# Avendus Olivo

Core Equity Portfolio

March 31st, 2024

# Market Update

Indian markets are back at all-time highs after a bout of volatility in March. There were concerns of froth building up in mid and small-caps and regulator-led disclosures required from Mutual Funds. Those concerns have ebbed now rightly so as generalisations do not help. As we have argued in our latest note titled 'Traps', the most common trap is the 'market cap' trap in asset allocation decisions. We think investors should focus on the underlying business rather than the size of the market cap of a business. No two mid-cap or small-cap businesses are similar except for the fact their market cap size belongs to a similar range. While herd mentality does lead to aberrations in the short run, ultimately it is the underlying business that leads to stock performance and not the size of the market cap. At Avendus Olivo PMS, we are market cap agnostic as we find several attractive opportunities across market cap ranges especially given that India's market breadth and depth have widened over the last few years. Liquidity considerations, though, require us to maintain a balance between large, mid, and small-cap businesses. We are thus a multi-cap strategy. This month we discuss a niche Housing Finance company that has an impeccable track record of growth and asset quality over the last 20 years.

## **Holding in Focus: Can Fin Homes Ltd (CANF)**

CANF is a niche player in the housing finance segment with a long and successful track record of delivering healthy credit growth (~20% cagr over the last 10 years) and maintaining pristine asset quality (GNPA < 1% for each of the last 10 years). CANF has an outstanding loan book of ~INR 34,000 crores with 89% of loans comprising individual home loans. Promoted by Canara Bank, it has a pan India presence with ~215 branches but with a relatively higher concentration in Southern India. CANF has undergone a leadership change with the appointment of Mr. Suresh lyer (ex-Gruh Finance) as MD & CEO in March 2023. Under his leadership. CANF is now in a transformation phase with investments in new systems and processes for its next leg of sustainable growth. These include technology upgradation, centralization of underwriting to improve risk management, increasing ticket size, loan book diversification (LAP/Site loans), reducing dependency on direct selling agents, branch expansion, and improving branch productivity. The company aspires to sustain the pace of balance sheet growth in the range of 18-20% with stable asset quality and sustainable ROEs of 17-18% over the medium to long term. We believe the company is a steady compounding story in the housing finance theme in India given higher economic growth, rising income levels, and improving real estate sector dynamics.

## Portfolio Information

Structure: Long only discretionary PMS managed on a **Separately Managed Account** (SMA) platform

Avendus Olivo AUM INR 497 Crores Strategy AUM / AUA\* INR 821 Crores Avendus Group AMC AUM INR 5,154 Crores Portfolio Manager Tridib Pathak Benchmark S&P BSE 500 TRI Investment Horizon 3-5 Years

## **Investment Philosophy**

Olivo CEP is an all season's 'core' strategy in listed equities. Our core philosophy is to invest in companies that are well placed to benefit from the structural growth potential of the Indian economy. The fund uses a consistent and disciplined bottom-up stock picking process, welldiversified across market caps, sectors, trends and themes, unconstrained by a benchmark.

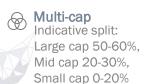
# Aggregate Portfolio Characteristics

Number of holdings Median market cap	29 INR 29,157 Crores
Earnings Growth	.,
CAGR (FY24-26)	22.6%
PE (FY25E)	23.9x
ROE (FY25E)	18.2%

# **Key Features**



ൂം Style-agnostic Blend of growth and





Benchmark-agnostic High Active Share vs Benchmark: (S&P BSE 500) TRI



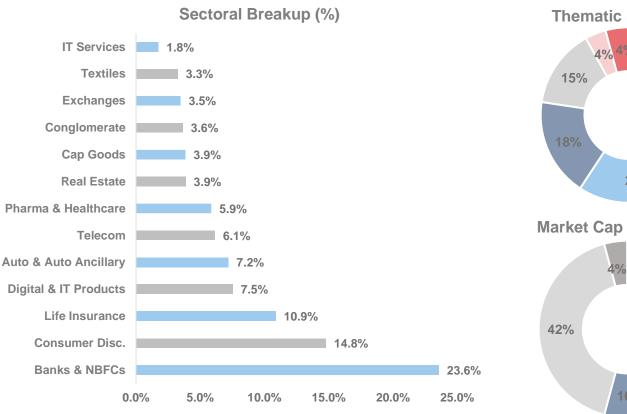
Separately Managed Account (SMA) Practice (No Model Portfolio)

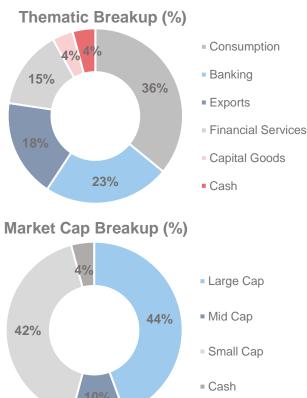
# Our Insights

January 2023 **India's Changing Narrative April 2023** Simplicity September 2023 Diworsification January 2024 Consolidation March 2024 **Traps** 



# Aggregate Portfolio Breakup





Note: Sectoral and Thematic break ups are as per internal classifications, Market cap break up is as per AMFI classification, data as of March 31st 2024

## Aggregate Portfolio Performance

Returns – Aggregate	Olivo CEP Aggregate	S&P BSE 500 TRI (Benchmark)	Alpha
6 Months	17.0%	17.4%	-0.4%
1 Year	53.2%	40.2%	13.0%
2 Year (CAGR)	23.9%	17.8%	6.1%
3 Year (CAGR)	17.9%	19.3%	-1.4%
Since Inception (29th July 2020) (CAGR)	22.4%	25.6%	-3.2%

Returns as of March 31st 2024

Please note that Avendus Olivo CEP PMS follows a Separately Managed Account (SMA) practice. We do not follow a 'model' portfolio approach, and we typically take 1 to 6 weeks to deploy monies in an account. The long-term performance should be viewed in this context, especially given the fact that the platform has been ramping up from a smaller base in 2020 & 2021 in a rising market.

