WHITE OAK INDIA PIONEERS EQUITY



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PORTFOLIO

As at 31 July 2022

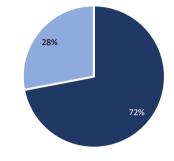


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White Oak Group

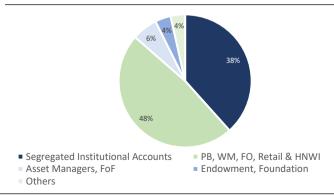


Firmwide AUM Split (%) – By Geography



India Offshore % India Onshore %

Firmwide AUM Split (%) - By Type of Investors



Overview

 AUM²:
 Headcount:
 Offices:

 ~ US\$5.4 bn
 322
 India, Mauritius, Singapore,

 Spain, Switzerland and UK

- Founded by Prashant Khemka in June 2017
- Prior to White Oak Prashant served as the CIO and Lead PM of both Goldman Sachs India since March 2007, and Global Emerging Markets Equity since June 2013
- Research underpinned on a 'proprietary analytical model' 1 honed over two decades; replicable across markets and businesses
- Performance first culture built-upon:
 - (a) team of sector experts with global experience
 - (b) bottom-up stock selection philosophy
 - (c) disciplined fundamental research
 - (d) balanced portfolio construction

¹Trademarked as OpcoFinco[™] framework . ²AUM as of 31 July 2022.

Founder's Profile and Track Record

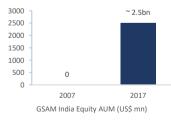


Extensive investing record across India, GEM and the US

- Prashant joined Goldman Sachs Asset Management (GSAM) in 2000 in the US Growth Equity team
- In 2004, he became Senior PM and Co-Chair of the Investment Committee on the US Growth Equity team which managed US\$25 bn
- Returned to Mumbai in 2006 to start GSAM India business, where he served as CIO and CEO / Co-CEO until 2017
- In 2013, Prashant moved to Singapore as CIO and Lead PM of both India and Global Emerging Markets
- Directly managed more than US\$5.0 bn out of the US\$6.5 bn managed by his team
- Prashant and the funds managed by him at GSAM earned several awards including Citywire AAA rating and FundCalibre Elite rating
- Prashant is AAA rated by Citywire based on the three year risk-adjusted performance across all funds he is managing to 30th June 2022

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
- Scaled GS India Equity business to US\$2.5 bn with distribution across multiple channels in Europe, Asia, and USA
- Since inception the strategy delivered peer group leading cumulative 265.8% gross USD returns¹ 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
- Scaled GEM business to US\$2.6 bn with distribution across multiple channels in Europe, Asia and USA
- During his tenure, the strategy delivered peer group leading cumulative 36.3% gross USD returns² vs. 13.1% for its benchmark



¹Past performance Gross of Fees in US\$ for GS India Equity Portfolio. ²Past 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."

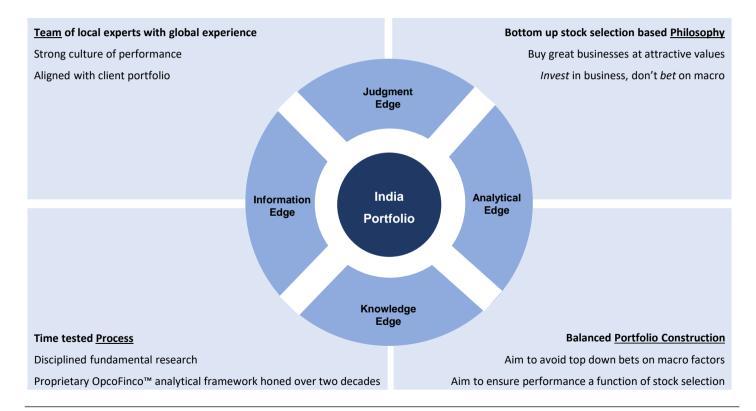


Investment Culture: Team, Philosophy, Process & Portfolio Construction

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Focused Investment Culture

Performance first





Our Team

Well resourced team of local experts with global experience

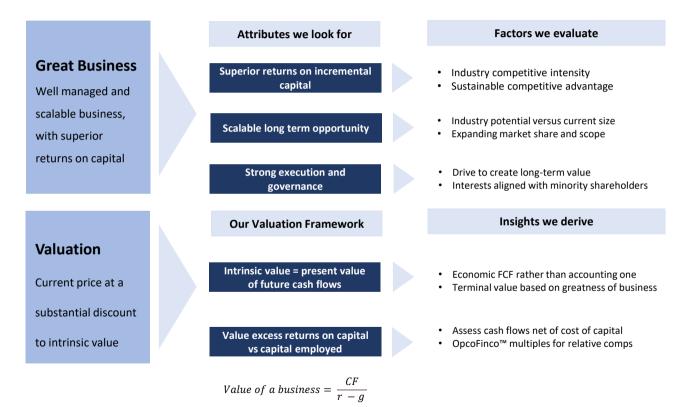
	Team (Yrs of Exp)	Coverage		Team/Yrs of Exp (Coverage)		Team ² (Yrs of Exp)	Coverage		Team ² (Yrs of Exp)	Coverage		Team ³ (Yrs of Exp)	Coverage		Team ³ Coverage
	Prashant Khemka ^{1,5} (24) CTYWRE AAA	Founder		Fadrique Balmaseda ⁴ (10) Consumer, Real Estate, Energy, Utils, Financials	Q	Ramesh Mantri (19), CIO, Equities	Information Tech	2	Vishwamithra Shashishekara (3)	Information Tech, Industrials, Materials, Comm Srvcs		Parag Jariwala (15)	Financials	-	Tejkiran Magesh (2) Financials
	Manoj Garg ¹ (26)	Healthcare, Materials, Cons Disc	2	Jorge Robles ⁴ (7) Cons Disc, Comm Srvcs, Energy, Utils, Materials		Trupti Agrawal (14)	Financials, Cons Disc		Vineet Narang (1)	Healthcare, Financials, Materials		Rishi Maheshwari (18)	Real Estate	7	Kshitij Bansal Consumer, Real Estate
Q	Sanjay Vaid ^{1,5} (33) CITYWIRE AAA	Trading Advisor		Krishna Sathyamoorthi ¹ Healthcare, Consumer, Industrials		Dheeresh Pathak (16)	Healthcare, Materials		Pratyush Agarwal (3)	Information Tech, Comm Srvcs		Rohit Chordia (18)	Consumer, Comm Srvcs, IT, Energy, Utils		Kritik Jain Financials
9	Ayush Abhijeet ¹ (10)	Information Tech, Cons Disc, Comm Srvcs, Real Estate			R	Shariq Merchant (10)	Consumer, Industrials, Real Estate		Divyanshu Sachdeva	Healthcare, Materials		Anand Bhavnani (10)	Financials	9	Samvit Bordia Consumer, Materials
	Arthur Kadish ¹ (15)	Consumer, Real Estate				Neeraj Parkash (5)	Cons Disc, Industrials, Energy, Utils		Yash Verma	Cons Disc, Industrials, Materials, Energy, Utils	Q	Chaitanya Kapur (4)	Trading Advisor	ģ	Rishab Kothari Cons Disc, Comm Srvcs Energy, Utils
	Lim Wen Loong ¹ (10)	Information Tech, Industrials				Anupriya Gupta (9)	ESG Advisor	-	Nikunj Sarda	Industrials, Consumer, Real Estate	Ģ	Aman Kapadia (4)	Forensics, ESG, Primary Research		
2	Nori Chiou ¹ (10)	Information Tech, Industrials			2	Dhanashree Chityala (3)	Trading Advisor					Darshak Lodhiya (2)	Financials, Cons Disc, Industrials		

¹Employees of White Oak Capital Partners Pte. ²WhiteOak Capital AMC ³White Oak Capital Management Consultants LLP (WOCM); WOCM and White Oak Capital AMC provides non-binding, non-exclusive and recommendatory investment advisory services to White Oak Capital Partners Pte. ⁴White Oak Capital Management (Spain), Sociedad Limitada ⁵The Ratings are based on the manager's three-year risk-adjusted performance across all funds the manager is managing to 30th June 2022

