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ICICI Prudential PMS Contra Strategy

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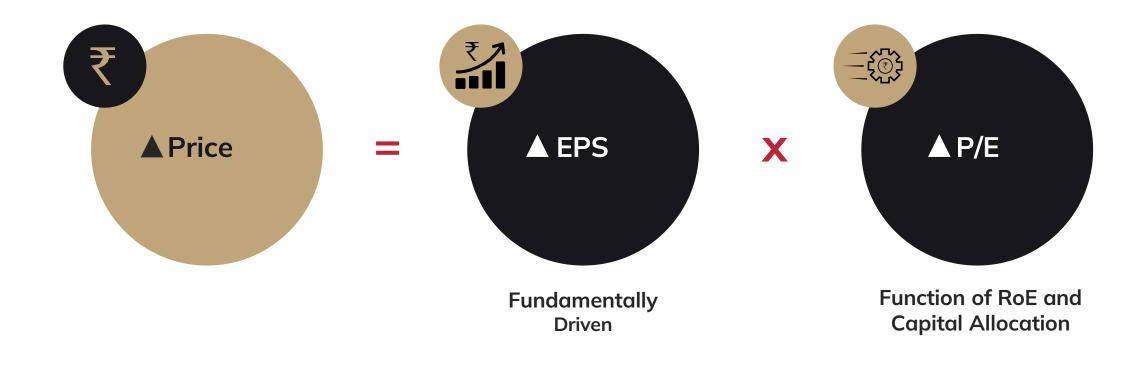
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# **Key Drivers of Stock Price**

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Price Benefitting from Both Earnings growth & P/E rerating.

## Markets Reward Companies with Earnings Potential



#### Universe of top NSE 500 Companies by Market Cap (Dec 2007 – Dec 2023)

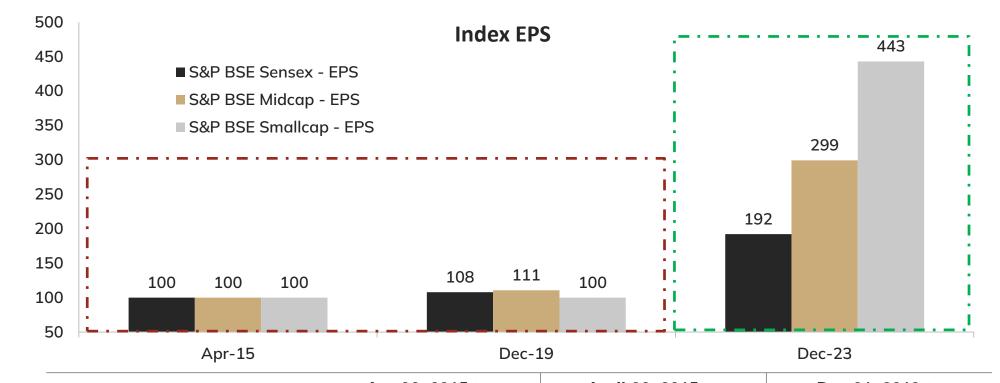
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Focus to Identify	15-Year CAGR↓	Companies	Growth	2007	2023	2007	2023		
	>15%	130	17%	20.99	18.68	19.43	46.03	PE	
	0% - 15%	260	11%	21.42	12.29	23.81	24.50_	Rerating	
Aim to Eliminate	-15% - 0%	93	1%	19.16	1.54	41.92	13.79	PE Derating	
	<-15%	17	Negative Growth	20.77	Negative Earnings	28.6	Negative Earnings		

Source: Nuvama, NSE | Data as on Dec 31, 2023 | Profit Growth: Reported Profit After Tax. Return/Market Cap between December 31, 2007 to December 31, 2023 | Universe of top 500 NSE Listed companies by Marketcap over the 15 year period. Past Performance may or may not sustain in future.

