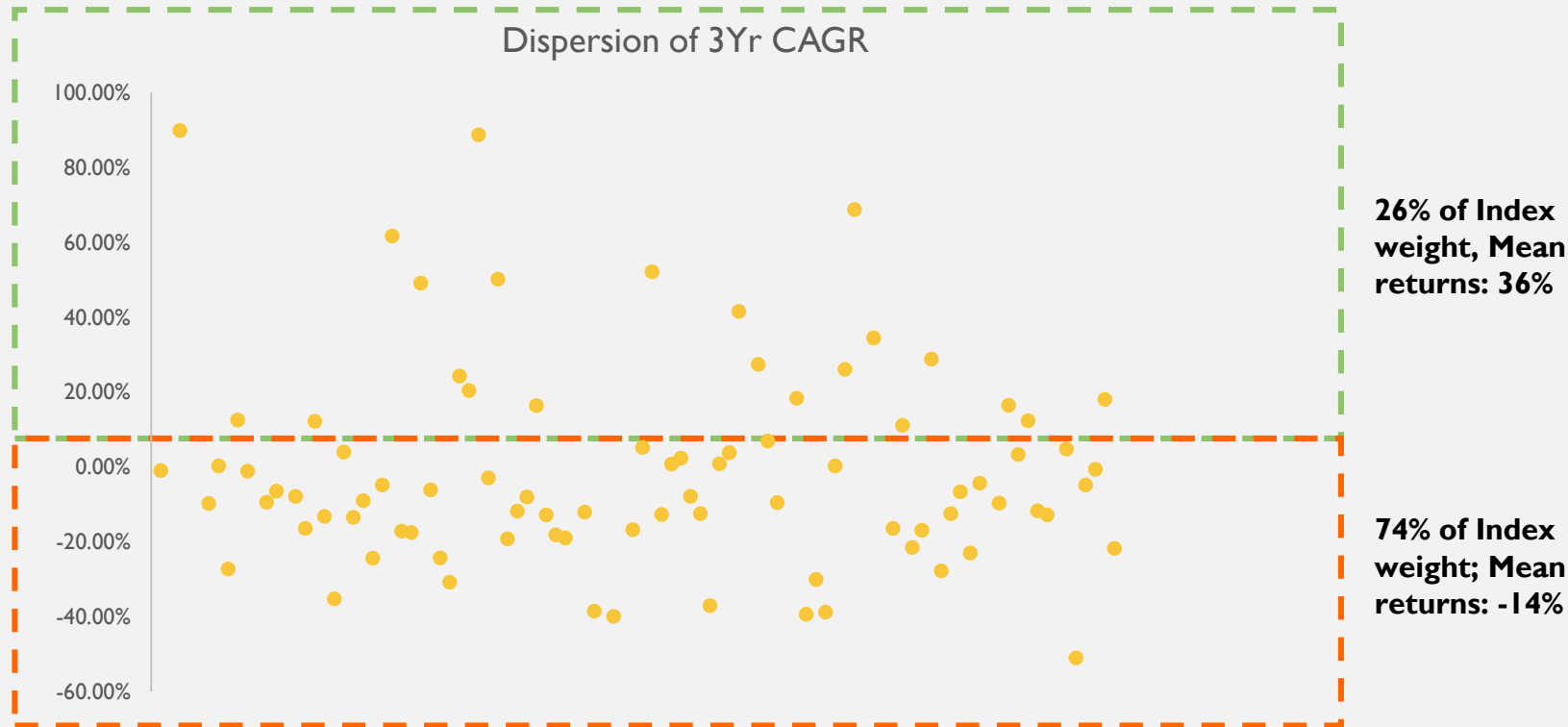


# IOP – Set to seize the opportunity

February 2021

**Smallcaps offers a larger opportunity for Alpha generation**

# Smallcaps offer a larger opportunity for Alpha generation

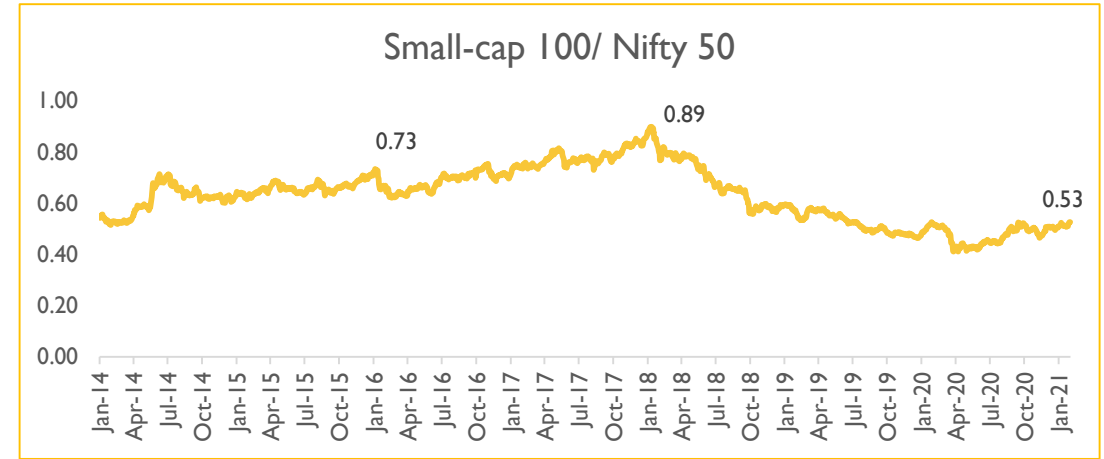
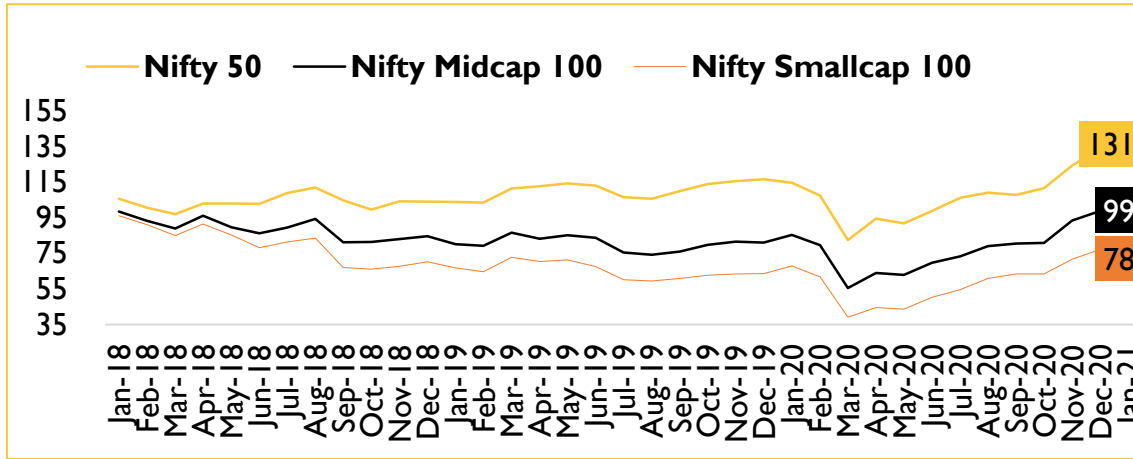


- **Top 20 stocks** account for 31% of Index weight but contributes 230% of the total price returns
- **Nifty Smallcap 100 Returns** for 3 years: -8.4%
- **Dispersion** averages out the overall returns of the portfolio
- **Wide dispersion** of returns in small caps provides scope for bottom-up stock picking

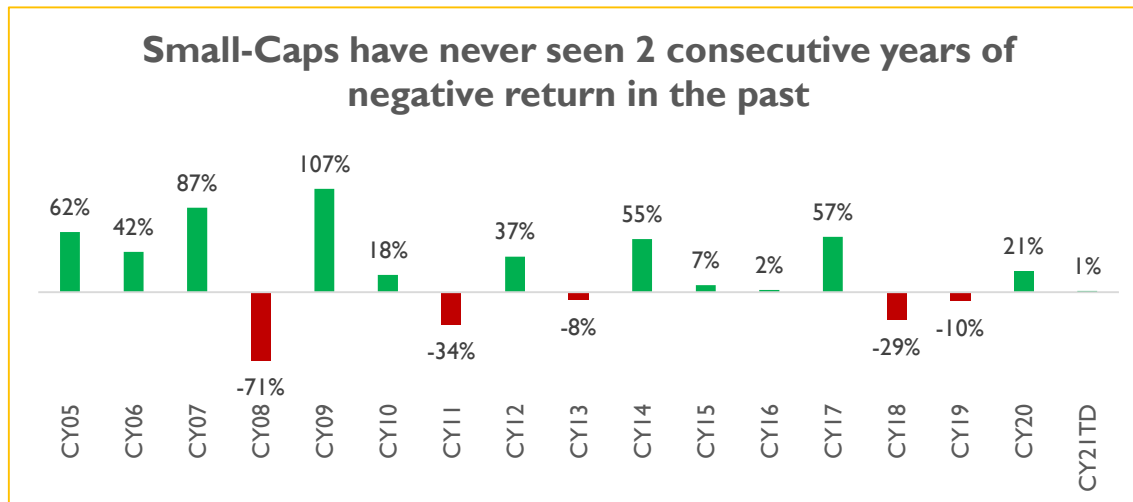
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# Why Now? - Expect midcaps to bounce back with economic recovery

Large caps have been outperforming small and midcaps for 2 years now ...



Midcaps recovered in CY20 post consecutive falls



- Over the 2-year period (CY18-19), small caps have underperformed both large caps and midcaps and this is unlikely to sustain and now is time to grab the opportunity
- The long term relationship between Small Cap 100 and Nifty 50 indicates that we are at or nearing a trough

# IOP has a successful performance track record ...

Canfin, Dhanuka, Mahanagar Gas, Alkem, Birla Corp;