Investment Philosophy

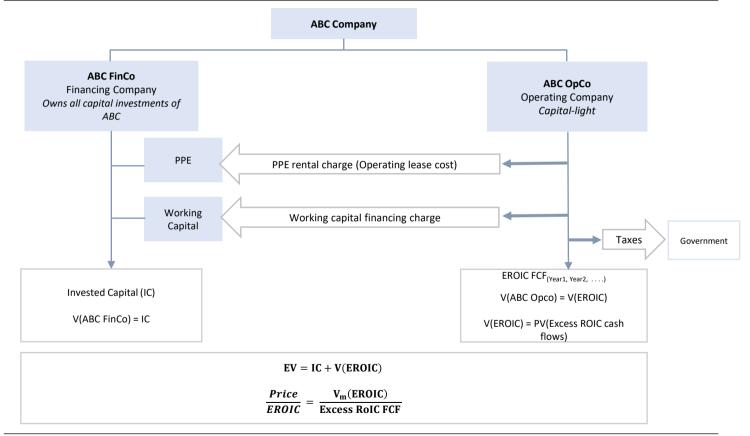


Outsized returns can be earned over time by investing in great businesses at attractive valuations





OpcoFinco[™] Framework





Investment Philosophy

Aim to avoid businesses with weaker characteristics

Poor corporate governance

Siphoning of cash or value

Manipulation of stock prices

Unethical business practices

Misaligned interests

Examples Numerous across sectors Certain commodity companies

Weak returns on incremental capital

Excessive competition in capital-intensive industry

Misallocation of capital

Empire building

Examples Conglomeration without capabilities

Substitution or obsolescence risk

Existential threat from technological developments

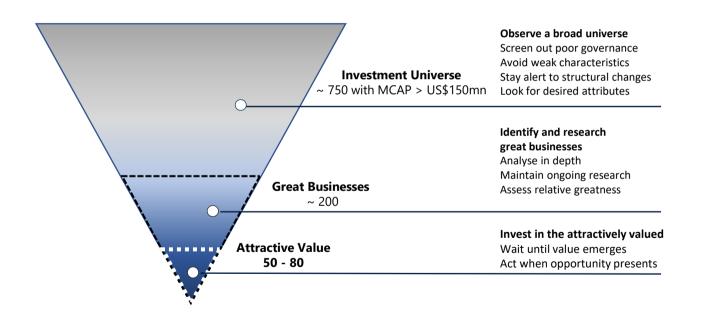
Examples Print media from online Wind energy from solar Combustion engine from electric vehicles

Beware of value traps

Investment Process



We distil from a broad investible universe



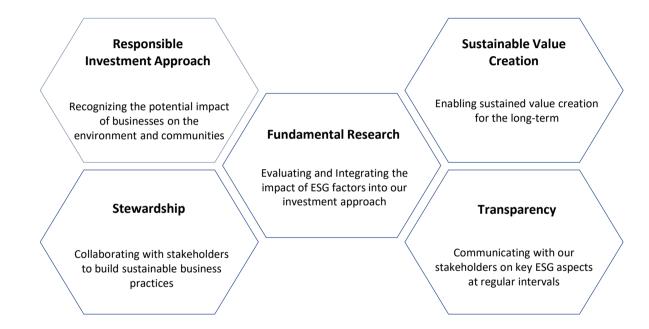


- White Oak's investment approach naturally integrates Environment, Social, and Governance ("ESG") factors in its investment decision-making process
- We value businesses that follow industry-leading environmental practices, demonstrate ethical business conduct and deals fairly with stakeholders
- Sustainable investment strategy preserves long-term shareholder and stakeholder value by balancing financial and commercial analysis with sound ESG practices serving a wider community
- Addressing ESG issues is instrumental in effective mitigation of risks, which in our opinion plays a key role in delivering superior, sustainable and long-term value
- We are committed to ESG and are signatories to The United Nations-backed Principles for Responsible Investment Initiative (PRI) since 2019

Principles guiding our ESG Framework



Principles guiding a holistic sustainability framework



Policy



Evaluating businesses on their ESG commitment and processes

Do practices reflect management's commitment towards ESG?

- Is there a well-defined policy which ensures management oversight?
- Are internal processes aligned towards driving sustainable growth?
- Are there stated policies towards environmental protection?

	What is the risk management framework?
Risk Assessment	 Underlying processes and capabilities at identifying potential risks? How well are ESG risks integrated into the overall framework? Is there an organization wide 'risk-culture'?

Strategy	 How well is ESG integrated as a core element of business strategy? How well are the ESG aspects integrated into the business strategy? Is the organization capitalizing on unique ESG opportunities? How is the management incentivized to create value in a sustainable fashion?



Environment

- Effluent treatment processes
- Efficient utilization of natural resources
- Management oversight on ٠ environmental performance
- Integration of environmental consideration in product innovation
- ٠ Focus on reducing carbon intensity
- Climate change risk assessment and mitigation

Social

- Promoting diversity and inclusion
- Health and safety ٠ management systems
- ٠ Data security and Intellectual Capital protection
- ٠ Grievance management systems
- ٠ Crisis management and emergency preparedness
- Community development through CSR activities

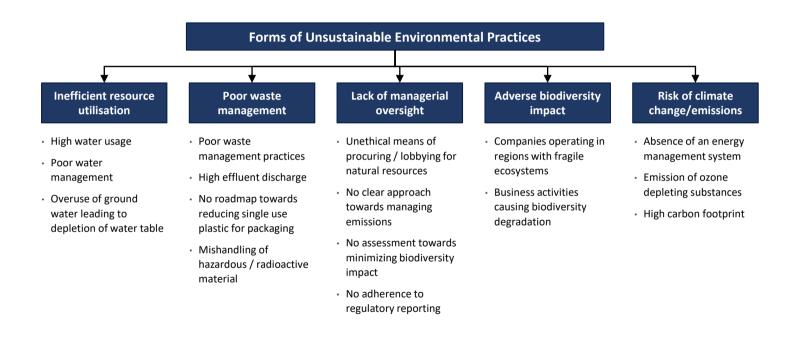
Governance

- Economic alignment of management with long term performance
- Related party transactions ٠
- Poor accounting practises
- Executive compensation
- Independence of risk management function
- Compliance management and whistleblower mechanism
- Anti-corruption and bribery and Anti-money laundering

	•	We believe that we have a responsibility towards facilitating a transition to a climate-resilient economy
Climate Change	•	We support the recommendations of TCFD and promote increased transparency
	•	We monitor businesses with a greater exposure to climate-change related risks and their progress towards a low-carbon transition
	•	We seek to encourage and promote target setting for emissions reduction and enhancement in the

the level of disclosures

We aim to avoid companies that have unsustainable environmental practices



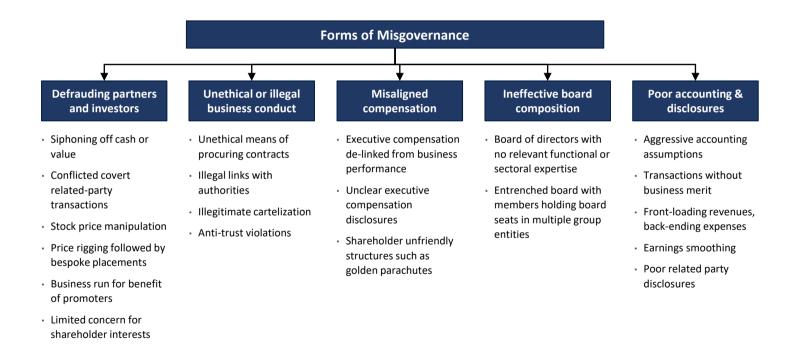


We aim to avoid companies that have unsustainable social practices

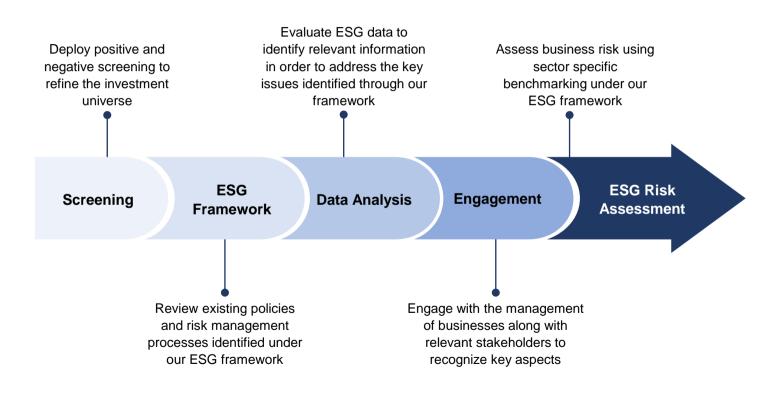




We aim to avoid misgoverned companies







Engagement for Positive Change





Summary Exclusion List



Sr No	Exclusion List for White Oak ¹
1	Production or trade in any product or activity deemed illegal under host country laws or regulations or internal conventions and agreements, or subject to international bans
2	Production or trade in tobacco
3	Production or trade in radioactive materials
4	Production or trade in unbonded asbestos fibers
5	Alcohol, Gambling, casinos and equivalent enterprises
6	Production or activities involving harmful or exploitative forms of forced labor and harmful child labor
7	Businesses where a significant source of revenue is from pornography or from products or services of a substantial similar nature
8	Production or trade in antipersonnel landmines
9	Trade in Wildlife or Wildlife products under the convention of international trade in endangered species (CITES) of Wild Fauna and Flora
10	Involuntary resettlement of people, households, firms or private institutions

¹ We apply the <u>principle of materiality</u> to determine whether the business is exposed to significant risk due to its presence in a certain sector or business activity.



