



HSBC Small Cap Fund (HSCF)

Small Cap Pearls

Emerging businesses with an opportunity to generate higher Alpha

Small Cap Companies 251st company and beyond # Niche and emerging businesses High growth potential Relatively volatile and less liquid Relatively research arbitrage Potential multi baggers

Mid Cap Companies

- 101st to 250th stocks#
- Emerging businesses
- Potential Large caps of tomorrow
- High growth potential
- Moderately liquid

Large Cap Companies

- Top 100 stocks#
- Evolved businesses with track record
- Dominant big players
- Highly liquid in markets

Small Cap advantage: Emerging businesses with growth potential

The asset allocation and investment strategy will be as per the strategy features. #Large-caps are represented by the top 100 stocks on full market capitalisation basis & Mid caps are represented by the next 150 stocks based on full market capitalisation and Small Cap stocks beyond 250th stock based on full market capitalisation basis as per AMFI list.



Small Cap Universe

Higher breadth of opportunities – Potential for alpha generation

Market Cap Segment	Number of companies	Market Cap Range	% of total market cap	
Large Cap	1 st - 100 th	Rs. 84325 cr & above	64%	Large Caps – \
				1st 100 companies
Mid Cap	150 th – 250 th	Rs. 27564 cr to Rs. 82453 cr	18%	
				Mid Caps
Small Cap	251 st onwards	Below Rs. 27480 cr	18%	Next 150 companies

Small Caps 4800 companies approx

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Small Caps – Under Researched

More analyst coverage, increasing size leading to potential rerating

- Typically size and market cap of company is directly proportional to analyst coverage
- Institutional holding generally comes with increase in size
- More institutional holding generally leads to higher research
- Better disclosure levels are
 - Regulatory requirements
 - New normal as companies want to showcase their business capabilities

Index	Average Analyst Coverage
Nifty 50 Index	35
Nifty Midcap 100 Index	20
Nifty Smallcap 100 Index	10



How we define 'Emerging Businesses'?

Smaller size
Early development stage

Potential to grow revenues and profits at a higher rate relative to mature companies

Hands-on approach by management

More involved

Typically fall into one of the following categories

- Evolving industries
- Smaller players in a large industry catering to niche segments
- Smaller players looking to capture unorganized market in a large industry



Small & Mid cap space offers opportunities across diverse sectors

Industry	Large Caps	Mid Caps	Small Caps
Financial Services	33%	18%	21%
IT Services	14%	7%	5%
Construction	6%	3%	6%
Consumer Durables	3%	4%	6%
Capital Goods	0%	16%	14%
Chemicals	0%	6%	6%
Realty	0%	4%	2%
Consumer Services	0%	4%	3%

Invest across market caps and segments to explore breadth of businesses

Source: Nifty Index factsheets; Percentage weights represent the weights of the sectors in the specific Index. Large Caps is represented by Nifty 50 Index; Mid Caps by Nifty Midcap 150 Index and Small Caps by Nifty Small Cap 250 Index, The sector(s)/stock(s)/issuer(s) mentioned in this document do not constitute any research report nor it should be considered as an investment research, investment recommendation or advice to any reader of this content to buy or sell any stocks / investments. Past performance may or may not be sustained in future and is not a guarantee of any future returns. Latest available data as on 31 August 2024.



Reflection of a developing economy – New sectors in the listed space

Diverse and niche set of companies have come with IPOs recently indicating breadth of market, especially in mid and small caps

