

Kotak India Equity Fund

Tickers: INDIX | INDSX | INDAX | INAAX | INFCX

Partner Focus | Fund Summary

India: "A Rising Force" in Global Equity Markets

India has been the world's 2nd best-performing equity market in USD terms over the past 30 years and has emerged as the largest investable opportunity within emerging markets (EM).⁽¹⁾ With a GDP of \$4.2 trillion (as of Jan '26), India is experiencing a historic "breakout moment" and is poised to become the world's 3rd largest economy and stock market by 2027-2030, driven by structural reforms, rapid digitization and a boom in manufacturing/services exports.⁽²⁾

At a time when much of the developed world is struggling with poor demographics and high debt, India stands out as one of the few economies benefiting simultaneously from multiple structural tailwinds.⁽³⁾

Tailwind 1 Demographics and Digitization

- **Demographic Dividend:** With 50% of the population under 25, India is set to see nearly 500 million people enter the workforce over the next two decades.⁽⁴⁾
- **Digital Transformation:** India's Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI)—powered by Unified Payments Interface (UPI) and the broader "India Stack"—is reshaping consumption, credit access and digital payments.
 - Nearly 1 billion smartphone users.⁽⁵⁾
 - Over 21 billion UPI transactions per month serving 500 million users.
- **"Use-Case Capital" of Artificial Intelligence (AI):** India is positioned to become the "use-case capital" of AI, much as it did with digital payments. Just as UPI scaled to more than 200 billion transactions annually, AI adoption is set for massive, broad-based growth. The goal is clear: enable the *diffusion of AI* to a billion people, mirroring the scale and impact of India's DPI.

Tailwind 2 Corporate Balance Sheets Show Strong Overall Health

- **Macroeconomic Strength:** India has entered a phase of enhanced economic stability, characterized by low inflation volatility and a robust, domestically driven growth engine.
- **Debt Metrics at Historic Lows:** Both debt-to-GDP and corporate debt-to-equity ratios are at all-time lows,⁽⁶⁾ enabling simultaneous financial and operating leverage across the economy.
- **Financialization of Savings:** India is experiencing its "401(k) moment," with household savings shifting from physical assets (gold/real estate) toward financial assets (equities).
- **Global Scale and Market Relevance:**
 - 4th largest economy by GDP and market cap.⁽⁷⁾
 - \$4.2 trillion GDP (as of Jan '26) with 11-12% nominal growth; poised to become the 3rd largest economy this decade.⁽²⁾
 - 2nd best performing stock market in the world in USD terms over 30 years when measured across 5-year intervals.⁽¹⁾
 - 2nd largest weight (~20%) in the MSCI EM Index,⁽⁸⁾ making India the single largest investable opportunity within EM.
- **Stock Market Outlook:** Earnings are expected to grow 15-20% annually over the next five years, supported by strong domestic consumption. This underpins a potentially sustained multi-year bull market that could make India the top-performing EM. Many investors see parallels to the US growth trajectory in the 1980s, with policy support, high-quality growth and relatively attractive valuations creating a compelling long-term opportunity.

Tailwind 3 Deglobalization

- **"Office to the World" Becoming the "Factory to the World":** India is increasingly benefiting from a multipolar global environment, with companies diversifying supply chains and expanding offshoring. India's strong services sector, coupled with accelerating manufacturing investment, positions the country to evolve from being primarily the "office to the world" to also becoming a key global manufacturing hub.
- **Ten Major Transformations Over the Past Decade:** Focus on Foreign Direct Investment (FDI); Goods & Services Tax (GST) execution; flexible inflation targeting; supply-side reforms; formalized economy; digitizing social transfers; Real Estate Act; Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC) effect; mutual fund systematic investment plans (SIPs) on the rise; government support for corporate profits through production-linked incentives.
- **Execution Backdrop:** India's transformation has been underpinned by continued political stability and a policy focus on supply-side reforms aimed at raising the country's potential growth rate from roughly 7% to above 8%—and doing so without triggering inflationary pressures.

