# **DSP INDIA EQUITY FUND**

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# **INVESTMENT STRATEGY**

The investment objective of the DSP India Equity Fund ("Fund") is to achieve long term capital appreciation from a portfolio that is substantially constituted of equity and equity related securities of mid cap and small cap companies.

#### PERFORMANCE TRACK RECORD

The DSP Strategy<sup>^</sup> has generated alpha in 3Y, 8Y, 10Y and Since Inception periods

USD CAGR Performance	1-Year	3-Years	5-Years	8-Years	10-Years	14-Nov-06 12.07% 7.60% 7.12%
as on 30 Sep 2021	30-Sep-20	28-Sep-18	30-Sep-16	30-Sep-13	30-Sep-11	14-Nov-06
DSP Strategy	49.03%	21.49%	13.49%	21.61%	13.94%	12.07%
Average India UCITS fund	52.05%	16.14%	10.99%	13.76%	9.80%	7.60%
MSCI India USD	53.12%	17.21%	13.22%	12.45%	9.18%	7.12%
20:80 Composite Index	73.82%	21.01%	13.97%	18.17%	10.98%	7.85%

Source: Internal. Please refer footnote for the disclaimers.

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Fund: DSP India Equity Fund

Fund Structure: UCITS ICAV (Sub Fund of DSP Global Funds ICAV)

Investment Manager: DSP Investment

Managers Private Limited

Investment Area: India Equities

Total Firm Assets (DSP Investment Managers): \$17.2bn as of 30 Sep 2021

Total Sub Fund Assets: ~\$7.2 mn as of 30 Sep 2021

DSP Strategy AUM: ~US\$ 1,914 mn as of 30 Sep 2021

Share Class: Seed Class

Launch Date: 15 March 2021

Base currency: USD

Currency Classes: Available USD and EUR

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Dealing Day (DD): Daily

Notice (Subscription Redemption): 9:30 pm (Irish time) on the relevant DD

Website: https://www.dspindia.com/ucits

Prospectus and KIID: Link

**Settlement (Subscription):** After 3 business days from DD

**Settlement (Redemption):** Within 5 business days from DD

Management Company: KBA Consulting Management Limited

Auditors and Tax Advisors: Grant Thornton

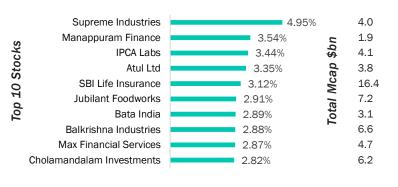
Legal Advisor to the ICAV as to Irish law: Zeidler Legal Services

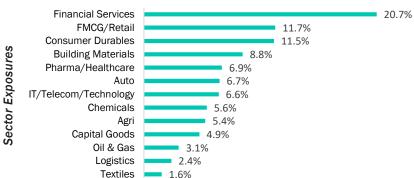
Global Distributors: Thornbridge Investment Management LLP; DSP Global Services (Mauritius) Limited

Administrator: HSBC Securities Services (Ireland) DAC

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### PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS





Portfolio Metrics*	FY21	FY22E	FY23E
EPS Growth	22.3%	26.2%	29.8%
P/BV	8.7	7.3	6.2
ROE	18%	18%	19%

Fund Construct	Details
Number of Stocks	50
Portfolio Turnover (last 12m)	20% (for DSP Strategy)
Cap-wise split (for DSP Strategy)	Small Cap - 65.6%, Mid Cap - 24.8%, Large
	Cap - 5.8%, Cash - 3.8%

\*The portfolio metrics displayed are estimates of the anticipated development of the portfolio holdings when measured against certain metrics. Some computations may also have extreme values removed from the calculations. These estimates are not intended to be an estimate or representation of future performance of the fund. The investment which is herein promoted concerns the acquisition of shares in a UCITS fund and not in a given underlying asset such as shares of a company as these are only the underlying assets owned by the fund. The Fund is actively managed by the Investment Manager without reference to a benchmark index. Note: S.I. is Since Inception of DSP Strategy. The 'average India UCITS returns' refers to the average returns of all India focused UCITS equity funds listed on Bloomberg. The Custom 20:80 Composite Index, the benchmark for the ICAV is a customized 20% MSCI India Index and 80% MSCI India Small Cap Index. It is not possible to invest directly in an index. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. The Fund is subject to capital gain tax in India whereas the return/performance shown for the DSP Strategy is not subject to such tax.

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# COMMENTARY —

After touching record highs in Sep'21, MSCI India (USD) returned  $\sim$ 0.9%, compared to MSCI India Small Cap, up  $\sim$ 4.5% and MSCI EM, down  $\sim$ 4.3% for the month. Their CYTD21 performances are +26.0%, +46.6% and -1.3% respectively, so India is one of the best performers in the EM pack this year. FPIs invested net  $\sim$ USD 1.5bn in Indian equities taking their YTD number to  $\sim$ USD 8.8bn. The Nifty 50 index trades at 24.4x on FY22E and 20.8x on FY23E consensus estimates. These estimates imply an EPS growth of  $\sim$ 35% for FY22/FY21 and  $\sim$ 17% for FY23/22 respectively. We await the upcoming earnings season where management commentary on supply chain disruptions, input prices and incremental demand post opening up of the economy will be important to scrutinize.

