

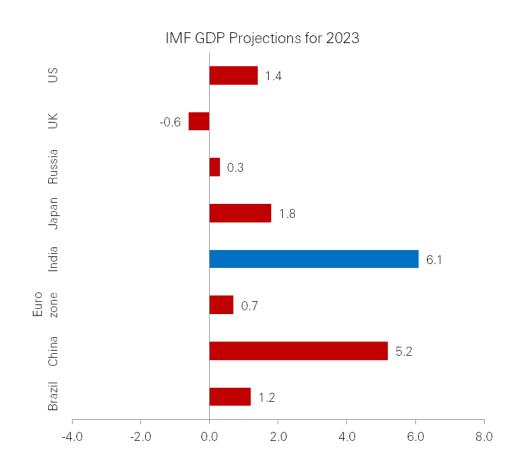
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Indian economy continues to show relative outperformance

- Trajectory of GDP growth looks promising. India's GDP per capita has grown at a reasonably high rate in the past and expected to show an improving trend.
- With rising per capita income, **consumption can grow significantly** in emerging new sectors and new-age themes
- **GST collections** continue to average at ~Rs.1.5 Lakh Cr in FY22-23
- Fall in crude prices, sharper decline in inflation and normalization of geopolitical situation would support the markets
- Focus on manufacturing (PLI scheme), logistics, rural development and employment creation
- Good monsoon and higher agri commodity prices should support rural demand along with strong focus on infrastructure spending



Long term outlook for Indian equities continue to grow stronger

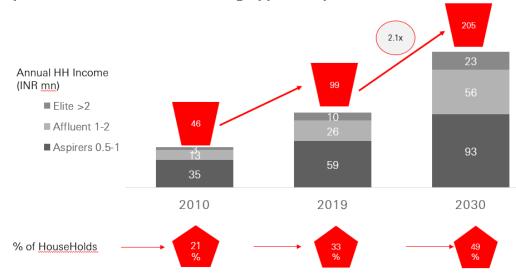
Source: CRISIL, Bloomberg, World Bank, Crude prices – NYMEX, Data as at 28 Feb 2022



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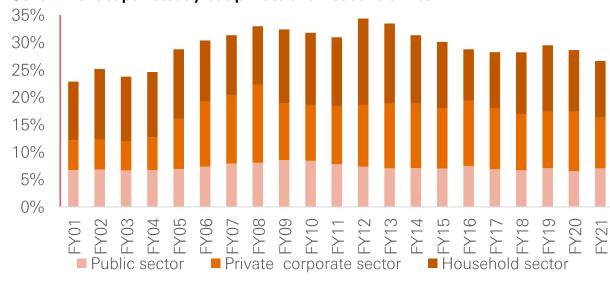
Key drivers for economy

Consumption in India remains an exciting opportunity



- Consuming class income (Households earning above Rs 0.5mn) of India to double by 2030
- Overall consumption market expected to triple by 2030
- Total Income of Consuming class (INR trillions)
- Consuming class HH to grow 80% and reach almost half of Total HH
- Consumption in India remains an exciting opportunity

Government capex steady but private and household weak



- Government capex should continue to support infra spending
- Government support for localization and capacity addition through PLI should also support corporate capex recovery
- New areas for manufacturing driven by energy transition to help corporate capex revival
- Recovery in real estate cycle with improved affordability should drive household capex

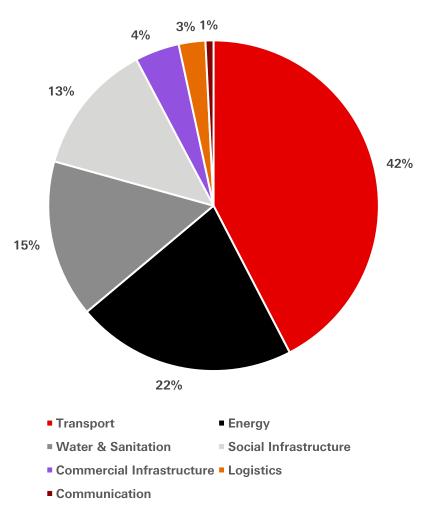


Source: BCG, Data as at 28 Feb 2022

Infrastructure – Key focus area for government

Infrastructure remains a key focus area for the government

National Infrastructure Pipeline (Rs 100 tn over FY20-25)



Railways

- Dedicated Freight Corridor
- Increase rail share in freight to 45%
- National Rail Plan
- 400 Vande
 Bharat trains
 over the next
 3 years