Performance related information provided herein is not verified by SEBI. "Please note that performance of individual portfolios may vary from that of other investors and that generated by the Investment Approach across all investors because of: (a) the timing of inflows and outflows of funds; and (b) differences in the portfolio composition because of restrictions and other constraints.

## Portfolio Manager



Tridib Pathak has over 30 years' experience in managing Indian listed equity assets for domestic and international investors. He joined Avendus Capital in 2019 from the Enam Group, where he was a senior portfolio manager. His previous roles included CIO of Lotus Asset Management (a JV with Temasek's Fullerton Fund Management) and CIO of DBS Cholamandalam, a JV with DBS of Singapore. He is a Chartered Accountant from the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India and holds a degree in Commerce from Bombay University.

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# Other Updates

#### Changes to Key Personnel since August / September 2023:

- Mr. Utkarsh Katkoria has joined Ocean Dial Asset Management India Private Limited ('ODAM India') and is a part of 'Key Personnel' in Disclosure Document of ODAM India. Utkarsh has over 16 years of equity research experience having worked with investment management firms like PGIM Mutual Fund and Deutsche AMC. Utkarsh holds an MBA Finance from Bayes Business School, London.
- Mr. Akul Broachwala has joined ODAM India and is a part of 'Key Personnel' in Disclosure Document of ODAM India. Akul has a work experience of over 8 years, largely
  into equity research. He had a long stint of around 6 years with IIFL Securities, Prior to that, he worked with Deloitte Haskins & Sells. Akul holds CFA (USA) charter and is
  a chartered accountant.
- Mr. Harsh Jhanvar has joined ODAM India and is a part of 'Key Personnel' in Disclosure Document of ODAM India. Harsh has over 7 years of equity research experience having worked with Centrum PMS- investment management firm and Elara capital a sell-side firm,. His area of expertise has been in the Building material, IT, Pharma, Logistics and Retail. Harsh is a chartered accountant and has cleared CFA level 2 exam.
- Mr. Ravin Kurwa has ODAM India and is a part of 'Key Personnel' in Disclosure Document of ODAM India. Ravin has over 10 years of equity research experience with ICICI Securities Ltd. Ravin is a chartered accountant and has cleared CFA level 1 exam.
- Mr. Gaurav Narain, Mr. Saurabh Chugh and Ms. Ritika Behera ceased to be part of 'Key Personnel' in Disclosure Document of ODAM, India, w.e.f. 01st October 2023.

#### Regulatory Information:

- SEBI vide circular dated July 31, 2023, and August 11, 2023, have introduced the 'Online Resolution of Disputes ('ODR)' to resolve disputes arising with Investors. The full text of the SEBI ODR Circular is available at this <u>link</u> and the ODR platform can be accessed at this <u>link</u>. The Dispute Resolution mechanism in the contribution agreement will be deemed to be updated with the mechanism provided by SEBI via this circular(s) & subsequent Circular on this topic. The Disclosure Document will be updated in due course and will be hosted on website.
- SEBI vide its circular dated August 16, 2023, has prescribed that investor grievances need to resolved within 21 calendar days, from the date of receipt of the grievance. SEBI has launched the new version of the SEBI complaint redress system (SCORES 2.0). Investors may lodge complaints, if any, only through Scores 2.0 website <a href="https://scores.sebi.gov.in">https://scores.sebi.gov.in</a> w.e.f. April 01, 2024
- Investors are advised to ensure their Aadhar-PAN is linked suitably & email & mobile numbers are validated to avoid any inconvenience in transacting in securities
  market. KYC cases where email id /mobile number validation is not successful, such KYC records would be put 'ON HOLD' in KRA system with effect from April 01,
  2024.

## Other Updates:

Please note that our Email ID domain has been changed and all our email ID is '@avendus.com' instead of 'oceandial.in.'

Please also make a note in change of our investor Grievances ID as below:

Old ID: <a href="mailto:odamig@oceandial.in">odamig@oceandial.in</a>
New ID: <a href="mailto:odamig@avendus.com">odamig@avendus.com</a>

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## Risk factors:

- The Portfolio Strategy makes investment in listed securities. The fluctuation in the market price of listed securities of the portfolio companies is likely to have a direct bearing on the value of the Strategy's investment. There is no assurance / guarantee of returns or payouts.
- Portfolio may at certain times hold relatively few investments or have a significant exposure to a single issuer, counterparty or asset, and could be subject to significant losses if it holds a large position in a particular investment that declines in value or is otherwise adversely affected, including default of the issuer or counterparty.
- Portfolio may invest in securities of companies with small-to medium-sized market capitalizations which involve higher risks in some respects than investments in securities of larger companies.
- · The liquidity of investments may be restricted by trading volumes, settlement periods and transfer procedures.
- The value and marketability of the Portfolio investments may be affected by changes or developments in the legal and regulatory climate in India. SEBI / RBI / the Government of India may make changes to regulations which may affect the ability of the Portfolio to make, or exit, investments.
- Portfolio performance over a particular period may not necessarily be indicative of the results that may be expected in future periods. Similarly, the past performance of the Portfolio Manager and its affiliates may not necessarily be indicative of the results the Portfolio Manager may be able to achieve with Portfolio's investments.

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