- IFC Sustainability Performance Standards
- IFC Corporate Governance Development Framework
- United Nations Principles for Responsible Investments (UNPRI)
- United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UNSDG)
- UK Stewardship Code
- CDC Code of Responsible Investing
- Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD)



Sector Specific ESG areas of engagement

Sector	Areas of engagement
Financials	 Enhanced access and affordability of mainstream financing activities Integrating ESG risks in financing decisions Systems and controls for customer data privacy
Software and IT Services	 Ensuring sound governance around information security Leveraging green infrastructure to manage environmental impacts Implementation of the waste management systems to reduce environmental impact
Consumer Discretionary and Staples	 Improving water use efficiency of operations Transparency in product information, marketing and responsible selling practices Sustainable sourcing practices
Manufacturing	 Training employees and other relevant stakeholders on occupational health and safety Actively identifying the opportunities for reducing the emissions across the life-cycle of products Regularly engage with local communities to support community development
Pharmaceuticals & Chemicals	 Eliminating effluent discharge to the external environment Approach towards managing the biodiversity risks and impacts Managing labour rights and worker participation in decision making



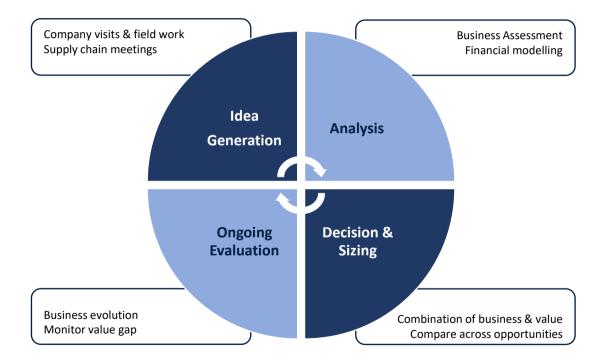
Progress on Regulatory Norms

Entity	Regulations/Incentives
Government	 Multiple programs launched for achieving UN SDG's 2030 goals
SEBI/Ministry of Corporate Affairs	Introduction of Companies Act 2013
	Adoption of Ind AS
	SEBI LODR (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) regulation changes
	Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code
	Implementation of Kotak Committee Recommendations
	 Mandatory BRSR (Business Responsibility and Sustainability Report) for top 1,000 listed entities
Regulatory Initiatives	Subsidy for establishing renewable power plants
	 Extension of FAME (Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of Hybrid and Electric vehicle) to drive EV adoption
	Various states have announced their own EV policy as well
	 Driving auto industry towards accelerated adoption of BS6 norms
	 SOX/NOX limits for running of thermal power plants
	 Mandatory use of PNG instead of coal for manufacturing of ceramics



Investment Process

We aim to adhere to a time tested analytical framework in a disciplined manner



Keep perspective of business cycles, rather than accounting years



Portfolio Construction & Risk Management

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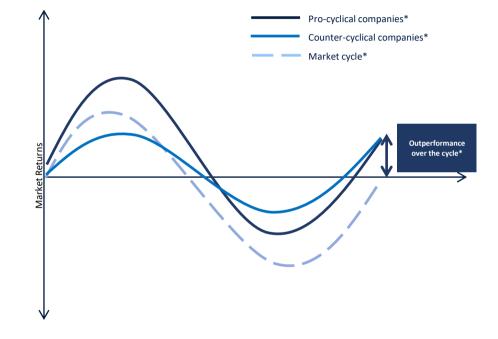
We aim to ensure performance is a result of skill rather than chance

- Balanced portfolio of select companies agnostic to benchmark
- Focus on ensuring alpha generation is a function of **stock selection**
- Aim to consciously avoid market timing or sector rotation or other such top-down bets
- Understand, monitor, and aim to contain residual factor risks that are by-product of stock selection
- Typical exposure limits

Single stock: 10% at market value

Single promoter group: 25%

Single industry: 30%



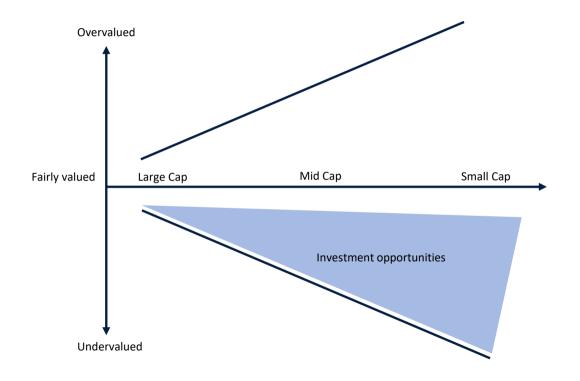
We never forget that in macro, we only have hunches: in the micro, we can develop justifiably deep conviction - Seth Klarman

*For Illustration Purpose only



Opportunity Funnel

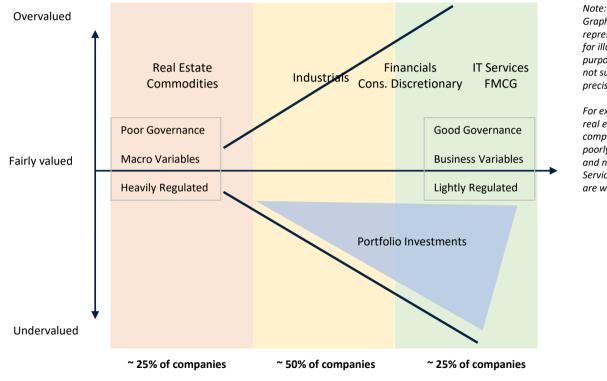
Higher inefficiencies in mid and small cap





Opportunity Funnel

No sanctity of cash flows or valuations of poorly governed companies



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.



White Oak India Pioneers Equity ESG Portfolio

Portfolio Performance



S&P BSE 250

Small cap¹

9.4%

-9.1%

10.1%

0.1%

1 September 2021 - 31 July 2022, Net of Fees in INR

	Portfolio	Benchmark % S&P BSE 500 ¹	Excess Returns (bps)	S&P BSE 100 Large cap ¹	S&P BSE 150 Mid cap ¹
July 2022	10.3%	9.8%	+56	9.7%	10.5%
YTD 2022	-8.8%	-1.0%	-783	0.2%	-3.0%
Part 2021	2.5%	3.1%	-58	2.0%	5.7%
S.I. (Cumulative)	-6.5%	2.1%	-861	2.2%	2.6%

Inception Date: 1 September 2021. ¹All indices are Net Total Return in INR. Performance is net of all fees and expenses (including taxes). Performance shown since 1 September 2021 as client monies were managed from this date. Performance related information provided herein is not verified by SEBI. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. Part 2021 : From September 1, 2021, till December 31, 2021.

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Market Cap Attribution Analysis

Attribution by Market Cap¹

Stock selection drives performance : 1 September 2021 – 31 July 2022

Large Cap Mid Cap Small Cap -4 -3 -2 -1 - 1 2 3 Total Attribution (%) Allocation Effect (%) Selection Effect (%)

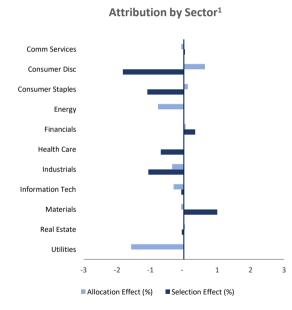
	Port	folio	Bench	Benchmark		Attribution		
	Average Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Average Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Selection Effect (%)	Allocation Effect (%)	Total Attribution (%)	
Large Cap	60.4	-1.9	78.1	3.4	-3.1	-0.2	-3.3	
Mid Cap	22.0	-17.8	14.5	-0.9	-3.7	-0.1	-3.8	
Small Cap	11.4	9.9	7.4	-4.1	1.7	-0.3	1.4	
Cash/Futures/Others	6.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	-	0.7	
Total	100.0	-2.9	100.0	2.2	-5.2	0.1	-5.1	

¹FactSet's Attribution Analysis. Performance is gross of fees, taxes and expenses. Market Cap Classification as per Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) guidelines for Mutual Funds. Performance related information provided herein is not verified by SEBI.



