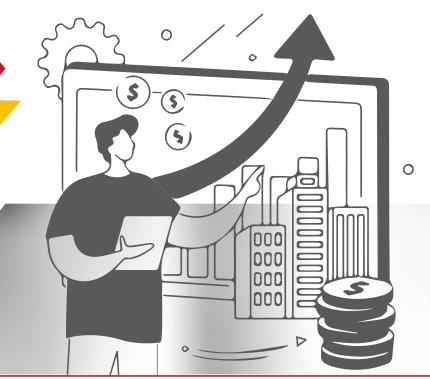
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# ABSL Core Equity Portfolio (CEP)

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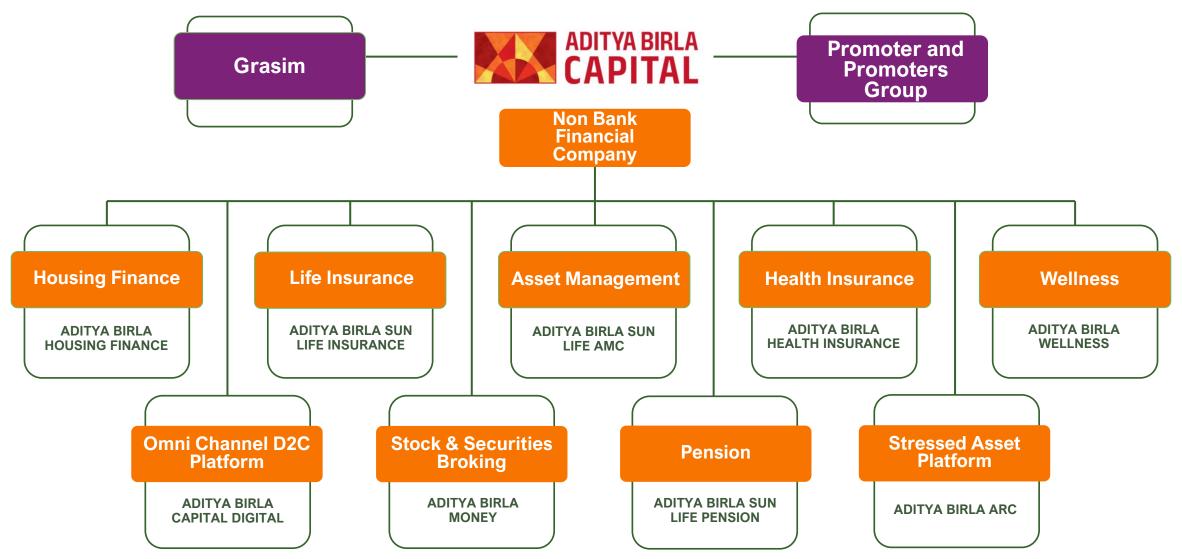
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# **ABSLAMC Overview**

Aditya Birla Sun Life AMC Ltd.





Source: Internal. Above is not intended to show the complete organizational structure and all entities therein. It is intended to describe the key businesses of Aditya Birla Capital.





- Part of Aditya Birla Group (ABG) one of the largest Indian conglomerates with interest across various commodity, manufacturing & service businesses and operations in over 40 countries
- Managing AUM of ₹ 5.5 Lakh Cr (as on September 30, 2025)
- ◆ Leading financial services organization providing Asset Management, Life Insurance, Wealth Management, Corporate Lending, Project & Structured Finance, General Insurance Broking, Broking & Private Equity, Housing Finance etc.



- ◆ A leading Canadian financial services company
- ◆ AUM CAD \$ 1,623 billion (as on September 30, 2025)
- Offering diversified range of risk and financial management products for individuals and corporate
- Large international footprint across continents major presence in North America & Asia



# **Asset Management**



### Heritage

- Founded in 1994, one of the oldest in India
- Promoted by Aditya Birla Capital Group & Sun Life Financial
- Have seen the market evolve across different asset classes over the years
- Driven by client centric product Innovation
- International presence in Dubai, Singapore and Mauritius.



#### **Market Dominance**

- One of the top AMCs in India with MF AUM of over 4,07,337 Cr (September 2025)
- Over 10.7 million investor accounts (September 2025)
- Strengths across different asset classes

# **Alternate Business**



### **Best in Class Management**

- Offer portfolio management services, alternate & offshore investment solutions to HNIs and Institutions
- Managing/advising Rs. 37,245 Cr of assets as of October 2025
- 16-member dedicated investment team for Equity, Fixed Income, and Real Estate, with a cumulative experience of 200+ years
- Focus on delivering sustained investment performance and portfolio differentiation.
- Strong and robust risk management and governance framework

Source: Internal.



