

# INDIA QUALITY ADVANTAGE FUND (IQAF)- A Share

## A sub-fund of ABSL Umbrella UCITS Plc.



## Investment Manager

Aditya Birla Sun Life Asset Management Company Pte. Ltd.



# Investment Objective

The investment objective of the Fund is to generate superior risk-adjusted returns.



## Investment Philosophy

The Fund invests in companies in India exhibiting consistent high-quality growth with investment horizon of medium-to-long term. It adopts a bottomup stock election approach based on 'Quality' parameters including but not restricted to Return on Equity, Return on Capital employed, Earnings and Profit margins.



## Key Facts (as on December 2024)

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Inception Date	August 29th, 2017
Total Fund Size	USD \$16.59 million
NAV "A" Share	USD \$206.08
Domicile	Dublin, Ireland
Fund Base Currency	USD
UCITS	Yes
Benchmark	MSCI India SMALLCAP
Benchmark Ticker	MXINSC

## Share Class wise

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ISIN	IE00BJ8RGP20
Fund Ticker	AINQAAS ID Equity
Swiss Valor	43014530
Initial Charges	NIL
Redemption Charges	NIL
Minimum Initial Subscription (USD)	5,000
Minimum Additional Purchase (USD)	1000
Minimum Redemption (USD)	1000



## **Risk Statistics**

Standard	Sharpe	Beta
Deviation	Ratio #	beta
16.16%	0.17	0.85

Risk ratios pertains to "A" share class k ratios pertaints or ... \* snare class ndard Deviation, Sharpe Ratio & Beta are calculated on Annualized basis using 3 year tory of monthly USD returns. All statistical ratios w.r.t. MSCI India Small Cap Index isk-free rate assumed to be 4.37% (3 Month US Treasury Bill yield as on 31st Dec 2024)



## Macro Data

Macro Data (US\$)	Dec-24	Nov-24
FII Flows	1.3 Bn	-2.6 Bn
DII Flows	4.0 Bn	5.3 Bn
USD/INR	85.61	84.49

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### 📆 Market Outlook - December 2024

Index Returns (US\$)	Dec-24	YTD	
MSCI India	-2.90%	11.20%	
MSCI China	2.60%	16.30%	
MSCI EM	-0.30%	5.10%	
MSCI APx I	-1.20%	7.70%	

- The RBI revised its GDP growth projection from 7.2% to 6.6% in Dec'24 MPC
- Dec'24 RBI MPC kept the repo rate unchanged at 6.5%, while CRR was cut by 50 bps to 4.0%
- Nov'24 CPI: +5.5% YoY (Oct'24: +6.2%)
- Composite PMI rose to 60.7 in Dec'24 (Nov'24: 58.6)
- · Oct'24 Industrial Production rose to 3.5% YoY (Sep'24: +3.1%)
- Trade deficit reached an all-time high of \$37.8 Bn in Nov'24 (Oct'24: \$27.1 Bn)

Sectoral Returns (US\$)	Dec-24	YTD
MSCI India	-2.90%	11.20%
MSCI India Consumer Discretionary	-1.10%	29.30%
MSCI India Consumer Staples	-4.30%	-6.00%
MSCI India Financials	-2.90%	6.30%
MSCI India Industrials	-4.40%	20.70%
MSCI India Information Technology	-0.90%	15.90%
MSCI India Real Estate	2.50%	23.40%
MSCI India Utilities	-7.70%	6.00%
MSCI India Energy	-6.40%	-3.60%
MSCI India Communication Services	-2.90%	40.10%

2024 was a year marked by significant challenges both globally & in India - geopolitics, regulatory tightening, Lok Sabha elections, increased capital gains taxes, strengthening USD, persistent inflation, high interest rates, consumption slowdown, earnings moderation, valuation concerns, and volatile FII flows. However, India's resilience shone through, with its stock market marking 9 consecutive years of positive returns, strong domestic ownership (24.5% for BSE 500) and its market cap reaching USD 5.2 Tn (~4.2% of the global market cap).

1HCY24 saw growth driven by a capex upcycle and robust profits. However, 2HCY24 faced correction due to global uncertainty and FII sell-offs. Despite this, strong domestic liquidity from retail investments helped stabilise the market in 2024. 1QCY25 is expected to be similar to 2HCY24, with the Indian market facing headwinds from high valuations across market caps and sectors, earnings resets, and a slowdown in domestic consumption (though some signs on demand revival exist). Weak corporate tax collections also raise concerns about profitability in the upcoming reporting season. While a sharp market correction is not anticipated, unless triggered by a significant event, Indian markets are expected to remain range-bound. Unlike the broader market's rising trend in recent years, 2025 is likely to be a stock-picker's market, offering opportunities for active managers to generate alpha through selective stock selection.

