

## INDIA QUALITY ADVANTAGE FUND (IQAF)- B Share

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



### Investment Manager

Aditya Birla Sun Life Asset Management Company



## 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)

| Inception Date     | March 15th, 2019    |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| Total Fund Size    | USD \$16.59 million |
| NAV "B" Share      | USD \$214.23        |
| Domicile           | Dublin, Ireland     |
| Fund Base Currency | USD                 |
| UCITS              | Yes                 |
| Benchmark          | MSCI India SMALLCAP |
| Benchmark Ticker   | MXINSC              |



### **Share Class wise**

|                                    | В                 |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| ISIN                               | IE00BJ8RGQ37      |
| Fund Ticker                        | AINQABS ID Equity |
| Swiss Valor                        | 43014541          |
| Initial Charges                    | NIL               |
| Redemption Charges*                | Max 3.0%**        |
| Minimum Initial Subscription (USD) | 5,000             |
| Minimum Additional Purchase (USD)  | 1000              |
| Minimum Redemption (USD)           | 1000              |

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Charge 3% for investors exting within 1 year of investment. Charge 2% for investors exiting within 2 years of investment. Charge 1% for investors exiting within 3 years of investment. For further details on Charges refer to the Prospectus and Supplement of the Fund."



### **Risk Statistics**

| Standard<br>Deviation | Sharpe<br>Ratio # | Beta |
|-----------------------|-------------------|------|
| 16.15%                | 0.12              | 0.85 |

Standard Deviation, Sharpe Ratio & Beta are calculated on Annualized basis using 3 year history of monthly USD returns. All statistical ratios w.r.t. MSCI India Small Cap Index # Risk-free rate assumed to be 4.37%(3 Month US Treasury Bill yield as on 31st December 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   |

## Synthetic Risk & Reward Indicator (SRRI)

| Lower risk typically lower rewards  Higher risk typically higher rewards  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 | ١ |           |                      |       |   | (         |                    |            |
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|   | 1 | 1         | 2                    | 3     | 4 | 5         | 6                  | 7          |

#### 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%  |  |
| MSCLADVI             | 120%   | 7 700/ |  |

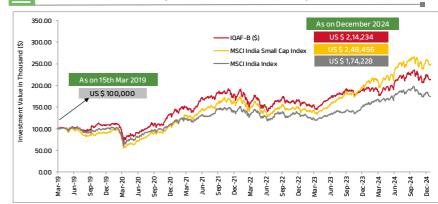
- The RBI revised its GDP growth projection from 7.2% to 6.6% in Dec'24 MPC
- Dec'24 RBI MPC kept the repo rate unchanged at
- 6.5%, while CRR was cut by 50 bps to 4.0% Nov'24 CPI: +5.5% YoY (Oct'24: +6.2%)
- Composite PMI rose to 60.7 in Dec'24 (Nov'24: 58.6)
- · Oct'24 Industrial Production rose to 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<br>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<br>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<br>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-B | MSCI India<br>SmallCap Index | Outperformance | MSCI India<br>Index | Outperformance |
|-----------------|--------|------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|----------------|
| 1 Month         | -1.2%  | -1.1%                        | -0.04%         | -2.9%               | 1.7%           |
| 3 Months        | -8.7%  | -5.9%                        | -2.8%          | -10.8%              | 2.2%           |
| 6 Months        | 1.2%   | 2.1%                         | -0.9%          | -4.6%               | 5.7%           |
| 9 Months        | 17.1%  | 21.9%                        | -4.8%          | 4.9%                | 12.2%          |
| 1 Year          | 11.5%  | 22.3%                        | -10.8%         | 11.1%               | 0.3%           |
| 2 Year          | 15.5%  | 31.5%                        | -16.0%         | 15.2%               | 0.3%           |
| 3 Year          | 6.3%   | 14.3%                        | -8.0%          | 6.6%                | -0.3%          |
| 5 Year          | 25.3%  | 21.9%                        | 3.4%           | 11.6%               | 13.8%          |
| Since Inception | 13.9%  | 17.0%                        | -3.1%          | 10.0%               | 3.9%           |
| YTD             | 11.5%  | 22.3%                        | -10.8%         | 11.1%               | 0.3%           |

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 B Share & MSCI (India) are in US Dollars. Past performance is not indicative of future results. MSCI- Morgan Stanley Capital International. CAGI Compounded Annualized Growth Rate. Returns shown above are point to point returns.





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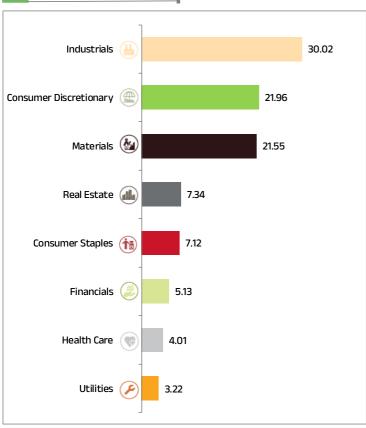


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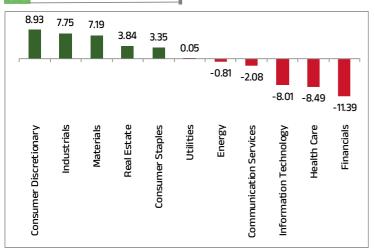
|                            | CY 2020 | CY 2021 | CY 2022 | CY 2023 | YTD 2024 |
|----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| IQAF-B                     | 25.4%   | 30.8%   | -10.1%  | 19.9%   | 11.5%    |
| MSCI India Small Cap Index | 19.6%   | 50.7%   | -13.7%  | 41.7%   | 22.3%    |
| Outperformance             | 5.8%    | -19.9%  | 3.6%    | -21.8%  | -10.8%   |
| MSCI India Index           | 14.1%   | 25.1%   | -8.7%   | 19.6%   | 11.1%    |
| Outperformance             | 11.3%   | 5.7%    | -1.4%   | 0.3%    | 0.3%     |

### Sector Allocation (as on December 2024)



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

# Active Weight

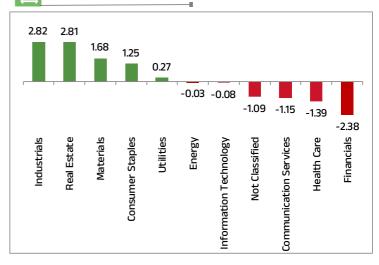


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# 🕒 Top Holdings (as on December 2024)

| 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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