### Aditya Birla Sun Life AMC Limited (Investment Manager)



#### **Mutual Fund**

**Equity Funds** 

**Debt Funds** 

Hybrid Funds

Index , ETFs & Solution oriented Funds



### Portfolio Management Services (PMS)^

#### **Discretionary**

- · ABSL Select Sector Portfolio
- ABSL India Special Opportunities
   Portfolio
  - ABSL Innovation Portfolio
    - ABSL Top 200 CEP
  - ABSL Core Equity Portfolio

### **Non-Discretionary**

Advisory

**Co-Investment** 



# Alternative Investment Funds (AIF)

ABSL India Special Opportunities Fund (Cat III – Close ended equity)

India Equity Opportunities Fund (Cat III – Open ended equity)

ABSL Structured Opportunities Fund Series II

ABSL Money Manager Fund (Cat II – Close ended Debt)

ABSL India Flexicap Fund (IFSC)

(Cat III – Open ended equity FoF)

India ESG Engagement Fund (IFSC)
(Cat III – Open ended equity)

ABSL Global Bluechip Equity Fund (IFSC)

(Cat III – Close ended global equity FoF)

Aditya Birla Real Estate Credit Opportunities

Fund Series II

(Cat II - Close ended Real Estate)



### **Offshore Business**

Singapore

Mauritius

Dubai

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Gift City

<sup>^</sup> We also offer customized portfolio solutions for Equity, Debt and Real Estate for large tickets



# Alternate Business - Equity Investment Process



# To identify & capitalize upon the prevailing market inefficiencies in a Simple, Timely & Efficient manner

#### **Focus on Businesses**

With ability & commitment to grow earnings faster than Nominal GDP



**Purchase at Reasonable Price** 

Entry Level valuations which accord "Margin of safety"

### **Buy Companies that have**

- Large Opportunity Canvas (scope for non-linear growth outcomes)
- Credible Management
- Emphasis on Capital Efficiency
- Superior return ratios



### **Investment Process**













# Investment Universe

Portfolio Universe as per fund mandate

### Stock Screening

- Financial Modelling & Due Diligence
- Quantitative & Qualitative Screener

# Portfolio Optimisation

 Risk reward analysis & Portfolio optimisation

# Portfolio Construction

Portfolio of high conviction names

### Monitoring

- Periodic monitoring
- Stop loss Triggers
- Maintain Sell Discipline

# **Investor Servicing**

Fund
Performance,
Reporting &
Investor Servicing



## Screening

### **Fundamentals**



Return on Equity >15%

Net Debt / EBITDA less than 2x

Improving margins & Turnover Ratios

Aggregate Portfolio liquidity

### **Valuation**



Superior EPS Growth, RoCE & Net Debt to EBITDA vs benchmark Large Opportunity Canvas

### Governance



Promoter's conduct & Management Integrity High Pledge & Accounting Red Flags Limited Equity Dilution in recent past

### Financial Modelling & Due Diligence



Visible Earnings CAGR > 15% in medium term Sustained Competitive Advantage led by Unique Value Proposition

Interaction with investee companies & its ecosystem

# Risk Management

### **Stop loss Triggers**



If loss on stock is higher than benchmark on trailing 6 months by more than 30%

### **Periodic Monitoring**



Quarterly Monitoring Event Based Triggers

### **Maintain Sell Discipline**



Poor Capital Allocation Weakening Competitive Position Any emerging governance issues



# **ABSL Core Equity Portfolio**



## **Focus on Long Term Wealth Creation**



### **Investment Objective/ Philosophy**

Follows both Top down & Bottomup approach

Industries with strong operating dynamics

Businesses core to the India growth story

**Unconstrained by Market Caps, Sectors or Themes** 

Attractive Valuation with "Margin of safety"



