

# **HSBC Business Cycles Fund**

### Fund snapshot

Fund Category	Fund Manager	Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	Inception Date*	AUM <sup>&amp;</sup>
Thematic Fund	Gautam Bhupal, Sonal Gupta#	NIFTY 500 TRI	20 Aug 2014	Rs. 1,124.01 Cr

### Investment approach

Business cycles approach

### Parameters used

Stage of economy or business cycle determines portfolio positioning

### **Key features**

- Use medium term economic / business trends to position portfolio
- Not swayed by short term movements in the market
- Decisions based on forward looking business / market parameters

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<sup>\*</sup> Since inception - 20 Aug 14

<sup>1</sup> As per clause 1.9 of the SEBI Master Circular for Mutual Funds no. SEBI/HO/IMD/IMD-PoD-1/P/CIR/2023/74 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. Furthermore, the same is effective from 01 December 2021.

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## Portfolio construction approach

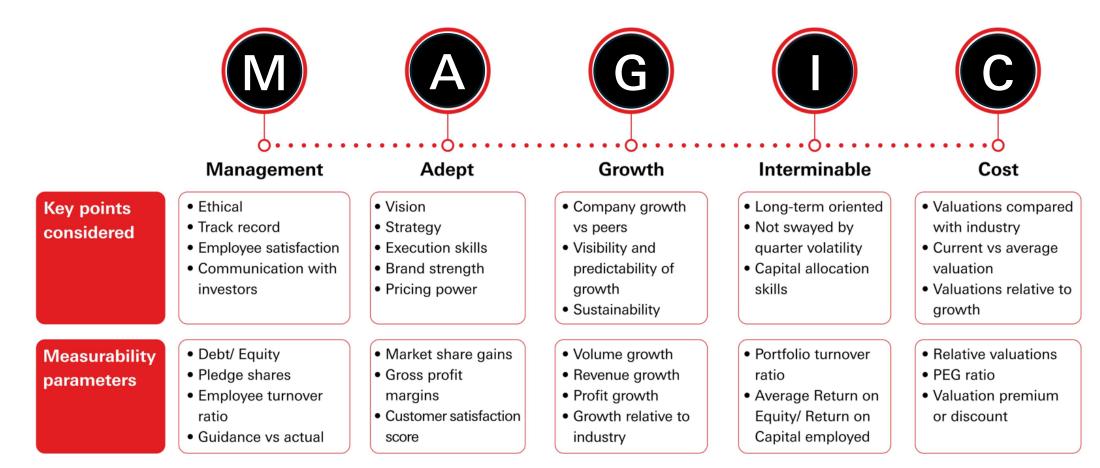
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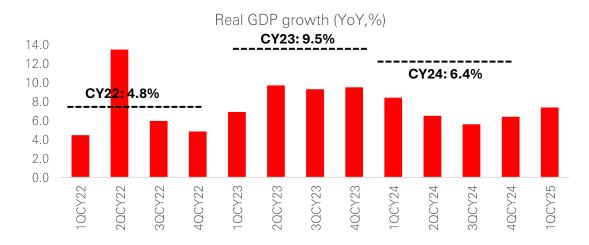


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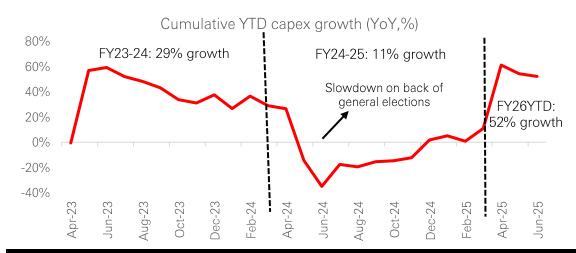


## Economy continues to remains firmly in 'Expansion' phase

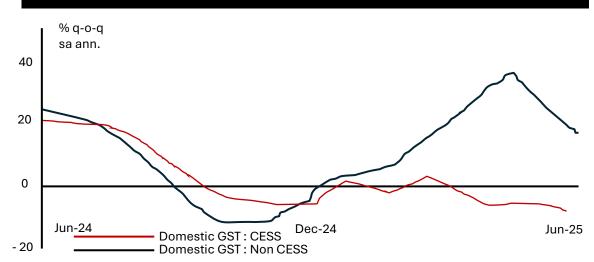
### **GDP** growth continues to remain strong