Sector Attribution Analysis

Stock selection drives performance : 1 September 2021 – 31 July 2022



Sector	Portfolio		Benchmark		Attribution		
	Average Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Average Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Selection Effect (%)	Allocation Effect (%)	Total Attributio n (%)
Comm Services	2.9	-0.1	2.9	-0.4	0.0	-0.1	0.0
Consumer Disc	12.4	3.1	8.3	18.4	-1.8	0.6	-1.2
Consumer Staples	10.1	-2.8	7.7	8.5	-1.1	0.1	-1.0
Energy	0.0	0.0	9.5	10.9	0.0	-0.8	-0.8
Financials	30.6	-1.4	29.5	-2.6	0.3	0.1	0.4
Health Care	4.8	-27.5	5.4	-13.5	-0.7	0.0	-0.7
Industrials	3.5	-14.7	7.3	12.3	-1.1	-0.4	-1.4
Information Tech	19.5	-10.8	13.7	-10.5	-0.1	-0.3	-0.4
Materials	9.8	5.5	10.5	-3.9	1.0	-0.1	0.9
Real Estate	0.3	15.6	0.9	12.4	-0.1	0.0	0.0
Utilities	0.0	0.0	4.3	49.1	0.0	-1.6	-1.6
Cash/Futures/Others	6.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	-	0.7
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Portfolio Performance

Top 10 contributors and detractors for 1 September 2021 – 31 July 2022

Top 10 Contributors	Ending Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Contribution to Alpha (bps)
Fine Organic Industries	1.4	+90.3	+161
Titan Company	5.6	+21.7	+67
Cholamandalam Inv	4.1	+23.5	+61
ICICI Bank	9.9	+13.7	+50
Persistent Systems	2.6	+9.9	+38
Campus Activewear	2.8	+16.3	+31
Saregama India	1.8	+28.2	+25
Abbott India	2.9	-0.1	+17
Vedant Fashions	1.9	+18.9	+14
Go Fashion	0.8	+16.2	+8

Top 10 Detractors	Ending Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Contribution to Alpha (bps)
Indigo Paints	1.4	-46.0	-118
Computer Age Management	1.2	-37.2	-70
Dr. Lal PathLabs	0.9	-44.7	-62
Coforge	1.5	-22.8	-56
Metropolis Healthcare	0.6	-45.3	-49
Crompton Greaves Cons	0.0	-33.7	-49
Astral	3.0	-13.1	-47
FSN E-Commerce Ventures	0.6	-36.7	-35
HDFC Life Insurance	2.6	-22.5	-34
Mphasis	1.2	-15.3	-32

Top 20 Portfolio Holdings



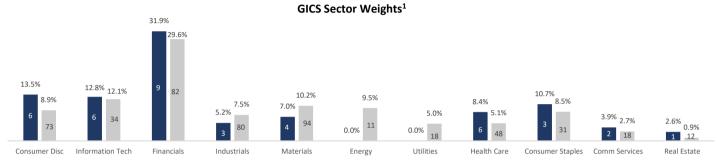
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Holding Name	Ending Weight (%)	Holding Name	Ending Weight (%)
ICICI Bank	9.9	Hindustan Unilever	2.9
HDFC Bank	9.0	Campus Activewear	2.8
Nestle India	6.5	Cipla	2.7
Titan Company	5.6	HDFC Life Insurance Company	2.6
Infosys	5.3	Persistent Systems	2.6
Cholamandalam Inv	4.1	Info Edge India	2.1
Asian Paints	3.3	Phoenix Mills	2.1
Bajaj Finance	3.2	Dixon Technologies	2.0
Astral	3.0	Vedant Fashions	1.9
Abbott India	2.9	Saregama India	1.8
Total			76.3



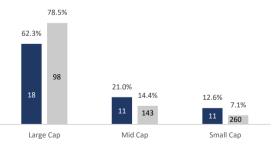
Portfolio Composition

As at 31 July 2022



■ Portfolio ■ S&P BSE 500

Market Cap Weights^{1,2}





¹The number inside the bars denote the number of companies in each classification. ETF's and Index futures have been included in large cap. ² Market Cap Classification as per Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) guidelines. ³White Oak Research, Bloomberg.



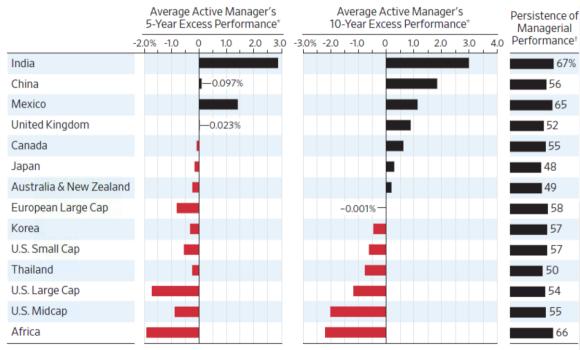
Investment Approach	White Oak India Pioneers Equity ESG Portfolio				
Structure	Discretionary Portfolio Management Services				
Portfolio Manager	White Oak Capital Management Consultants LLP				
Investment Objective	The objective of the strategy is to achieve long term capital ap The investment strategy is long only with a bottom-up stor outsized returns are earned over time by investing in great business, we seek to determine the long-term sustainability execution capability of the management, and the organization's Since sustainability of returns and corporate governance forr investment approach integrates Environment, Social, and C selection of any security in the portfolio. Focus would be on practices and those that demonstrate ethical business conduct	ck selection approach. The investment philosophy is, that businesses at attractive values. To assess the quality of a of return on capital, potential scalability of the business, s corporate governance culture. m an important element of our investment philosophy, the Governance ("ESG") factors in decision-making process in businesses with industry-leading environmental compliance			
Minimum Investment	INR 50 lakhs				
Investment Amount &	< INR 10 cr	> INR 10 cr			
Management Fees	2.50% per annum	2.00% 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 & HDFC Bank Limited				



Investment Case for Indian Equities



Alpha Opportunity – Most Compelling Reason to Invest



*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.

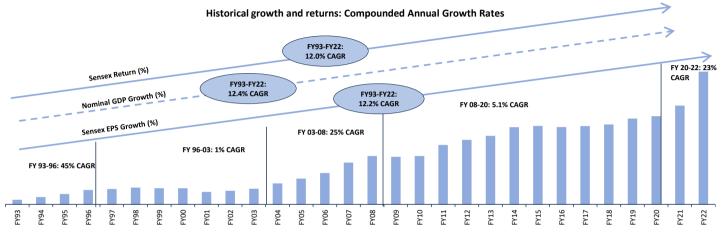


Economic evolution 2020 US\$2.9tn: 6 th largest 2030est. US\$6tn: 3 rd largest	 Once in an era transformation Multi-generational opportunity
Strong domestically driven growth Consumption = 58% of GDP	 Key driver for global growth over coming years Attractive demographics, domestic consumption and investment
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

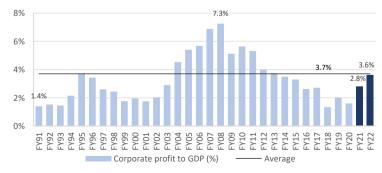
Source: White Oak; 2030 estimates from CEBR (The Centre for Economics and Business Research), * As per Polity Database



Corporate Earnings



Corporate Profits as a Percentage of GDP



Average Return on Equity from 2000-2020

India	17.3%
Asia Pacific ex-Japan	12.4%
Emerging Markets	13.0%
World	11.1%

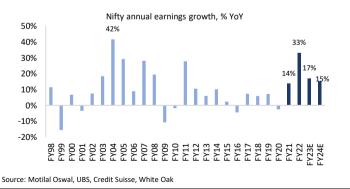
Source: Motilal Oswal Institutional Research, Spark, Bloomberg, White Oak Research.



