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Investing beyond the Top 100 to capture growth potential, with long-short flexibility that seeks a steadier ride.



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APEX

EQUITY EX-TOP 100 LONG-SHORT FUND

NFO Period: 10th - 24th August, 2026



Distinct Position in The Investment Landscape

	Mutual Fund	SIF	PMS	AIF
 Minimum Investment	₹ 100 & Multiple of ₹ 1	Minimum ₹ 10 Lakh per PAN per AMC	Minimum ₹ 50 Lakh	Minimum ₹ 1 Crore
 Taxation at Investor level	Equity - LTCG at 12.5% (after 12 months) Debt – Slab rate	Equity - LTCG at 12.5% (after 12 months) Debt – Slab rate	Taxed in the hands of the investor at each transaction level	CAT 3 – At the Fund Level CAT 2 - Taxed in the hands of the investor
 Derivatives	No leverage permitted. Derivatives only for Hedging & rebalancing	No leverage permitted Short exposure through unhedged derivative up to 25% + Derivatives for hedging & rebalancing	No leverage permitted. Derivatives only for Hedging & rebalancing	Leverage permitted with gross exposure upto 200%
 Investment Type	Retail/HNI	HNI	HNI/Ultra HNI	HNI/Ultra HNI
 Expense Ratio	Max up to 2.10% in equity & 1.85% in Debt	Max up to 2.10% in equity & 1.85% in Debt	Management Fee+ Performance Fee	Management Fee+ Performance Fee

Alternative-like flexibility. Mutual fund-like transparency.



Debt

- Debt Long-Short Fund
- Sectoral Debt Long-Short Fund



Equity

- Equity Long-Short Fund
- Equity Ex-Top 100 Long-Short Fund
- Sector Rotation Long-Short Fund



Hybrid

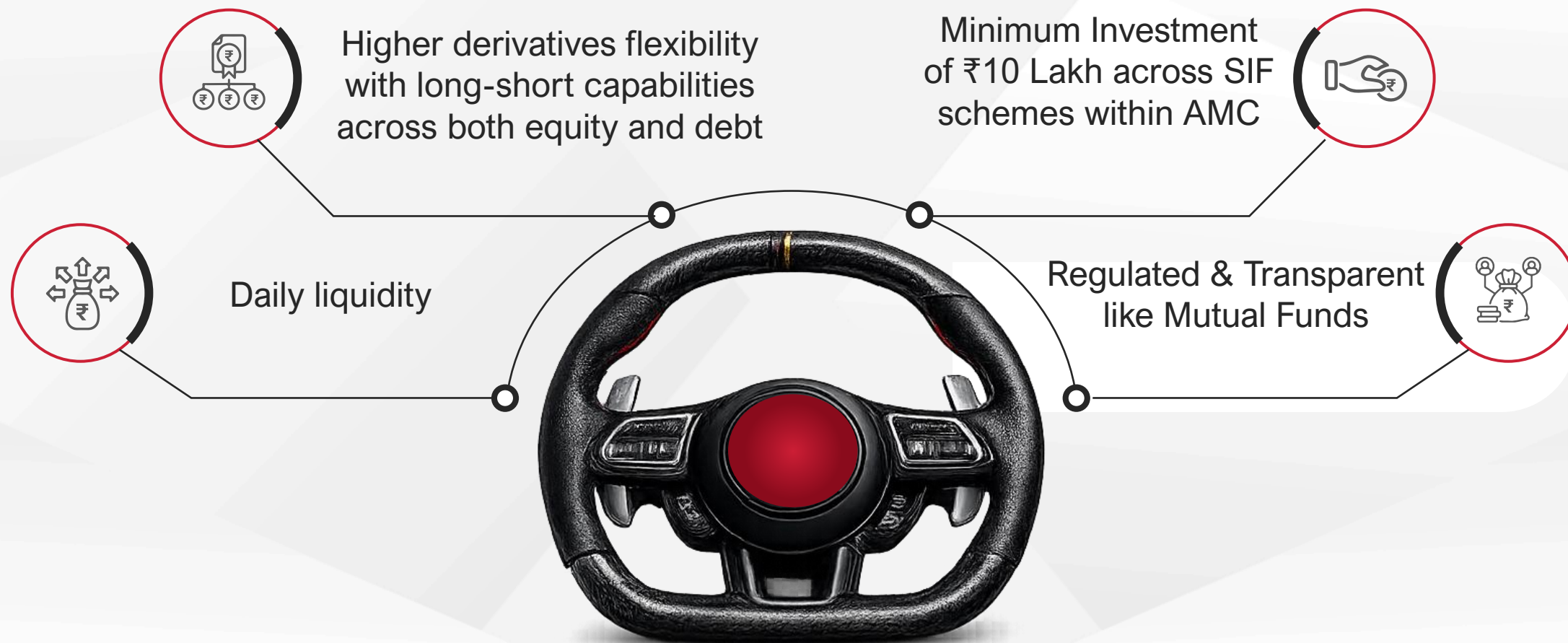
- Active Asset Allocator Long-Short Fund
- Hybrid Long-Short Fund - Live



Only one investment strategy under each sub-category shall be permitted to be launched.