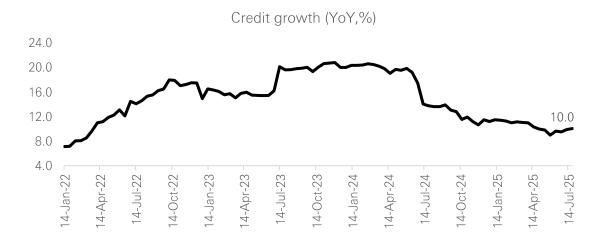
### Strong capex growth resumes in FY26; partly front-loaded



#### **Real domestic GST collection**



Credit growth slow; likely to pick-up with RBI measures



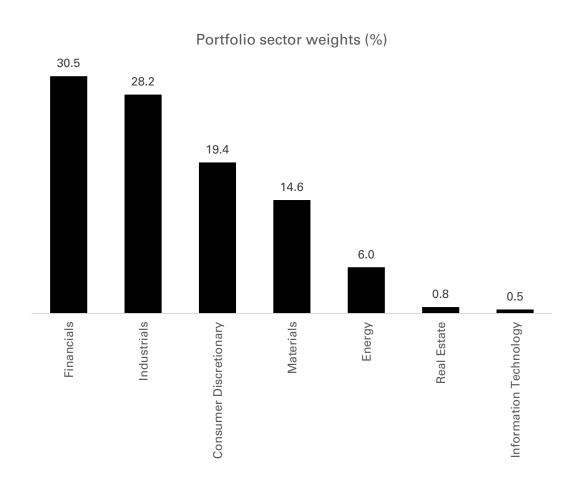


Source: Controller General of Accounts (CGA), RBI, Government of India, CEIC, HSBC Mutual Fund, Data as on 31 July 2025

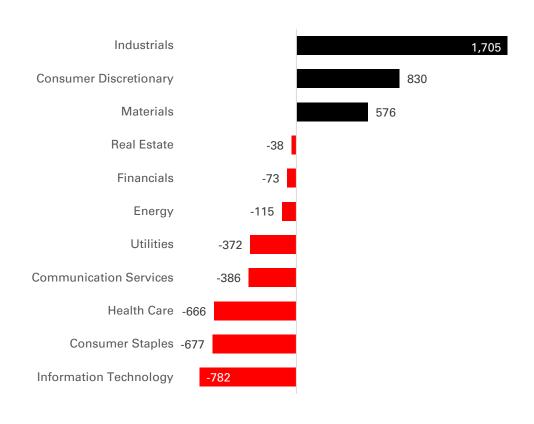
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# Sector allocation with active weights

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#### Active Sector weights (bps)



Source: Bloomberg, HSBC Mutual Fund, Data as on 31 July 2025

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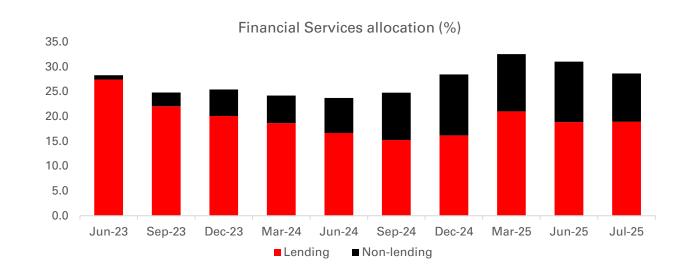
# Financials: Liquidity infusion and financialization driving our weights in the sector

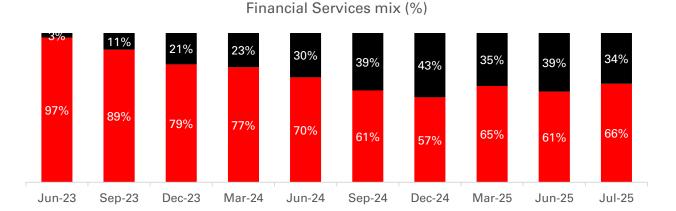
#### Lending

- Repo and CRR Cut, easing of risk weights and other norms, increasing system liquidity will drive the credit growth.
- Asset quality remain benign (barring micro finance segment)
- Comfortable valuations
- Positive on Banks and select NBFCs with visibility of healthy growth along with stable asset quality.

#### Non-lending

- Financialization of savings is a medium-term theme, which is ongoing, and continue to play in India over next several years.
- Capital Markets, AMC, Exchanges and select Stockbrokers and Intermediaries will be biggest beneficiaries.
- Life insurers will continue to witness healthy APE growth along with VNB margin expansion on the back of 1) Growth recovery in non-linked products 2) Rationalized commission structure post new regulations and 3) ULIP growth on the back of higher sum assured and rider attachments.
- The non-life industry is going through a rough patch, but landscape is continuously evolving and see potential in medium to long term.