## Fund Performance (as on December 2024)



Period	IQAF-A	MSCI India SmallCap Index	Outperforma nce	MSCI India Index	Outperforma nce
1 Month	-1.1%	-1.1%	0.0%	-2.9%	1.8%
3 Months	-8.5%	-5.9%	-2.6%	-10.8%	2.3%
6 Months	1.5%	2.1%	-0.6%	-4.6%	6.1%
9 Months	17.7%	21.9%	-4.2%	4.9%	12.8%
1 Year	12.3%	22.3%	-10.0%	11.1%	1.1%
2 Year	16.4%	31.5%	-15.2%	15.2%	1.2%
3 Year	7.1%	14.3%	-7.2%	6.6%	0.5%
5 Year	15.4%	21.9%	-6.5%	11.6%	3.8%
7 Year	9.7%	9.4%	0.3%	7.6%	2.0%
Since Inception	10.5%	11.6%	-1.1%	8.6%	2.0%
YTD	12.3%	22.3%	-10.0%	11.1%	1.1%

Source: Bloomberg, ABSLAMC Internal Research

Returns are net of expenses. Returns are in % and absolute returns for period less than 1 year & CAGR for period 1 year or more. The returns for IQAF A Share & MSCI (India) are in US Dollars. Past performance is not indicative of future results. MSCI – Morgan Stanley Capital International. CAGR Compounded Annualized Growth Rate. Returns shown above are point to point returns.





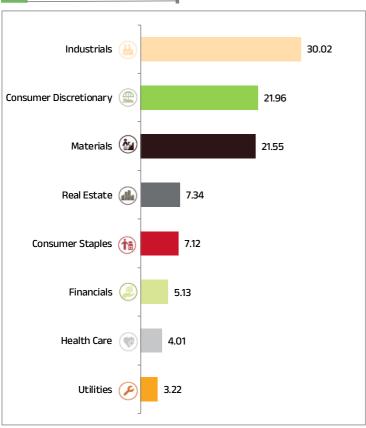


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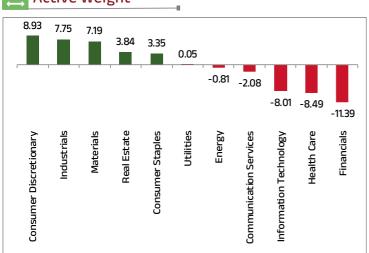
	CY 2018	CY 2019	CY 2020	CY 2021	CY 2022	CY 2023	YTD 2024
IQAF-A	-16.3%	11.6%	26.4%	31.8%	-9.4%	20.8%	12.3%
MSCI India Small Cap Index	-26.4%	-5.5%	19.6%	50.7%	-13.7%	41.7%	22.3%
Outperformance	10.1%	17.2%	6.8%	-18.9%	4.3%	-20.9%	-10.0%
MSCI India Index	-8.8%	6.1%	14.1%	25.1%	-8.7%	19.6%	11.1%
Outperformance	-7.6%	5.5%	12.2%	6.7%	-0.7%	1.2%	1.1%

# Sector Allocation (as on December 2024)



The above industry classification follows GICS Sector Classification Data is percentage (%)

# Active Weight

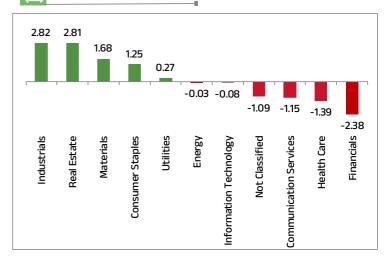


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# Top Holdings (as on December 2024)

INSTRUMENT NAME	% NAV
Welspun Corp Ltd	4.94
JK Cement Ltd	4.58
Welspun Living Ltd	4.29
Samhi Hotels Ltd	3.87
KEC International Ltd	3.80
Apl Apollo Tubes Ltd	3.63
TD Power Systems Ltd	3.52
Max Financial Services Ltd	3.43
RR Kabel Ltd	3.36
National Aluminium Co Ltd	3.34

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