Courier services Premium watch retail player Pediatric hospital chain

Distributor of healthcare products

Airport management services

Auto dealers

Air drone manufacturer

School & office stationery brand

Insurance third-party administrator

Luxury furniture manufacturer and retailer

Citizen-centric and population scale e-governance solutions

Online travel agency

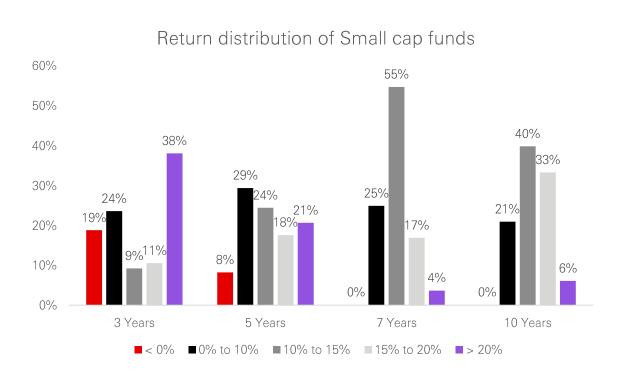
Business expense management platform

ODM of room air-conditioners



Why Small Cap stocks?

Potential alpha generators



Large under owned universe of small cap stocks

Small Cap stock features



Multi-baggers of tomorrow



Potential access to growth opportunity



Under-researched and under-owned



Opportunities to spot pricing anomalies



Diversity and alpha potential

Small Cap stocks may offer more probability of delivering high alpha

Source: NSE, CRISIL, Data as on 31 August 2024, Small Cap Funds are represented by Nifty Smallcap 250 TRI index, Return distribution is based on a daily rolling returns of period between: 1 January 2005 – 31 August 2024, Past performance may or may not be sustained in the future and is not indicative of future results.