### **Wealth Creation Approach**

**Recurring Winners** - High Quality businesses with consistent growth/returns profile

Companies with Scalability and Resilience

Benchmark-agnostic

**Multi Cap Universe** 

Concentrated Portfolio





### **Value Drivers**

High ROEs/ROCEs

Sustainable earnings growth

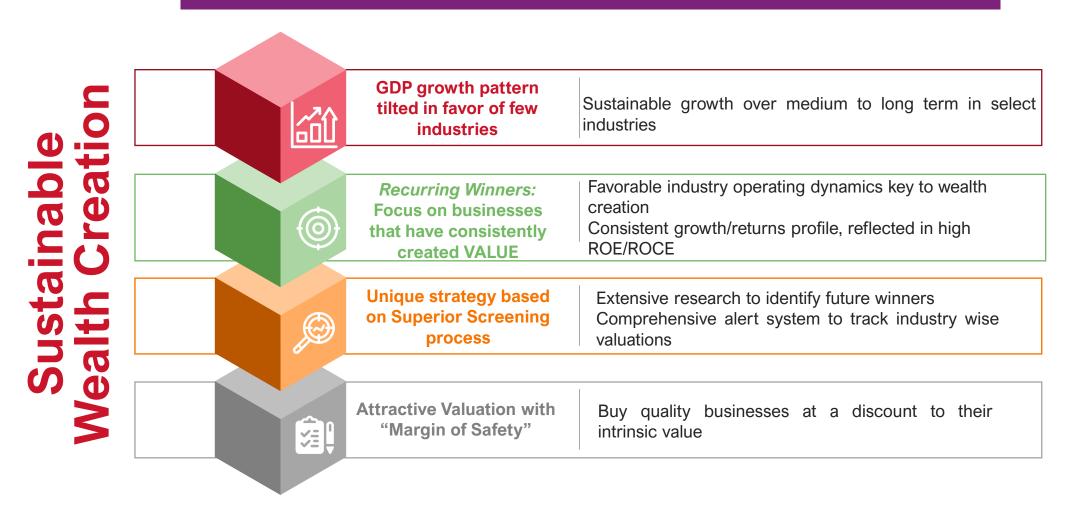
Low leverage

High quality franchise, product, service

Superior management team



### **Concentrated Portfolio | Benchmark agnostic | Multi-cap universe**





### **India GDP\***

# Private Consumption (~55-65%)

- · Food, beverages, tobacco
- Housing, fuel, power, water
- Transport & Communication
- Misc. goods & services
- Clothing & Footwear
- Furnishing & Maintenance
- Healthcare
- · Restaurants & Hotels
- · Education & Recreation

Decoupled, stable and sustainable returns over long term

Exports (~20-25%)

- Export of goods
- Export of services

Gross Capital Formation (~30-35%)

- Public Sector
- Pvt Sector
- Household

Cyclical, levered to domestic policy and global economic recovery

<sup>\*</sup>Sum of components>100% as imports are not accounted for (negative entry). Source: MOSPI



- ◆ Research over the long term proves that shareholder wealth creation is mainly determined by strong operating dynamics such as competition levels, ease of entry by new players, bargaining power of buyers/suppliers etc.
- ◆ Focus on industries with lower competitive intensity that are more direct beneficiaries of consumer spending, enjoying stable growth, and are less vulnerable
- Companies with superior management and strong business models coupled with favorable industry operating dynamics generate superior value and returns consistently

### **Industry dynamics - Key to capture value**



#### **Commercial Banks**

- Entry barriers in the form of licenses
- Very limited customer bargaining power

#### **Pharmaceuticals**

- Large and growing addressable market
- Entry barriers in form of size, capital, regulations & research capabilities





#### IT Services

- Arbitrage- India's cost advantage vs global players
- Limited supplier power(employees) in terms of salary costs

### **Capital Goods**

- Large & growing addressable market
- Strong and large balance sheets acting as performance anchors





#### **FMCG**

- Brand franchise and distribution scale driven entry barriers
- Ingrained sustainability, healthy margins & return ratios



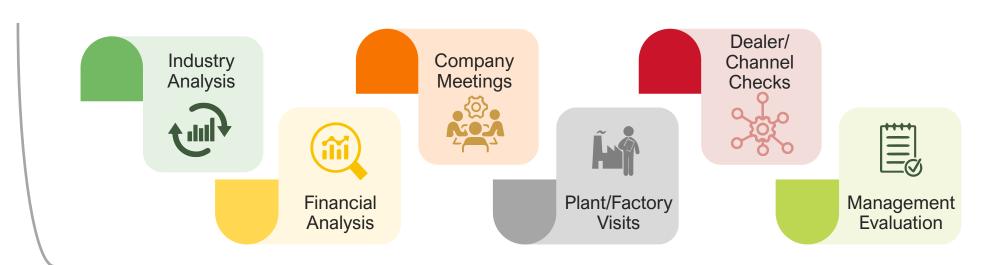
### **Superior screening process**

- ◆ Extensive fundamental research to identify future winners that create superior and sustained value
- ◆ Comprehensive alert systems to track industry wise valuation of each company
- Identify growth industries and businesses at attractive valuations

### **Bottom-up Fundamental Research adds conviction**

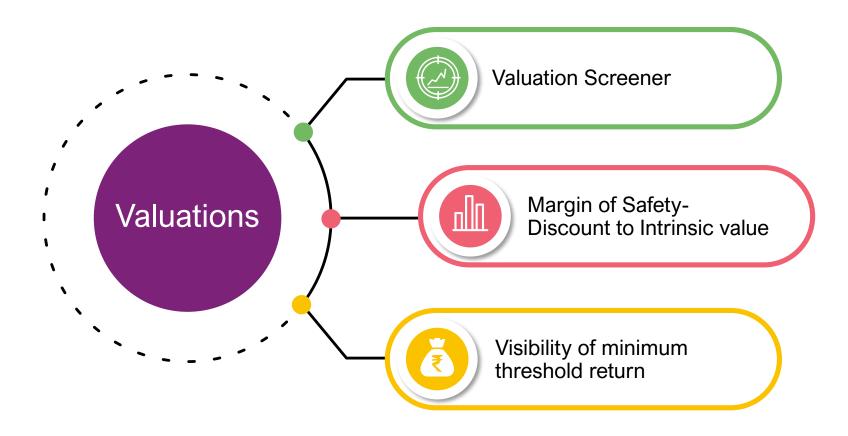
- ◆ Focus on understanding company strategy, management and execution
- ◆ Track sector developments, meet industry participants across value chains and company management to discern changing trends