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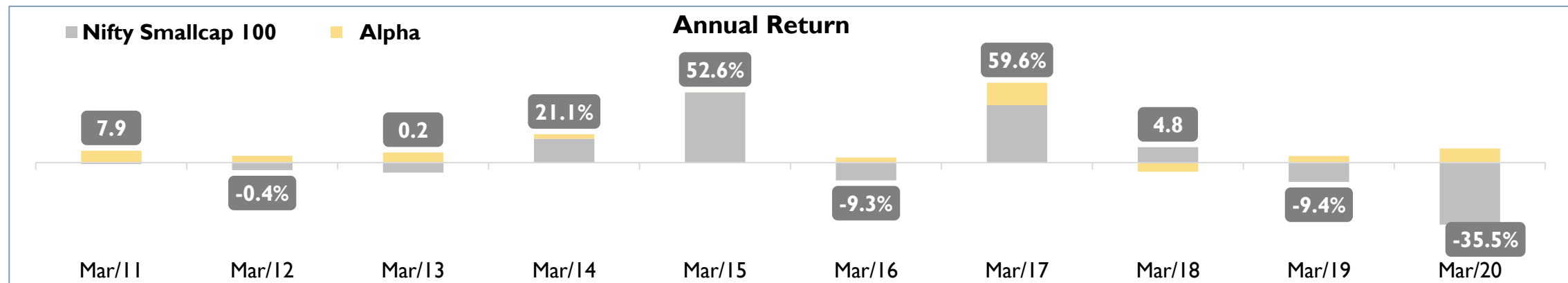
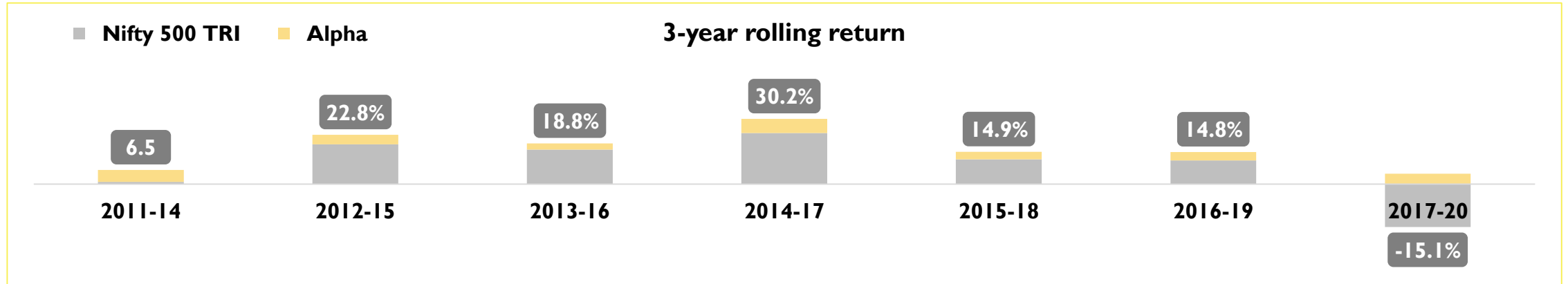


# IOP: Legacy of identifying multibaggers

	Above average RoE	Strong PAT CAGR	Stock Price CAGR	Alpha CAGR
Can Fin Homes	21%	17%	3%	10%
Dhanuka Agritech	22%	10%	11%	14%
Mahanagar Gas	24%	26%	14%	21%
Alkem Labs	18%	15%	11%	14%
Birla Corporation	7%	32%	1%	8%

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# Unbroken positive 3-yr rolling returns till Mar-19 & Positive alpha in 9 out of 10 years

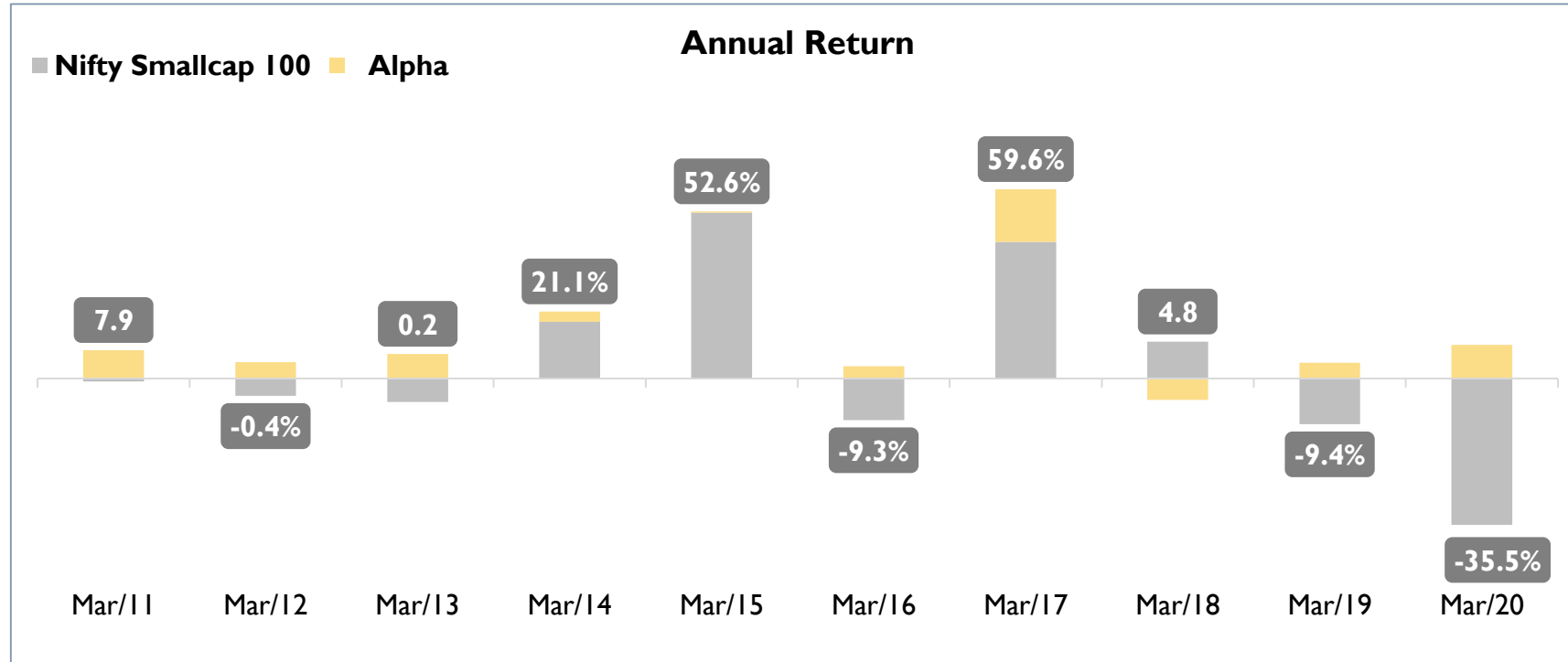


**Multi-decadal opportunity to buy into small caps**

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# QGLP for small caps can be nuanced