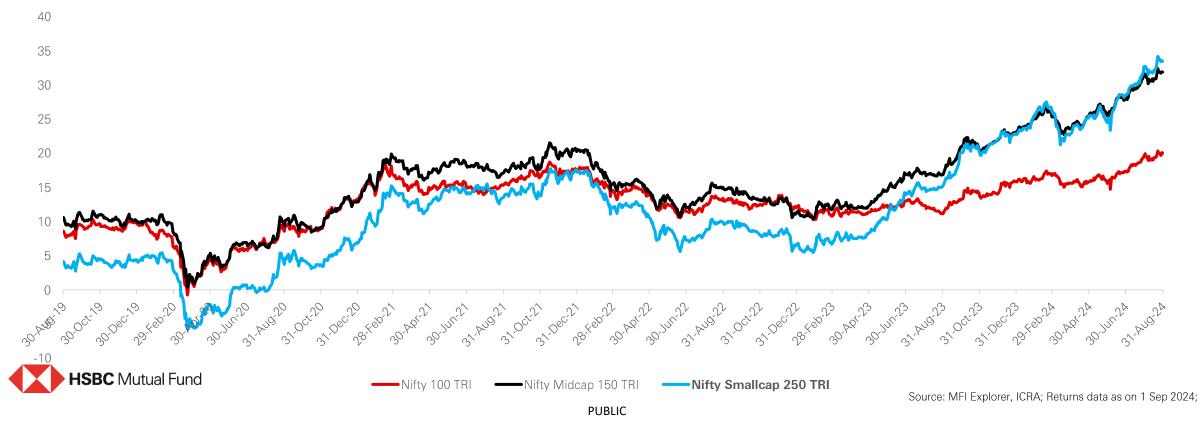


Indices Rolling and SIP Performance

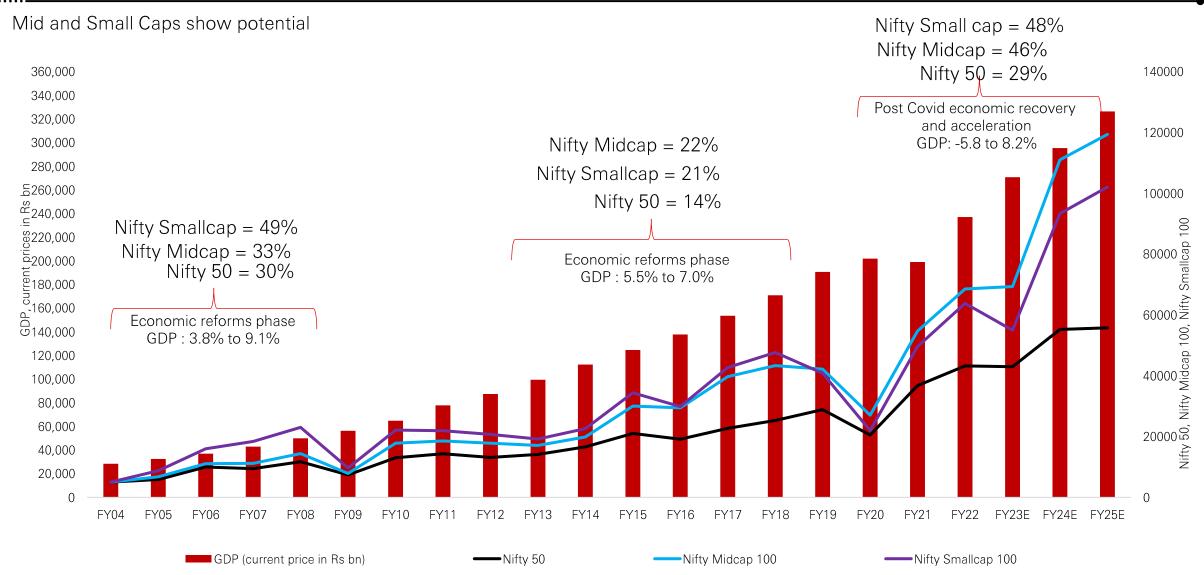
Monthly SIP - Returns as on 1 Sep 2024	1 year return	3 year return	5 year return	7 year return	10 year return
Nifty 100 TRI	39.42	23.72	22.61	19.12	16.75
Nifty Midcap 150 TRI	51.35	37.67	35.40	28.06	23.37
Nifty Smallcap 250 TRI	53.17	39.23	37.92	28.43	22.09