### **Bottom-up Fundamental Research**





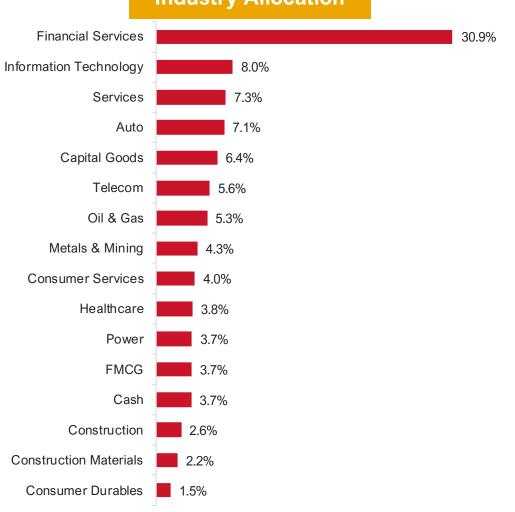
- ◆ Buy quality growth stocks at a discount to their intrinsic value
- Proprietary screeners enable discovery of the undervalued stocks that will create significant value over medium to long term
- ◆ Invest in a company only if there is a visibility of a minimum threshold return and limited down-side



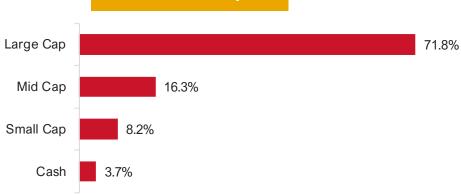
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### **Market Cap**



### **Investment Style**

	Growth	Blend	Value
Large Cap			
Mid & Small			

Market Cap Categorization as per Average Market Capitalization of listed companies during the six months ended June 30, 2025. Source: AMFI



### Portfolio vs. Benchmark (Higher Growth/ROEs with low leverage)

PE (x)	FY25A	FY26E	FY27E	Prem/Disc to Benchmark (FY26E)
ABSL Core Equity Portfolio	37.1	38.2	24.5	00.00/
NIFTY 500	23.7	20.8	18.3	99.0%
NIFTY 50 TRI	21.5	19.2	17.0	

ROE (%)	FY25A	FY26E	FY27E	Prem/Disc to Benchmark (FY26E)
ABSL Core Equity Portfolio	24.4%	19.8%	19.1%	34.8%
NIFTY 500	14.3%	14.6%	14.8%	34.0 /0
NIFTY 50 TRI	14.4%	14.7%	14.9%	

EPS Growth (%)	FY25A	FY26E	FY27E	Prem/Disc to Benchmark (FY26E)
ABSL Core Equity Portfolio	47.2%	17.7%	24.9%	420 69/
NIFTY 500	10.5%	4.1%	18.5%	439.6%
NIFTY 50 TRI	6.1%	3.3%	16.5%	

Net Debt to Equity* (%)	FY25	Prem/Disc to Benchmark
ABSL Core Equity Portfolio	32.5%	co on/
NIFTY 500	21.4%	
NIFTY 50 TRI	20.0%	

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### **Top 10 Holdings & Weights**

Top 10 Portfolio Holdings	% of Net Assets
Interglobe Aviation Ltd	7.3%
ICICI Bank Ltd	5.7%
Bharti Airtel Ltd	5.6%
Infosys Ltd	4.7%
HDFC Bank Ltd	4.0%
Sun Pharmaceuticals Industries Ltd	3.8%
United Spirits Ltd	3.7%
LTIMINDTREE LIMITED	3.3%
APL Apollo Tubes Limited	3.2%
ICICI Lombard General Insurance Company Limited	3.2%

<sup>\*</sup>Financials excluded in calculation of D/E Source: All ratios are based on Internal estimates.

# **ABSL Core Equity Portfolio - Portfolio Characteristics**



# Portfolio Characteristics

Key Ratios (3 Years)	ABSL Core Equity Portfolio	Nifty 50 TRI
Standard Deviation	12.36%	11.70%
Sharpe Ratio	0.44	0.70
Beta	0.98	
Portfolio Turnover	0.42	
Avg MCap (Rs. Cr.)	₹ 4,29,646	
Median MCap (Rs. Cr.)	₹ 1,93,956	

# **ABSL Core Equity Portfolio - Performance**



	Absolute			CAGR					
Returns (%)	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception (07/01/2009)
ABSL Core Equity Portfolio	4.0%	3.9%	8.5%	4.8%	13.0%	11.1%	20.3%	10.1%	18.8%
Nifty 50 TRI	4.6%	4.1%	7.4%	7.6%	17.5%	13.9%	18.6%	13.7%	15.2%
Out/Underperformance	-0.6%	-0.2%	1.1%	-2.8%	-4.5%	-2.8%	1.7%	-3.6%	3.6%
Nifty 500	4.3%	3.5%	7.4%	4.5%	18.8%	15.4%	19.9%	13.4%	15.0%
Out/Underperformance	-0.3%	0.4%	1.2%	0.3%	-5.8%	-4.3%	0.4%	-3.3%	3.8%

