Advisory: US\$ 6.1 bn**



DOMESTIC ASSETS (~ INR 16,070 crs)

## INTERNATIONAL ASSETS (~ INR 34,820 crs)

	Portfolio Management Services (PMS)  White Oak India Equity Fund (II, Select, IV, V & Mutual Fund VI)  India Acor			London Stock Exchange (LSE) Listed Trust		UCITS			
Name of Portfolio		India Acorn Fund	Ashoka India Equity Investment Trust PLC	Ashoka WhiteOak Emerging Markets Trust PLC	Ashoka WhiteOak India Opportunities Fund, India ESG Fund	Ashoka WhiteOak Emerging Markets Equity Fund, GEM Ex- India Fund	Institutional Mandates		
Details	Separately managed individual accounts	A closed-end onshore fund domiciled in India as a Category III Alternative Investment Fund (AIF)	Trust that collects money from a number of investors who share a common investment objective	An open-ended offshore fund domiciled in Mauritius as a Collective Investment Scheme		stment Company on LSE)			Separately Managed Accounts
Launch date	Various	March 2019, May 2020, April 2021, Feb 2022 and Nov 2022	July 2022	September 2017	July 2018	May 2023	December 2018	June 2022 and Dec 2022	Various
AUM¹	\$1,102 m	\$460 m	\$383 m	\$228 m	\$287 m	\$37 m	\$1,376 m	\$35 m	\$2,248 m
Market Cap Composition	Various	60-40% mid/small cap	Various	60-40% mid/small cap	60-40% mid/small cap	60-40% mid/small cap	50-65% large cap 35-50% mid/small cap	50-65% large cap 35-50% mid/small cap	Various
Core client base	Onshore Indian family offices & HNIs	Onshore Indian family offices & HNIs	Onshore Indian retail clients, family offices & HNIs	US/Europe/Asia institutions, family offices and HNIs	UK HNIs & family offices	UK HNIs & family offices	European private banks & family offices	European private banks & family offices	Institutions, family offices

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Data as on 31 May 2023



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#### Founder, White Oak Group

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#### **Anupriya Gupta**

Anupriya is responsible for analysing Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) related risks within portfolio companies. She has around 10 years of experience in diverse domains. Prior to joining White Oak, she was in ICICI Bank as team lead in ESG related credit research responsible for integration of ESG risks in credit risk management process of corporate portfolio. She began her career with Crisil Global Research and Analytics in equity research covering US Metals and Mining (specifically Precious Metal companies). She graduated from IIM Raipur with PGDM in Finance.

#### Sanjay Vaid, Trading Advisor

Sanjay has over 33 years of experience in the asset management, equity trading, and equities broking industry. Prior to joining us he was Director & Head of Equity Sales Trading at Religare Capital Markets. Before that he was Executive Director – Fundamental Equity trading at Goldman Sachs Asset Management (GSAM), responsible for trading for GS India equity fund. Before joining GSAM, he was Co-Head Equities at SBICAP Securities. Prior to that he was responsible for trading at HSBC Asset Management and SBI Mutual Fund, which are amongst the largest India funds. Sanjay began his career with Unit Trust of India, working in various capacities for 15 years. Sanjay graduated with honors in Economics from Delhi University and earned an MBA in Finance from Faculty of Management Studies, Delhi University. He is a Certified Associate of Indian Institute of Bankers (CAIIB).

#### **Chaitanya Kapur, Trading Advisor**

Chaitanya has four years of experience and is a Chartered Accountant and has received a Bachelor's degree in Commerce (Accounting and Finance) from Mumbai University. He has worked as an Articled Assistant at Deloitte Haskins & Sells LLP where he worked on statutory audits in the Automobile, Financial services, Pharmaceutical, Chemicals and Industrial sectors.



#### **Arthur Kadish**

Arthur has 15 years of experience and joins from Eastspring Investments where he was an Asian equity analyst responsible for generating ideas and researching industries across the region. Prior to that, Arthur was a global equity analyst at Orbis Investments in London. Arthur is a Chartered Financial Analyst and obtained his MA in Modern History from University of Oxford.

#### **Nori Chiou**

Nori joins from Tokio Marine Asset Management where he was an investment analyst with expertise on Information Technology sector across Asia. Prior to that, he was also involved in long/short strategy of the US/Asia investment and different sell-side roles in Hong Kong/Taiwan. He joined the investment industry since 2011.

#### **Wen Loong Lim**

Loong has nine years of investment experience and currently covers semiconductors and tech hardware at White Oak. His previous position prior to joining White Oak was with Maitri Asset Management as a Senior Equity Analyst. Loong started his career at M&G Investments in London where he spent 7 years on the Global Emerging Markets team. He was a generalist across sectors and geographies but developed a deep understanding of the tech and industrial sectors, particularly in North Asia. During his time at M&G, Loong developed from an analyst to a deputy fund manager and finally managing M&G's China Strategy before leaving the company to return to Singapore. Loong read Philosophy, Politics & Economics at the University of Warwick. He is a CFA Charterholder.

#### Fadrique Balmaseda

Fadrique is responsible for covering Consumer discretionary, Industrials and Diversified Financials. He has over 10 years of experience in investment management. Prior to joining White Oak Capital Fadrique worked as Portfolio Manager at Chronos Global Equity, focusing on global listed equities. Before starting Chronos Fadrique worked at Goldman Sachs Asset Management in London, where he worked as an Equity Analyst for Goldman's Emerging Markets Equity Team. Prior to that he spent 18 months at Goldman Sachs' Fund sales team. He holds a double degree in Law and Business administration from ICADE University in Madrid.

#### **Dheeresh Pathak, CFA**

Dheeresh is responsible for covering the Healthcare and Chemical sectors. He has over 15 years of rich experience in investment management. He joined White Oak in June 2022. Prior to joining White Oak, Dheeresh was the Executive Director at Goldman Sachs Asset Management. During his 14 years at Goldman Sachs he covered a wide range of sectors including Healthcare, Chemicals, Telecom & Media, Logistics, Building Materials and Retail. At Goldman Sachs India Equity Fund, Dheeresh was among the top rated professionals generating the highest alpha per unit of capital. He holds a B.E in Electronics Engineering from Punjab Engineering College (Gold Medallist) and a PGDBM from MDI Gurgaon

#### **Shariq Merchant**

Shariq is responsible for covering the Auto and Consumer (ex-retail) sectors. He has over 11 years of experience in the financial services industry and joined White Oak in 2022. Prior to joining White Oak, Shariq worked as an Investment Analyst with Duro Capital, covering autos, consumer and healthcare. Before that he worked as an analyst with Quest Investment Advisors and the Ambit Group where he worked across multiple roles spanning sell side, strategy and investment management. He is a Chartered Accountant and has cleared all 3 levels of the CFA program.

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