Actively Managed All-Cap Strategy

- Integrates a top-down macro framework with bottom-up stock selection to identify capital-efficient businesses at attractive valuations.
- Employs a dynamic allocation strategy to blend opportunities across market segments, providing opportunistic exposure and enhanced diversification.
- Aims to capture emerging trends and deliver long-term capital appreciation through a disciplined, research-driven investment process.
- Maintains a diversified portfolio of 35–40 holdings, anchored by high conviction within the top 15 positions.

Investment Objective and Principal Investment Strategy: The Kotak India Equity Fund seeks to achieve long-term capital appreciation. To achieve its objective, under normal circumstances, the Fund will invest at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in equity and equity-linked securities of "Indian companies."

Portfolio Management



Amit Jain, CFA, Portfolio Manager

Fund Manager since September 2023

21 years investment experience

Involved with Indian equity markets for 21 years, Amit is the Portfolio Manager of the Kotak India Equity Fund. Before joining Kotak, Amit worked with Samsung Asset Management (HK) Limited as an investment manager for around 10 years (2013 to 2022) and as an analyst prior to that (2010 to 2013). Prior to his last stint with Samsung, he was with Fidelity Investment, Temasek and ICICI Group. Amit holds a PGDCM at IIM Calcutta (Gold Medalist) and is a CFA Charterholder. He is also an Associate Chartered Accountant (ACA).

Key Takeaways

- **Active Strategy at the Cost Structure of an ETF:** Delivers the benefits of active management with a competitive 65 basis points (bps) management fee. Refer to page three for all applicable shareholder fees and operating expenses.
- **Research-Driven Portfolio Construction:** Combines top-down and bottom-up insights to build a concentrated yet diversified portfolio of high-quality, capital-efficient companies across market caps.
- **Positioned for India's Growth Story:** Seeks to capture opportunities arising from India's strong economic trajectory, structural reforms and expanding influence in global markets.
- **Aligned With Long-Term Secular Drivers:** Designed to benefit from powerful multi-decade themes—favorable demographics, ongoing digitization, lower debt and shifting global supply chains.

Solution Based Partnership

ALPS Advisors, Inc.

- Serves as Adviser to the Fund.
- Specializes in manager oversight and evaluation.
- Focuses on delivering innovative asset management solutions.

Kotak Mahindra Asset Management (Singapore) Pte. Ltd.

- Leading India-focused investment platform, backed by one of India's largest private-sector commercial banks.
- Over 25 years of experience. Strong governance, risk management and a consistent research and portfolio management team—including the industry's largest buy-side research group.
- Global institutional capabilities at scale, with ~\$87.63B (USD) AUM,⁽⁹⁾ multi-jurisdictional fund structures (including the only India manager with a 1940 Act mutual fund), and long-standing solutions for investors worldwide.

Identifiers and Fees

Identifiers	Class I	Class II	Inv Class	Class A	Class C
Ticker	INDIX	INDSX	INDAX	INAAX	INFCX
CUSIP	317609436	31761R161	317609451	31761R245	317609444
Shareholder Fees ⁽¹⁰⁾					
Maximum Sales Charge (Load) ⁽¹¹⁾	None	None	None	3.25%	None
Maximum Deferred Sales Charge ⁽¹²⁾	None	None	None	None	1.00%
Redemption Fee ⁽¹³⁾	2.00%	2.00%	2.00%	2.00%	2.00%
Annual Fund Operating Expenses ⁽¹⁴⁾					
Total Operating Expenses	0.93%	0.88%	1.28%	1.28%	1.97%
What You Pay ⁽¹⁵⁾	0.93%	0.75%	1.28%	1.28%	1.97%