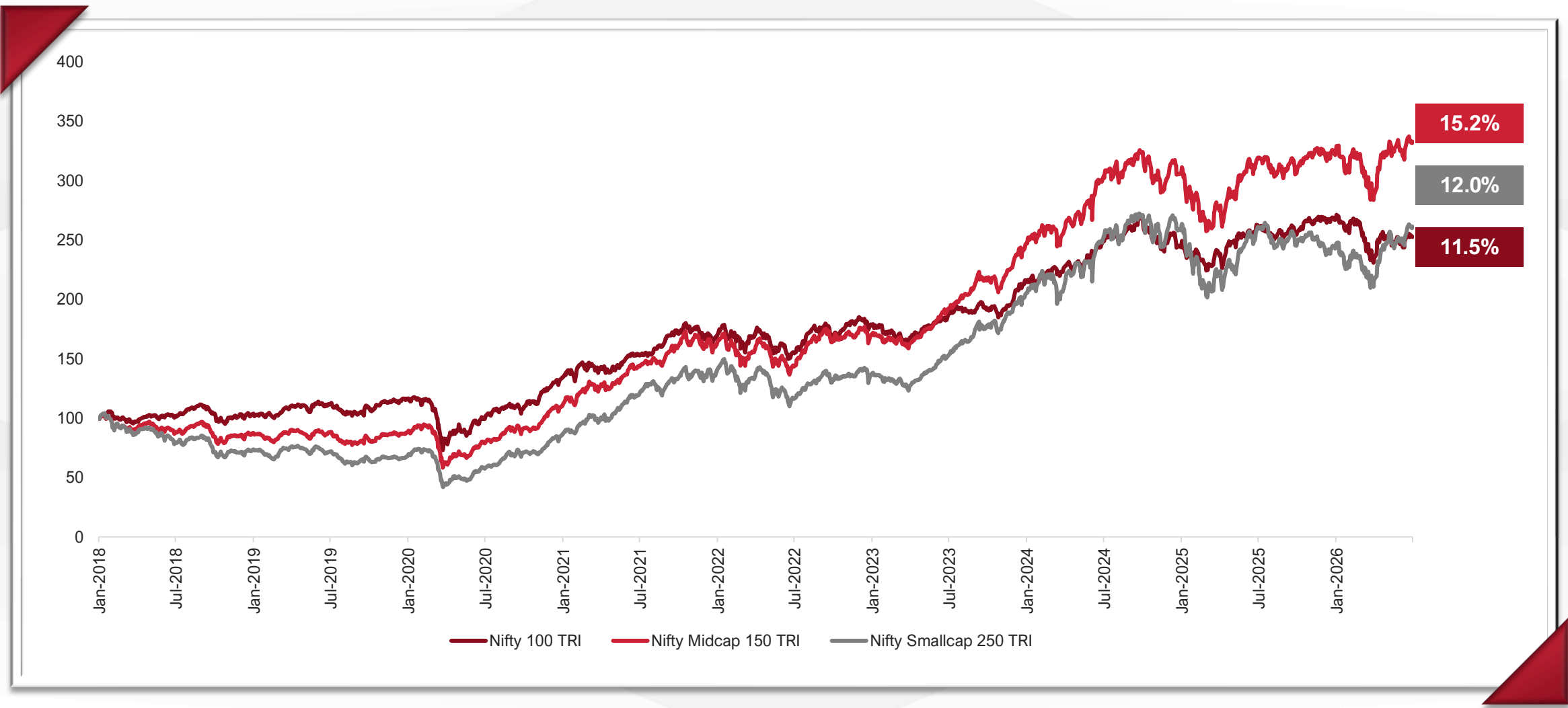
Key Differentiator



OPPORTUNITIES IN THE SMID SEGMENT



Midcap Index Outperform Over Longer Time Periods



The above are CAGR returns from 1st January 2018 to 30 June 2026. Past performance may or may not sustain in the future