## The Trend has Changed



"There are decades where nothing happens; and there are weeks where decades happen" - Vladimir Ilyich

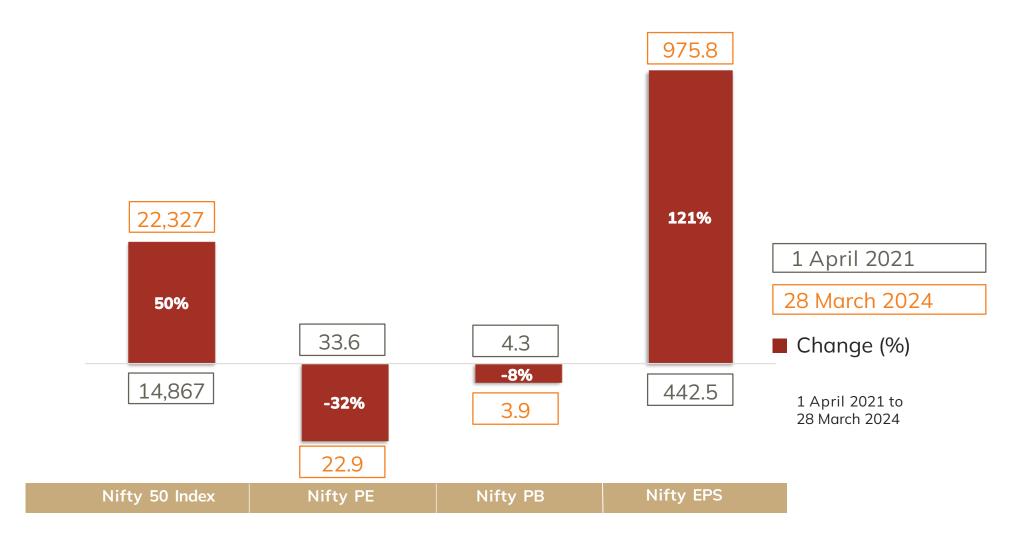


Apr 30, 2015 to April 30, 2015 to Dec 31, 2019 to Dec 29, 2023 Dec 31, 2019 Dec 29, 2023 **EPS EPS Price EPS Price Price** Index **CAGR CAGR CAGR CAGR CAGR CAGR S&P BSE Sensex** 12.0% 7.8% 9.5% 1.6% 15.0% 15.5% S&P BSE Midcap 15.7% 13.5% 8.1% 2.2% 25.2% 28.2% S&P BSE Smallcap 17.0% 18.7% 4.9% 0.0% 32.8% 45.1%

Source: BSE. Data as on December 29, 2023. EPS – Earnings per Share of Index constituents. Past Performance may or may not sustain in future.

## Nifty 50 Index Movement





Source: Index Values -NSE India Limited. Data as on March 28, 2024. PE – Price to Earnings of Nifty 50 Index constituents | EPS – Earnings per Share of Nifty 50 Index constituents. Past Performance may or may not sustain in future

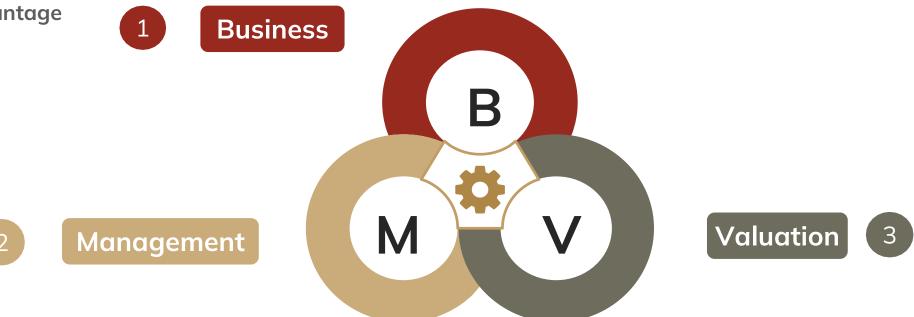


## **Investment Framework**

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In search of companies with meaningful earnings growth and sustainable competitive advantage