Endnotes

- ⁽¹⁾ MSCI-India Research, Motilal Oswal Research, as of November 2022
- ⁽²⁾ Nomura Securities, World Economic Outlook (WEO), as of October 2023; J.P. Morgan, as of April 2024
- ⁽³⁾ MSCI-India Research, as of 2020
- ⁽⁴⁾ United Nations World Population Prospects, as of 2022; Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI), Financial Times, Fortune, as of January 2023
- ⁽⁵⁾ Avendus Spark, as of September 2023
- ⁽⁶⁾ Axis Bank Research, as of 2024
- ⁽⁷⁾ International Monetary Fund (IMF), as of August 2024; Business Times, as of January 2024
- ⁽⁸⁾ RIMES Technologies, MSCI, Morgan Stanley Research, as of July 2024
- ⁽⁹⁾ AUM as of 12/31/2025
- ⁽¹⁰⁾ Fees paid directly from your investment.
- ⁽¹¹⁾ Fee imposed on purchases.
- ⁽¹²⁾ A percentage of the lower of original purchase price or redemption proceeds.
- ⁽¹³⁾ A percentage of exchange price or amount redeemed within 30-days of purchase.
- ⁽¹⁴⁾ Expenses you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment.
- ⁽¹⁵⁾ What You Pay reflects the Adviser's and Sub-Adviser's decision to contractually limit expenses through 2/28/2027. Please see the prospectus for additional information.

Important Disclosures & Definitions

An investor should consider the investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses carefully before investing. To obtain a prospectus containing this and other information, call 1-866-759-5679 or visit www.alpsfunds.com. Read the prospectus carefully before investing.

All investments are subject to risks, including the loss of money and the possible loss of the entire principal amount invested. Additional information regarding the risks of this investment is available in the prospectus.

Effective 9/2/2025, the ALPS | Kotak India ESG Fund changed its name to the Kotak India Equity Fund and revised its principal investment strategy.

Diversification does not eliminate the risk of experiencing investment losses.

Investments in India can be considered speculative, and therefore may offer higher potential for losses. Political and economic structures in India generally lack the social, political and economic stability of more developed nations. Share prices of Indian companies tend to be volatile, can be subject to currency exchange fluctuations and can lack liquidity. The stock markets in India are undergoing a period of growth and change, which may result in trading or price volatility and difficulties in the settlement and recording of transactions, and in interpreting and applying the relevant laws and regulations. The risk of loss may be increased because Indian issuers are not subject to the extensive accounting, auditing and financial reporting standards and practices which are applicable in the United States. There is also a lower level of regulation and monitoring of the Indian securities market and its participants than in other more developed markets.

Because the Fund concentrates in a single region of the world, the Fund's performance may be more volatile than that of a fund that invests globally. If Indian securities fall out of favor, it may cause the Fund to underperform funds that do not concentrate in a single region of the world.

Basis Point (bps): a unit that is equal to 1/100th of 1% and is used to denote the change in a financial instrument.

Debt-to-Equity (D/E) Ratio: evaluates a company's financial leverage and is calculated by dividing a company's total liabilities by its shareholder equity.

Debt-to-GDP Ratio: a metric that compares a country's public debt to its gross domestic product (GDP).

Liquidity: the degree to which an asset or security can be bought or sold in the market without affecting the asset's price.

MSCI Emerging Markets Index: captures large and mid-cap representation across Emerging Markets countries. The index covers approximately 85% of the free float-adjusted market capitalization in each country. One may not invest directly in an index.

Tailwind: a certain situation or condition that may lead to higher profits, revenue or growth.

ALPS Advisors, Inc. and Kotak Mahindra Asset Management (Singapore) Pte. Ltd., registered investment advisers with the SEC, are the investment adviser and sub-adviser to the Fund, respectively. ALPS Advisors, Inc. and ALPS Portfolio Solutions Distributor, Inc., affiliated entities, are unaffiliated with Kotak Mahindra Asset Management (Singapore) Pte. Ltd.

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