**Disclaimer:** Past performance of any product does not indicate its future performance.

- Performance data is based on Time-Weighted Rate of Return (TWRR) for aggregated performance statistics of all investors.
- Please note that performance of your portfolio may vary from that of other investors and that generated by the Investment Approach across all investors because of
  - the timing of inflows and outflows of funds; and
  - differences in the portfolio composition because of restrictions and other constraints
- Investment approach level performance reported is not verified by SEBI

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# **Case Studies**

# **Interglobe Aviation Ltd**



#### **Sector- Services**

- ◆ Interglobe Aviation(Indigo) is the leading low-cost airline carrier (LCC) in India. The Principal activities of the company comprise of air transportation including passenger and cargo services and providing related allied services including in-flight sales.
- ◆ The company is also into hospitality, travel commerce, airline management, advanced pilot training and aircraft maintenance engineering.



### **Key Facts**

- ◆ Over the past three decades, Interglobe Aviation has become India's leading conglomerates. It is headquartered in Gurugram and driven by a workforce of over 70,000 people spread across 37+ countries and 150+ cities globally.
- With a market share of 62%, Interglobe Aviation is the biggest airline in India and one of the fastest-growing in the world with a fleet of more than 400 aircrafts, linking passengers to 130+ destinations worldwide (90 in India and 40 Internationally).
- ◆ Interglobe Hotels is India's leading hotel development company with 22 operational hotels with more than 3,996 rooms.
- ◆ Interglobe Technology Quotient (ITQ), a strategic business unit of Indigo, holds leadership position in travel technology industry, ITQ is connected to nearly 22,000+ agency terminals, Serving 6300+ customers including travel management companies, online travel agencies and retail agencies across 700+ cities
- InterGlobe's lifestyle hotel brand, Miiro, has launched its fourth European property, Templeton Garden, in London's historic Earl's Court.

Source: Bloomberg, Internal Research

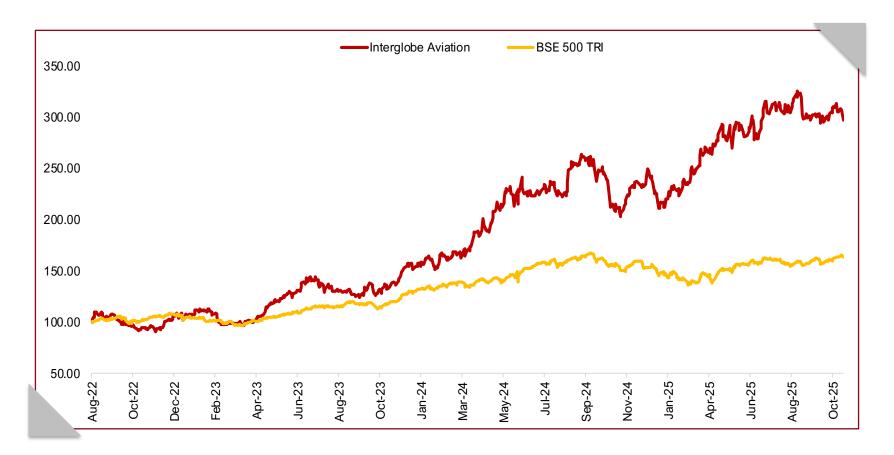












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### **Bharti Airtel Ltd**



#### **Sector- Telecom**

- ◆ Bharti Airtel Limited is Asia's leading integrated telecommunication services provider company globally. The Airtel brand has played the role of a major catalyst in India's reforms, contributing to its economic resurgence.
- ◆ The businesses at Bharti Airtel have been structured into three individual SBUs- Mobile Services, Airtel Telemedia Services & Enterprise Services.



### **Key Facts**

- Headquartered in New Delhi, Airtel is the most trusted provider of ICT services with a global network across the USA, Europe, Africa, Middle East, Asia-Pacific, India, and SAARC regions.
- ◆ Through the diverse product portfolio and strategically located submarine cables and satellite network running across 365,000+ Route kilometers in 50 countries and 5 continents, Bharti Airtel is pushing the boundaries in digital service delivery with a key focus on enhanced end-user experience, round-the-clock infrastructure availability, and superior service quality.
- ◆ Bharti Airtel limited operates in 17+ countries across Asia and Africa, having over 490 million customers across its operations. The company serves over 1200 global enterprises, 2000 large and 1 million medium/small businesses across India.
- ◆ Airtel Telecommunications ranks amongst the top 3 mobile service providers around the world (as per subscribers)

