



Market Update

From CIO'S Desk



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Fixed Income Summary



- Fiscal deficit for Apr-Feb was ₹ 14.1 Trillion or 76% of the budgeted FY'21 deficit (₹ 18.5 Trillion) as compared to 111% reached during the same time frame in FY'20
- India's FX reserves are close to their all-time peak, standing at US\$ 584 Billion currently. FX reserves have increased by US\$ 4.8 Billion in the last 4 weeks
- GST collections in April hit a record monthly high of ₹ 1.41
 Trillion (from ₹ 1.24 Trillion in March, +14.1% MoM). This was the 7th consecutive month with collections of more than ₹ 1 Trillion
- Benchmark 10-year treasury yields averaged at 6.06% in April (13bps lower vs. March average). On month end values, the 10Y yield was down 14bps to end the month at 6.03%.
 US 10Y yield is at 1.63% (11bps MoM, +99bps YoY).

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Economic Environment

- Global equities (+4.2%) traded higher with Europe catching up with the US markets. PMIs confirmed that the global boom is taking shape and it continues to exceed optimistic expectations. Europe is now catching up to the USA
- Daily new cases surged over the month, with last 12 days registering >3,00,000 per day. Last week of April appeared to be showing first signs of stabilizing around the 3,50,000 per day mark, showcasing that the aggregate country daily cases growth is slowing
- Among the Nifty companies, ~35% of the companies have reported March-quarter earnings so far. Earnings in financials were ahead of consensus expectations while earnings for IT companies were mixed
- Global growth leadership is rotating from a decelerating China to a booming USA. Emerging Markets excluding China should lift from mid-year due to US / European pull and domestic vaccine rollout



Equity Summary

- The Nifty-50 Index fell 0.6% in April and underperformed peers MSCI APxJ / EM (+2.8% / +2.4%) as daily new cases surged over the month
- Mid-caps and small-caps were up 1.0% / 2.0%, respectively, outperforming large caps in April. By sector, Healthcare, Materials and Communication Services outperformed while both Consumer Staples and Consumer discretionary were notable laggards in April
- FIIs recorded net outflows of US\$ 1.1 Billion into Indian equities in April, breaking the 6 month inflows streak that started in October last year. DIIs remained net equity buyers at US\$ 1.5 Billion in April

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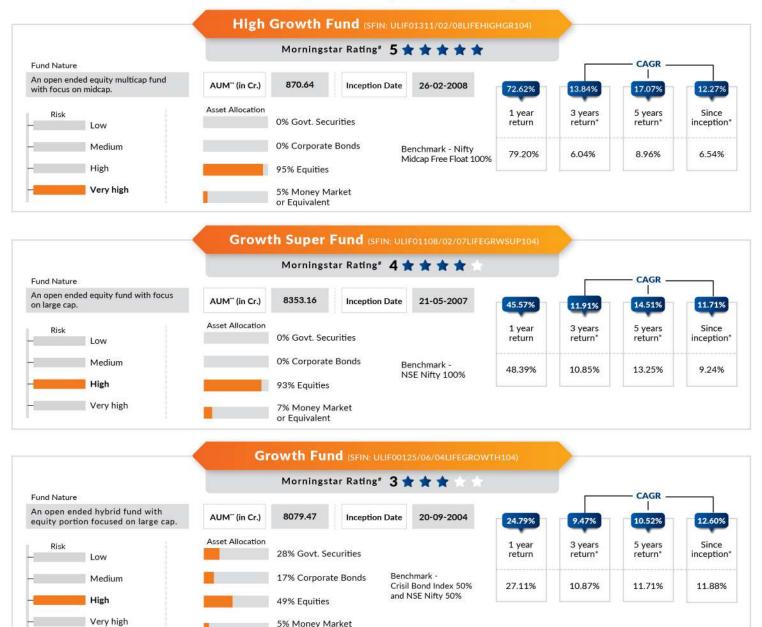




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Max Life Fund Details - A Snapshot 30th April, 2021

Asset Under Management - ₹ 90,593 Cr. as on 30th April, 2021



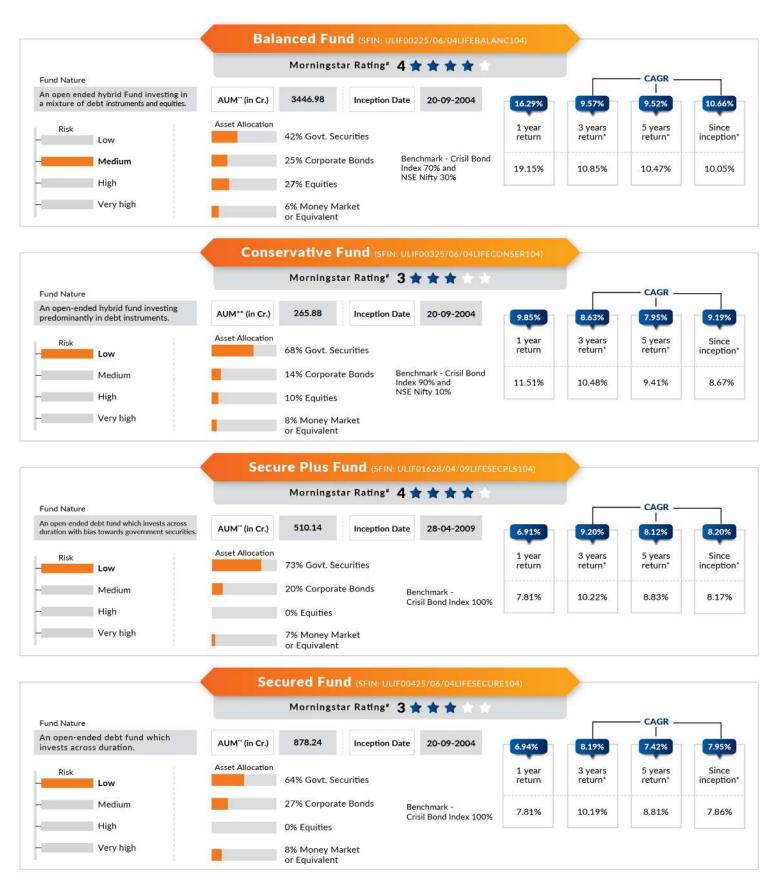
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*As per Monthly Factsheet as on 30th April, 2021. As per IRDAI Annual Report 2019-2020.

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