Energy price increase impact: We have been receiving a lot of investor queries on the energy price increases in UK/China and whether India might see a similar impact. Our view is that India is not completely insulated from the world, and is certainly seeing some pricing pressures. However the extent is much lower for now, and we expect it to remain so. For instance, spot prices of gas have shot up to ~4x of their normal levels. However, gas is only ~6% of India's energy mix, compared to ~35% for UK and ~24% for EU. Further, renewables are <10% of India's energy mix so the issues of unavailability of wind or hydro for power is limited. On coal (~55% of the mix), India has not clamped down on coal investments, and coal production has continued to increase over the last few years. Also, India imports only ~15-20% of its coal requirements, while the rest is locally sourced - hence impact of global prices could be limited and/or lagged. We are cognizant of an ESG angle to all this too, as impacted nations move to fossil fuels temporarily in the absence of renewable alternatives.

<u>Could this price increase lead to higher interest rates in India?</u> This seems unlikely, because the RBI tracks the CPI for inflation, and the combined weight of petrol & diesel in the index is only 2.3%, while that of coal is 0.04%.

<u>Supply chain disruptions</u> are plaguing industries world over, and India is not an exception (even though the markets seem to be looking through the risks). While volumes may be impacted, margins too could take a hit on higher raw material prices owing to both a) supply chain pressures, and b) the reflation "opening-up" trade. While some of the companies / sectors could struggle due to lack of pricing power, others may pass on the price increase without a material hit to margins.

Covid and vaccinations: 5DMA new daily cases are at ~24k, half of what they were in August-end. Current active case load of ~277k cases is at a 6 month low and is just 0.02% of India's 1.3bn population. Part of the absence of a third wave for now may be attributed to a) the accelerating vaccination rate and b) some natural immunity post the deadly second wave. September so far has seen the highest ever vaccination rate at ~8mn doses/day against ~6.1mn/day in August. ~48.8% of the population has received at least one dose while ~18% is fully vaccinated. At the current pace, assuming herd immunity at ~80% coverage, vaccination to this level can be done by year end.

5DMA – 5 Day Moving Average; CYTD is Calendar Year To Date. FPI is Foreign Portfolio Investor. FY is Financial Year, FY21 is 12 months to 31st March 2021, ESG is Environment, Social, Governance, RBI is Reserve Bank of India, CPI is Consumer Price Index.

### AVAILABLE SHARE CLASSES

Shares			Minimum Holding					
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Class	CCY	Distribution Policy	Launch Date	Initial Offer Price	Minimum Holding	Minimum Initial Subscription	Redemption Fee	
Seed Class*	USD	Accumulation	15 March 2021	10 USD	1,00,000 USD	1,00,000 USD	None	
Class A Unhedged	USD	Accumulation	August 2021	10 USD	1000 USD	1000 USD	None	
Class A Unhedged	EUR	Accumulation	-	10 EUR	1000 EUR	1000 EUR	None	
Class B Unhedged	USD	Accumulation	-	10 USD	1,00,000 USD	1,00,000 USD	None	
Class B Unhedged	EUR	Accumulation	-	10 EUR	1,00,000 EUR	1,00,000 EUR	None	
Founder Class**	USD	Accumulation	-	10 USD	1,00,000 USD	1,00,000 USD	None	

<sup>\*</sup>The Seed Class is a founders share class and will be open for subscriptions until the Class reaches US\$50 million in net assets or such other period as may be determined by the Directors.

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#### REGULATORY PERFORMANCE DEPICTION

Performance In Prescribed Regulatory Format	30/09/2020 to 30/09/2021	30/09/2019 to 30/09/2020	28/09/2018 to 30/09/2019	29/09/2017 to 28/09/2018	30/09/2016 to 29/09/2017
MSCI India Index	53.12%	0.54%	4.73%	1.09%	14.18%
MSCI India Small Cap Index	78.99%	5.19%	-3.48%	-16.47%	27.77%
DSP Strategy	49.46%	8.98%	10.28%	-13.36%	21.02%

#### POTENTIAL RISKS

The value of investment in the Fund may be affected by the following risks:

- 1. Market Risk: The Fund can invest in equities which may be affected by market risk (the risk of an investment losing its value due to changes in economic
- 2. Investment in India: The Fund will invest primarily in India. India is an emerging economy and investment carries with it often substantial risks.
- 3. Derivative and Counterparty Risk: The Fund will enter into various financial contracts (derivatives) with other parties. There is a risk that the other party to a derivative will become insolvent or fail to make its payments which may result in the Fund and your investment suffering a loss.
- 4. Liquidity Risk: The Fund can be invested in financial instruments that may have low levels of liquidity.
- 5. Currency Risk: Changes in the exchange rate between the base currency of the Fund and the designated currency of unhedged share classes of the Fund expressed in a currency other than the base currency of the Fund may lead to depreciation in the value of the shares of that share class.

For a complete overview of all risks attached to this Fund, refer to the section entitled "Risk Factors" in the Supplement and the Fund's prospectus."

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