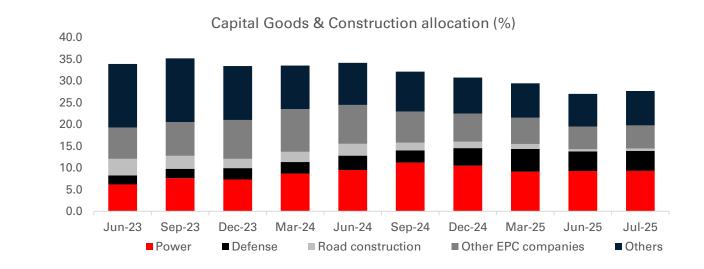
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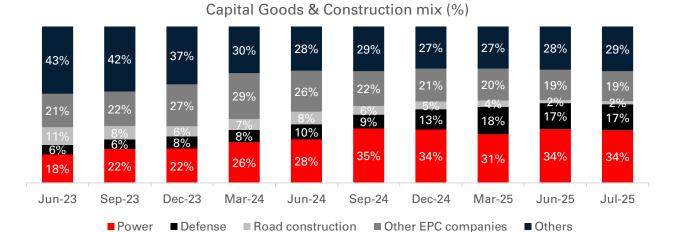
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### Industrials: Overweight stance on Capital Goods continues; preference of industries changing

- Overall capex growth to be a bit muted in FY26
  - Centre capex to show modest growth
  - Risk to State Capex growth
  - Private capex is picking up and will continue to drive growth
- Medium to longer term growth driver remain intact
- Despite muted capex, we expect select segments to do well
  - Defense
  - Power (especially T&D)
  - Industrial





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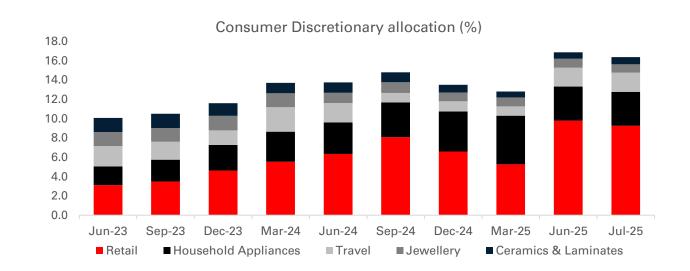


### Consumer Discretionary: Consumption seeing a nudge from the Government

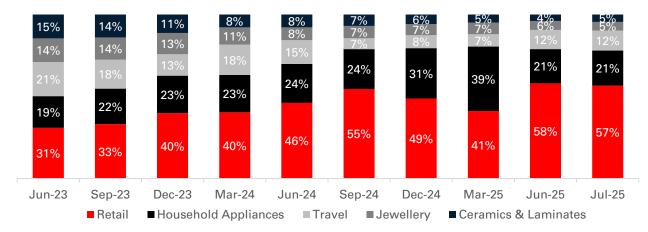
- Consumer basket is shifting from staples to discretionary consumption
- Consumption seeing nudge from the government
  - Income tax relief (~Rs 1 tn)
  - Social welfare schemes (~ Rs 2 tn)
  - Pay hike in 8<sup>th</sup> pay commission in 2026 (~Rs 4.5 tn)
  - Total stimulus of ~Rs 7.5 tn (2% of GDP)
- Like multiple themes within the sector

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- Changing customer behavior and convenience is driving Value retail and Quick commerce
- Social media awareness and preference to have unique experiences is driving need for higher travel
- Extreme weather is driving AC sales
- Select exposure in Jewelry and Ceramics/ laminates







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# Top stocks and active weights

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Company name	Portfolio weights (%)	Benchmark weights (%)	Active weights (bps)
ICICI Bank	6.0	5.5	43
Reliance Industries	5.3	4.9	36
Multi Commodity Exchange India	5.2	0.2	499
HDFC Bank	4.7	8.1	-335
Trent	4.6	0.6	397
Power Mech Projects	2.7	0.0	269
Ahluwalia Contracts	2.7	0.0	267
Hindustan Aeronautics	2.5	0.5	202
Bharat Electronics	2.5	0.7	173
Swiggy	2.4	0.1	236

Source: Bloomberg, HSBC Mutual Fund, Data as on 31 July 2025

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## **Key portfolio metrics**

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Number of equity stocks

63

Top 5 stocks weight (%)

25.76

Top 10 stocks weight (%)

38.50

Active Share (%)

70.06

Beta (Slope)

1.07

**Sharpe Ratio** 

1.00

**Standard Deviation (%)** 

16.64

Portfolio Turnover (1 year)^

0.19

Source: Bloomberg, HSBC Mutual Fund, Data as of 31 July 2025. Note - Quantitative Data disclosed are as per monthly returns (Annualized) for the last 3 years, Risk free rate: 5.52% (FIMMDA-NSE Mibor) Refer to the Fund's website, www.assetmanagement.hsbc.co.in for monthly portfolio disclosures.