SMID Have Become Sizable Part Of The Market

June 2021

Top 100 Stocks

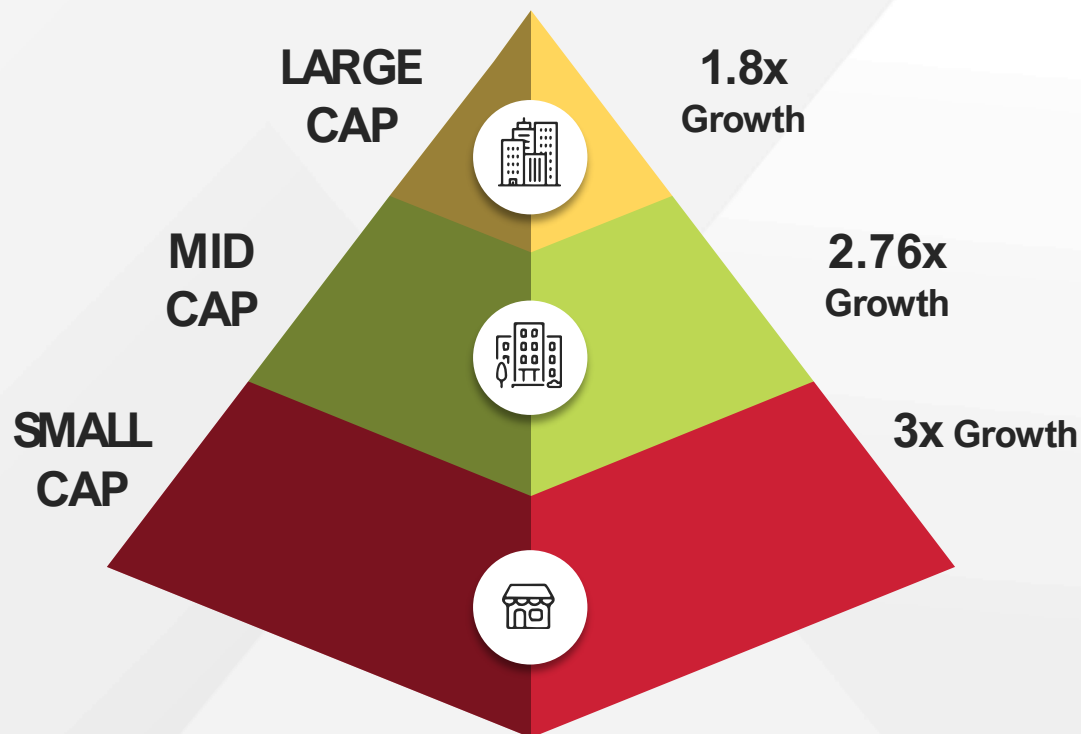
Average Total Mcap
₹ **150** Lakh Cr

101st - 250th Stocks

Average Total Mcap
₹ **34** Lakh Cr

251st - 500th Stocks

Average Total Mcap
₹ **16** Lakh Cr



June 2026

Top 100 Stocks

Average Total Mcap
₹ **275** Lakh Cr

101st - 250th Stocks

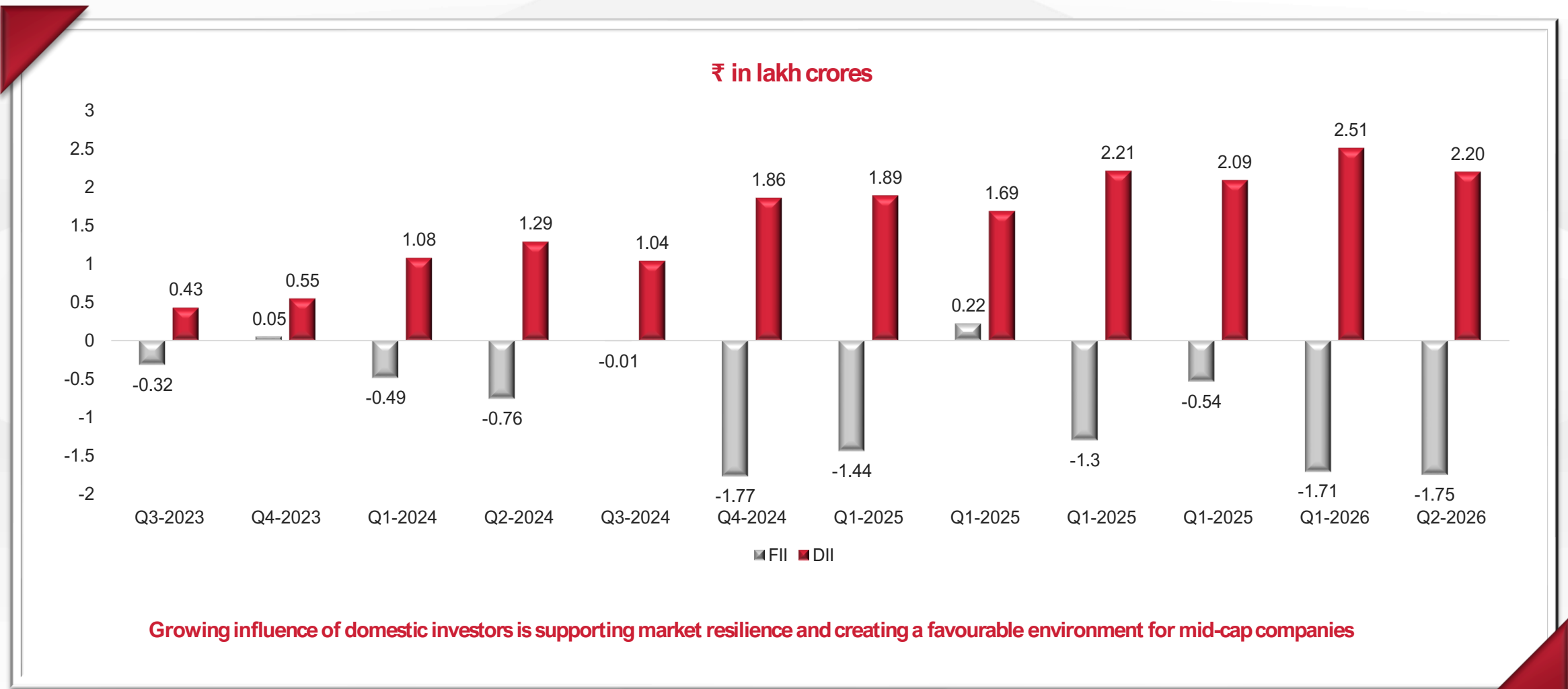
Average Total Mcap
₹ **94** Lakh Cr

251st - 500th Stocks

Average Total Mcap