Logistics

- Decrease logistics cost from 14% of GDP to single digit
- National logistics policy for multimodal transport
- Transition to organized to accelerating with GST and E-invoicing compliance

Power

- Renewable energy target of 500 GW by 2030
- Power transmission capex of Rs. 2.44Tn by 2030
- Revamped
 Distribution
 Sector
 scheme of Rs.
 3tn to improve
 performance

Urban Infra

- Budgetary allocation for Housing and urban dev. increased to Rs 943 bn from Rs 265bn in 2015
- 445Km Metro under construction and another 425Km of approved routes

Source: Indiainvestmentgrid.gov.in

PLI to support themes like Localization and New energy

Income growth

- Consumption
- Urbanization
- Housing demand

Infra spending

- Railways
- Power
- Roads
- Urban Infra
- Gas Infra

Localization

- China + 1
- Electronics
- EVs
- Advanced technologies
- Semiconductors

New Energy

- Solar PV Modules
- Batteries
- Hydrogen

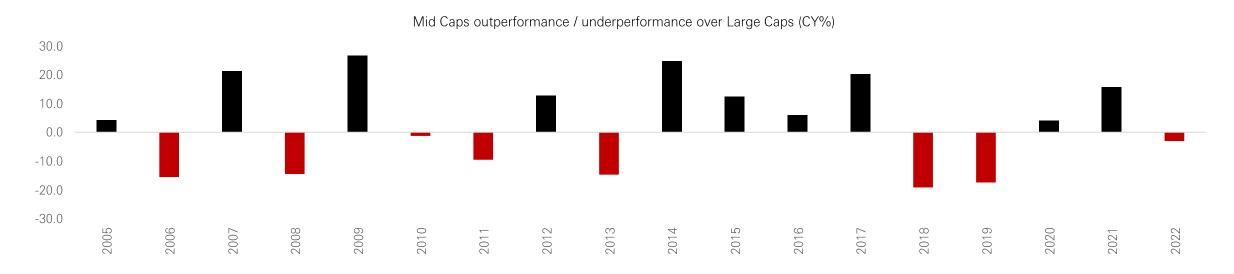
Defence

- Share of local procurement to increase
- Private sector participation



Achieving performance balance in changing market cycles

Need for the all season performance



- Large & Mid Cap stocks typically may not perform in the same market cycles
- The need for all season performance could be met with a combination of Large & Mid Caps in the portfolio
- Frequent changes in market cycles call for constant allocation in Large & Mid Caps A more disciplined approach

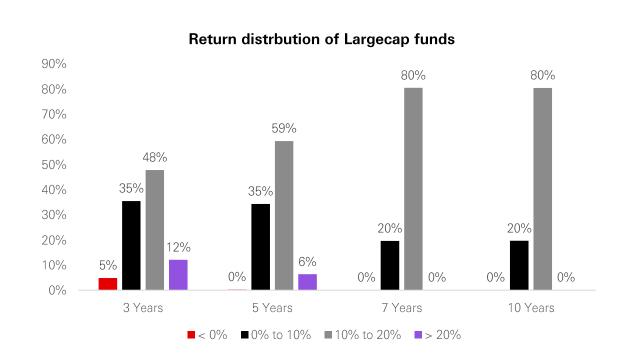
Large, Mid Caps can outperform each other in the different time periods

Source: ICRA MFI, Data as at Dec 2022, Index - Large Cap = S&P BSE Sensex, Mid Cap = S&P BSE Mid Cap, Past performance may or may not be sustained in the future.



Why Large Caps?

Consistency is the key



Large Cap Features



Low volatility



Relatively stable earnings growth



Well-researched



Well-owned



Reasonable valuations

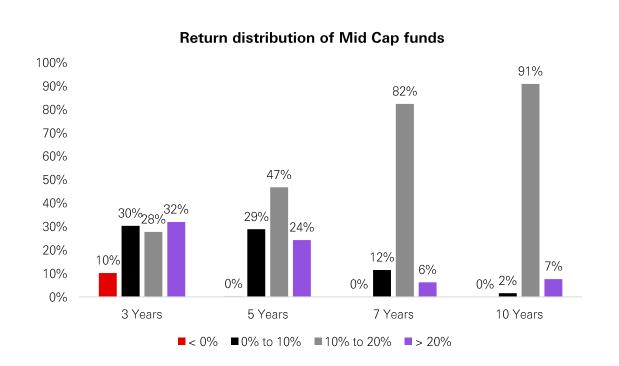
Large Caps offer lower probability of negative returns or limit downside within equities over the long term

For illustration purpose only. Source: CRISIL, Data as at 31 Dec 2022, Large Cap Funds are represented by weighted average index of 31 Large cap funds representing the Large Cap category. Return distribution based on a daily rolling returns of various holding periods. Period considered: 1 January 2005 – 31 December 2022, Returns of Large cap funds is average of CRISIL ranked schemes of the respective category. **Past** performance may or may not be sustained in the future.