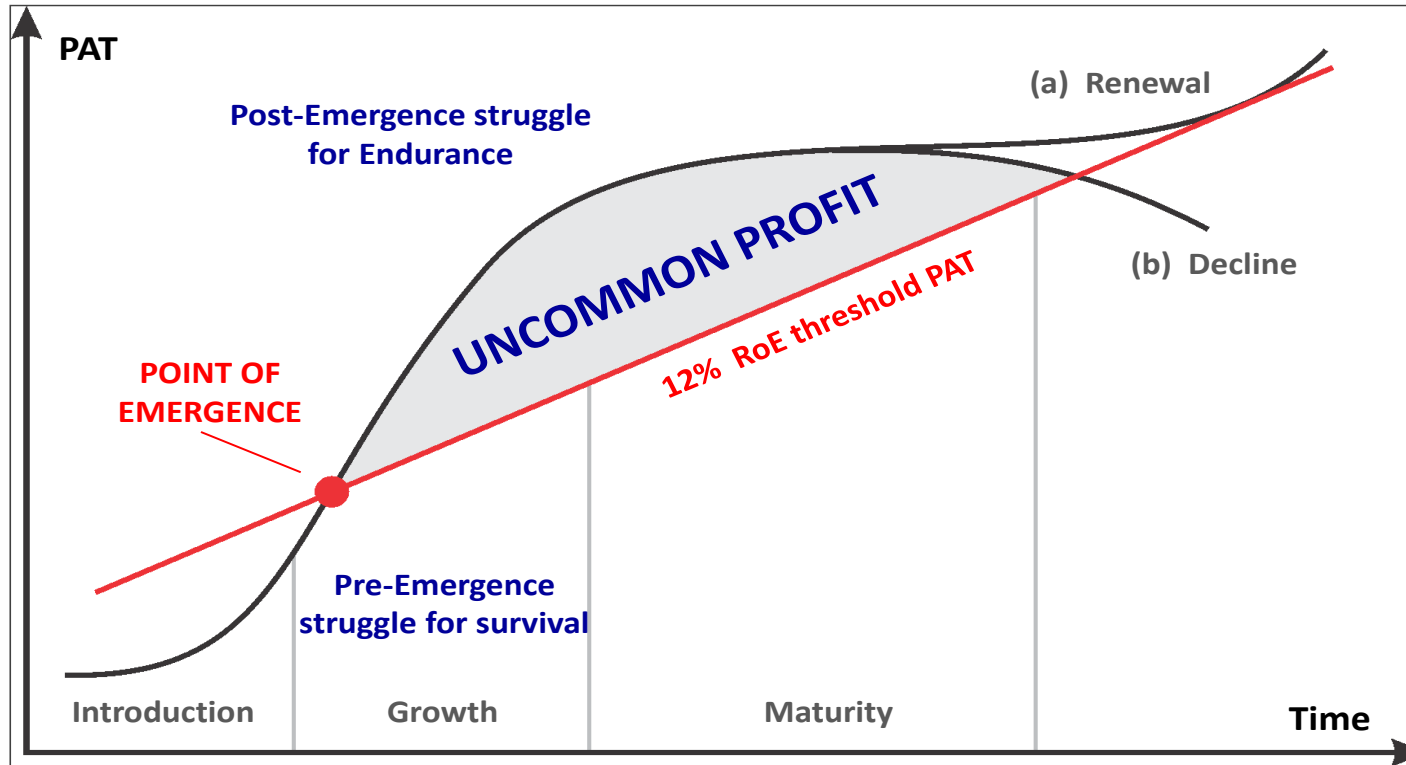
## QGLP for small caps is somewhat nuanced

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- **Q** : In some cases, for small caps, quality is not necessarily proven but emerging
- **G** : Growth of small caps is strongly correlated to economic growth
- **L** : Small caps have a long growth runway, given huge opportunity and small size
- **P** : P stands for both, Price and Patience

# Q : In some small caps, Quality not necessarily proven but Emerging

**Emergence** : When a company's Return on Equity (RoE) exceeds Cost of Equity (CoE)



Source: 18<sup>th</sup> Motilal Oswal Annual Wealth Creation Study, 2013

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# What happens when companies Emerge and then Endure