₹ **48** Lakh Cr



Strong Domestic Inflows

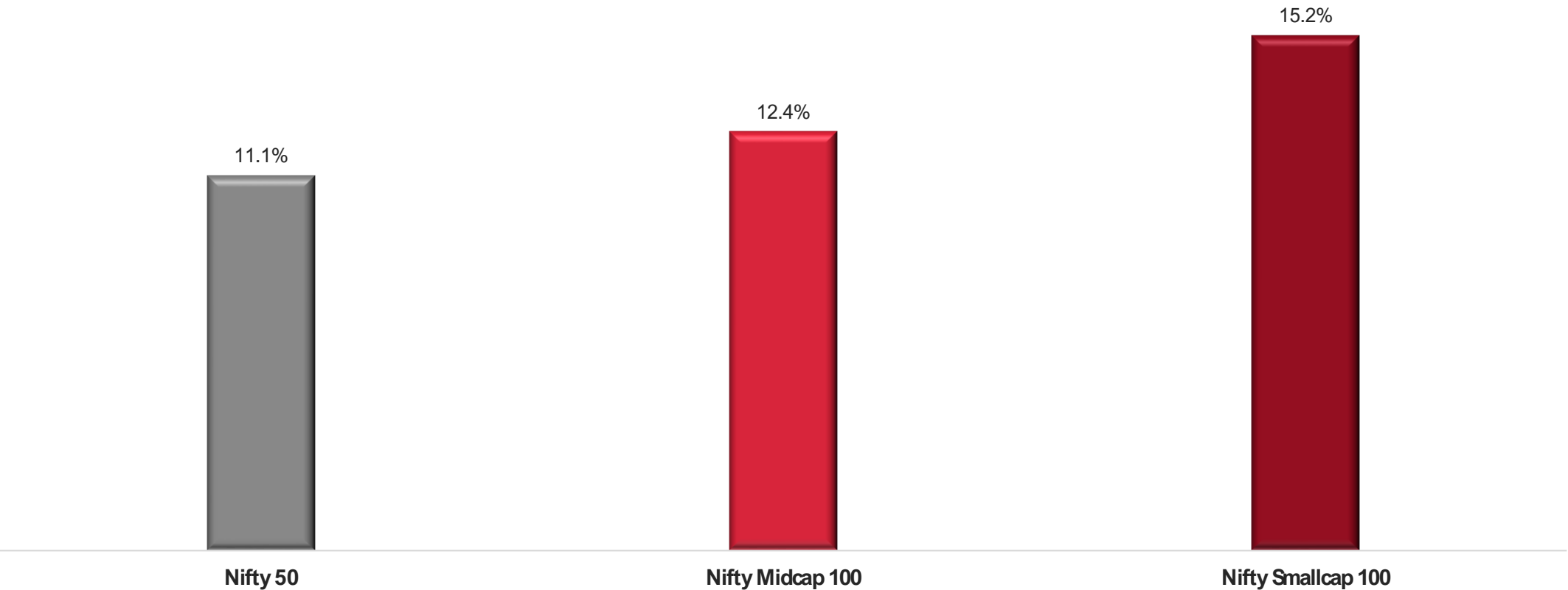


Source: ABSLAMC Internal assessment



SMIDs Have Delivered Higher Earning Growth

PAT growth - CAGR over 12 years



Source: ABSLAMC Internal assessment. SMIDs – Small & Midcap



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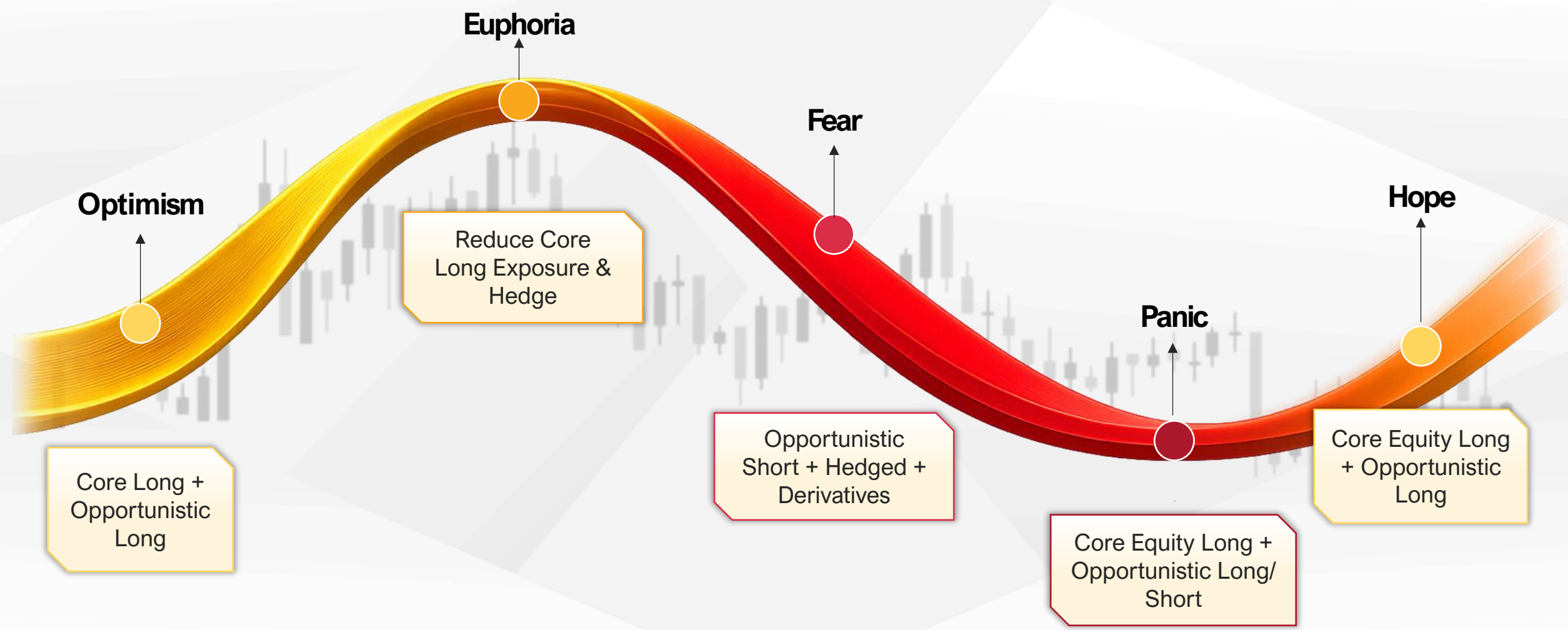
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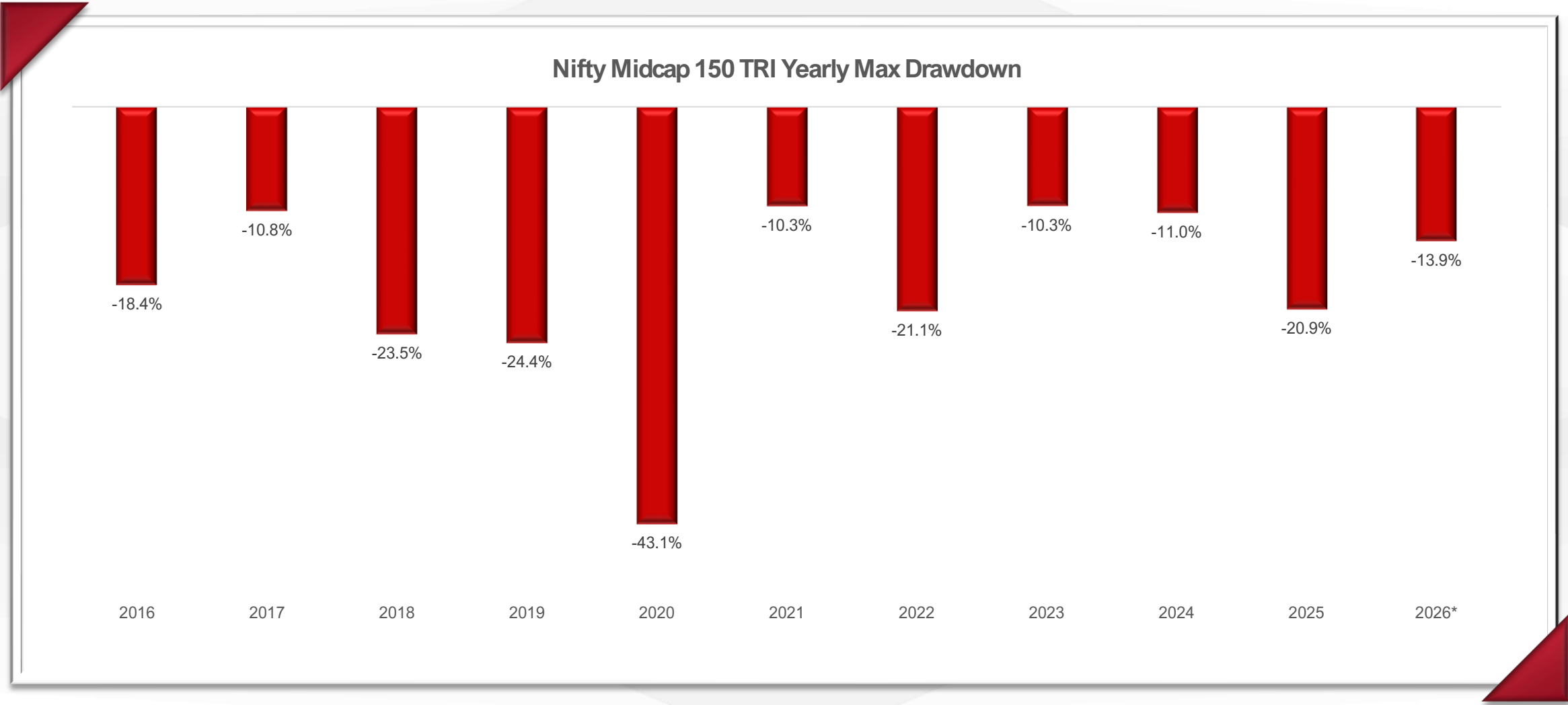


