

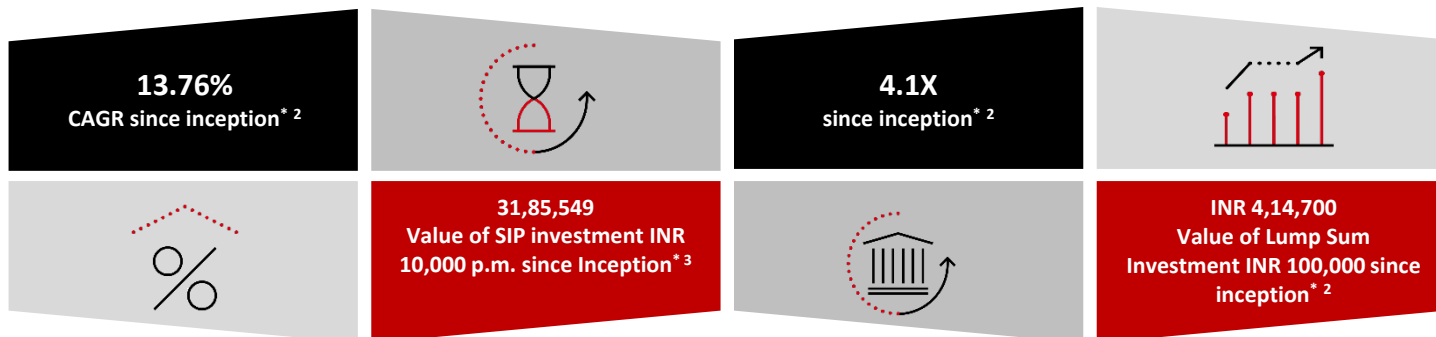
## Product Note

### HSBC Business Cycles Fund (HBCF)

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

September 2025

| Fund Category | Fund Manager                            | Benchmark <sup>1</sup> | Inception Date* | AUM <sup>&amp;</sup> |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Thematic Fund | Gautam Bhupal, Sonal Gupta <sup>#</sup> | NIFTY 500 TRI          | 20 Aug 2014     | Rs. 1,091.90 Cr      |



| Portfolio                                 | % to net assets | Industry - Allocation | % to net assets |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| ICICI Bank Limited                        | 5.44%           | Banks                 | 13.86%          |
| Reliance Industries Limited               | 4.99%           | Construction          | 9.98%           |
| Multi Commodity Exchange of India Limited | 4.81%           | Retailing             | 9.62%           |
| Trent Limited                             | 4.64%           | Capital Markets       | 6.51%           |
| HDFC Bank Limited                         | 4.30%           | Industrial Products   | 5.85%           |
| Hindustan Aeronautics Limited             | 2.53%           | Reverse Repos/TREPS   | 5.42%           |
| Power Mech Projects Limited               | 2.50%           | Petroleum Products    | 4.99%           |
| Swiggy Limited                            | 2.39%           | Consumer Durables     | 4.91%           |
| Ahluwalia Contracts (India) Limited       | 2.32%           | Aerospace & Defense   | 4.81%           |
| Bharat Electronics Limited                | 2.28%           | Electrical Equipment  | 4.80%           |

| Risk Ratios <sup>4</sup> |        |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Standard Deviation       | 16.78% |
| Beta                     | 1.08   |

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|---------------------------|-------|
| Sharpe Ratio <sup>5</sup> | 0.81  |
| R2                        | 0.79% |

**Exit Load:** If the units redeemed or switched out are upto 10% of the units purchased or switched in ("the limit") within 1 year from the date of allotment – Nil, If units redeemed or switched out are over and above the limit within 1 year from the date of allotment – 1%. If units are redeemed or switched out on or after 1 year from the date of allotment – Nil, A switch-out or a withdrawal under SWP may also attract an Exit Load like any Redemption. No Exit load will be chargeable in case of switches made between different options of the Scheme. No Exit load will be chargeable in case of Units allotted on account of IDCW reinvestments, if any. Exit load is not applicable for Segregated Portfolio.