Healthy trend in earnings trajectory



FY22 earnings growth the best since FY04

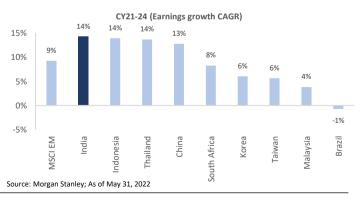


Earnings surprises continue albeit at a slower pace

Beats to misses ratio - Nifty

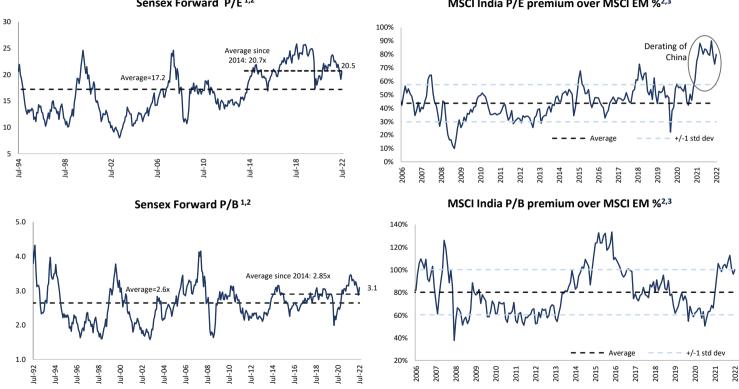


India's earnings growth relatively more stable



Valuation History





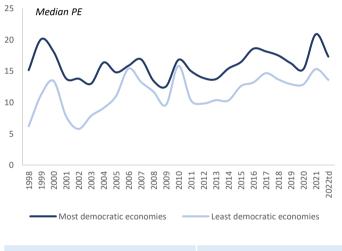
Sensex Forward P/E^{1,2}

MSCI India P/E premium over MSCI EM %^{2,3}

Source: Bloomberg, Motilal Oswal Institutional Research, UBS. ¹Data as of July 2022. ²Sensex 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. ³The MSCI India Index is designed to measure the performance of the large and mid cap segments of the Indian market.





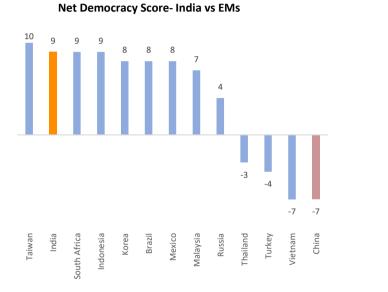


Sample list of countries that are most democratic (Net Democracy score >= 8)	India, Taiwan, Indonesia, South Africa, Poland, Brazil, Chile
Sample list of least democratic economies (Net Democracy score < 5)	China, Egypt, Ukraine, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Turkey

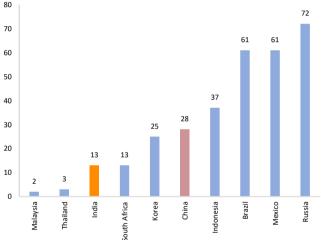
PE differential among EM universe – SOE vs non SOE



Source: Polity Project Database, Factset, 2022 td data updated till June 2022



Minority Investor Protection Rank - India vs EMs



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

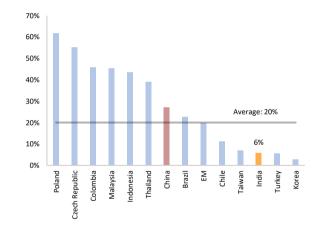
.* Net Democracy Score = Polity score obtained by deducting autocracy score from democracy score. In the Polity database, countries are rated between -10 (full autocracy) to +10 (full democracy).



MSCI Country IMI Index

% weight	India	China	South Africa	Brazil	Russia	Korea	Taiwan
Comm. Services	3.3	17.6	8.6	1.8	7.8	7.7	2.7
Cons. Disc.	10.1	30.3	17.7	5.6	0.7	10.0	3.3
Cons. Staples	7.9	5.8	9.5	9.3	3.1	3.8	2.1
Energy	10.9	2.2	1.7	15.8	49.6	1.6	0.3
Financials	21.9	15.1	30.9	22.0	18.9	8.8	13.5
Health Care	5.8	6.3	2.2	3.3	0.2	7.2	0.8
Industrials	7.6	5.8	2.5	8.3	0.6	11.6	5.0
Technology	15.2	6.1	0.2	1.2	0.1	40.2	64.1
Materials	10.8	3.7	22.5	21.5	17.6	8.4	7.5
Real Estate	1.3	4.4	4.1	1.2	0.2	0.3	0.6
Utilities	5.3	2.7		10.0	1.2	0.6	
HHI*	222	312	380	754	941	1,066	1,256

State-Owned Enterprise weights in Emerging markets

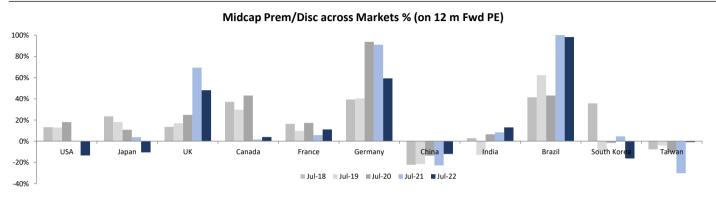


Source: Factset, White Oak, Data as of June 2022, except for Russia which is as of Dec 2021

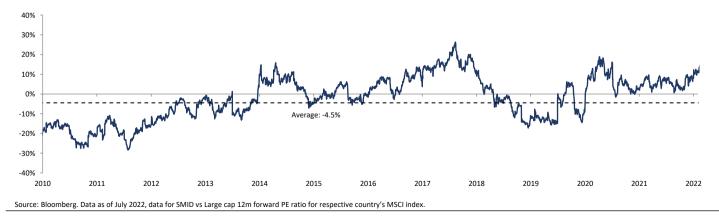
* Herfindahl–Hirschman Index (HHI) as calculated by Factset provides numerical measure of the portfolio concentration of an aggregate. This is measured by summing the squared weights of the constituents. Weights of securities that have the same parent equity are consolidated for this metric.



Mid-Cap Multiples Premium/Discount

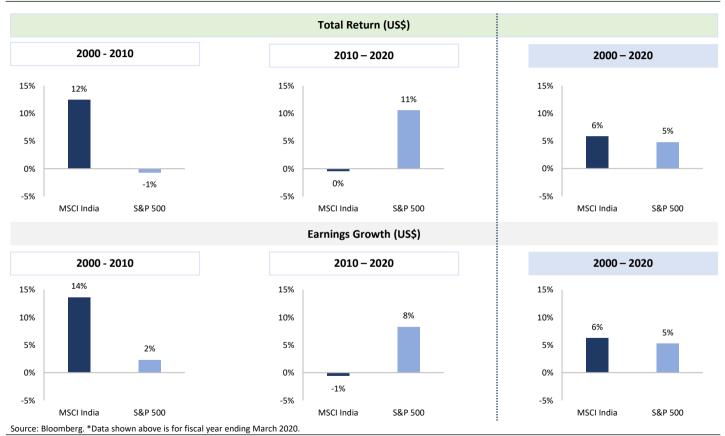


India's historical Mid Cap vs Large Cap stocks premium % (on 12 m Fwd PE)





A tale of two decades – India vs US





Macro - Environment

Macroeconomic Indicators are supportive



9.2

6.9

FY22RE FY23BE

Assumes crude oil

for FY23

2015 2017 2019 2021

price of US\$100/bbl

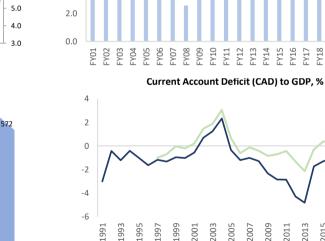
FY21

FY18 FY19 FY20 6.4



Forex reserves (US\$bn)

Inflation and Interest Rates



Fiscal Deficit

Current Account Deficit as a % of GDP

Current Account Deficit (ex Gold Imports) as a % of GDP

Source: Bloomberg, Reserve Bank of India. * FY23 budgeted estimate as per FY23 Union Budget announcement, Updated through July 2022; FY refers to Fiscal year (ending March) CY refers to calendar year (ending Dec).

2018

2017

2019 2020 2021 2022 10.0

8.0

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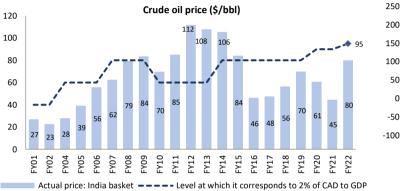
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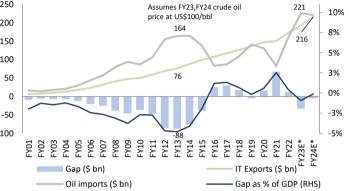


Evolving dynamics of external sector



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



Equity Market Inflows



Domestic Savings in Equities (%)

3.6

2.2

3.1

Equity investments as % of household savings

2.3

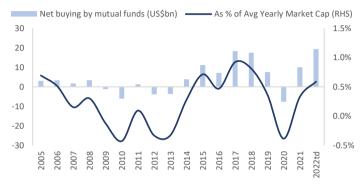
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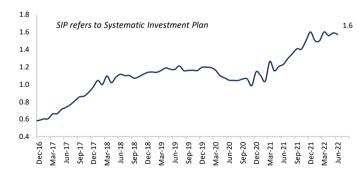
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Foreign Institutional Investors (FII) Flows (US\$ billion)

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).