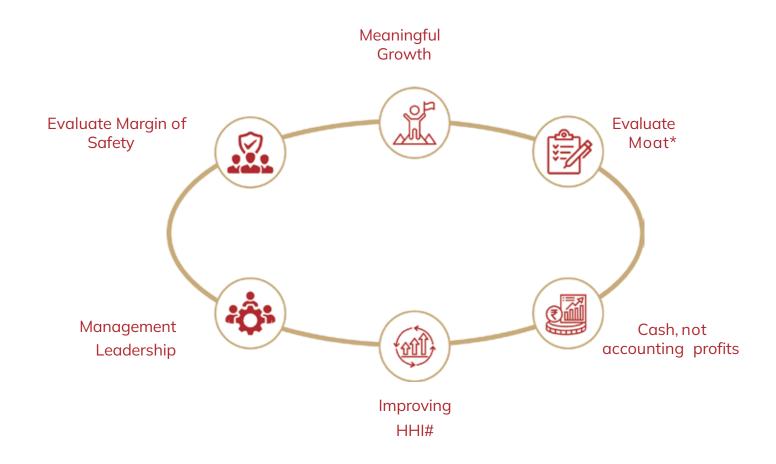


# Aims to Identify Prominent businesses, with Competent Management, at Reasonable Valuations

Please note that BMV framework mentioned above is developed in house and only indicative in nature. The strategies offered by the Portfolio Manager may or may not follow the above framework at all times. The framework is developed in order to select the right companies through a filtration process and endeavor the strategy to attain their investment objective. These models are based on various broad market parameters prevalent in the market and are dynamic in nature.

## The Circle of Competence

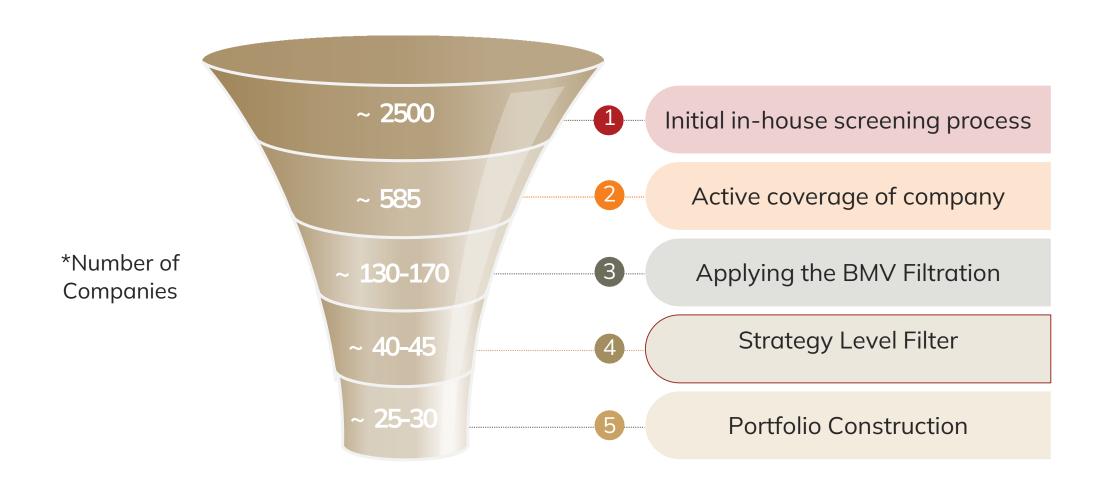




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## **Evaluation, Selection and Sizing**





# Beneficiaries

## **Key Themes for CY2024**



#### Rising Energy **Intensity**

Increased power connectivity expansion driving higher investments in the energy value chain.

Power sector (Generation, **Transmission and** Distribution)

- Capital goods equipment manufacturers
- EPC (Engineering, **Procurement & Construction)** solution providers Financiers

#### Increasing **Urbanization**

India's low urbanization sparks urban center opportunities, revitalizing organized real estate after a decade long down cycle

#### Construction

- Real Estate
- Fast Moving **Electrical Goods**
- Job creation

#### **Government Capex** on Strategic **Sectors**

Policymaker-led digital adoption boosts GST collections, focusing on strategic sectors like defense and railways.

- **EPC** players
- Mobility equipment makers
- Defence equipment makers

#### **Financialisation** on Digital Backbone

Innovation in financial services amid rising income levels and demand for financial products.

- Banks
- Asset managers
- Insurance companies **Exchanges**
- Wealth managers
- NBFCs
- Telecom players and **Tech providers**

#### **Experiential** Consumption

Shift towards experiential consumption, with people preferring experiences over goods consumption.