Investor Behaviour vs How SIF Fund Manager aims to invert it





Market Corrections are a Recurring Feature of Equity Investing

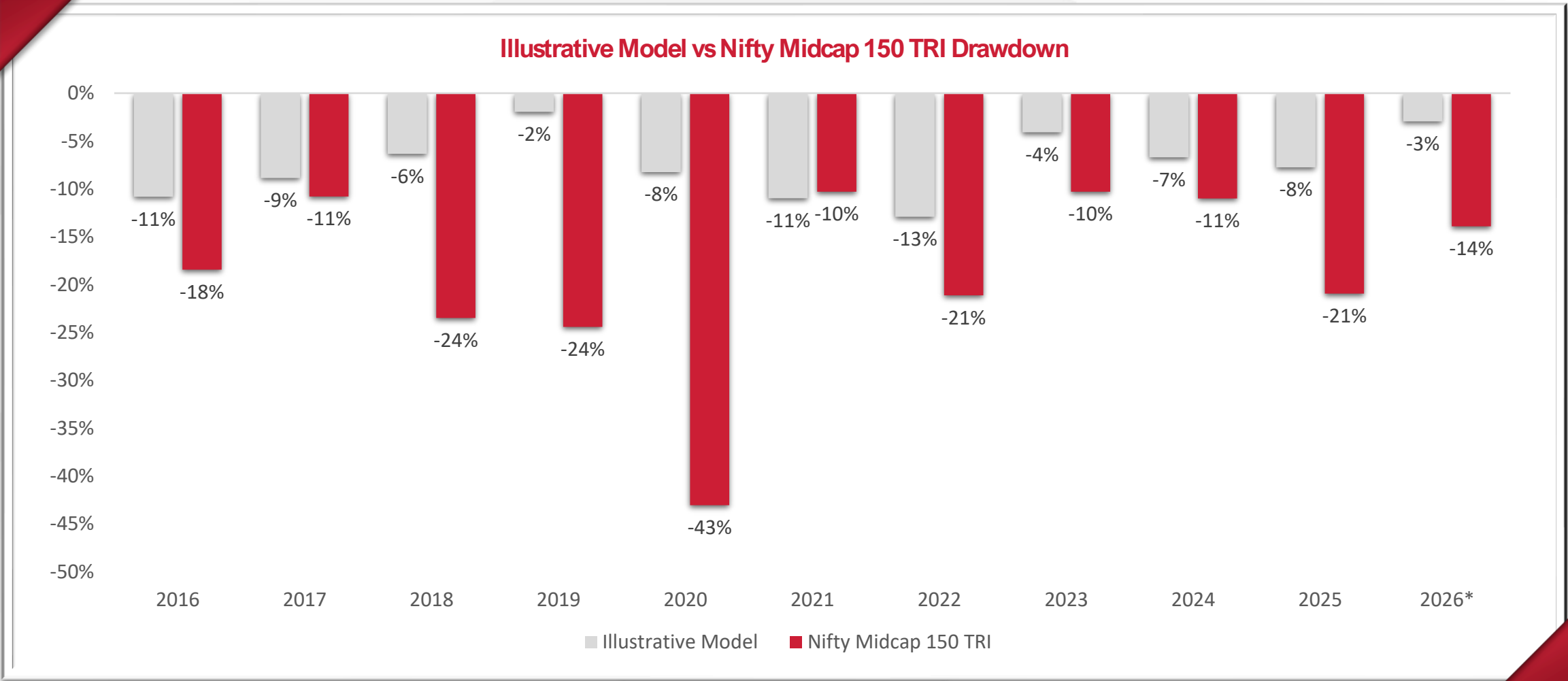


Source ABSLAMC Internal assessment. Calendar year drawdown are considered & for 2026 – *data upto 30th June 2026.



Lower Drawdown & Volatility

Illustrative Model vs Nifty Midcap 150 TRI Drawdown



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A robust sedan combines speed with safety.

APEX Ex-Top 100 Long-Short Fund applies the same principles



Performance
when it counts



Protection when
it matters



Adaptive
driving



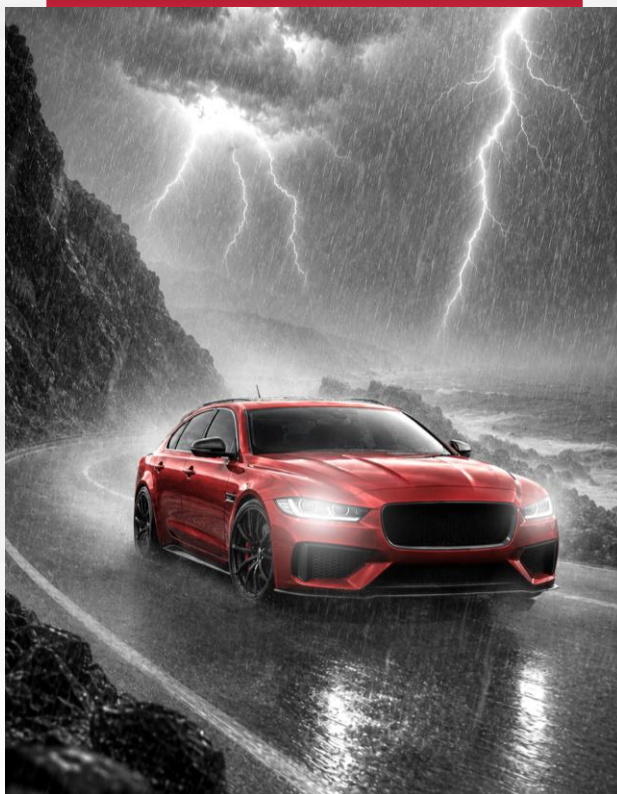
Dynamic
positioning



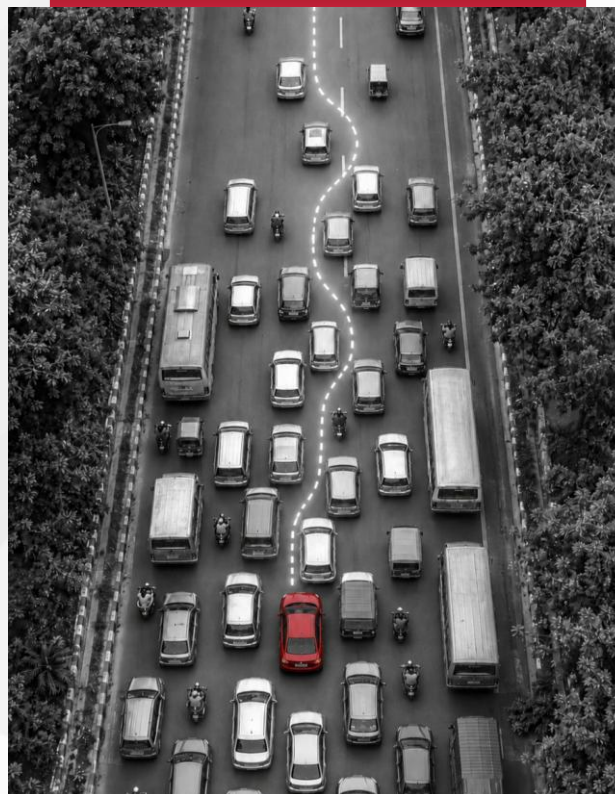
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Positioned to