**Endurance** : Companies sustaining RoE higher than CoE, post Emergence

Company	Year of Emergence	5-year post emergence (%)			
		PAT CAGR	Avg RoE	Price CAGR	Rel Perf.
Manappuram Finance	2007	123%	28%	70%	64%
Shriram Transport	2001	56%	28%	85%	60%
Shriram City Union	2004	45%	24%	70%	58%
Accelya Kale	2008	36%	31%	60%	56%
Titan Industries	2003	53%	33%	85%	46%
Emami	2007	31%	35%	33%	27%
GRUH Finance	2003	33%	24%	60%	22%
Asahi India Glass	2002	25%	43%	51%	21%
Blue Dart Express	2001	22%	23%	45%	20%
Cera Sanitaryware	2008	36%	24%	29%	17%
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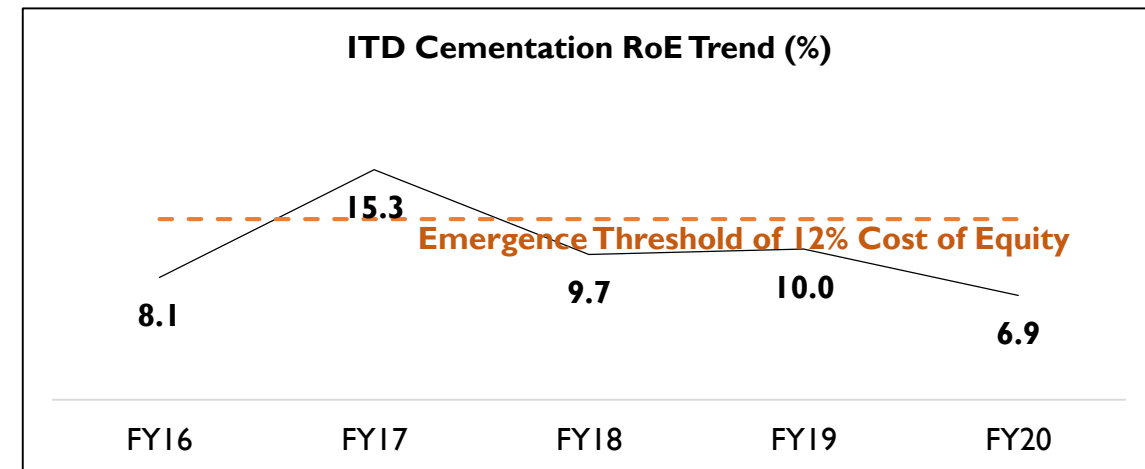
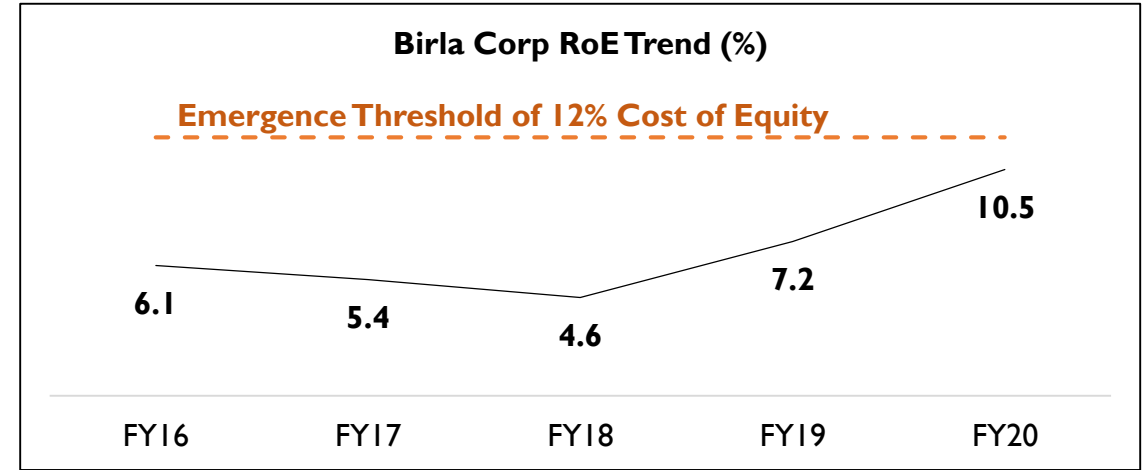
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# Some IOP companies on the verge of Emergence

➤ **Birla Corp** likely to cross Emergence threshold soon on the back of robust cement demand

