

## Investment Objective

The India Avenue Equity Fund is a registered, unlisted unit trust, which invests in listed companies trading on Indian stock exchanges or on other exchanges, with significant exposure to India's economy. The Fund aims to outperform its benchmark in AUD terms, after fees and over rolling 5-year periods.

IAEF M Class Units	1 month	3 months	1 year	3 years p.a.	5 years p.a.	Since Inception p.a.
IAEF Pre Tax Net Returns*	-1.40%	-12.54%	-5.45%	12.51%	11.49%	9.36%
MSCI India (net) in AUD#	-0.31%	-11.87%	-2.86%	10.69%	10.26%	9.47%
Alpha	-1.09%	-0.67%	-2.59%	1.82%	1.23%	-0.11%
IAEF Net Returns**	-1.43%	-12.59%	-6.18%	11.00%	10.09%	8.60%
iShares MSCI India ETF in AUD##	-0.69%	-12.08%	-5.18%	8.76%	8.29%	7.89%
Alpha	-0.74%	-0.51%	-1.00%	2.24%	1.80%	0.71%

Source: MSCI

\*Performance is calculated on a post fee, but pre-CGT and withholding taxes paid in India. Australian domiciled investors receive a partial credit for these taxes in their annual tax refund. Over the last 5 years the impact on performance from payment of Indian CGT is approximately 1.0% per annum. We estimate that 50-100% of Indian CGT paid is recoverable in Australian investor tax returns as a tax credit. However, we are not tax advisors and investors should seek their own tax advice. The MSCI India benchmark returns are calculated pre taxes paid.

# The MSCI India benchmark does not pay Indian CGT

\*\* India Avenue Equity Fund M Class returns based on NAV (exit price to exit price)

## iShares ETF is a benchmark which includes Indian CGT and transaction costs, which provide an "invested" benchmark experience

Past performance is not an indicator of future performance. Above returns are calculated based on the exit price of 28 February 2026, net of fees and assuming reinvestment of dividends. Returns of longer duration than 1 year are annualised

## Portfolio and Market Returns

The India Avenue Equity Fund (M Class Units) delivered a return of -1.40% (pre-tax) in February 2026, underperforming the MSCI India Net Return Index (AUD) by -1.09%. February 2026 saw Indian equities trade in a relatively narrow range, as investors balanced resilient domestic fundamentals with heightened global uncertainty. Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs) returned in a meaningful way, but remained selective and largely came from ETF allocations. At the same time, domestic mutual fund flows turned slightly negative, marking the first monthly outflow in three years.

Sector performance remained differentiated. Capital goods and industrial companies sustained investor interest, with robust order books and execution visibility reflecting the ongoing domestic infrastructure and manufacturing capex cycle. IT services continued to face headwinds from softer global demand, AI disruption risks and cautious corporate spending in developed markets.

A notable geopolitical development during the month was the announcement of a new US-India trade agreement in early February, aimed at deepening economic cooperation and reducing select trade barriers. The agreement is expected to support bilateral trade flows, particularly across technology services, manufacturing and critical supply chains, while reinforcing India's position as a strategic economic partner for the United States. This development strengthened the longer-term outlook for export-oriented sectors and foreign investment inflows.

The Q3 FY26 (December quarter) earnings season has been broadly constructive, with strong contributions from mid- and small-cap companies. Aggregate earnings for the Nifty Midcap-150 grew around 20% year-on-year, while the Smallcap-250 recorded 26% growth on a relatively soft base, outpacing the 18% growth delivered by the Nifty-100 constituents. At the broader market level, the Nifty-500 delivered its strongest earnings growth in eight quarters, with aggregate profits rising approximately 19% year-on-year, supported by wider sector participation and the benefits of GST 2.0, even as geopolitical headwinds persisted.