navigate market
storms



manoeuvre through
congestion

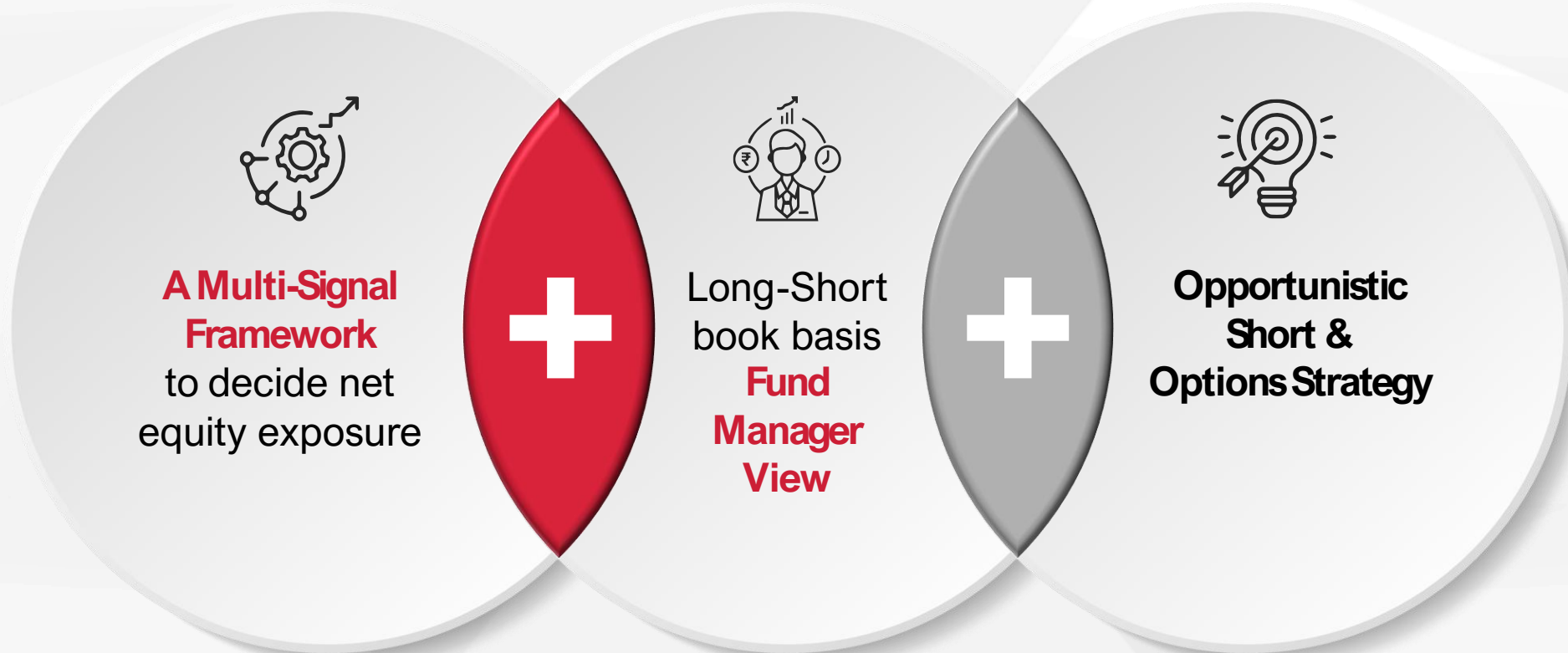


capture momentum
when the road opens.





How Do We Aim to Achieve This?





A Multi-Signal Framework to Dynamically Manage Equity Exposure



Fundamentals

- Valuation (Buy low, Sell high)



Quant based Signal

- Mix of short-term and long-term momentum indicators
- Helps capture short-term movements
- Long-term momentum sustains longer for midcaps

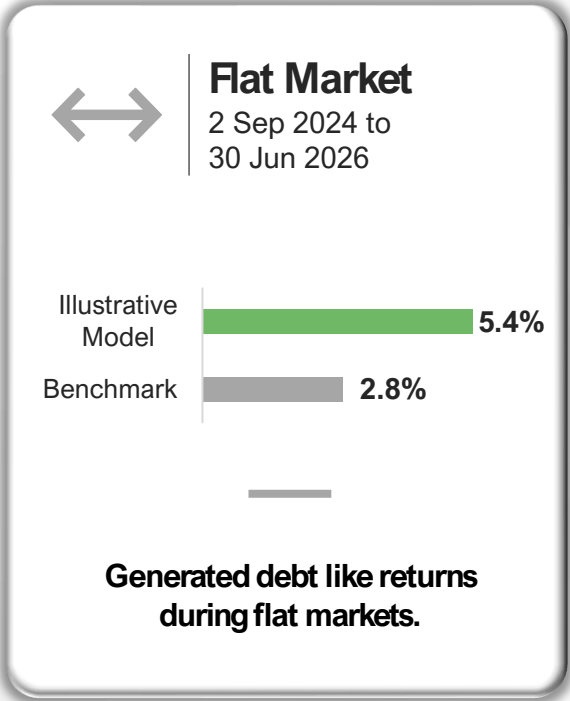
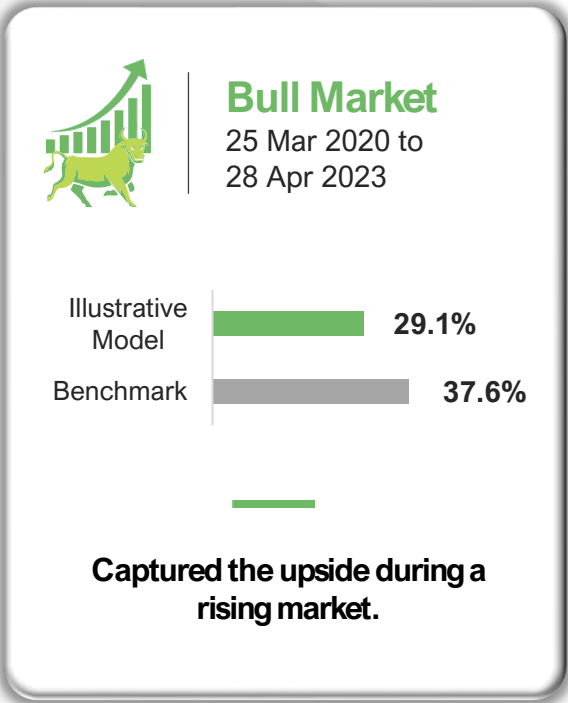
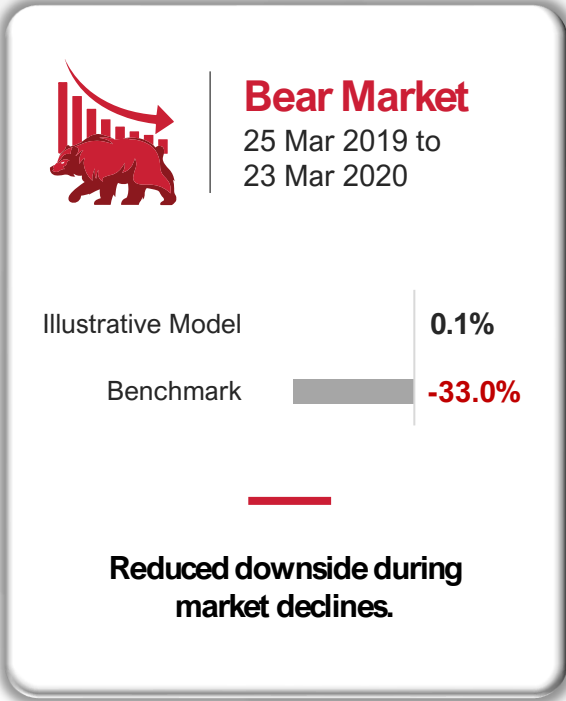
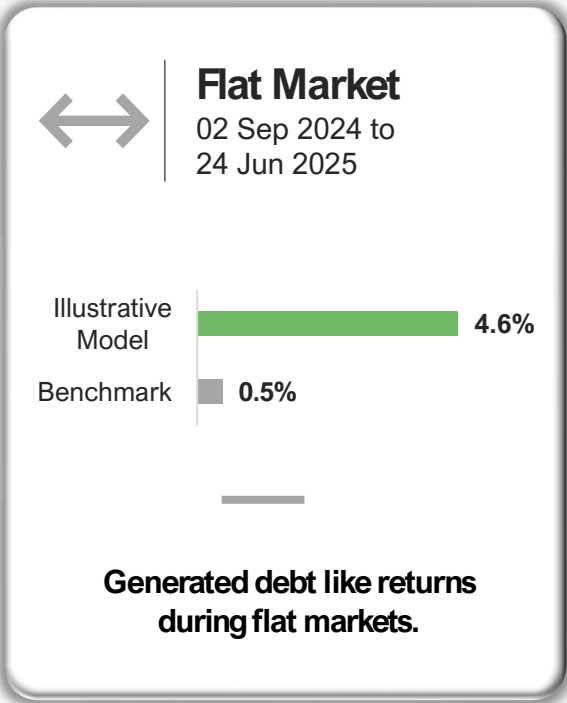