- Aviation
- Hospitality
- Tech solution
- Providers
- Real estate

Source: Oxfam Report 2022, Bernstein Analysis | The Stock(s)/Sector(s) mentioned in this material do not constitute any recommendation of the same and portfolio may or may not have any future positions in these stock(s)/Sector(s)

### Research Team



A team of over 27 analysts, with a combined experience of over 7 decades, the research team covers as many as 585 companies across 20+ sectors (highlighted below).



<sup>\*</sup>The above mentioned sectors does not represent a list of exhaustive sectors. Research team which includes Equity Research analysts across the business activities engaged by the AMC. IPAMC: ICICI Prudential Asset Management Company Ltd. Note: Investment team shall be supported by the dealing team and common research team

## Portfolio Management Team





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Head – PMS & AIF Investment

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**Equity Research Analysts\*\*** 

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## **ICICI Prudential PMS**

## **CONTRA STRATEGY**

## Contrarian Investing: How it works?





#### High Entry Barriers Businesses going through Unfavourable Business Cycle:

Investing into sector or companies where prevailing sentiments are not positive at the time of purchase. Aims to invest into Competent Players / Survivors within the sectors.



#### **Consolidation in Industry:**

Industry challenges leading to reduction in players. Distress exits may create growth opportunities for existing players.



#### **Special Situations:**

This may include, Mergers, Acquisitions, Changes in Holding-Subsidiary company, Product or department spin offs, etc.

## Contrarian Investing: How it works?





Identification of sectors or companies which are facing temporary headwinds.



Parameters such as RoE, RoCE, Market Cap by Cash Profit, P/E, Corporate Governance & Capital Allocation Track Record are used to determine investability.



Concentrated portfolios of high conviction ideas.

## Key Features of the Investment Approach



**Investment Objective:** ICICI Prudential PMS Contra Strategy (the "Contra Strategy") seeks to generate capital appreciation by investing predominantly in equity and equity related instruments through contrarian investing.

Strategy: Equity

Types of Securities: The Contra Strategy predominantly invests in listed equity and equity related securities. The Contra Strategy may also take exposure to exchange traded derivative instruments for hedging purpose. For liquidity or defensive considerations or pending deployment, the Portfolio Manager may invest in debt, money market instruments, mutual fund schemes or debt ETFs.

Key Features

Investmeant Horizon: 4 Years & Above

Benchmark Index: **S & P BSE 500 TRI** 

Investment across

Market capitalisations

Minimum Investment Amount: Rs. 50,00,000

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# Some Alpha Stories

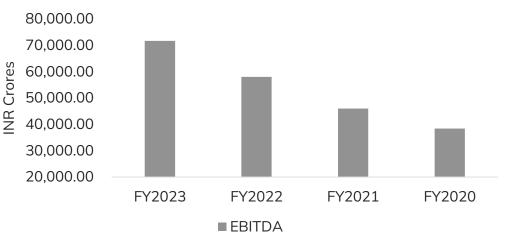
## Consolidation in Industry: Telecom Sector



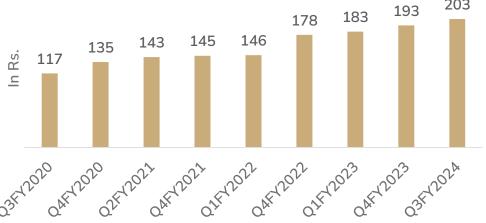
#### **Bharti Airtel Limited**

- Bharti Airtel ranks among the top three mobile service providers globally in terms of subscribers. The Top 2 companies in the telecom sector account for over 70% of the wireless market share, one of them being Bharti Airtel (36% share) as on April 30, 2023 in India, which is it's all time high.
- As on March 31, 2023 the company had a 20%YoY jump in data traffic and a 69% growth in data subscribers since September 2016.
- ARPU at Rs203 is up 95% from lows in Q2FY19 of 103.
- The Company is ramping up 5G services alongside; since its 5G launch in October 2022 its data subsaddition at 14 million.