Note: \* Number of stocks with portfolio weight greater than 0.1

^ 1 Year period 31 July 2024 to 31 July 2025.

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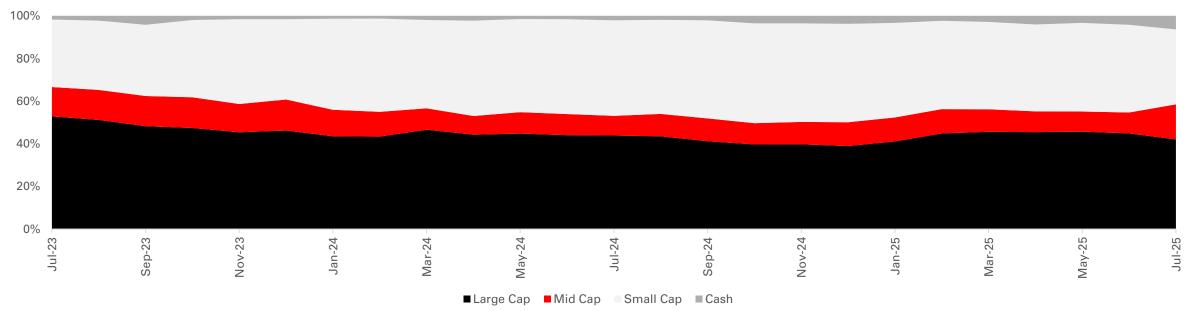
# Market cap classification

### **HSBC** Business Cycles Fund

Increase in Mid Cap allocation has been due to SEBI's semi-annual revision of market capitalization rather than any active increase in allocation. This should normalize over the coming months.

Market Cap (%)	June 2025	July 2025
Large Cap	44.9	42.0
Mid Cap	9.8	16.5
Small Cap	41.2	35.2
Cash	4.1	6.3





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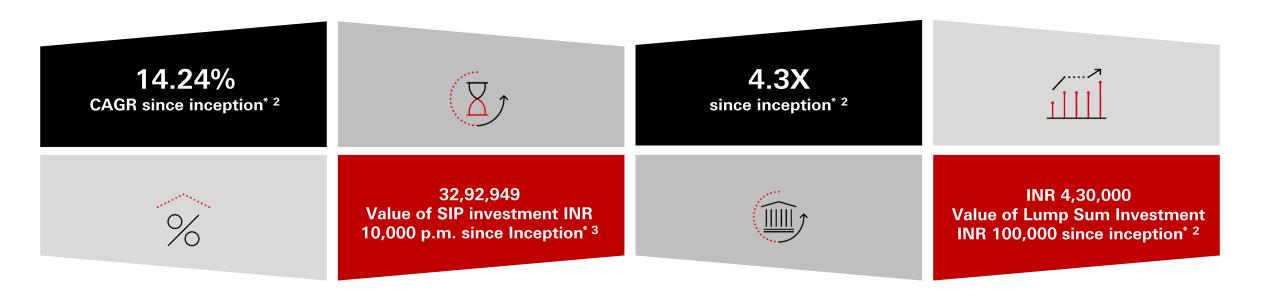


## **Fund Snapshot**

HSBC Business Cycles Fund (HBCF)

(An open ended equity scheme following business cycles based investing theme)

**Investment Objective** - The investment objective of the Scheme is to seek to generate long-term capital appreciation from a portfolio of predominantly equity and equity related securities, including equity derivatives, in the Indian market with focus on riding business cycles through dynamic allocation between various sectors and stocks at different stages of business cycles in the economy. The Scheme could also additionally invest in Foreign Securities. There is no assurance that the objective of the Scheme will be realised and the Scheme does not assure or guarantee any returns.



Source: HSBC Mutual Fund, data as on 31 July 2025. 2 As on 31 July 2025 of Growth option regular plan. During the same period, scheme benchmark (Nifty 500 TRI) has moved by 4.0X to Rs 4,08,460 from Rs 100,000 and delivered return of 13.71%. Please refer performance slide for detailed performance of HSBC Business Cycles Fund. 3 During the same period, value of scheme benchmark (Nifty 500 TRI) has moved to 31,53,303. # Sonal Gupta is dedicated fund manager for investments in foreign securities by all the schemes of HSBC Mutual Fund. Note: 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).