Option Positioning

- Buy during fear and sell during greed



Effectiveness of the Illustrative Model

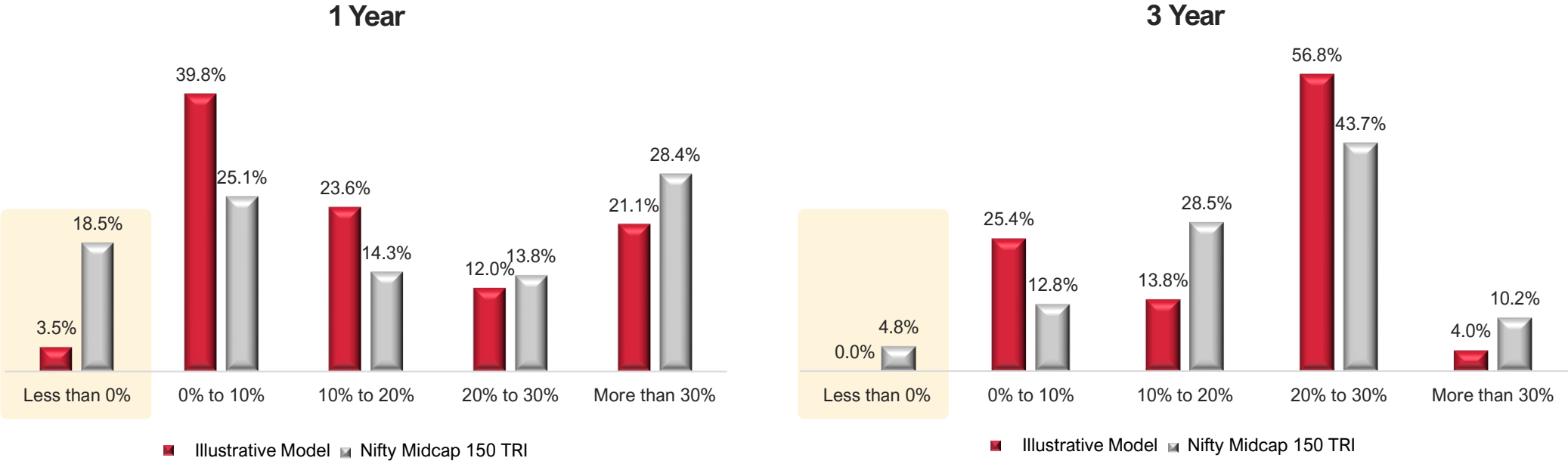


Less than 1 year Simple Annualized returns, Greater than or Equal to 1 year Compound Annualized returns. Source ABSLAMC Internal assessment. The illustrative model returns does not include the expense ratio as well as the alpha generated from portfolio construction, derivatives strategy, special situations etc . The performance figures presented herein are based on theoretical testing of the proposed investment strategy for Equity Ex-Top 100 Long Short Fund and has been calculated using historical data. This does not represent actual performance and is not indicative of future results.



Fewer Losses, More Positive Outcomes

Daily Rolling Returns Frequency Distribution



Significantly lower probability of negative return outcomes



Returns distribution shifts away from loss-making zones toward positive return buckets



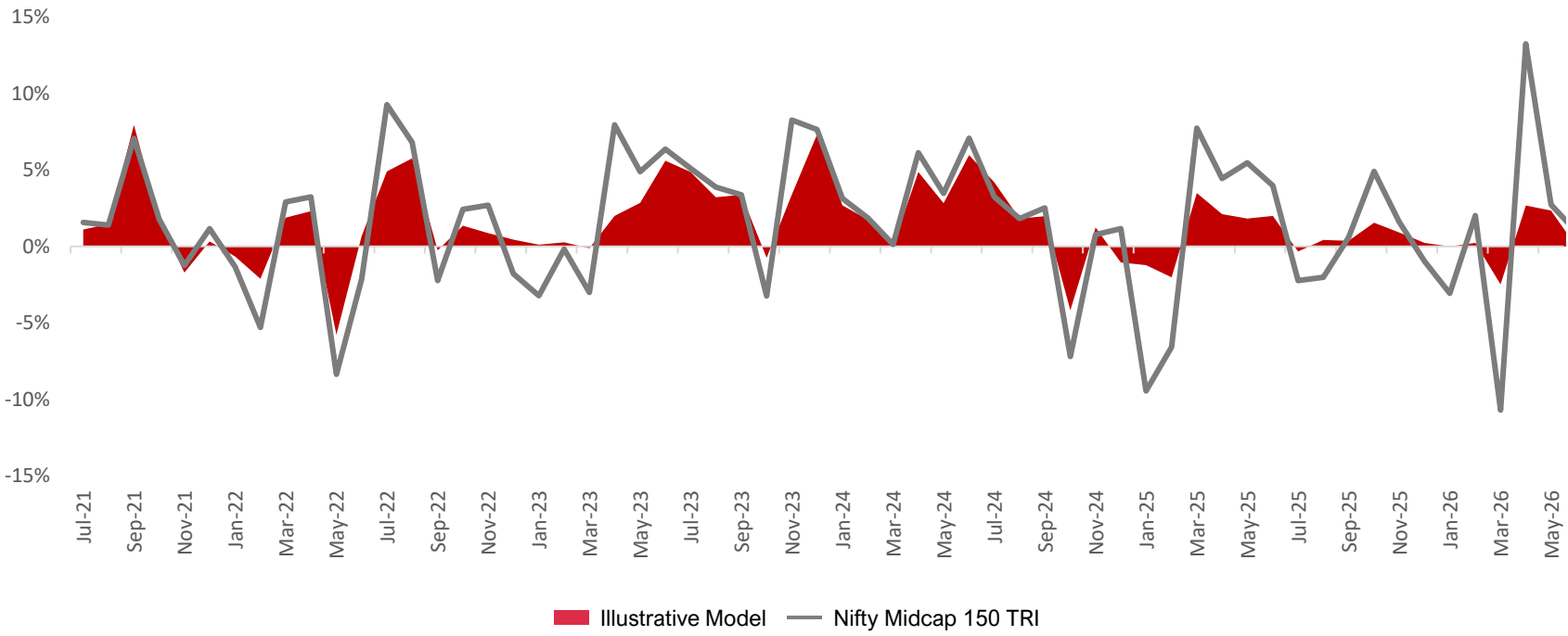
A smoother return journey experience

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Better Upside to Downside Capture

Monthly Upside and Downside returns 5 years



Ratio	Illustrative Model
Upside capture ratio	64%
Downside capture ratio	26%
Ratio	2.4

The strategy aims to participate meaningfully during market advances while limiting the impact of market declines, creating a less volatile return experience

Data as on June 30, 2026. The strategy returns does not include the expense ratio as well as the alpha generated from derivatives strategy. The performance figures presented herein are based on theoretical testing of the proposed investment strategy for Equity Ex-Top 100 Long Short Fund and have been calculated using historical data. This does not represent actual performance and is not indicative of future results.