#### Increased EBITDA over the years



#### ARPU (Rs.) 74% rise in 4 Years



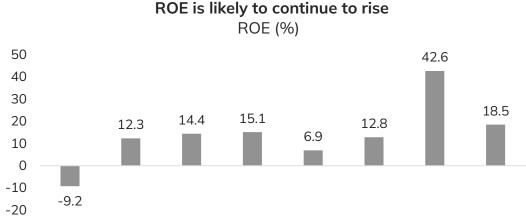
Source: Company Research Report by CLSA Limited, Industry Report (FY2023) by Telecom Regulatory Authority of India, Company Update. EBITDA: Earnings Before Interest Tax, Depreciation and Amortisation; ARPU – Average Revenue Per User. The Stock(s)/Sector(s) mentioned in this material do not constitute any research analysis or recommendation of the same and portfolio may or may not have any future positions in these stock(s)/Sector(s). As on March 31, 2024, the portfolio has an exposure to Bharti Airtel Ltd.

## Consolidation in the Supply Chain: Ferrous Metals



#### **Tata Steel Limited**

- There is consolidation in the steel sector globally due to China's carbon neutral move, inventory tightness and removal of VAT Rebates on exports by the Chinese Government.
- Tata Steel Limited has presence across the entire value chain of steel manufacturing from mining and processing iron ore and coal to producing and distributing finished products.
- Due to captive iron mines owned by the Company it has a resource moat as it can procure raw materials at low costs.
- The consolidated adjusted net leverage falling below 3.0x, on a sustained basis, are some of the factors which may be positives in the future, for the growth of the Company.



FY2016 FY2017 FY2018 FY2019 FY2020 FY2021 FY2022 FY2023 Leverage reduces sharply with improvement in earnings





Source: Tata Steel Limited Annual Reports

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# Current Portfolio Positioning

## **Portfolio Statistics**

#### As on March 31, 2024



- Aggregate earnings growth with improved capital efficiency (ROE) over three years
- Earnings growth outpacing stock returns, positions risk-reward favourably

	3 Year PAT 3	3 Year Returns	RC	)E		
	Growth <sup>1</sup> (CAGR)	CAGR	FY21	FY23	P/B	P/E
ICICI Prudential PMS Contra Strategy	37.55%	29.17%	14.84	15.70	2.37	15.37
S&P BSE 500	33.90%	19.30%	10.76	14.27	3.87	23.49

Source: Financial data from Nuvama Securities, www.bseindia.com, Morning Star | Profit Growth - Aggregate profit after tax growth (TTM vs TTM PY) of portfolio companies under each Strategy as on December 31, 2023 | P/E - Price to Earning | P/B - Price to Book Value | Valuations are of the aggregate portfolio under each Strategy. The portfolio data mentioned above is of the oldest client and data of an individual client may vary significantly from the above. The Strategy features mentioned herein involves risk and there can be no assurance that specific objectives will be met under differing market conditions or cycles. Please refer to the disclosure document & client agreement for details and risk factors. Above details represents dated facts of the underlying portfolio companies depending on the varied prevailing market and economic conditions. Past performance may or may not sustain in future.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>TTM PAT of companies declared results up to December 2023 vs corresponding TTM period three years ago

## ICICI Prudential PMS Contra Strategy

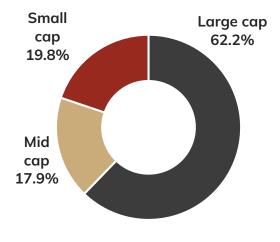
as of March 31, 2024



Top 15 Holdings	% Assets
State Bank of India	7.99
Larsen & Toubro Ltd	7.93
Bharti Airtel Ltd	7.90
ICICI Bank Ltd	6.73
Tata Steel Ltd	6.21
Jindal Steel and Power	4.47
Tata Communications	3.93
Hindalco Industries	3.90
Repco Home Finance Ltd	3.84
Power Finance Corporation	3.81
Vardhman Textiles Ltd	3.72
Godawari Power and Ispat	3.57
Interglobe Aviation	3.52
Apollo Tyres Ltd	3.35
Bank Of Baroda	3.23

