

MARCH 2019

Monthly commentary

Net Asset Value

The Net Asset Value per share as at 31 March 2019 was 104.79 pence. In March the Net Asset Value (NAV) was up 14.0% in Sterling terms, whilst the BSE MidCap TR Index was up 13.2%, delivering an outperformance against the notional benchmark of 0.8%. In local currency terms, the NAV was up 8.9% for the month.

Portfolio update

Positive contribution to the portfolio's performance came from IDFC Bank (up 24.0%), Jammu & Kashmir Bank (up 39.5%) and Federal Bank (up 15.0%). Negative contribution mainly stemmed from Tech Mahindra (down 6.5%), Motherson Sumi Systems (down 7.9%) and Neuland Laboratories (down 11.3%).

Market and economic update

Indian equity markets saw a sharp and broad based rally in March with the BSE Sensex and BSE MidCap TR Indices up 7.8% and 8.2% respectively (in Indian Rupees). Latest opinion polls indicate an increased likelihood of the incumbent BJP government retaining power and expectations of a 50bps cut in policy

rates in the short term grew as inflation continues to remain below the Reserve Bank of India's 4% target. The Indian Rupee appreciated 2.2% against the US Dollar and 4.5% against Pound Sterling on the back of a narrowing trade deficit in February. It fell to US\$9.6bn from US\$14.7bn as exports grew 2.4% while imports were down 5.4%. Foreign institutional investors were net buyers (US\$4.8bn) for the month while domestic institutions were net sellers (US\$2.0bn).

Goods and Services Tax collections for March were US\$15.4bn, up 16% and the highest recorded since the tax's inception. This was particularly strong given that March collections are mostly for February activity, which has 10% fewer days, indicating a potential expansion in manufacturing and consumption, alongside the government's effort to plug collection leakages. Should momentum build on this front, it will help ease pressure on the government's FY20 fiscal deficit target of 3.4%. The fall in oil prices from their peak afforded the current account deficit some breathing room as it declined to 2.5% of GDP in December from 2.9% of GDP in the September quarter.

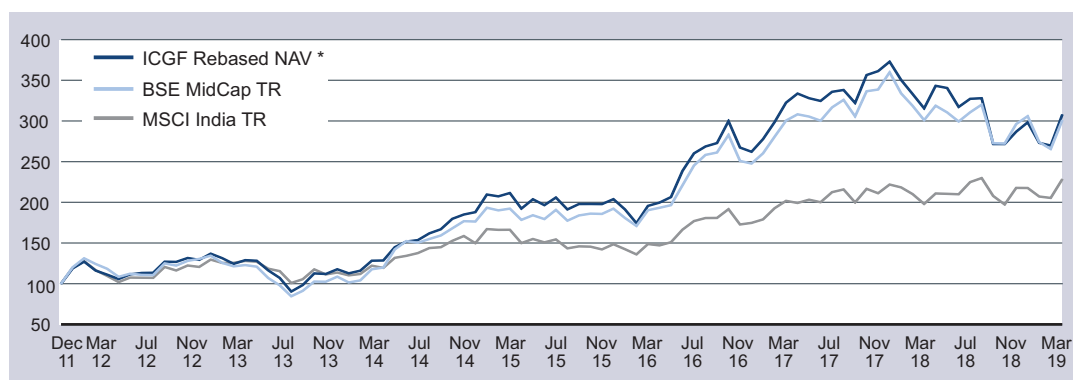
Investment objectives

To provide long term capital appreciation by investing predominantly in listed mid and small cap Indian companies. Investments may also be made in large cap Indian companies where the Fund Manager believes long-term capital appreciation will be achieved. The Company may hold liquid assets (including cash) pending deployment in suitable investments. It is the Company's declared policy not to hedge the exposure to the Indian Rupee.

Portfolio statistics

Fund size	£117.9m
No of holdings	37
Top 20 holdings	68.2%
Dividend Yield (TTM)	0.7%
Median market cap.	US\$1.05bn
NAV per share (p)	104.79
Share price (p)	89.15

Rebased NAV Performance since 31 December 2011 (all £)



Source: Ocean Dial Asset Management Limited, Bloomberg

NAV Performance (%)

	1m	3m	YTD	1yr	3yr	5yr
ICGF Rebased NAV (£)*	14.01	3.09	3.09	-2.52	57.20	139.11
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BSE MidCap Index Total Return (£ adjusted)	13.24	-1.72	-1.72	-0.12	57.97	155.44
MSCI India Total Return (£ adjusted)	11.11	4.87	4.87	15.27	53.46	86.65

*The Rebased NAV is the fairest representation of the Manager's performance across all periods excluding the dilutive effect of the new ordinary shares issued on 8 August 2016 following the exercise of subscription share rights.