SIP starting 1 Sep of the year





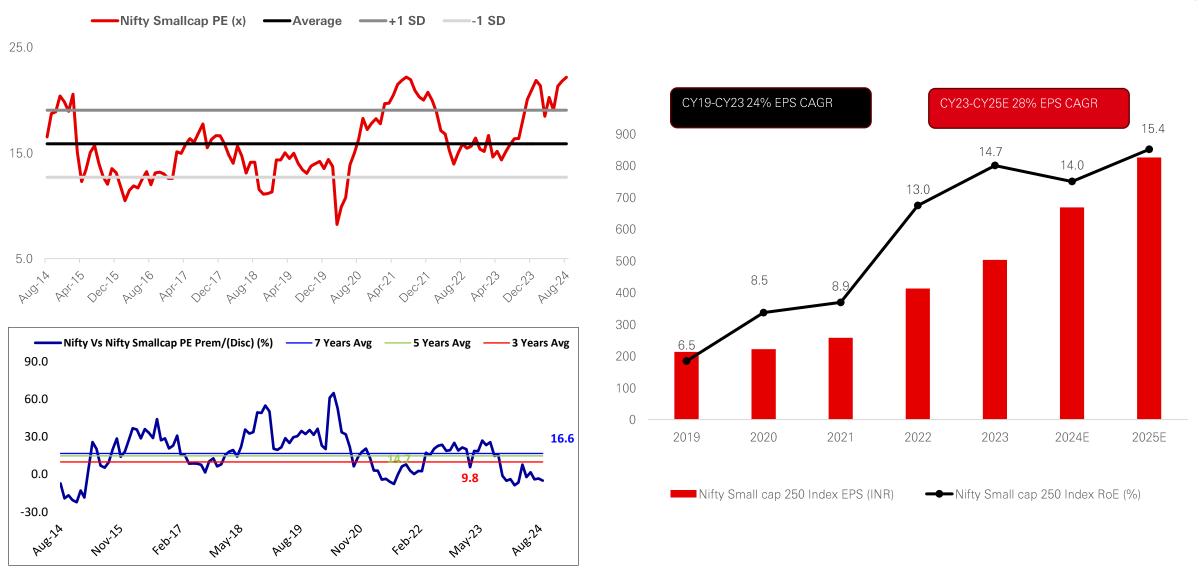
When economic cycle gathers pace





Source – CRISIL, Data as at Aug 2024, All Indices value rebased to 5000, Nifty Midcap 100, Nifty Smallcap 100, Nifty50 index CAGR for (1) 31 Mar '04 to 31 Mar 08, (2) 31 Mar '13 to 31 Mar '18 and (3) 31 Mar '20 to 31 Aug '24

Valuations above averages but earnings expected to support





Source – MOSL, Latest data available as on 31 August '24, 1-year forward P/E(x), Average for 10 years NSE Small Cap Index, Source - Bloomberg, Data for EPS and RoE is for December year end for respective years and latest available is as on 30 June 2024, The sector(s)/stock(s)/issuer(s) mentioned in this document do not constitute any research report nor it should be considered as an investment research, investment recommendation or advice to any reader of this content to buy or sell any stocks / investments. The Fund/portfolio may or may not have any existing / future position in these sector(s)/stock(s)/issuer(s). Past performance may or may not be sustained in future and is not a guarantee of any future returns. PUBLIC

However, stock selection is extremely critical in this segment...

Though smaller companies have the potential to grow at a higher rate, not all smaller companies would grow to become mid or large cap over time.

The key is to identify companies with

Scalable opportunities

Competent / management / promoters

Strong corporate governance practices

Balance sheet strength

Moats

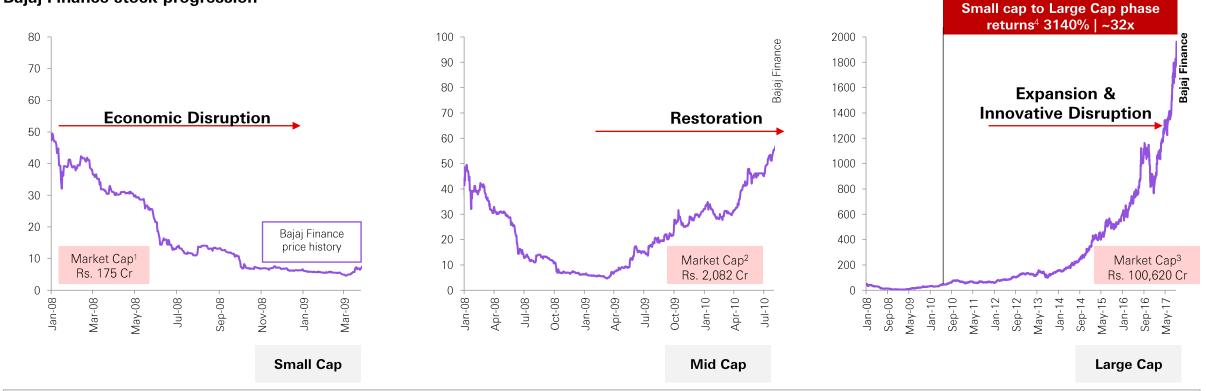
Such businesses when bought at reasonable valuations could offer significant upside potential over the medium to long term



Remain invested in the right stocks for long - Small Cap to Large Cap progression