**Month End Total Expenses Ratios (Annualized)<sup>6</sup> – Regular<sup>7</sup>:** 2.22%, Direct: 1.07%

\* 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.

<sup>2</sup> As on 29 August 2025 of Growth option regular plan. During the same period, scheme benchmark (Nifty 500 TRI) has moved by 4.0X to Rs 4,01,040 from Rs 100,000 and delivered return of 13.42%. Please refer page no. 3 for detailed performance of HSBC Business Cycles Fund.

<sup>3</sup> During the same period, value of scheme benchmark (Nifty 500 TRI) has moved to 31,05,943.

<sup>4</sup> Quantitative Data disclosed are as per monthly returns (Annualized) for the last 3 years.

<sup>5</sup> Risk free rate: 5.54% (FIMMDA-NSE MIBOR)

<sup>6</sup> TER Annualized TER including GST on Investment Management Fees

<sup>7</sup> Continuing plans

<sup>&</sup>For disclosure of quarterly AUM/AAUM and AUM by geography, please visit our website: <https://www.assetmanagement.hsbc.co.in/en/mutual-funds/investor-resources/information-library#&accordion1446811090=4>.

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Source – HSBC Mutual Fund, Data as of 31 August 2025. **Past performance may or may not be sustained in future and is not a guarantee of any future returns.**

<sup>#</sup> Sonal Gupta is dedicated fund manager for investments in foreign securities by all the schemes of HSBC Mutual Fund.

All economies go through “Business Cycles” and every stage of the business cycle impacts performance of each sector that largely drives the performance of equity market.

Thus, timely selection of the prospective sectors that could benefit in different market cycles may provide great opportunity to generate alpha.

Invest in HSBC Business Cycles Fund that adopts business cycle approach by identifying economic trends and strategically investing in the sectors and stocks that may perform at that stage of business cycle in the economy which seek to generate wealth in the long-run.

### Why HSBC Business Cycles Fund?

- Aim to build a portfolio of predominantly equities with focus on riding business cycles
- Dynamic allocation between cyclical and defensive sectors and stocks at different stages of business cycles in the economy

### Fund Approach

- The fund focuses on riding business cycles by strategically changing allocation between various sectors and stocks at different stages of business cycle in the economy
- The fund has the flexibility to invest across the market capitalization spectrum.
- Within a sector, the fund prefers dominant and scalable businesses available at reasonable valuations.

### Key portfolio themes:

- The fund is focused on the cyclical part of the economy
- Constructive on the businesses that are participating in the current growth trends
- The fund is positively biased towards domestic cyclicals, supported by the more robust medium term growth outlook
- Our positioning in the portfolio is:
  - Capex recovery theme: Industrial Product sector is seeing a strong growth driven by a strong capex push by both public and private sector companies
  - Infrastructure: Remain positive on infrastructure space driven by strong push by government
  - Financials: Financials are seeing a strong growth driven by recovery in credit growth cycle coupled with credit cost normalisation which is leading to earnings expansion

### 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.

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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                   |             |           |             |           |              |               |                 | Inception Date |           |
|---------------------------------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------|
| Fund / Benchmark<br>(Value of Rs 10,000 invested) | 1 Year      |           | 3 Years     |           | 5 Years      |               | Since Inception |                |           |
|                                                   | Amount in ₹ | Returns % | Amount in ₹ | Returns % | Amount in Rs | PTP Returns % | Amount in ₹     |                | Returns % |
| HSBC Business Cycles Fund-Regular~~~              | 9542        | -4.59     | 16975       | 19.29     | 29445        | 24.12         | 41470           | 13.76          | 20-Aug-14 |
| Scheme Benchmark (Nifty 500 TRI)                  | 9559        | -4.42     | 15080       | 14.67     | 25248        | 20.36         | 40104           | 13.42          |           |
| Additional Benchmark (Nifty 50 TRI)               | 9799        | -2.01     | 14236       | 12.49     | 22786        | 17.92         | 35467           | 12.16          |           |
| HSBC Business Cycles Fund-Direct~~~               | 9650        | -3.51     | 17537       | 20.59     | 31065        | 25.46         | 45706           | 14.77          | 20-Aug-14 |
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**Past performance may or may not be sustained in future and is not a guarantee of any future returns.** The performance details provided herein are of Regular as well as Direct Plan - Growth Option. Returns on ₹10,000 are point-to-point returns for the specific time period, invested at the start of the period. The returns for the respective periods are provided as on last available NAV of August 2025 for the respective schemes. Returns for 1 year and above are Compounded Annualized. Returns for less than 1 year is Simple Annualized. Load is not taken into consideration for computation of performance. Different plans shall have a different expense structure. The expenses of the Direct Plan under the Scheme will be lower to the extent of the distribution expenses / commission charged to the Regular Plan.