Why Mid Caps?

Long term growth



Mid Cap Features



Historically above average performance



Earnings acceleration



Relatively Under-researched



Relatively Under-owned



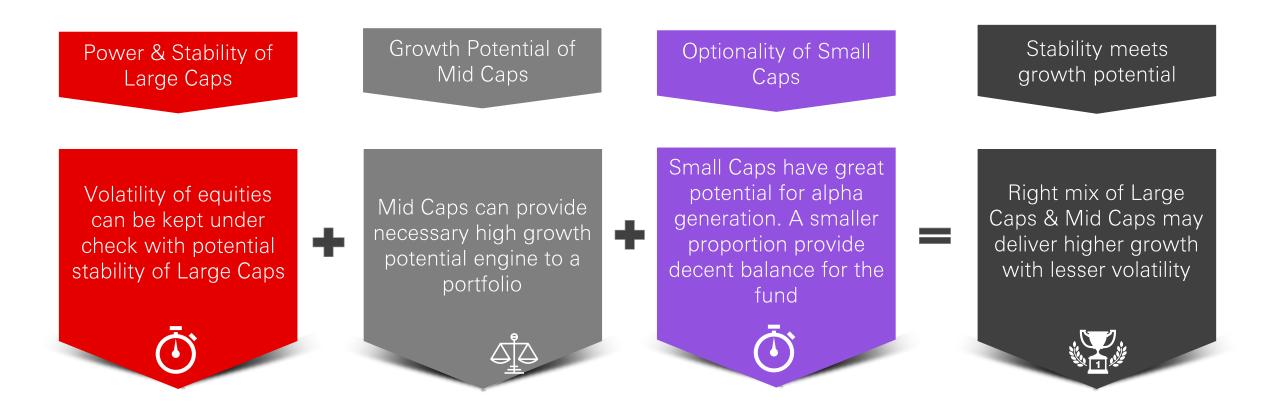
Diversity and alpha

Mid Caps offer more potential of delivering high growth

For illustration purpose only. Source: NSE, CRISIL, Data as at 31 Dec 2022, Return distribution based on a daily rolling returns of various holding periods. Period considered: 1 January 2005 – 31 December 2022. Mid Cap Funds are represented by weighted average index of 28 Mid cap funds representing the Mid Cap category. Returns of Mid cap funds is average of CRISIL ranked schemes. **Past performance may or may not be sustained in the future.**



When power meets great potential



Large Caps complement Mid Caps and provide strength to a growth portfolio with added optionality of Small Caps



What is a Large & Mid Cap Fund?

Large & Mid Cap Fund

Large Cap > 35%

Large Caps are relatively stable with a lower downside risk and equipped to deliver better risk adjusted performance

Mid Cap > 35%

Aid Caps companies have betted growth potential at reasonable valuations with potential to generate relatively higher performance

Large or Mid or Small Cap > 30%

Flexibility to pick winners across categories

Large Caps

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

Mid Caps

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

Small Caps

- Beyond 250th stocks
- Great growth potential
- High volatility and low liquidity
- Under researched
- Potential multi baggers

Large & Mid schemes invest at least 35% of their assets each in large and mid cap stocks, respectively. The balance 30% can be good mix of stability of large caps, growth potential of midcaps and emerging businesses of small caps

