

ABSL NEXT 100 PORTFOLIO

INVESTMENT THEME

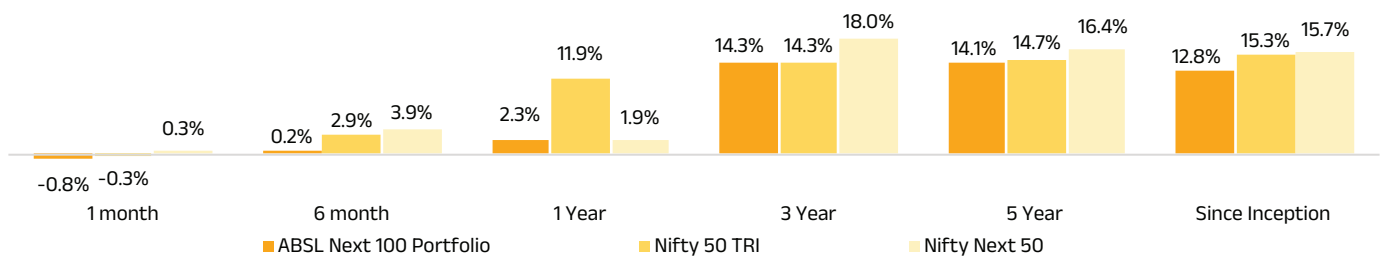
The portfolio would primarily invest in Large & Mid caps. It captures a sweet spot between Large Caps and Mid Caps with a perfect balance of growth and quality. The strategy aims to invest predominantly in top 150 companies (excluding Nifty 50).

FUND DETAILS

Structure: Discretionary PMS | **Fund Manager:** Salvin Shah

Benchmark: Nifty 50 TRI | **Fund Inception Date:** September 27, 2019

PERFORMANCE



Performance as on December 31, 2025 / Source: ABSLAMC Internal Research

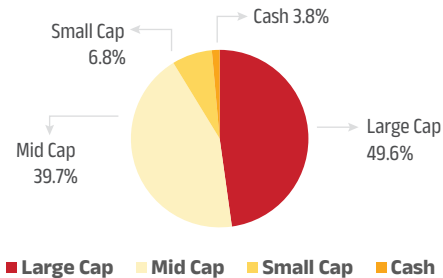
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RISK RATIOS

Standard Deviation	14.06%
Sharpe Ratio	0.61
Beta	1.07
Portfolio Turnover (1 Year)	0.31

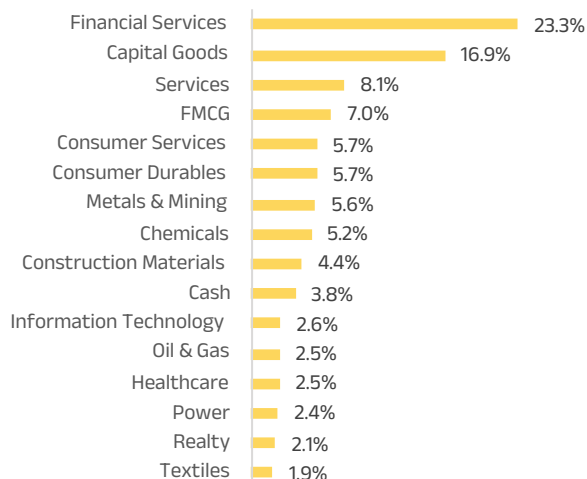
Above Ratios are 3 year ratios calculated on annualised basis

MARKET CAPITALISATION



Source: AMFI / As on December 31, 2025

SECTOR ALLOCATION



Source: AMFI / As on December 31, 2025

TOP 10 PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS

Muthoot Finance Ltd	6.3%
Ashok Leyland Ltd	6.2%
Federal Bank Ltd	6.1%
PB FINTECH LIMITED	6.1%
Jindal Steel and Power Ltd	5.6%
CG Power and Industrial Solutions Ltd	4.9%
Bajaj Finserv Ltd	4.9%
Ambuja Cements Ltd	4.4%
United Spirits Ltd	4.0%
Info Edge India Ltd	3.8%

Year Gone By and Way Forward

Market Review: CY2025 Recap & Outlook for CY2026

Overview

Calendar year 2025 has been a transitional year for markets—marked by global volatility, policy shifts, and sectoral rotations. While equity returns were uneven, the underlying macro and earnings setup has steadily improved. As we look ahead to 2026, we believe the environment is becoming more constructive, particularly for Indian equities.

