

# HSBC India Next Portfolio

**PMS Product Note** 

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### Which themes can benefit the most in economic revival?

#### CONSUMPTION **GLOCAL HIGH ALPHA** DIGITISATION Secular growth Play on MNCs Disruptive themes combined with secular sector in India Disruptive and & progressive ones Conventional Structural, long New age theme aim to have potential yet progressive term theme to deliver alpha theme

Growth themes may have potential to deliver sustainable growth

### HSBC India Next Portfolio (HINP)

Focus on Consumption | GLOCAL | Digitisation

Inception Date: 18 February 2021

### Minimum Application Amount

For (1) Fixed fee option and (2) Fixed & Performance-linked option = INR 5 million

### Investment Objective

HSBC India Next Portfolio aims to generate returns and provide long term capital appreciation by investing in equity and equity related securities across market cap of businesses benefitting from transformation in Indian economy

Benchmark: Primary - S&P BSE 500 TRI, Secondary - BSE 200 Index. Rationale for selection of benchmark — Primary Benchmark prescribed by APMI as mandated by SEBI to evaluate relative performance of the portfolio. It is as per market cap based methodology for equity strategy. Secondary benchmark — Since its composition is in line with the objective of the investment approach. Index is broad based and is also suited for comparing the performance of the portfolio.

### Fund Manager

Sheetalkumar Shah, Total Experience: 27 years, managing this portfolio since 18 February 2021

### Indicative tenure or investment horizon Medium to Long Term (3 years+) Description of types of securities

- Equity and equity related securities including convertible bonds and debentures and warrants carrying the right to obtain equity shares.
- Derivative instruments as may be permitted by SEBI / RBI.
- Units of liquid funds/overnight funds of HSBC Mutual Fund. Cash and cash equivalents
- Any other instruments as may be permitted by RBI / SEBI / such other Regulatory Authorities from time to time Investors should note that pursuant to Clause 2.3 of Master Circular for Portfolio Managers dated March 20, 2023, an option to invest directly i.e. without intermediation of persons engaged in distribution services, is available to the investors.

### Portfolio Manager's commentary:

The first month of calendar 2024 was eventful one with red sea crisis, escalating geopolitical issues, grand opening of temple at Ayodhya, IMF's growth outlook, stock market at all time high levels etc. The month was characterized by elevated volatility in Indian stock markets. FIIs posted outflow of \$3.1 billion after the consecutive months of huge inflows. However strong domestic flows continued during the month.

The recent interim budget exemplifies the governments unwavering focus on sustainable economic development. The most redeeming part is the government has surprised positively on fiscal rectitude despite the general election backdrop. The government has stepped up its Capex target to INR 11.11 trillion to develop public infrastructure in FY25. The government's fundamental goal of policymaking to achieve inclusive growth and development remains intact. It has given big boost to many sectors such as housing, green energy, tourism, technology and infrastructure etc.

Overall, India's economy is in pretty good shape in the context of global environment. India is expected to deliver the highest growth among the larger countries. The risk variables like fiscal, current account deficit and currency are well under control. The India manufacturing PMI for January came in at four months high of 56.5 signifying strong expansion from the previous month. Services activity also rose with services PMI of 61.8 highest in last six-month period. A budget that avoids populist spending, reins in the deficit and boosts investment will further the buildout of infrastructure and India's integration into global supply chains. The recent US Fed meeting left the rates unchanged for the fourth straight meeting. Timing of rate cut during calendar year is getting delayed due to FED's attentive approach to inflation risks.

The 3QFY24 Corporate earnings scorecard has been in line with street estimates so far, growth has primarily been led by BFSI, metals, oil and gas, and auto sectors. We have been closely monitoring the quarterly results & management commentary of our portfolio companies. Key events to watch for will be RBI monetary policy and corporate earnings in near term.

We remain vigilant & selective in such euphoric markets while choosing stocks. Valuations are not cheap but falling interest rates will help support valuations. In current exuberant markets, we need to focus on valuation of companies to judge the stability & quality of earnings growth potential. Our portfolio, though thematic is constructed to be resilient across a range of plausible economic conditions, with an aim of generating positive long-term returns.