➤ **ITD** has already done it once; it should repeat with economic recovery

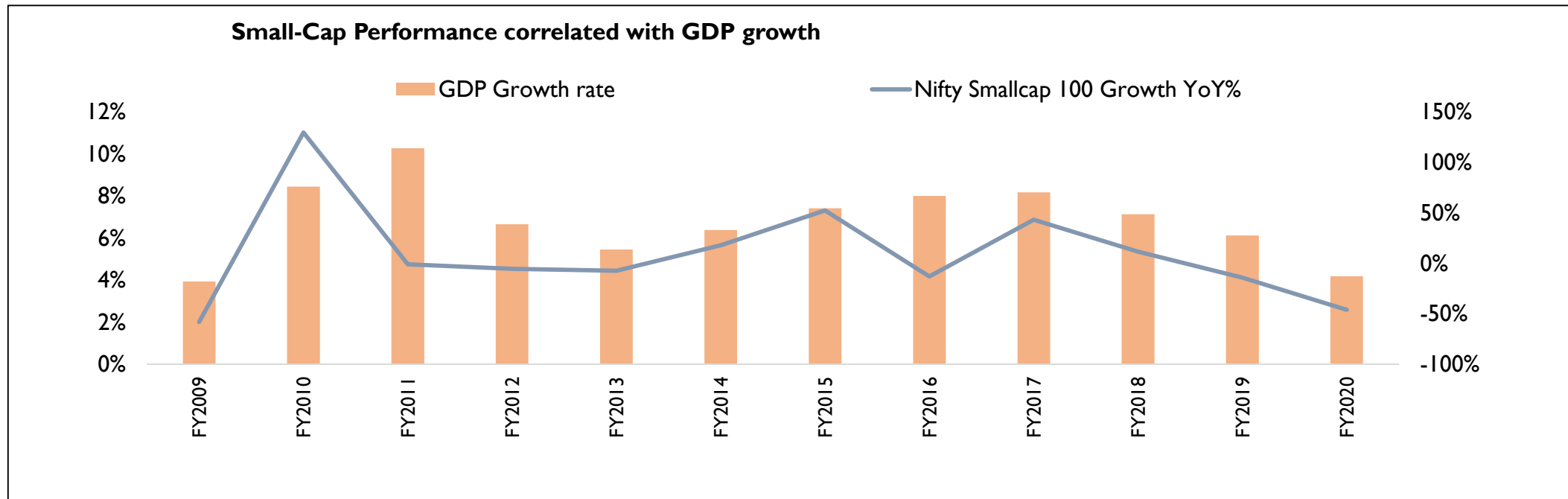


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# G : Small caps growth is strongly correlated with GDP growth

- Pre-Covid economic recovery saw IOP beginning to outperform.
- However, Covid has significantly set back both the economy and IOP
- Post-Covid green shoots of economic recovery visible and FY22 should see full impact

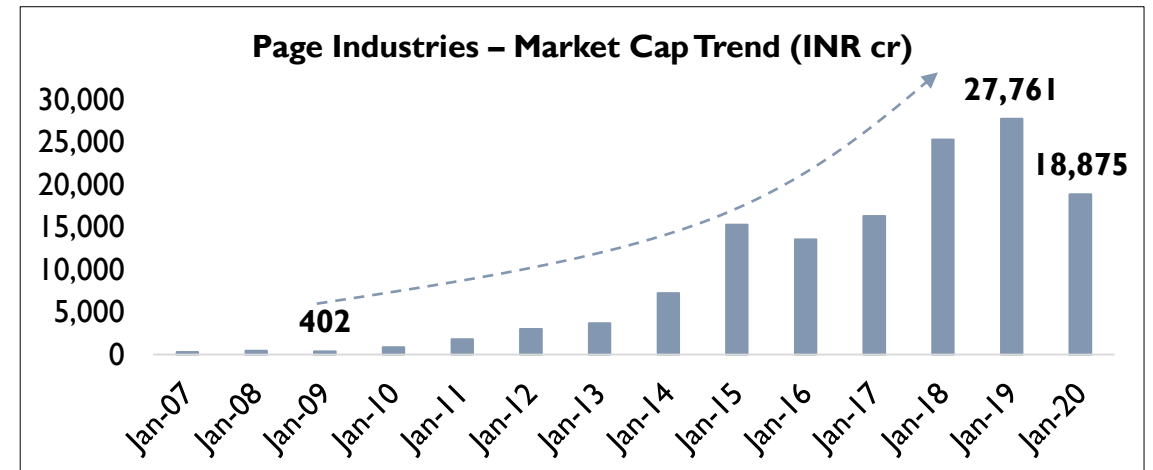
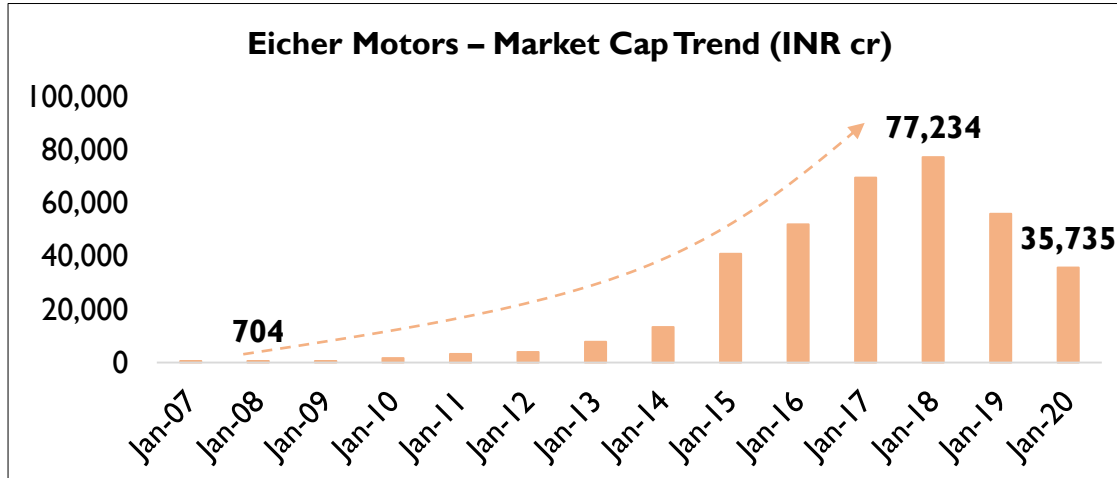
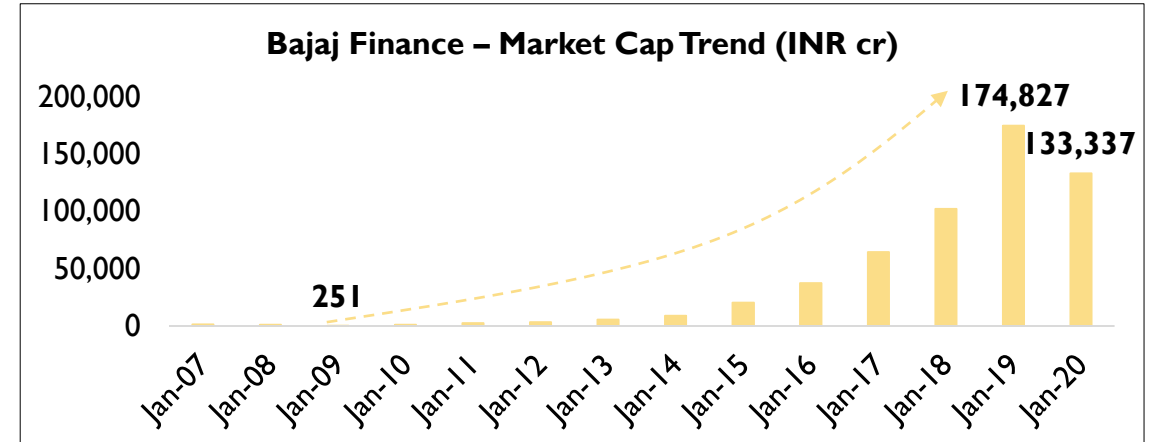