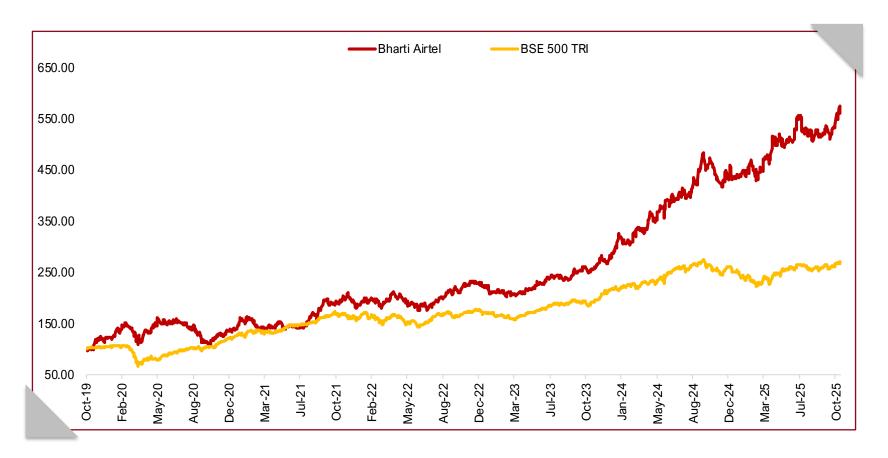












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### **ICICI Bank Ltd**



#### **Sector- Financial Services**

- ◆ ICICI Bank Ltd. is a prominent Indian multinational bank and financial services company, headquartered in Mumbai, with a registered office in Vadodara.
- ◆ It offers a wide range of banking and financial services to both corporate and retail customers through various channels and specialized subsidiaries. Originally established as a development finance institution, it has evolved into a leading private sector bank.



### **Key Facts**

- ◆ The Bank has a network of 6,523 business centres, 17,000+ ATMs and Cash Recycling Machines, and 570 Insta Banking Kiosks across the country.
- ◆ ICICI Bank's mobile banking application, iMobile Pay, has more than 30 million users. The company recorded over 70% digital trade transactions and a 22% growth in volume of transactions on InstaBIZ
- iLens, ICICI Bank's lending solution, is an industry-first end-to-end digital lending platform covering the entire loan life cycle. It is a single interface that allows employees, third party agencies and sourcing channels to collaborate to facilitate faster turnaround of loan applications, greater transparency of loan status and an enriched customer experience.
- ◆ The Bank's international franchise focusses on four strategic pillars, namely the NRI ecosystem comprising deposits, remittances, investments and asset products; the MNC ecosystem comprising both foreign MNCs investing in India and Indian MNCs for their foreign currency and other India related requirements

Source: Bloomberg, Internal Research

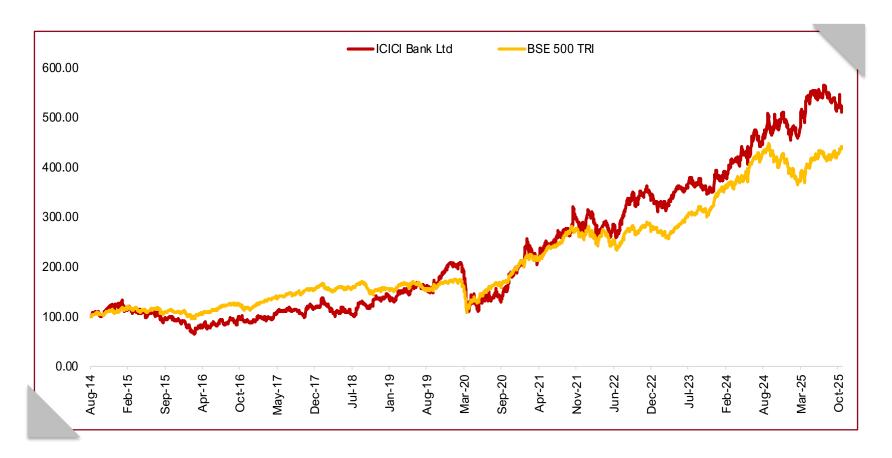












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# **ABSL Core Equity Portfolio - Portfolio Construct**