## **Lump Sum performance**

#### **HSBC** Business Cycles Fund

Fund Manager - Gautam Bhupal Effective 01 Jun 2023. Total Schemes Managed - 7; Fund Manager - Sonal Gupta Effective 05 Jul 2021. Total Schemes Managed - 24

Lump Sum Investment Performance						
Fund / Benchmark	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception	Inception Date	
(Value of Rs 10,000 invested)	Returns %	Returns %	Returns %	Returns %		
HSBC Business Cycles Fund-Regular~~	0.70	22.81	26.47	14.24		
Scheme Benchmark (Nifty 500 TRI)	-1.63	17.10	21.69	13.71	20-Aug-14	
Additional Benchmark (Nifty 50 TRI)	0.54	14.29	18.88	12.38		
HSBC Business Cycles Fund-Direct~~	1.84	24.15	27.83	15.25		
Scheme Benchmark (Nifty 500 TRI)	-1.63	17.10	21.69	13.71	20-Aug-14	
Additional Benchmark (Nifty 50 TRI)	0.54	14.29	18.88	12.38		
Lump Sum Investment Performance						
Fund / Benchmark	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception	Inception Date	
(Value of Rs 10,000 invested)	Amount in ₹	Amount in ₹	Amount in ₹	Amount in ₹		
HSBC Business Cycles Fund-Regular~~	10070	18555	32375	43000		
Scheme Benchmark (Nifty 500 TRI)	9837	16078	26703	40846	20-Aug-14	
Additional Benchmark (Nifty 50 TRI)	10054	14946	23751	35902		
HSBC Business Cycles Fund-Direct~~	10184	19171	34156	47350		
Scheme Benchmark (Nifty 500 TRI)	9837	16078	26703	40846	20-Aug-14	

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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. Post merger performance of the surviving scheme, arising out of merger of schemes with similar features, is computed as per the provisions of clause 13.4 of the SEBI Master Circular dated June 27, 2024, on Disclosure of Performance of Schemes post-merger using the weighted average performance of both transferor and transferor and transferor eschemes. In other cases, performance is computed using the Applicable NAV of the surviving/continuing schemes ~~ Face value Rs 10 Source: HSBC Mutual Fund. data as on 31 July 2025

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Additional Benchmark (Nifty 50 TRI)

### **SIP Performance**

### HSBC Business Cycles Fund

SIP Performance - HSBC Business Cycles Fund – Regular Plan					_
Scheme Name & Benchmarks	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception	nc
Total amount invested (₹)	120000	360000	600000	1310000	epi
Market Value as on July 31, 2025 (₹)	1,24,706	4,93,670	10,33,878	32,92,949	A tio
Scheme Returns (%)	7.40	21.64	21.93	15.97	
Nifty 500 TRI - Scheme Benchmark (₹)	1,23,241	4,53,952	9,09,829	31,53,303	)at 14
Nifty 500 TRI - Scheme Benchmark Returns (%)	5.08	15.67	16.68	15.24	9
Nifty 50 TRI - Additional Benchmark (₹)	1,23,605	4,37,490	8,55,977	29,17,645	20-
Nifty 50 TRI - Additional Benchmark Returns (%)	5.65	13.09	14.19	13.94	'

SIP Performance - HSBC Business Cycles Fund – Direct Plan				
Scheme Name & Benchmarks	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception
Total amount invested (₹)	120000	360000	600000	1310000
Market Value as on July 31, 2025 (₹)	1,25,459	5,03,114	10,68,024	35,09,462
Scheme Returns (%)	8.60	23.02	23.28	17.04
Nifty 500 TRI - Scheme Benchmark (₹)	1,23,241	4,53,952	9,09,829	31,53,303
Nifty 500 TRI - Scheme Benchmark Returns (%)	5.08	15.67	16.68	15.24
Nifty 50 TRI - Additional Benchmark (₹)	1,23,605	4,37,490	8,55,977	29,17,645
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	Scheme name and Type of scheme	Scheme Risk-o-meter	Benchmark Risk-o-meter (as applicable)
This produce Long te Investment focus on	ended equity scheme following business cycles based investing theme)  duct is suitable for investors who are seeking*:  Image: comparison capital appreciation  ent predominantly in equity and equity-related securities, including equity derivatives in Indian markets with riding business cycles through dynamic allocation between various sectors and stocks at different stages of cycles in the economy.	The risk of the scheme is Very High Risk	As per AMFI Tier I Benchmark i.e.  Benchmark Index: NIFTY 500 TRI  Moderate High Risk  The risk of the benchmark is Very High Risk

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Note on Risk-o-meters: Riskometer is as on 31 July 2025, 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. Source: HSBC Mutual Fund,



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