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# L : Small caps can grow 100x in 10 years

- Many businesses in India offer huge growth potential
- Small caps, given their size, have a long runway for growth
- The full benefit of this is reaped by those investors who hold for the long term
- The key – high quality of management

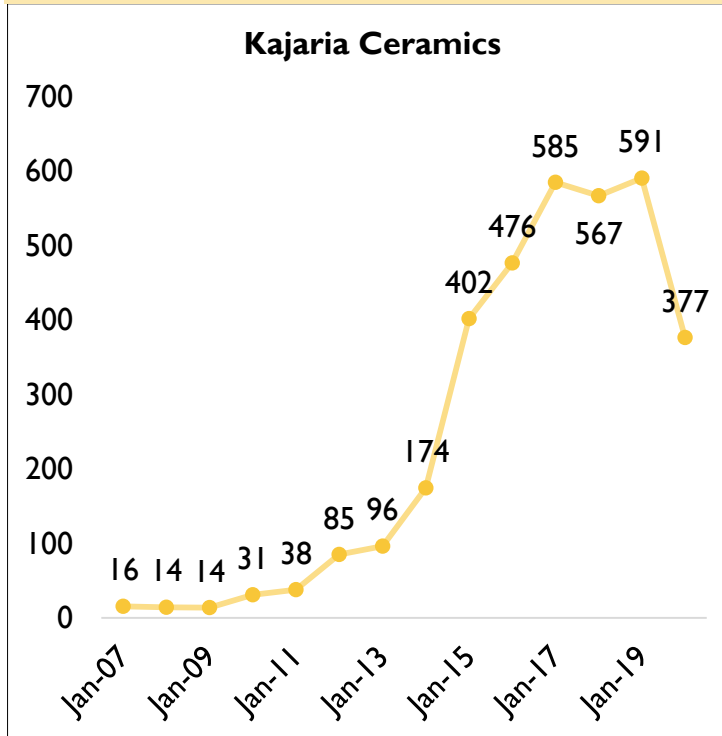


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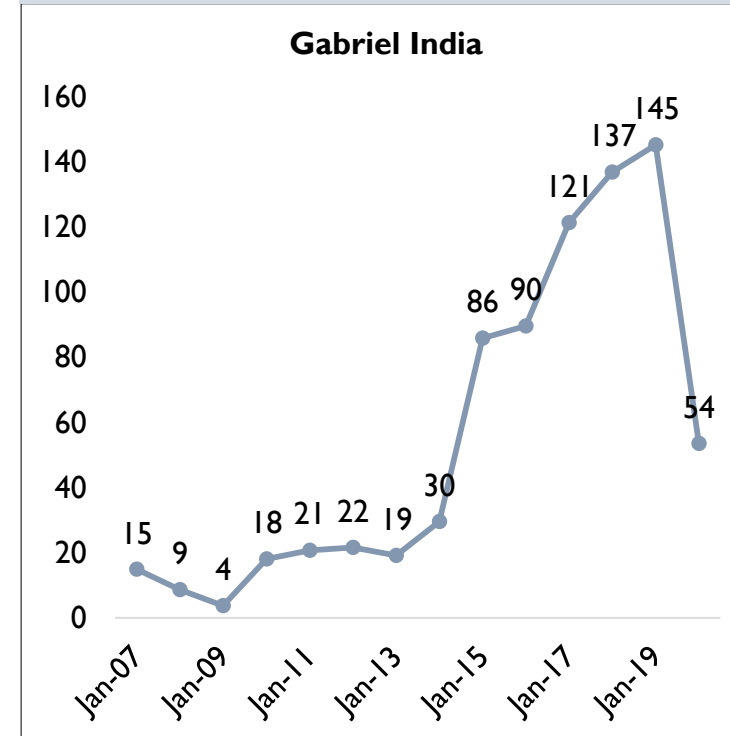
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# P : Stands for both Price and Patience

Rarely do small caps rise steadily one way like Kajaria Ceramics...