Journey of a Small cap stock – Bajaj Finance

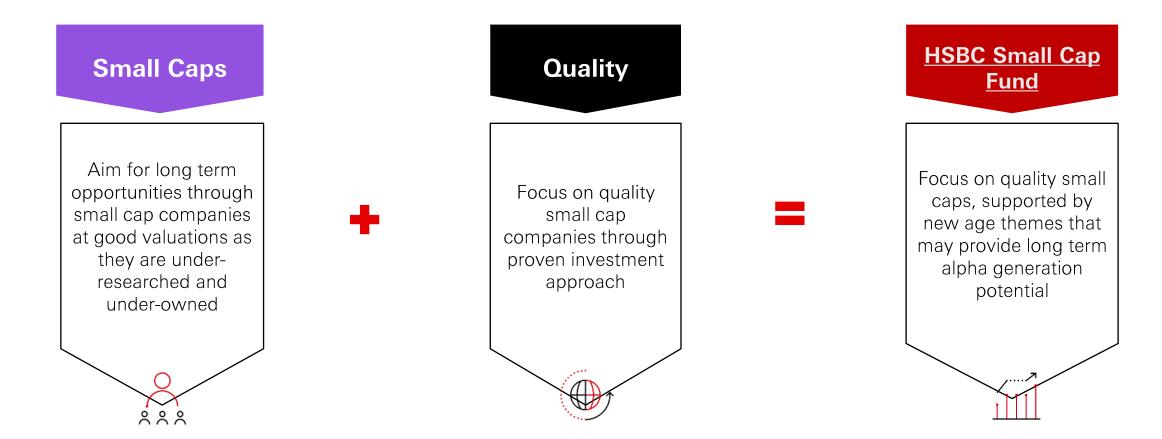
Bajaj Finance stock progression



Benefit through the journey of Small Cap companies to Large Cap

Source: Bloomberg, The above chart and names of the stock is provided for illustration purpose only. Market Cap as on 1:9 Mar 09, 2:31 Jul 10, 3:28 Aug 17, 4. Price movement is from 1 Aug 10 to 31 Aug 17, The above information is for illustrative purpose only and it should not be considered as investment research, investment recommendation or advice to any reader of this content to buy or sell investments. The Fund may or may not have any future position in these stocks. The above company/stock is mentioned for illustration purpose only. The above data/information represents historic performance of the company and for illustration purpose only. The scheme may or may not have future positions in this stock. The above graphs/ analysis should not be construed as an investment advice or research report or recommendation to buy or sell any stock mentioned above. The returns provided above have been rounded off and hence there may be minor differences between point-to-point returns vis-a-vis returns indicated above. Past performance may or may not be sustained in the future and is not indicative of future results.





Quality Small Cap stocks may provide alpha generation opportunities

Source – HSBC Mutual Fund. Note - Large-caps are represented by the top 100 stocks on full market capitalisation basis & Mid caps are represented by the next 150 stocks based on full market capitalisation and Small Cap stocks beyond 250th stock based on full market capitalisation basis.



- HSBC Small Cap Fund invests in smaller size businesses in their early stage of development
- Small cap stocks aim to have a potential for growth in the long run.
- These businesses may have better revenue and profit growth potential as compared to broader market.
- The fund seek an exposure in small cap segment stocks for alpha generating opportunities in long run
- Follows bottom-up stock selection using our proven investment approach
- At least 65% exposure to small cap companies that comprises of companies from 251st onwards in terms of full market capitalization
- Aims to invest in undervalued, under-owned, and under researched segments that may deliver in long run



Stocks Coverage

559 companies* covered across sectors & market caps

GICS classification - Sectors	Stocks in Coverage			
Materials	102			
Industrials	102			
Financials	89			
Consumer Discretionary	83			
Health Care	61			
Information Technology	40			
Consumer Staples	32			
Real Estate	14			
Communication Services	13			
Energy	12			
Utilities	11			
Total	559*			

Large-cap stocks coverage – 95%*

Mid-cap stocks coverage – 97%*

> Small-cap stocks coverage – 91%*

Source: HSBC Mutual Fund; *468 companies from NIFTY 500 Index, remaining outside NIFTY 500 Index, Latest available data as on 31 March 2024; Large Cap: top 100 stocks on full market capitalisation basis; Mid caps - next 150 stocks based on full market capitalization; Small Cap: Stocks in Nifty 250 small cap index; 437 companies from NIFTY 500 TRI, remaining outside Nifty 500 TRI, The above information is for illustrative purposes only. The sector(s)/stock(s)/issuer(s) mentioned in this document do not constitute any research report nor it should be considered as an investment recommendation or advice to any reader of this content to buy or sell any stocks / investments. The Fund/portfolio may or may not have any existing / future position in these sector(s)/stock(s)/issuer(s).