	Sector	% Assets	Total	
	Banks	24.9		
<b>Financial Services</b>	Finance	7.7	34.5	
	Capital Markets	2.0		
	Ferrous Metals	17.2		
	Non - Ferrous Metals	3.9	29.9	
Manufacturing	Textiles & Apparels	3.7		
	Auto Components	3.4		
	Cement & Cement Products	1.7		
Other Consumption	Telecom - Services	11.8	15.9	
Play	Retailing	4.0	10.9	
	Construction	7.9		
Manufacturing Allied	Transport Services	3.6	14.9	
Manaractaring Amea	Industrial Products	1.9	14.9	
	Petroleum Products 1.5			
Experiential	Transport Services	3.5	5.6	
Consumption	Realty	2.1	5.0	

#### Market Cap Break –up



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## **Strategy Performance**

As on March 31, 2024



#### **Aggregate Returns**

	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	2 Years CAGR	3 Years CAGR	4 Years CAGR	5 Years CAGR	Since Inception*
Contra Strategy	2.59%	7.36%	20.73%	53.82%	27.89%	29.17%	40.80%	23.30%	22.10%
S&P BSE 500 TRI	0.86%	4.49%	17.40%	40.16%	17.84%	19.30%	31.97%	17.40%	15.63%

#### **Calendar Year Returns**

	CYTD 2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Contra Strategy	7.36%	34.83%	20.03%	36.12%	17.65%
S&P BSE 500 TRI	4.49%	26.55%	4.77%	31.63%	18.41%

For performance relative to other Portfolio Managers within the Strategy by Association of Portfolio Managers in India (APMI) visit: <u>APMI (apmiindia.org)</u>. Performance data provided herein is not verified by SEBI.

Contra Strategy – ICICI Prudential PMS Contra Strategy

Inception Date of the Strategy is the date of onboarding of first client of the Strategy | Since inception return from March 31, 2007 or Inception Date, whichever is later.

Index Data Source: <a href="www.bseindia.com">www.bseindia.com</a> | Strategy performance mentioned above is the aggregate performance of all Clients in the Strategy using the Time Weighted Rate of Return (TWRR) methodology and the performance of an individual Client may vary significantly from the above. Returns for one year or less are on absolute basis, while returns more than one year are on annualized basis. All the returns calculated above are after deduction of the applicable expenses. Past performance may or may not be sustained in future and is no guarantee of future results. Please note that performance of your portfolio may vary from that of other clients and that generated by the Investment Approach across all clients because of 1) the timing of inflows and outflows of funds; and 2) differences in the portfolio composition because of restrictions and other constraints. Past performance may or may not be sustained in future and is no guarantee of future results. clients may note that the entity level performance of the Portfolio Manager is disclosed in the Disclosure Document and the same is available on the website of Portfolio Manager - <a href="https://iciciprualternates.com/Investor">https://iciciprualternates.com/Investor</a>

<sup>\*</sup>Inception Date: 14-Sep-18

## Key Highlights of The Investment Approach



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Basis for Selection of securities: The Portfolio Manager follows 'Contra' style of investing which involves taking contrarian bets on equity stocks i.e. taking calls/exposure on stocks which are currently not in favour in the market but are expected to do well in the long run. The Portfolio Manager may also select stocks of companies in sectors where entry barriers are high, sectors in consolidation or of companies in special situation.

Investment Horizon: 4 years and above | Inception Date: September 14, 2018 | Benchmark: S&P BSE 500 TRI | Minimum Investment: ₹ 50 Lacs

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## Strategy Specific Risks & Disclaimer



#### Risks associated with ICICI Prudential PMS Contra Strategy investment approach:

- The Contra Strategy predominantly select stocks following a Contrarian style of investing.
- There could be time periods when securities selected based on their relevancy to the investment style followed by the Portfolio Manager underperform relative to other stocks or the overall markets. This could impact performance.
- The Contra Strategy aims at maintaining a diversified portfolio without any undue concentration in any sector or stock and the portfolio may underperform relative to concentrated portfolios during certain periods of time.
- The Contra Strategy invests across market capitalisations. Hence, risks relevant to investing in small and mid-cap stocks are also applicable for the strategy.
- In addition to the above, the Portfolio would be subject to the following risks, which are elaborated in the Risk Factors section of the Disclosure Document:
  - Risks related to equity and equity related instruments
  - Risks related to derivative investments
  - Risks related to investments in debt and debt related instruments

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