Portfolio Characteristics	IAEF	MSCI India
Return on Invested Capital	13.7%	13.2%
Gross Profit Margin	42.0%	36.9%
Asset Growth 3 years	15.1%	14.3%
Forecast LT Sales Growth	11.8%	12.8%
Forecast LT Earnings Growth	17.0%	17.1%
Return on Assets	9.5%	9.1%
Price-to-Book	3.7	3.9
P/E Forward (Mar-26)	20.3	22.5
Free Cash Flow Yield	4.6%	3.3%
Beta	0.9	0.9
Market Capitalisation	\$55bn	\$82bn
Dividend Yield	1.2%	1.1%

Source: Foresight Analytics

Risk Characteristics	IAEF	MSCI India
Volatility	18.0%	18.2%
Tracking Error	4.9%	
Information Ratio	0.20	
Sharpe Ratio	0.46	0.40

Source: MSCI

1) Volatility: Standard deviation annualised since inception

2) Standard deviation of active return (before fees)

3) Sharpe ratio: Excess return (before fees) over the Ausbond Bank Bill Index, divided by standard deviation

4) Information ratio: Active return (before fees) divided by tracking error

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Performance by Unit Class <sup>^</sup>	1 month	3 months	1 year	3 years p.a.	5 years p.a.	7 years p.a.
M Class	-1.43%	-12.59%	-6.18%	11.00%	10.09%	9.81%
H Class	-1.45%	-12.68%	-6.61%	10.37%	9.49%	9.25%
L Class	-1.41%	-12.55%	-5.96%	10.95%	-	-
MSCI India	-0.31%	-11.87%	-2.86%	10.69%	10.26%	10.01%

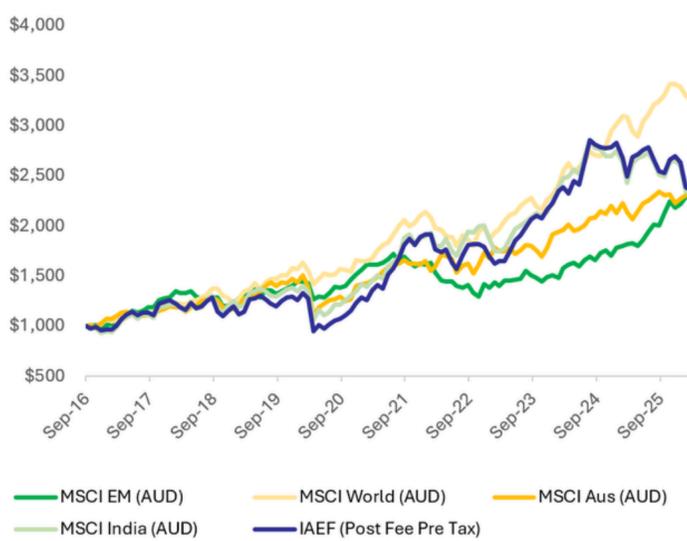
Source: MSCI

<sup>^</sup>Performance in the table above is calculated on exit price NAVs after fees and includes all Indian CGT taxes

Past performance is not an indicator of future performance. Above returns are calculated based on the exit price of 28 February 2026, net of fees and assuming reinvestment of dividends. Returns of longer duration than 1 year are annualised. The only difference between the M, H and L class is the management and performance fees charged. The underlying investments of each class are identical.