HSBC Mutual Fund

Fund Snapshot and Portfolio Strategy

HSBC Small Cap Fund

Fund Category	Fund Manager	Benchmark ¹	Inception Date	AUM
Small Cap Fund	Venugopal Manghat, Cheenu Gupta and Sonal Gupta#	NIFTY Small Cap 250 TRI	12 May 2014	Rs. 16983 Cr



¹ As per clause 1.9 of the SEBI Master Circular dated June 27, 2024, on 'Guiding Principles for bringing uniformity in Benchmarks of Mutual Fund Schemes' has introduced two-tiered structure for benchmarking of certain categories of schemes. Accordingly, the benchmark has been classified as Tier 1 benchmark effective from 01 December 2021. # Sonal Gupta is dedicated fund manager for investments in foreign securities by all the schemes of HSBC Mutual, Fund. Source - HSBC Mutual Fund, Data as on 31 August 2024.



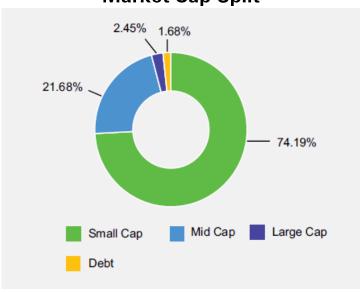
Portfolio Snapshot

HSBC Small Cap Fund

Portfolio – Top 10 stocks	% to net assets		
Apar Industries Limited	3.31%		
Techno Electric & Engineering Company Limited	2.89%		
Trent Limited	2.70%		
KPIT Technologies Limited	2.64%		
Century Textiles & Industries Limited	2.45%		
KEI Industries Limited	2.43%		
Neuland Laboratories Limited	2.23%		
Sonata Software Limited	1.96%		
NCC Limited	1.95%		
Brigade Enterprises Limited	1.86%		

Sector - Allocation	% to net assets		
Industrial Products	18.04%		
Construction	8.63%		
Auto Components	6.52%		
Consumer Durables	6.23%		
IT - Software	6.21%		
Pharmaceuticals & Biotechnology	5.49%		
Realty	5.14%		
Capital Markets	5.13%		
Textiles & Apparels	4.88%		
Finance	4.31%		