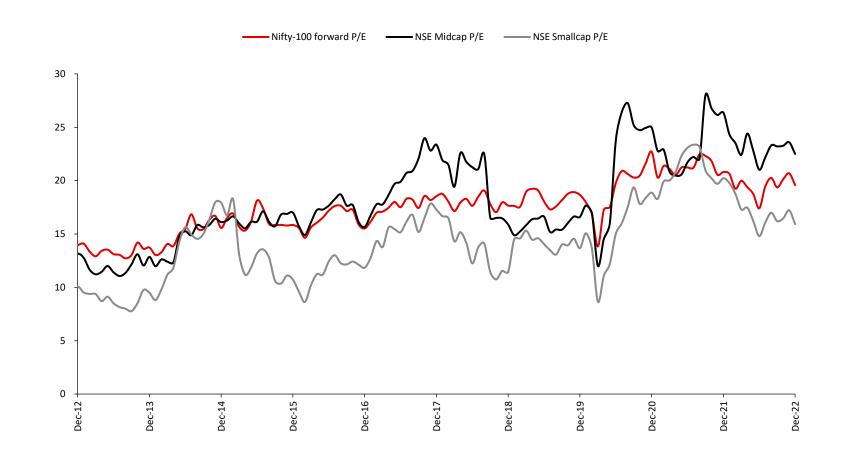
For illustration purpose only. The asset allocation and investment strategy will be as per Scheme Information Document (SID). Large-caps are represented by the top 100 stocks on full market capitalisation basis & Mid caps are represented by the next 150 stocks based on full market capitalisation and Small Cap stocks beyond 250th stock based on full market capitalisation basis.



Valuation trend across market capitalization

Always keep winners on your side - Valuations have moderated over the last 1 year

- Large Cap (Nifty100) and Small Cap index are trading in line with their last 5-year average while Midcap is at a slight premium
- However, Large Cap and Small Cap trading about 10% above 10year average while Mid Caps trading at a 20% premium



Source: Bloomberg, Kotak, Data as on 31 Dec 2022



Why invest in HSBC Large & Mid Cap Fund (HLMF)

Power of consistency and stability

• HLMF offers potential of consistency with an exposure to Large Cap stocks which are known to be stable compounders

Potential of high growth

HLMF's allocation to Mid Cap stocks offers potential of above average growth

Optionality of small caps

• The fund offers power of consistent Large Caps and potential of growing Mid Caps with an optimal allocation

Benefit from discipline

• Minimum 35% allocation in each (Large Cap and Mid Cap) helps in instilling discipline and gain from it

Subject to relatively lower volatility

• Less volatile Large Caps can restrict funds downside and encourage investors to remain invested for longer time frame

Gain from the mix of power of Large Caps and growth potential of Mid Caps with HLMF

Mutual fund investments are subject to market risks, read all scheme-related documents carefully. Past performance may or may not sustain and doesn't guarantee the future performance



Fund Philosophy

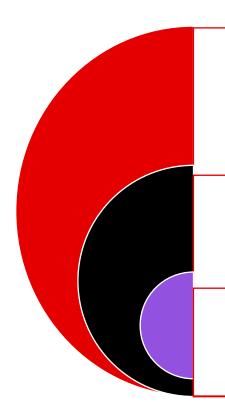
- We believe good corporate governance is extremely essential for a company to sustain and thrive
- Prefer companies with **differentiated business models** which can act as moats to ensure higher and / or longer growth trajectory. This edge can either be technology, brand power, distribution strength, ESG or others
- Profit pool consolidation with dominant players to continue and disruption to accelerate this shift
- Execution is an underrated skill but is far more important in long term performance of the company. Translation from strategy to results is solely dependent of execution skills of company and management agility
- We look out for businesses or industries which are benefiting from cyclical or regulatory tailwinds
- Good return ratios with healthy balance sheet and working capital are preferred. Cases where return ratios are lower but have a clear path to improvement are also considered

Prefer companies with differentiated business models which can act as moats to ensure higher growth trajectory



Data as on 28 Feb 2023
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Framework for Portfolio Composition



Leader / Consistent performers Large Caps

Top 100 companies

Challengers / Growth leaders – Mid Caps

101st to 250th companies

Themes and Turnarounds

Key Portfolio Themes

- From the medium term perspective, we are positive on the industrial and manufacturing oriented sectors benefiting from government policies and import substitution
- From the long term perspective, we continue to be positive on the consumption theme in India based on demographics and aspiration
- Within consumption, have an interplay between discretionary and staples depending on phases of economy
- We remain focused on the fundamentals of companies and especially the earnings growth trajectory
- Preference for regulated businesses or ones impacted by policy changes is lower
- Sectoral preference is driven by assessment of sectors / segments leading contribution to the market earnings growth over the next 2-3 years

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HSBC Large and Mid Cap Equity Fund (HLMF)



Investment Objective - To seek long term capital growth through investments in both large cap and mid cap stocks. However, there is no assurance that the investment objective of the Scheme will be achieved.