## Comparative Returns

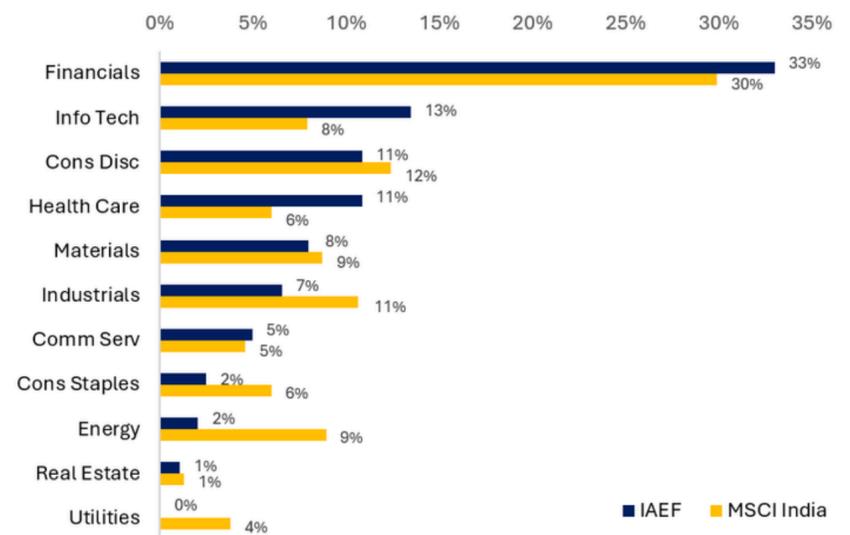
IAEF vs India, EM, World, Aus (Rebased to \$1,000)



Source: MSCI

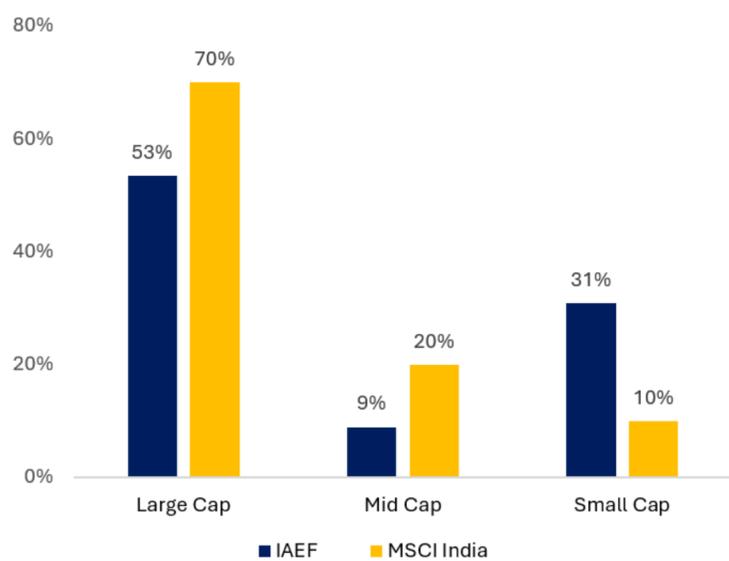
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## Sector Positioning - IAEF vs MSCI India



Source: Foresight Analytics

## Size Distribution



\*Large Cap (above A\$20bn), Mid Cap (between A\$5-20bn) and Small Cap (below A\$5bn)

## Top 10 Stocks

Holdings	Weight
Shriram Finance	6.7%
Bharti Airtel	4.9%
Axis Bank	4.7%
ICICI Bank	4.6%
HDFC Bank	3.8%
Infosys	3.0%
Bajaj Finance	2.9%
Aurobindo Pharmaceutical	2.8%
Redington India	2.3%
HCL Technologies	2.1%
<b>Top 10 Weight</b>	<b>38.0%</b>

## Fund Overview - 28.02.2026

	M Class	H Class	L Class
NAV	1.5032	1.4909	1.2186
Inception Date	6/09/2016	9/04/2017	21/04/2021
APIR Code	ETL0482AU	ETL0478AU	ETL2814AU
ARSN	611374586	611374586	611374586
ISIN	AU60ETL04826	AU60ETL04784	AU60ETL28148
Morningstar Code	ETL0482AU	ETL0478AU	ETL2814AU
Management Fee	1.10%	1.50%	0.95%
Performance Fee	10%	10%	15%
Min. Investment Amount	A\$50,000	A\$10,000	A\$50,000
FY25 Distribution	0.1693	0.1488	0.1398
Distribution Frequency	Annually as of 30 June		
Assets under Management	\$132m		
Benchmark	MSCI India (net) AUD		
Investment Universe	Predominantly securities listed on Indian stock exchanges		
Investment Style	Multi-manager, Neutral		

## Platform Availability

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