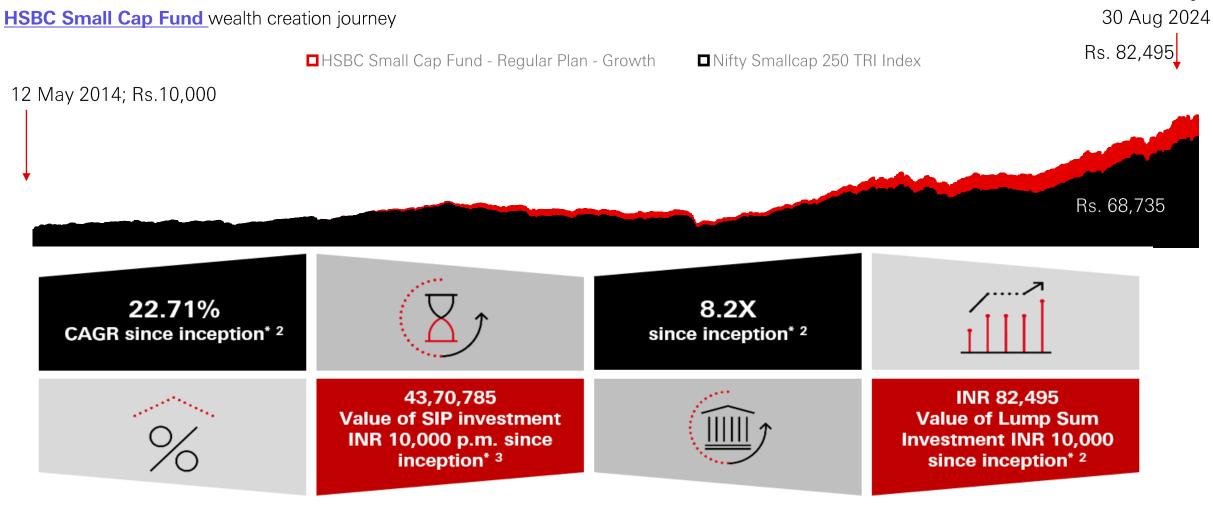
Market Cap Split



Quantitative Parameters

14.94%
0.77
1.36
5.62
98

Performance



² As on 30 August 2024 of Growth option regular plan. During the same period, scheme benchmark (NIFTY Small Cap 250 TRI) has moved by 6.8X to Rs 6,87,350 from Rs 100,000 and delivered return of 20.56% Please refer page no. 3 for detailed performance of HSBC Small Cap Fund.



³ During the same period, value of scheme benchmark (NIFTY Small Cap 250 TRI) has moved to 40,16,499

^{*} Since inception - 12 May 14

Performance Disclaimer

HSBC Small Cap Fund* - Regular Plan ~~						Inc	ception Date	: 12-May-14
Fund / Benchmark	1 Y	1 Year 3 Years		5 Years		Since Inception		
(Value of ₹10,000 invested)	Amount in ₹	Returns (%)	Amount in ₹	Returns (%)	Amount in ₹	Returns (%)	Amount in ₹	Returns (%)
HSBC Small Cap Fund	14237	42.37	21686	29.44	40690	32.36	82495	22.71
Scheme Benchmark (Nifty Smallcap 250 TRI)	15326	53.26	21030	28.12	42408	33.46	68735	20.56
Additional Benchmark (Nifty 50 TRI)	13264	32.64	15274	15.17	24262	19.37	40967	14.66
HSBC Small Cap Fund* - Direct Plan ~~						In	ception Date	: 12-May-14
HSBC Small Cap Fund	14382	43.82	22447	30.93	43046	33.86	89764	23.72
Scheme Benchmark (Nifty Smallcap 250 TRI)	15326	53.26	21030	28.12	42408	33.46	68735	20.56
Additional Benchmark (Nifty 50 TRI)	13264	32.64	15274	15.17	24262	19.37	40967	14.66

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As per clause 5.9.1 of the SEBI Master Circular dated June 27, 2024, the scheme returns vis-à-vis the benchmark return (Total Return Index) shall be disclosed are provided from the date of allotment of units.

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Source: HSBC Mutual Fund, data as on 30 August 2024

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Scheme name and Type of scheme	Scheme Risk-o-meter	Benchmark Risk-o-meter
HSBC Small Cap Fund	Moderate Moderately High	Moderate Moderately High
An open ended equity scheme predominantly investing in small cap stocks This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:	Low Very High	Low Very High
 Long term capital appreciation Investment predominantly in equity and equity-related securities, including equity derivatives in Indian markets with key theme focus being emerging companies (small cap stocks); and foreign securities 	Investors understand that their principal will be at Very High risk	Benchmark : NIFTY Small Cap 250 TRI

^{*} Investors should consult their financial advisers if in doubt about whether the product is suitable for them.

Note on Risk-o-meters: Riskometer is as on 31 August 2024, Any change in risk-o-meter shall be communicated by way of Notice cum Addendum and by way of an e-mail or SMS to unitholders of that particular scheme



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