3.5 3.6

4.1

FY21

2.6

4.2

FY08 FY09 FY10 FY11 FY13 FY13 FY13 FY15 FY15 FY15 FY15 FY17 FY19 FY19

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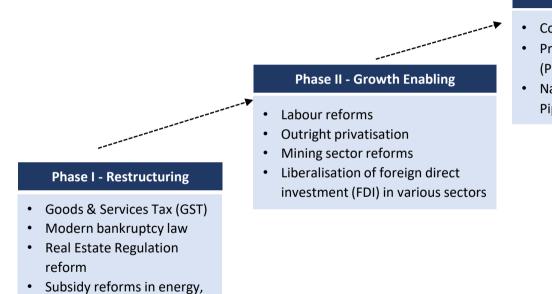
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FY04 FY05 FY06

Reforms progressing in the right direction...





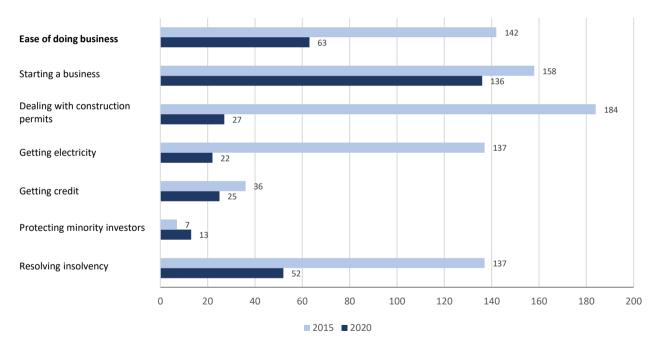
Phase III - Growth Enhancing

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

Source: White Oak Research

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

Source: World Bank (Doing Business report 2020), White Oak Research as of end February 2021.



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/approva	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

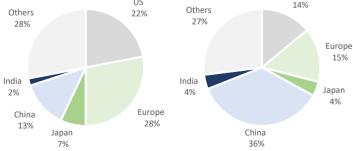


Expected 5Y CAGR of specialty chemicals

Advantage India

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

Source: UBS. Ministry of Commerce, CMIE, White Oak





	India			United States		
	2000	2022	Delta	2000	2022	Delta
Economy						
Nominal GDP (US\$ billion) ¹	477	3,535	7.4x	10,251	25,347	2.5x
Per Capita GDP (US\$) ¹	451	2,515	5.8x	36,313	76,027	2.1x
Corporate Earnings per share (US\$) ²	7.3	33.1	4.5x	56.2	210.1	3.8x
Equity Market Index (US\$) ²	115	731	6.4x	1,469	3,786	2.6x
Market Cap (US\$ billion) ³	184	3,015	16.4x	15,226	41,379	2.7x

Major macroeconomic and geopolitical setbacks

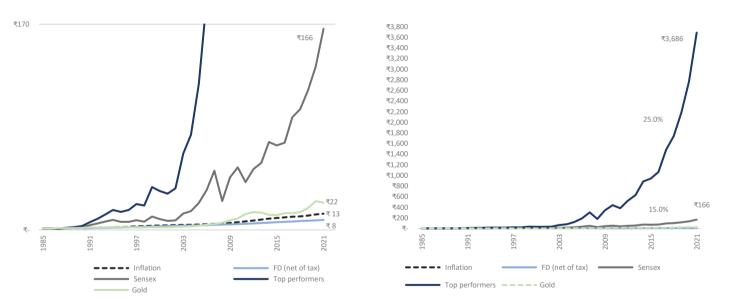
- 2000: coming out of Kargil war (1999) with Pakistan
- Terrorist attack on Parliament 2001, Mumbai train attacks in 2006, attacks on Mumbai Hotels in 2008
- 2008: Global Financial Crisis
- Oil Price volatility from US\$25 per bbl to over US\$145
- 2010 2014: Telecom spectrum (2G) scam; Commonwealth 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. ¹ CY 2022 estimates as per IMF ²MSCI India (MXIN Index), S&P 500 (SPX index). ³WCAUINDI Index, WCAUUS Index.



Guaranteed Real Loss vs Compounding Gains

Fixed deposit vs Equities



Equity returns since 1985

Source: Bloomberg



Near term risks

- Uncertainty related to evolving global geo-political situation
- Sharp reversal in global markets
- Sharp spike in oil prices

Other commonly held concerns

- Weak infrastructure
- Geo-political tensions with neighbours
- Social unrest due to wealth disparity or caste system

¹Note that these are not all the risks to the investment case but only a high level summary of certain key risks.

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



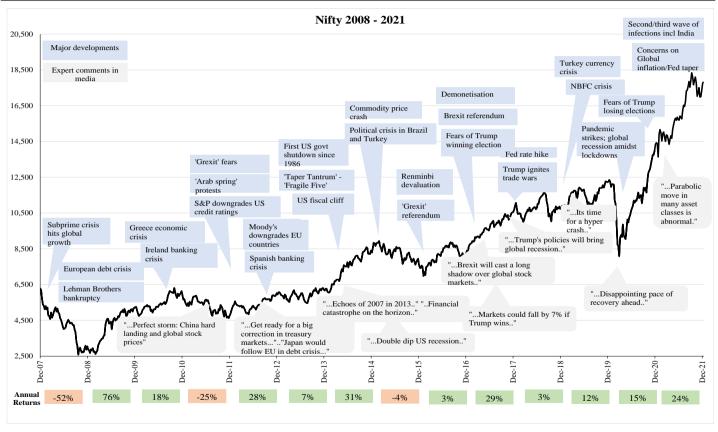
The value of the market at any time is present value of aggregate perpetual future cash flows The market is fairy valued at all times

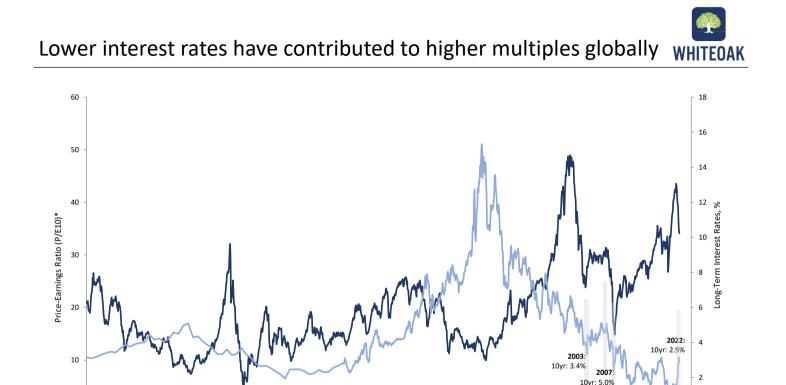
Relevance of Macro

- 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

Nifty 2008 - 2021







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

1980

US 10 year yield (RHS)

1960

*Price/ (average earnings over 10 years) or Cyclically adjusted PE (CAPE), adapted from Robert Shiller (Yale University, http://www.econ.yale.edu/~shiller/data.htm)