Fund Name	HSBC Large and Mid Cap Equity Fund	Туре	Large and Mid Cap - An open ended equity scheme investing in both large cap and mid cap stocks
Benchmark	NIFTY LargeMidcap 250 TRI	Plans / Options / Sub options	Regular, Direct plans/ Growth, Income Distribution cum capital withdrawal (IDCW) option (Payout of IDCW & Reinvestment of IDCW)
Minimum Application Amount	Rs 5,000/- per application	Loads (including	Entry Load*: Nil Exit Load:- Any redemption / switch-out within 1
Minimum Application Amount (SIP)	Minimum Investment Amount - Rs. 500 (monthly)	SIP / STP wherever applicable)	year from the date of allotment: 1% No Exit Load will be charged, if units are redeemed/switched-out after 1 year from the date of allotment. ^
SIP/STP/SWP	Available	Fund Managers	Cheenu Gupta & Neelotpal <u>Sahai</u>

Asset Allocation of the scheme

Under normal circumstances, it is anticipated that the asset allocation of the Scheme will be as follows:

Instruments	Indicative Allocation (% of net assets)		Risk Profile
	Minimum	Maximum	
Equity and Equity related	80%	100%	Medium to high
Securities out of which:			
a) Large cap Companies	35%	65%	
b) Mid Cap Companies	35%	65%	
c) Other than Large Cap and Mid Cap Companies	0%	30%	
Debt instruments & Money Market Instruments (including cash & cash equivalents)	0%	20%	Low to medium
Units issued by REITs and InvITs	0%	10%	Medium to High

Note - Sonal Gupta shall be dedicated fund manager for investments in foreign securities by all the schemes of HSBC Mutual Fund.

Reefer to SID of the scheme for asset allocation and more details.



[^]The exit loads set forth above is subject to change at the discretion of the AMC and such changes shall be implemented prospectively. *In terms of SEBI circular no. SEBI/IMD/CIR No.4/ 168230/09 dated June 30, 2009, no entry load will be charged by the Scheme to the investor effective August 1, 2009. No exit load (if any) will be charged for units allotted under bonus / dividend reinvestment option.

Product Label

Scheme name and Type of scheme	*Riskometer of the Scheme	Riskometer of the benchmark
This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:	lorate Ma.	orate M.
HSBC Large and Mid Cap Fund (Erstwhile HSBC Large & Mid Cap Equity Fund) - Large and Mid Cap Fund – An open ended equity scheme investing in both large cap and mid cap stocks.	Moderate High Low Very High	Low Moderate High
 Long term wealth creation and income Investment predominantly in equity and equity related securities of Large and Mid cap companies 	RISKOMETER	RISKOMETER
(Benchmark : NIFTY Large Midcap 250 TRI)	Investors understand that their principal will be at Very High risk	

Riskometer as of 28 Feb 2023



Equity - Investment Philosophy

Guiding principles that drive investment philosophy and approach

Investment mandate

 Ensures that the fund manager adheres to the investment style stated in the prospectus or offer documents

Active fund management

- Focus and conviction on long-term business fundamentals
- Disciplined yet active fund management can generate superior long-term performance

Research based stock selection

- Focus is on identifying stocks with
- Strong business fundamentals
- Better growth prospects and
- Undervalued relative to their intrinsic worth

Robust risk management

 A robust framework for evaluating, monitoring and managing various risks are an integral part of the investment process

Source: HSBC Mutual Fund



Equity - Investment Process

Power of SAPM - Equity investment process comprises three stages



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Selection

of Ideas



Analysis of Companies



PM

Portfolio Creation and Monitoring

Stock Selection



Stock Analysis

Quality ESG

Valuations

Portfolio Creation and Monitoring

Identify potential ideas

- Strong in-house research coverage
- Filters / screens
- External Research
- Meet industry experts, competitors, suppliers, regulators
- Identify secular opportunities
- Identify industry cycle inflection points

When buying a business, know the business

- Quality of business
- Attractiveness of business
- Competitive advantage & Disruption risk
- Management performance record
- Environmental, Social & Governance
 - Corporate governance track record
 - Environmental / Sustainability practices
 - Stakeholder impact
- Valuations
 - PE, EV/EBITDA, balance sheet strength
- Risk reward evaluation

Implementation

- Scheme objectives –
- Growth,
- Value or
- Blended
- Stock and sector diversification
- Risk identification Concentration, liquidity, market cap and tracking error
- Monitoring economic and business trends
- Investment Committee discussion
- Portfolio performance review

Source: HSBC Mutual Fund



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