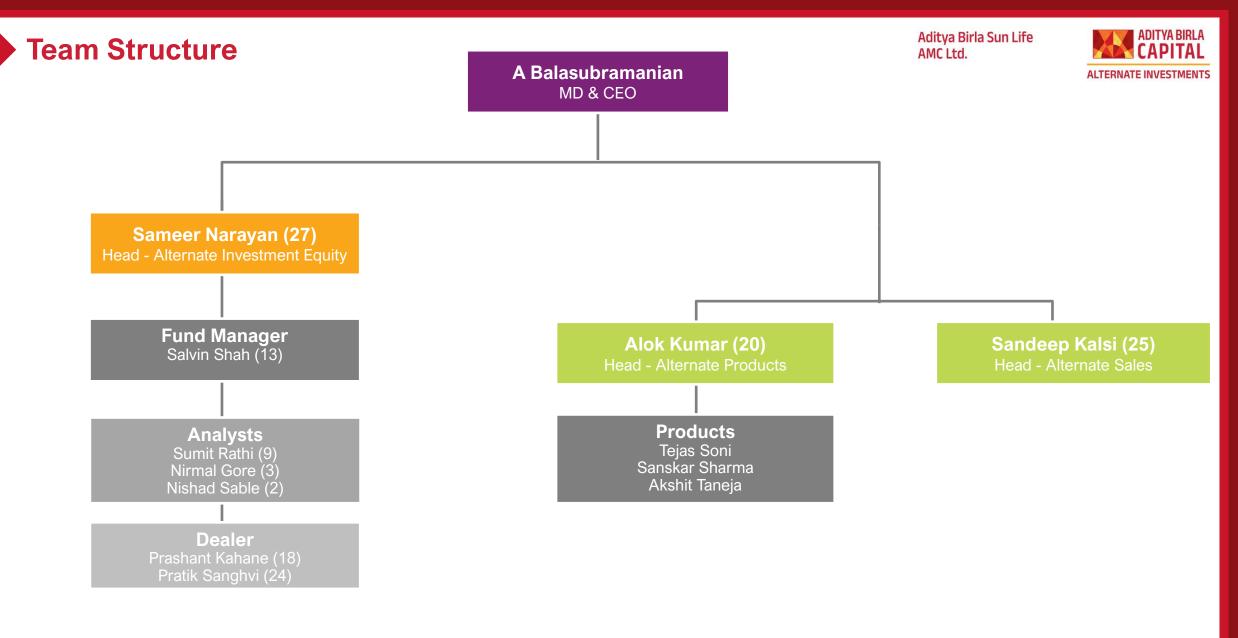


Portfolio Name	ABSL Core Equity Portfolio
Structure	Discretionary PMS
Strategy	Equity
Nature	Open ended
Market cap	Multi cap
Investment Approach	The portfolio invests or proposes to invest in listed equity & equity related instruments with the aim of generating long term capital appreciation & income in the form of dividends. It can also invest in money market instruments & units of mutual fund. Stock selection is done through a combination of 'Bottom up' approach i.e. analyzing the fundamental attributes of the company & competition & 'Top down' approach i.e. analyzing the macro economic factors & industry growth characteristics. Features of the companies can include – High quality with consistency in growth, high ROE, low leverage & high potential for growth. It is a Multicap portfolio unconstrained by any market segments like market capitalization (large cap – mid cap), sectors, themes etc.
Investment Manager	Aditya Birla Sun Life AMC Limited (ABSLAMC)
Benchmark	Nifty 50 TRI
Portfolio Manager(s)	Salvin Shah
Time Horizon	Minimum 3 years
Minimum Investment	Rs. 50 lakhs
Management and Performance fee	Please refer to Client Fee Schedule
Operating expenses	Please refer to Client Fee Schedule

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# **Alternate Business**- Team Structure



Figures in bracket is No of years of relevant work experience





# Sameer Narayan Head-Alternate Investment Equity

- Has 27+ years of experience in Indian Equity markets with significant alpha generation track record over longer time periods.
- Prior to joining ABSLAMC, he was Head PMS at Invesco Asset Management (India) Pvt Ltd. Managed segregated mandates across both growth (Caterpillar) & value (RISE & DAWN) strategies.
- Has also set up the Adani Family Office in Sep 2011. Began his buy-side career with BNP Paribas Asset Mgmt in 2006 where he advised offshore mandates.
- Has varied sell-side experience through his stints at SSKI, Enam Securities & Motilal Oswal.
- Qualification: Master in Management Studies (MMS) from Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies, Mumbai and B.E. degree with specialization in Production Engineering.



Salvin Shah
Portfolio Manager (Equities)

- Has 13+ years in Portfolio Management and Equity Research.
- His endeavor is to maximize returns for the investors while keeping an eye on portfolio risk. He has been successful at identifying themes and stocks at a very early stage which has resulted in multi-bagger returns for the investors.
- Prior to joining ABSLAMC, he worked with Sanctum Wealth Management as Co-fund Manager in their PMS business. Before Sanctum, Salvin was a part of equity research team at Edelweiss Securities and Athena Investment Management.
- Qualification: Member of Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) and a commerce graduate from Mumbai University.

## **Leadership Team**





### A Balasubramanian MD & CEO

- Has over 30 years' experience in the Mutual Fund Industry and has been with ABSLAMC since inception.
- · Previously worked with GIC Mutual Fund. Currently, he is on the Board of Governors of SEBI established National Institute of Securities Markets (NISM).
- Qualification: Diploma in Financial Management, AMP from IIM, Bangalore, MBA from GlobalNxt University, Malaysia, Advanced Management Programme from Harvard University.