Price/ E10 Ratio*

1940

1920

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1900

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2020

2008: 10yr: 2.0%

2000



Appendix



Portfolio Performance - India Acorn Fund Limited*

01 September 2017 - 31 July 2022, Net of Fees in INR

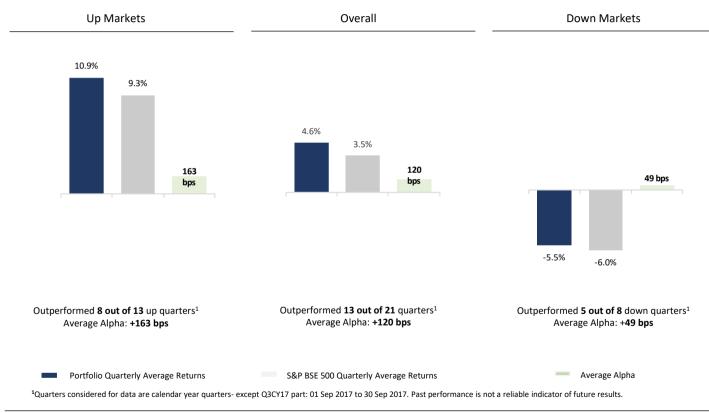
	Fund	Benchmark % S&P BSE 500 ¹	Excess Returns (bps)	S&P BSE 100 Large cap ¹	S&P BSE 150 Mid cap ¹
July 2022	8.0%	9.8%	-179	9.7%	10.5%
YTD 2022	-12.5%	-1.0%	-1151	0.2%	-3.0%
2021	37.8%	31.6%	+615	26.9%	48.6%
2020	38.9%	18.4%	+2049	16.6%	26.3%
2019	13.4%	9.0%	+444	11.8%	0.9%
2018	1.3%	-1.8%	+310	3.0%	-13.0%
Partial 2017	20.6%	9.2%	+1140	7.0%	16.7%
S.I. (Annualised) ²	18.7%	12.8%	+594	13.0%	13.5%
S.I. (Cumulative) ²	132.1%	80.4%	+5174	82.5%	86.6%

India Acorn Fund (Cayman): 01 Sept 2017. ¹All indices are Net Total Return. ²The NAV for 31 July 2022 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 Management acts as an investment advisor to India Acorn Fund Limited. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

Average Quarterly Performance in Different Market Environments



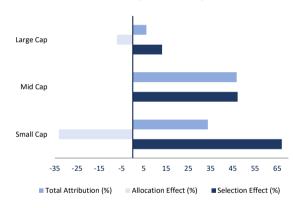
01 September 2017 – 31 July 2022, for Founder class shares





Market Cap Attribution Analysis - India Acorn Fund Limited*

Stock selection drives performance : 01 September 2017 – 31 July 2022



	Fu	nd	Benchmark		Attribution		
	Average Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Average Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Selection Effect (%)	Allocation Effect (%)	Total Attribution (%)
Large Cap	44.3	144.1	79.4	93.1	13.2	-7.1	6.1
Mid Cap	23.2	260.3	13.7	61.6	47.2	-0.5	46.7
Small Cap	27.6	207.9	6.9	8.4	67.0	-33.2	33.8
Cash/Futures/ Others	4.9	2.2	0.0	0.0	-	-	-6.6
Total	100.0	160.5	100.0	80.5	127.4	-47.4	80.0

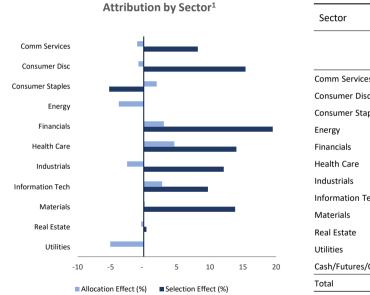
Attribution by Market Cap¹

¹FactSet's Attribution Analysis. Performance is gross of fees, taxes and expenses. Market Cap Classification as per Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) guidelines.^{*} White Oak Capital Management acts as an investment advisor to India Acorn Fund Limited.



Sector Attribution Analysis - India Acorn Fund Limited*

Stock selection drives performance : 01 September 2017 – 31 July 2022



Sector	Fu	nd	Bench	ımark	Attribution		ı
	Average Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Average Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Selection Effect (%)	Allocation Effect (%)	Total Attribution (%)
Comm Services	3.1	158.8	2.7	16.6	8.2	-1.0	7.2
Consumer Disc	15.7	154.8	9.4	46.8	15.4	-0.8	14.6
Consumer Staples	8.1	40.6	9.1	74.6	-5.2	1.9	-3.3
Energy	0.0	0.0	9.5	116.6	0.0	-3.8	-3.8
Financials	27.1	112.6	31.5	48.1	19.5	3.0	22.5
Health Care	8.8	275.2	5.3	86.0	14.0	4.6	18.6
Industrials	7.4	204.2	7.2	75.0	12.1	-2.5	9.6
Information Tech	14.3	328.3	11.7	210.8	9.7	2.8	12.5
Materials	9.9	306.1	9.6	95.4	13.8	0.2	14.0
Real Estate	0.6	41.7	0.6	74.4	0.4	-0.4	0.0
Utilities	0.0	0.0	3.3	176.8	0.0	-5.1	-5.1
Cash/Futures/Others	5.1	-0.6	0.0	0.0	-	-	-6.8
Total	100.0	160.5	100.0	80.5	87.8	-7.8	80.0

¹FactSet's Attribution Analysis: GICS Classification. Performance is gross of fees, taxes and expenses. * White Oak Capital Management acts as an investment advisor to India Acorn Fund Limited.



Portfolio Performance - India Acorn Fund Limited*

Top 10 contributors and detractors for 01 September 2017 – 31 July 2022

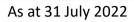
Top 10 Contributors	Ending Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Contribution to Alpha (bps)
Larsen & Toubro Infotech	0.0	+395.9	+760
Info Edge India	0.4	+327.4	+684
Navin Fluorine International	1.8	+692.5	+566
IPCA Laboratories	0.0	+269.6	+507
V I P Industries	0.0	+15.3	+496
KEI Industries	0.0	+35.6	+479
L&T Technology Services	0.7	+324.3	+457
Dixon Technologies	1.6	+480.7	+435
Balkrishna Industries	0.0	+6.7	+402
Intellect Design Arena	0.8	+300.5	+382

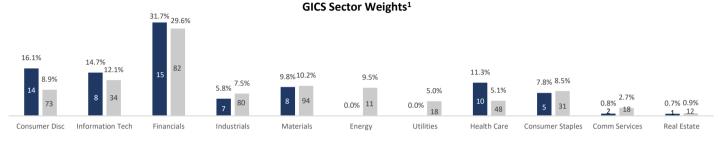
Top 10 Detractors	Ending Weight (%)	Total Return (%)	Contribution to Alpha (bps)
Dishman Carbogen Amcis	0.0	-65.1	-281
Bharti Airtel	0.0	-12.9	-257
Karur Vysya Bank	0.0	-20.4	-224
Camlin Fine Sciences	0.0	-57.3	-212
Godrej Industries	0.0	-33.3	-135
CarTrade Tech	1.3	-49.3	-133
Heritage Foods	0.0	-22.1	-131
Indigo Paints	0.0	-31.1	-117
Infosys	5.3	+78.8	-116
Maruti Suzuki India	2.7	+3.6	-111

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Portfolio Composition - India Acorn Fund Limited*





■ Portfolio ■ S&P BSE 500



Key characteristics³ Portfolio Sensex Number of Holdings 70 30 Weighted Avg Market Cap US \$86.9 bn US \$23.0 bn FY22 ROE 18.8% 11.0% FY23 OpcoFinco[™] P/FCF 35.8x 40.4x FY24 OpcoFinco[™] P/FCF 28.6x 32.0x FY23 P/E 24 8x 21.9x FY24 P/E 20.6x 18.9x Projected Revenue 3 year cagr 16.1% 11.7% Projected Earnings 3 year cagr 18.2% 16.6%

¹The number inside the bars denote the number of companies in each classification. ETF's and Index futures have been included in large cap. ²Market Cap Classification as per Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) guidelines. ³White Oak Research, Bloomberg. *The official benchmark for India Acorn Fund is S&P BSE 500, however, MSCI India IMI is shown for illustrative purposes. White Oak Capital Management acts as an investment advisor to India Acorn Fund Limited.