### Top 10 Holdings

Name	Weight%	Theme	ROE (FY23) %	EPS CAGR (2Yrs)
PERSISTENT SYSTEMS LTD	5.70	Digital	25.1	23.7
STATE BANK OF INDIA	5.64	Consumption + Digital	16.7	5.3
J.B. CHEMICALS & PHARMA LTD	5.42	Consumption	17.8	30.6
DLF LTD	5.32	Consumption	5.5	30.1
TITAN CO LTD	5.10	Consumption	30.7	21.1
INFOSYS LTD	4.95	Digital	32.0	7.5
RELIANCE INDUSTRIES LTD	4.83	Digital + Consumption	8.9	11.1
PHOENIX MILLS LTD	4.79	Consumption	17.8	(0.5)
INDIAN HOTELS CO LTD	4.59	Consumption	13.3	27.9
INTELLECT DESIGN ARENA LTD	4.57	Digital	13.8	31.5

Performance#	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	2 Years	Since Inception
Portfolio (HINP)	2.04%	12.95%	13.63%	34. 56%	16.00%	18.24%
BSE 500 TRI ^	1.92%	17.88%	16.20%	33.42%	16.47%	17.82%
BSE 200 ^^	1.34%	16.91%	14.16%	28.96%	14.03%	15.06%

Source – Bloomberg, Returns upto 1 year are absolute & over 1 year are Compounded Annualized. Returns are adjusted for inflows/outflows. The above Information is for general information 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 portfolio may or may not have any future position in these stocks. A Regulatory benchmark A Secondary benchmark, Data as on 31 January 2024. #Refer page no. 2 for detailed disclaimer. To view the portfolio's performance relative to other Portfolio Managers, you may click here (APMI (apmiindia.org)).

## Basis of selection of types of securities

The investment approach is to create long term wealth for investors by participating in companies from sectors that are likely to be beneficiaries of transformation in the Indian economy including themes such as, digitization, consumption, GLOCAL i.e. Global companies working in local markets, etc. The portfolio manager intends to do the same by buying equities of these businesses and hence, equity and equity related securities are chosen for investment. The portfolio manager may, from time to time, invest un-deployed funds in units of liquid funds/ overnight funds of HSBC Mutual Fund including cash and cash equivalents for cash management purposes

Allocation of portfolio across types of securities

Instruments	Indicative Allocation (% of assets)		
	Minimum	Maximum	
Equity and equity related securities	95%	100%	
Units of liquid funds/overnight funds of HSBC Mutual Fund including cash and cash equivalents*	0%	5%	

\* For cash management and pending deployment in the portfolio

## Why invest in HSBC India Next Portfolio (HINP)?

### Fueled by focused themes

The portfolio aims to gain by focusing on the select themes such as Consumption, GLOCAL and Digitisation in a more concentrated manner that can propel growth.

#### Growth with new age portfolio

HINP's allocation to Discretionary spending can offer above average growth over a long term. Allocation to Digitisation adds new age investment ideas.

### Earning visibility

Expected earnings acceleration can offer high alpha generation opportunities effectively.

### High conviction and concentration

High conviction and concentrated portfolio of HINP can provide high alpha generation opportunities with our portfolio construction process and TVSQ strategy. (TVSQ – Dominant Themes, Reasonable Valuations, Scalability & Sustainability and

Management Business Quality)

Risk associated with investment approach
Deployment of monies under the investment strategy will be oriented towards equity and equity related securities of companies belonging to themes/sectors that are likely to be
beneficiaries of transformation in the Indian economy including themes such as digitization, consumption, GLOCAL i.e. Global companies working in local markets, etc. and hence
will be affected by risks associated with these industries as well as any factors that affect the broader macro-economic environment such as interest rate changes, liquidity, cross
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### Market Capitalisation

Sector Name	% of Net Assets	Large Cap:	50.47%	
Financials	22.09	3		
Information Technology	15.22	Mid Cap:	33.44%	
Consumer Discretionary	13.99	wiid oup.	33.4470	
Industrials	12.30	Small Cap:	10.00%	
Real Estate	10.10	Зіпан Сар.		
Health Care	7.52	Avg. Weighted Market Capitalisation Rs.2,97,480 Cr		
Energy	4.83	Median Market Capitalisation Rs.1,06,643 Cr		
Communication Services	4.38	ivieulan iviaiket Capitalisation RS. 1,00,043 Ci		
Consumer Staples	3.47	Large Cap:1st 100 company in terms of full market capitalization. Mid Cap: 101st to 250th company in terms of full market capitalization. Small Cap: 251st company onwards in terms of full market capitalisation.		

### Portfolio Fundamentals & Attributes

2 years EPS CAGR: FY23 - 25, Data as on 31 January 2024

### **Investment Strategy**

Sector Allocation

The portfolio strategy endeavors to capitalize on long term wealth creation opportunity by investing in select high growth potential businesses from sectors that are likely to be beneficiaries of transformation in the Indian economy including themes such as Digitisation, Consumption, GLOCAL i.e. Global companies working in local markets, etc. The portfolio would be market cap agnostic and would focus on select themes with potential to deliver alpha over medium to long term.<sup>&</sup>

However, it is expressly clarified that clients are not being offered any guaranteed / assured returns and that the Portfolio Manager only endeavors to meet the investment objective

HSBC India Next Portfolio offers high conviction, concentrated investment portfolio focused on sectors that are likely to be beneficiaries of transformation in the Indian economy

<sup>&</sup> The Portfolio Manager may also participate in the Securities Lending Scheme.

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