**Alok Kumar Head – Alternate Products** 

- A dynamic investment professional with 20+ years of rich experience in capital market, building investment product roadmaps & wealth proposition. Investment Advisory and championing New Initiatives in the Financial Sector
- · Prior to joining ABSLAMC, he was heading Alternate & Structured Products and Investment Processes at DBS Bank India Limited
- · Has also set up the India's first dedicated Retirement Solutions entity under Principal Financial Group
- Developed India Venture Board as a marketplace to facilitate Venture Capital/Private Equity deals in India and SME Exchange as part of National Stock Exchange
- · Qualification: MBA from Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies, Mumbai and B.E. degree with specialization in Electrical Engineering



### Sandeep Kalsi **Head - Alternate Sales**

- INSEAD Singapore alumnus with 25+ years of diverse experience in the financial industry, spanning services management, alternatives, and banking
- · Has led large, multi-functional teams with a focus on delivering strategic outcomes and driving organizational growth
- Successfully built and scaled new business ventures from concept to execution across multiple domains
- He brings extensive experience across leading financial institutions, having held roles at ICICI Bank, Fidelity Mutual Fund, SBI Mutual Fund, Edelweiss Alternatives, and Kotak Alternatives.



#### Risk Factors associated with investments in Equity & Equity related securities:

- Risk arising from the investment objective, investment strategy, asset allocation and quant model risk:
- Market risk, political and geopolitical risk and risk arising from changing business dynamics, which may affect portfolio returns. At times, portfolios of individual clients may be concentrated in certain companies/industries. The performance of the portfolios would depend on the performance of such companies / industries / sectors of the economy.
- The portfolio proposes to invest in equity and equity related securities. Equity and Equity related securities by nature are volatile and prone to price fluctuations on a daily basis due to both macro and micro factors.
- The value of the portfolio will fluctuate as the daily prices of the individual securities in which they invest fluctuate and may be worth more or less than its original cost, at a given point in time.
- In respect of investments in equity and equity-related instruments, there may be risks associated with trading volumes, settlement periods and transfer procedures that may restrict liquidity of investments in equity and equity related securities.
- The value of the portfolio may be affected generally by factors affecting securities markets, such as price and volume volatility in the capital markets, interest rates, currency exchange rates, changes in policies of the Government, taxation laws or policies of any appropriate authority and other political and economic developments and closure of stock exchanges which may have an adverse bearing on individual securities, a specific sector or all sectors including equity and debt markets.
- Within the regulatory limits applicable at any point in time, the Portfolio Manager may choose to invest in unlisted securities that offer attractive yields. Securities, which are not quoted on the stock exchanges, are inherently illiquid in nature and carry a larger amount of liquidity risk, in comparison to securities that are listed on the exchanges or offer other exit options to the investor, including a put option. This may however increase the risk of the portfolio. The liquidity and valuation of the portfolio's investments due to their holdings of unlisted securities may be affected if they have to be sold prior to their target date of disinvestments
- Investment made in unlisted equity or equity-related securities may only be realizable upon listing of these securities. Settlement problems could cause the portfolio to miss certain investment opportunities.
- Investors may note that Portfolio Manager's investment decisions may not always be profitable, as actual market movements may be at variance with anticipated trends.
- Though the constituent stocks of most indices are typically liquid, liquidity differs across stocks. Due to the heterogeneity in liquidity in the capital market segment, trades on this segment may not get implemented instantly.
- The portfolio may have higher concentration towards a particular stock or sector, at a given point in time. Any change in government policy or any other adverse development with respect to such a stock or the sector, may adversely affect the value of the portfolio.
- The Portfolio Manager does not intend to invest in foreign securities.
- The Portfolio Manager does not intend to engage in short selling or stock lending.
- The portfolio also proposes to invest in derivative instruments. However, the portfolio manager does not intend to write options. The Portfolio manager intends to use exchange traded derivatives as a hedging tool & does not intend to take any naked positions. Nevertheless, trading in derivatives market has risks and issues concerning the use of derivatives that investor should understand. Derivative products are specialized instruments that require investment techniques and risk analysis different from those associated with stocks and bonds.

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- Derivative products are leveraged instruments and can provide disproportionate gains as well as disproportionate losses to the investor. Even a small price movement in the underlying security could have a large impact on their value. Execution of such strategies depends upon the ability of the Portfolio Manager to identify such opportunities. Identification and execution of such strategies to be persuaded by the Portfolio Manager involve uncertainty and decision of the Portfolio Manager may not always be profitable. No assurance can be given that the Portfolio Manager shall be able to identify or execute such strategies.
- The risks associated with the use of derivatives are different from or possibly greater than, the risk associated with investing directly in securities and other traditional investments. As and when the product trades in the derivatives market there are risk factors and issues concerning the use of derivatives that investors should understand. Derivative products are specialized instruments that require investment techniques and risk analysis different from those associated with stocks and bonds. The use of a derivative requires an understanding not only of the underlying instrument but also of the derivative itself.
- Derivatives require the maintenance of adequate controls to monitor the transactions entered into, the ability to assess the risk that a derivative adds to the portfolio and the ability to forecast price or interest rate movements correctly. There is a possibility that loss may be sustained by the portfolio as a result of the failure of another party (usually referred as the "counter party") to comply with the terms of the derivatives contract. Other risks in using derivatives include the risk of mispricing or improper valuation of derivatives and the inability of derivatives to correlate perfectly with underlying assets, rates and indices. Thus, derivatives are highly leveraged instruments. Even a small price movement in the underlying security could have a large impact on their value.
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