Market Cap Weights^{1,2}



Assets Under Management or Advisory: US\$ 5.4 bn

DOMESTIC ASSETS (~ INR 11,814 crs)			INTERNATIONAL ASSETS (~ INR 30,927 crs)			
Name of Portfolio	Portfolio Management Services (PMS)	White Oak India Equity Fund (II, Select, IV & V)	India Acorn Fund	Ashoka India Equity Investment Trust PLC	Ashoka India Opportunities Fund (UCITS & ESG)	Institutional Mandates
Details	Separately managed individual accounts	A closed-end onshore fund domiciled in India as a Category III Alternative Investment Fund (AIF)	An open-ended offshore fund domiciled in Mauritius as a Collective Investment Scheme	Closed-end Investment Company (Listed on LSE)	An open-ended ICAV fund domiciled in Ireland as a Collective Investment Scheme	Separately Managed Accounts
Launch date	Various	March 2019 May 2020 and April 2021	September 2017	July 2018	December 2018	Various
AUM ¹	\$1,092 m	\$395 m	\$256 m	\$254 m	\$1,282 m	\$2,101 m
Market Cap Composition	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	Various
Core client base	Onshore Indian family offices & HNIs	Onshore Indian family offices & HNIs	US/Europe/Asia institutions, family offices and HNIs	UK HNIs & family offices	European private banks & family offices	Institutions, family offices

Profiles of Research Professionals

Prashant Khemka, CFA

Founder, White Oak Group

Prashant founded White Oak Capital Management in June 2017. Prior to this he was the CIO and lead portfolio manager of GS India Equity at Goldman Sachs Asset Management (GSAM) during March 2007 to March 2017, and also for the Global Emerging Markets (GEM) Equity during June 2013 to March 2017. As lead PM, he managed all mutual funds and separate accounts under these strategies. Prashant started his professional investing career in 1998 at SSGA in Boston as senior portfolio officer of Enhanced International equity in the quant group. He started his career at GSAM in 2000 as a research analyst in US Growth Equity, and by 2004 he rose to become Senior Portfolio Manager and Co-Chair of the Investment Committee Prashant returned to Mumbai in 2006 to start GSAM India business and served as the CIO and CEO/Co-CEO of their domestic Asset Management Company. In 2013, in addition to India he was also made the CIO and lead PM of GEM equity. He won several accolades as the CIO and Lead PM of GS India Equity. He and his fund won several awards including AAA rating from Citywire and Elite rating from Fund calibre among others. Prashant graduated with honors from Mumbai University with a BE in Mechanical Engineering and earned an MBA in Finance from Vanderbilt University, where he received the Matt Wigginton Leadership Award for outstanding performance in Finance. He was awarded the CFA designation in 2001 and is a fellow of the Ananta Aspen Centre, India.

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Manoj is responsible for Pharma, Auto and Chemicals sectors. He has 26 years of relevant experience and has been in White Oak since 2017. He has a strong track record in equity research in healthcare and pharmaceuticals over the last 11 years working as lead analyst at leading brokerage houses in India. Prior to joining White Oak, he was with Merrill Lynch where he was highest voted analyst by external as well as internal clients. He ranked #1 / #2 in the All Asia Institutional Survey 2015/2016 in the Healthcare category. He began his career in the pharmaceutical industry working with companies like Cipla and Ipca for 10 years. He graduated as Gold medallist from Nagpur University with an MBA in Finance.

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Ramesh is responsible for Technology, Building Materials, Industrials and Metals sectors. He has 19 years of experience in investing and financial analysis across sectors and joined White Oak in 2017. Ramesh had founded Ashoka Capital Advisers that advised a fund and family offices on equity investment in South Asia. Earlier, he was part of the two member team which invested in South Asia in equity and debt for Alden Global Capital, a US based hedge fund for over 7 years. Prior to this he was an analyst at CRISIL (majority owned by Standard and Poor's), India's leading rating agency and covered the financial sector. Ramesh is a CFA charter holder, MBA from Faculty of Management Studies, Delhi and passed the Chartered Accountancy course.

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Profiles of Research Professionals



Rishi Maheshwari

Rishi is responsible for covering the Real Estate sector. He joined White Oak in 2018 and has 18 years of private equity and investment banking experience gained in the US, India and Middle East. Prior to his current role, he served as a Managing Director of The Abraaj Group's deal execution team in South Asia. His responsibilities included investment strategy development, local relationship management (including regulators), deal sourcing & execution and portfolio monitoring (including board participation). Prior to joining Abraaj, he worked in the Investment Banking division at Goldman Sachs in New York & Chicago before moving to India as a part of Goldman's start-up team. At Goldman Sachs, he was a part of the Industrials Group and was involved in 10+ transactions, including sell-side and buyside M&A's, bank & bond financings and equity offerings. Additionally, he assisted the Executive Office in various capacities regarding India operations.

Rishi holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Finance from the Indiana University, Bloomington.

Rohit Chordia

Rohit covers the Consumer, Telecom, Energy and Utilities sectors. He has over 18 years of total experience with over 14 years in the investment industry having covered the Indian Telecom, Consumers and IT services sectors as a sell-side analyst at Kotak Institutional Equities. He joined White Oak in 2020. Rohit was consistently ranked amongst the top analysts in both his lead coverage sectors in polls conducted by Institutional Investor and Asia Money. Prior to his sell-side stint, Rohit spent a couple of years working with Ameriprise Financial as a financial analyst on areas like competitive intelligence and cost reengineering.

Rohit holds a Post Graduate Diploma in Management from IIM Calcutta and a B.E. (Honours) degree from BITS, Pilani.

Ayush Abhijeet

Ayush is responsible for covering the Technology, Consumer discretionary and Metals sectors. He has over 10 years of experience in investment management and trading of structured products and complex derivatives. He joined White Oak in 2017. Prior to joining White Oak Capital Ayush worked as an Investment Analyst at Avendus Capital in Indian public equities. Before starting a career in Investment Management he had stints with Deutsche Bank and Credit Suisse in macro structuring and trading in Mumbai. He also had a short stint with UBS Investment Bank's FICC trading desk in Singapore. He holds a B.Tech from IIT Delhi and a PGDM from IIM Ahmedabad.

Trupti Agrawal

Trupti is responsible for Retail and Building Materials sectors. She has 14 years of total work experience and joined White Oak in 2017. She has also been an entrepreneur and has run her own ecommerce venture prior to joining White Oak Capital. She started her career as a statutory auditor with Ernst & Young's affiliate in India, S. R. Batliboi & Co. She later joined the credit team at L&T Infrastructure Finance Limited where she was responsible for evaluating credit for large projects and corporate finance deals across Infrastructure, Resources and Capital goods.

Trupti is a Chartered Accountant and a graduate of commerce from Osmania University.

Anand Bhavnani, CFA | FRM

Anand is responsible for covering the Financial Services sector. He has more than 10 years of experience across Equity Research, Fund Management and Derivatives. He joined White Oak in 2021. Before joining White Oak, at Unifi Capital he assisted the CIO in managing Blend & Deep Value Discount (DVD) funds and tracked Chemicals, Pharma and select midcaps across sectors. Prior to Unifi Capital, he worked with Sameeksha Capital and had a short stint with Citi Global Markets in London. He started his career in financial markets as a Derivatives trader with Futures First. Anand has done M Sc. in Financial Economics from University of Oxford and graduated with distinction from Nirma Institute of Technology in Electronics & Communication engineering.



Neeraj Parkash

Neeraj is responsible for Industrials, Energy and Utilities sectors. He has five years of experience in equity research on the buy side and joined White Oak in 2021. Prior to joining White Oak, he worked as an investment analyst at Nepean Capital, an India focused mid and small-cap fund, where he covered a wide range of sectors including healthcare, chemicals, consumer, and financial services. Prior to Nepean Capital, he was an equity research analyst at Lazard Asset Management, in New York, covering the healthcare sector within US Equities. Neeraj has a Bachelor of Arts in Economics and Psychology from Cornell University, New York.

Aman Kapadia

Aman is responsible for Forensic accounting, ESG and Primary research. He has over four years of experience and joined White Oak in 2020. Prior to joining White Oak Capital, Aman has worked as an Investigative Journalist with BloombergQuint where he was responsible for research and reportage of corporate governance issues. Prior to that, Aman worked as an Internal Auditor with Sharp & Tannan Associates for a total of 3 years as an articled assistant and later as employee. Aman is a Chartered Accountant and a graduate of commerce from Veer Narmad South Gujarat University.

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.

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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.

Wise Words that Reflect Our Thinking



- Investing is a marathon not a sprint Anonymous
- To time the market is not merely difficult, its impossible White Oak Borrowed from "Don ko pakadna mushkil hi nahin, namumkin hai "- Bollywood movie Don, 1978
- Investor returns are a function of time in the market rather than timing the market Anonymous
- We never forget that in macro, we only have hunches: in the micro, we can develop justifiably deep conviction *Seth Klarman, 2017*
- Don't miss the forest for the trees John Heywood, 1546
- Don't miss the trees for the forest Anonymous
- He that lieth down with dogs shall rise up with fleas Benjamin Franklin, 1739
- Stay hungry. Stay foolish Whole Earth Catalog, 1971
- Far more money has been lost by investors preparing for corrections, or trying to anticipate corrections, than has been lost in corrections themselves – *Peter Lynch*
- Absent a lot of surprises, stocks are relatively predictable over twenty years. As to whether they're going to be higher or lower in two to three years, you might as well flip a coin to decide.— Peter Lynch
- It is unwise to be too sure of one's own wisdom Mahatma Gandhi



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