Global & Trade Environment

India continues to strengthen its external position through trade diversification. Free Trade Agreements, including with the UK, New Zealand, the UAE, Oman, among others, are expanding market access and reducing dependence on any single geography. Recent export data has been encouraging, underscoring the resilience of the Indian economy despite global uncertainty.

Globally, Artificial Intelligence emerged as a dominant investment theme in 2025. This led to significant volatility—especially between May and September—as capital gravitated toward AI-linked assets. However, services exports are now beginning to normalise, providing renewed confidence in India's external sector.

India's Policy Direction & Growth Dynamics

A key development over the past year has been India's shift from a public capex-led growth model toward a more consumption-oriented approach. This transition was supported by timely policy actions, including interest rate cuts, GST rationalisation, and tax adjustments. While these measures initially weighed on equity performance, they have laid a solid foundation for sustainable growth.

India has entered a rate-easing cycle of approximately 125 basis points. Credit growth, which had moderated from earlier highs, has begun to recover, supported by improved liquidity conditions and proactive central bank measures.

Earnings Cycle & Economic Momentum

Following a strong post-COVID earnings recovery up to FY24, the earnings cycle experienced a period of moderation. Recent results, particularly the September quarter, indicate that earnings growth had picked up, with approximately 15% year-on-year growth reported.

Concerns around low inflation and the GDP deflator are, in our view, overstated when assessed over a longer horizon. Nominal GDP growth is expected to be healthy supported by base effects and improving economic activity. While a return to peak earnings growth rates may take time, the direction is clearly positive.

Currency, Capital Flows & External Stability

The Indian Rupee underperformed several emerging market peers during the year. This movement largely reflects central bank actions to manage reserves and forward positions, rather than any structural weakness. We view the recent currency adjustment as temporary.

Encouragingly, foreign direct investment remains robust, particularly in technology infrastructure such as data centres, with large global players continuing to commit capital to India. Services exports also remain resilient, reinforcing confidence in India's balance of payments position.

Asset Allocation & Market Signals

Gold and silver performed strongly in 2025 as investors sought neutral, non-printable assets amid global uncertainty. Historically, such phases have often preceded periods of stronger equity performance, as capital rotates back toward assets with earnings growth. We believe this pattern may once again play out.

Outlook for 2026: A Constructive Equity Environment

Looking ahead, we remain constructive on Indian equities. Several supportive factors are aligning:

- Recovery in the earnings cycle
- Early signs of revival in private capital expenditure
- Supportive liquidity and policy environment
- Stable external balances and manageable commodity prices

Private sector capex, in particular, is showing encouraging signs beyond traditional sectors, supported by improving industrial credit growth. While consumption trends remain healthy, wage growth will be an important variable to monitor.

The IT sector, which faced headwinds over the past six months, is beginning to show signs of stabilisation, and we expect performance to improve as global services demand normalises.

Closing Thoughts

While 2025 tested investor patience, it has also reset expectations and valuations. As earnings momentum improves and private investment revives, we believe the coming period offers attractive opportunities for long-term investors. Our focus remains on disciplined stock selection and positioning the portfolio to participate meaningfully in the next phase of growth.

We thank our investors and partners for their continued trust and support.

Source: Internal Research

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PORTFOLIO UPDATE

In the month of December 2025, Muthoot Finance Ltd, Ashok Leyland Ltd, Federal Bank Ltd, PB Fintech Ltd, & Jindal Steel and Power Ltd. continue to be the fund's top holdings. We continue to employ our extensive bottom-up research process, to identify mispriced opportunities, with special focus on companies with credible managements, healthy balance sheets, higher returns on capital, and strong runway for growth.

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	Growth	Blend	Value
Large Cap			
Mid & Small			

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