Key facts

Fund Manager	David Cornell
Fund Adviser	Gaurav Narain
Adviser start	31 December 2011
Launch date	22 December 2005
Listing	LSE Main Market
Domicile	Guernsey
NAV publication	Monthly
NAV estimate	Daily

Capital structure and fees

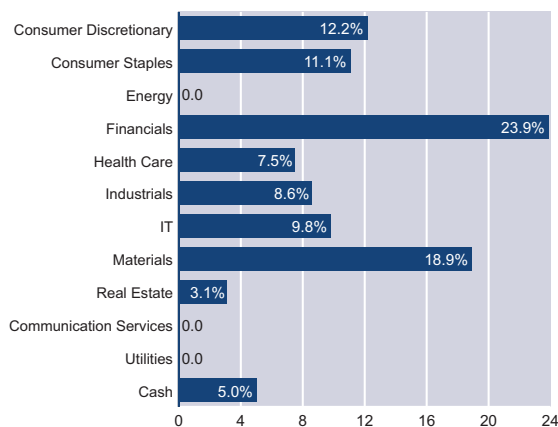
Ordinary Shares in issue	112,502,173
Annual management fee	1.5% of AUM
Performance fee	There is no performance fee payable

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Top 20 equity holdings

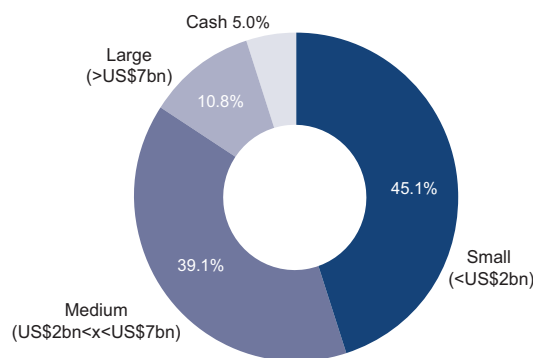
Holding	Sector	% of portfolio	Holding	Sector	% of portfolio
Tech Mahindra	Information Technology	4.7%	Indusind Bank	Financials	3.2%
Federal Bank	Financials	4.5%	Motherson Sumi Systems	Consumer Discretionary	3.1%
City Union Bank	Financials	4.4%	Aurobindo Pharma	Health Care	3.1%
NIIT Technologies	Information Technology	4.0%	Berger Paints India	Materials	3.0%
PI Industries	Materials	3.7%	Sobha Developers	Real Estate	3.0%
Kajaria Ceramics	Industrials	3.7%	Yes Bank	Financials	2.9%
IDFC Bank	Financials	3.6%	Radico Khaitan	Consumer Staples	2.9%
Jyothy Laboratories	Consumer Staples	3.6%	Balkrishna Industries	Consumer Discretionary	2.8%
Divi's Laboratories	Health Care	3.4%	Welspun India	Consumer Discretionary	2.8%
Ramkrishna Forgings	Materials	3.3%	Emami	Consumer Staples	2.8%

Portfolio analysis by sector



Source: Ocean Dial Asset Management Limited, Bloomberg

Portfolio analysis by market capitalisation



Fund adviser



Gaurav Narain joined the Group in November 2011, having been immersed in the Indian equity markets for the previous 21 years. He has held senior positions as both a fund manager and an equities analyst in New Horizon Investments, ING Investment Management India and SG (Asia) Securities India. He holds a Masters degree in Finance and Control and a Bachelor of Economics degree from Delhi University.

Investment Philosophy

The investment manager believes that in India, optimal returns will be generated over time by investing in companies that are well placed to benefit from the structural growth potential of the Indian economy, combined with the highest quality of management best able to exploit this opportunity. The fund uses a consistent and disciplined bottom up stock picking process to select investments from our best ideas, unconstrained by a benchmark.

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