Long Portfolio Construct



Aims to generate consistent alpha through a combination of benchmark leaders, structural compounders, cyclical recoveries, and deep-value opportunities



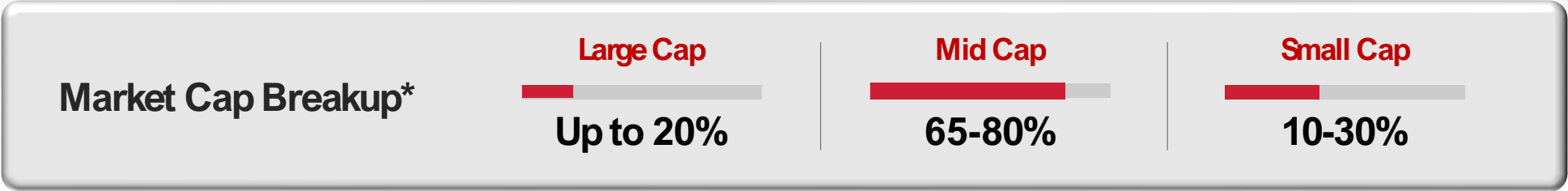
Capture shorter-duration alpha opportunities driven by identifiable catalysts



Exploit corporate actions and non-consensus opportunities

This framework creates a balance between

- **Structural Compounding** (Quality and consistency)
- **Cyclical Recovery** (Earnings acceleration)
- **Contrarian Value** (Mean reversion)
- **Catalyst-driven Opportunities** (Alpha generation)
- **Corporate Event Situations** (Idiosyncratic returns)



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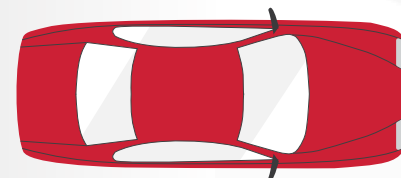


Alpha Opportunities to Build Short Portfolio

Core Shorts



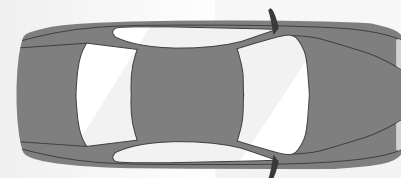
- Overvaluation with risk to earnings
- Deteriorating fundamentals
- Corporate governance red flag



Opportunistic Shorts



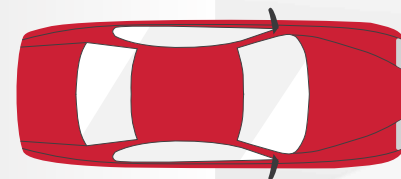
- Negative earnings surprise/ warning
- Cyclically entering downcycle



Pairs



- Hedge long sector exposure





Market Scenario	Core Long	Opportunistic Long Short	Special Situations	Aim
 Bull Run	Higher Exposure	Long Bias	High	Capture Market Upside
 Flat Market	Moderate Exposure	Option Strategy + Derivatives	Medium	Use derivatives strategies to generate alpha
 Bear Market	Hedged Portfolio	Short Bias	Low	Reduce Drawdown

This flexibility allows the strategy to seek alpha across market environments while actively managing overall portfolio risk.

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Risk & Return Ladder



Source : ABSLAMC Internal Assessment



Why Apex Equity Ex-Top 100 Long-Short Fund?

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Low Volatility

A lower volatile fund within the mid cap space



Minimal Drawdown

The Fund aims to provide minimal drawdown experience over 2 year rolling basis



Dynamic Net Equity Exposure

Flexibility to dynamically adjust gross long & short exposure, thereby reducing overall net market exposure



Specialised Personnel

Managed by a highly specialized fund manager with experience across strategies including derivatives and long short strategies



Use of Derivatives

The fund will use derivatives for risk management and yield generation



Tax Efficiency

Long-term capital gains taxed at 12.5% for holding period > 1 year

"A differentiated long-short strategy built to unlock opportunities beyond the Top 100 stocks while dynamically managing risk across market cycles"



Suitable for investors who want to



Participate in equity market upside with a more risk-managed approach



Cushion the impact of sharp market falls and lower portfolio volatility



Diversify beyond traditional long-only equity funds



Access a strategy that can benefit from both market winners and losers



Lump-sum deployment of sporadic income





Fund Details

Investment objective	To generate capital appreciation in long term by investing in equity and equity related securities of Ex-top 100 companies. The Investment Strategy may also invest in various derivative instruments, including short exposure through unhedged derivative positions in equity and equity related instruments. There is no assurance that the investment objective of the Investment strategy will be achieved.
Benchmark	Nifty 500 TRI
Fund Manager	Equity portion: Mr. Manish Gupta Debt portion: Mr. Harshil Suvarnkar
Plan & Options	Growth Option
Exit load	If the units are redeemed/ switched out on or before 365 days from the date of allotment – 1% of the applicable NAV. If the units are redeemed/switched out after 365 days from the date of allotment – Nil
Category of investment strategy	Equity Ex-Top 100 Long-Short Fund
Subscription frequency	Daily
Type of investment strategy	An open ended investment strategy investing in equity and equity related instruments including limited short exposure in equity through derivative instruments of Ex-top 100 stocks
Redemption frequency	Daily Redemption
Min application amount	₹10 lakh per AMC at PAN level and in multiples of ₹1 thereafter. For existing investor, the minimum amount of ₹10,000 & multiple of ₹1 thereafter subject to PAN level of ₹10 lakh at AMC level

For more details. please refer to ISID & IKIM



Equity

Mr. Manish Gupta has over 21 years of experience, with deep expertise in the Indian equity market and a specialization in long short equity strategies.

Prior to joining ABSLAMC, he has worked across global hedge funds, Indian proprietary funds, and global brokerage houses, including Millennium Singapore, Polymer Capital Hong Kong, and Kotak Securities.



Debt

Mr. Harshil Suvamkar is a fund manager with Aditya Birla Sun Life AMC Limited. He has an overall experience of 15 years in the financial services industry.

Prior to joining ABSLAMC he was associated with one of India's largest HFC for 10 years as Head - Markets, Treasury heading treasury investments, Asset Liability Management (ALM) and capital market borrowings.



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Deep research. Broad coverage. Real-time execution.

590+

STOCKS COVERAGE

Extensive stock universe.
Spotting opportunities others miss.

20+

SECTOR COVERAGE

All sectors. All cycles.
Complete perspective.

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EQUITY ANALYSTS/ ASSOCIATES

On-ground research.
Actionable insights.

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TRADERS/ DEALERS

Real-time market execution.
Speed. Agility. Discipline.

175+

**YEARS OF FUND MANAGEMENT
EXPERIENCE**

Decades of market navigation.
Built on trust. Backed by results.

400+

**YEARS OF TOTAL EQUITY
INVESTMENT TEAM EXPERIENCE**

Collective wisdom.
Consistent outperformance.





Apex Equity Ex-Top 100 Long-Short Fund		
(An open ended investment strategy investing in equity and equity related instruments including limited short exposure in equity through derivative instruments of Ex-top 100 stocks)		
This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*	Risk-band	Benchmark Risk-band Nifty 500 TRI
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