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 transferee schemes. In other cases, performance is computed using the Applicable NAV of the surviving/continuing schemes ~~~ Face value Rs 10

| SIP Performance - HSBC Business Cycles Fund – Regular Plan |          |          |           |                 | Inception Date: 20-Aug-14 |
|------------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Scheme Name & Benchmarks                                   | 1 Year   | 3 Years  | 5 Years   | Since Inception |                           |
| Total amount invested ( ₹ )                                | 120000   | 360000   | 600000    | 1320000         |                           |
| Market Value as on August 29, 2025 ( ₹ )                   | 1,20,219 | 4,68,160 | 9,75,493  | 31,85,549       |                           |
| Scheme Returns (%)                                         | 0.34     | 17.89    | 19.56     | 15.17           |                           |
| Nifty 500 TRI - Scheme Benchmark ( ₹ )                     | 1,21,253 | 4,40,035 | 8,76,702  | 31,05,943       |                           |
| Nifty 500 TRI - Scheme Benchmark Returns (%)               | 1.97     | 13.53    | 15.19     | 14.75           |                           |
| Nifty 50 TRI - Additional Benchmark ( ₹ )                  | 1,22,160 | 4,27,542 | 8,31,719  | 28,92,280       |                           |
| Nifty 50 TRI - Additional Benchmark Returns (%)            | 3.40     | 11.53    | 13.05     | 13.56           |                           |
| SIP Performance - HSBC Business Cycles Fund – Direct Plan  |          |          |           |                 | Inception Date: 20-Aug-14 |
| Scheme Name & Benchmarks                                   | 1 Year   | 3 Years  | 5 Years   | Since Inception |                           |
| Total amount invested ( ₹ )                                | 120000   | 360000   | 600000    | 1320000         |                           |
| Market Value as on August 29, 2025 ( ₹ )                   | 1,20,941 | 4,77,099 | 10,07,583 | 33,97,328       |                           |
| Scheme Returns (%)                                         | 1.48     | 19.24    | 20.90     | 16.24           |                           |
| Nifty 500 TRI - Scheme Benchmark ( ₹ )                     | 1,21,253 | 4,40,035 | 8,76,702  | 31,05,943       |                           |
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**Past performance may or may not be sustained in future and is not a guarantee of any future returns.** For SIP returns, monthly investment of Rs. 10,000/- invested on the 1st day of every month has been considered. SIP Return are calculated on XIRR basis. IDCW are assumed to be reinvested and bonus is adjusted. Load is not taken into consideration.

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Source: HSBC Mutual Fund, data as on 31 August 2025

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Product Label

| Scheme name and Type of scheme                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Scheme Risk-o-meter                                                                                                                | Benchmark Risk-o-meter<br>(as applicable)                                                                                                                                                                          |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <p><b>HSBC Business Cycles Fund</b><br/>(An open ended equity scheme following business cycles based investing theme)</p> <p><b>This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Long term capital appreciation</li><li>• Investment predominantly in equity and equity-related securities, including equity derivatives in Indian markets with focus on riding business cycles through dynamic allocation between various sectors and stocks at different stages of business cycles in the economy.</li></ul> |  <p>The risk of the scheme is Very High Risk</p> | <p>As per AMFI Tier I Benchmark i.e.<br/>Benchmark Index: NIFTY 500 TRI</p>  <p>The risk of the benchmark is Very High Risk</p> |

\* 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 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

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