... or Gabriel (down 60% in 2009), before rising handsomely



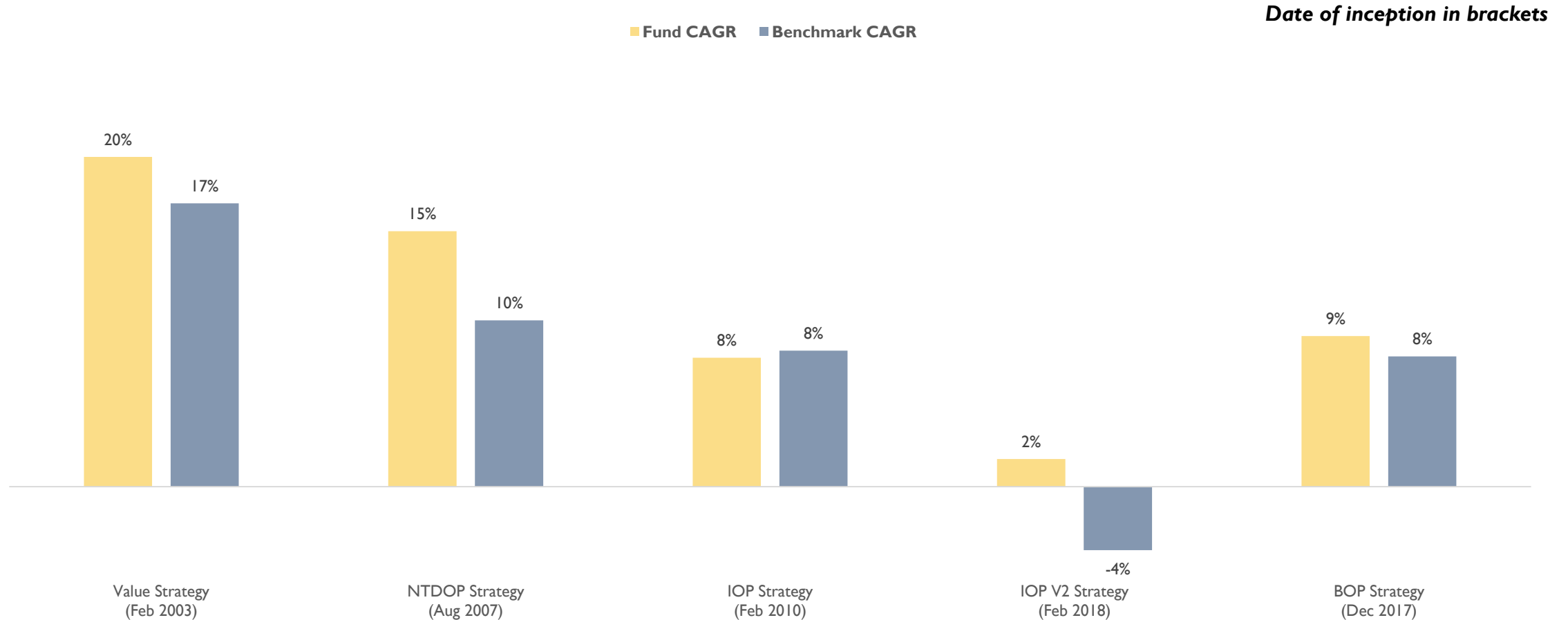
Making money in small caps needs the vision to see, courage to buy and patience to hold

Source: MOAMC Internal Research

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# QGLP works – Healthy Alpha across all products since inception



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# Key stocks in our holdings

**Kajaria, Aegis Logistics, Alkem, ICICI Sec, Qness, ITD**

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# High conviction stocks

## Aegis Logistics

- Increase LNG imports due to increased demand
- Competition unlikely to eat into volumes
- Underpenetrated market
- Capacity expansion

## Alkem Labs

- Shift from acute to chronic would improve margins over the long term
- company aims to maintain its pace of 10-12 launches per year over the next 3-4 year
- ALKEM's US sales are likely to deliver 16% CAGR at ~USD420m over FY20-22E

## Mahanagar Gas

- Volume Growth: 4-6% in the medium term
- Sustainable margins
- Monopoly
- Strong dividend payout of 55%

## Birla Corp

- Capacity expansion to enable higher growth than industry
- Profitability on an overall basis expected to remain strong; Premium sales in trade segment grew 41% in FY 20
- Additional revenue streams launched

## ICICI Securities

- Beneficiary of regulatory led consolidation
- 27% of NSE active client base and 20% of market turnover up for grabs
- Low risk to distribution yields
- Cost to Income ratio can come go below 50%

## Kajaria Ceramics

- Net cash balance sheet and superior brand, will help capitalise on market share gain
- Earnings estimates have been revised, given the commentary by management on production and demand traction

# High conviction stocks

## Qess Corp

- Poised to benefit from labour reforms.
- The sharp bounce back in the urban unemployment (to 11% from COVID-19 peaks of 31%)
- Staffing firms tend to gain during phases of job market recovery
- Addressing key investor concerns in areas of capital allocation, balance sheet and governance
- Stock is currently trading at ~13x FY22 EPS at ~40% discount to Teamlease
- Cheap valuations also provide adequate margin of safety.

## ITD Cementation

- Bright mid to long-term prospects: Significantly de-levered balance sheet
- Blended efficiency of 50% across operational work-sites - Significant recovery expected by Q3.
- Cost control measures: Negative operating leverage 1HFY21 will result in PAT breakeven for FY21E.
- Stands to benefit from the strong upcoming order pipeline in Roads, Marine and Urban infrastructure projects
- ITD has won new orders worth INR 60 bn in FY20 taking total order book to INR 107 bn.
- Strong B / S and strong order book will limit downside

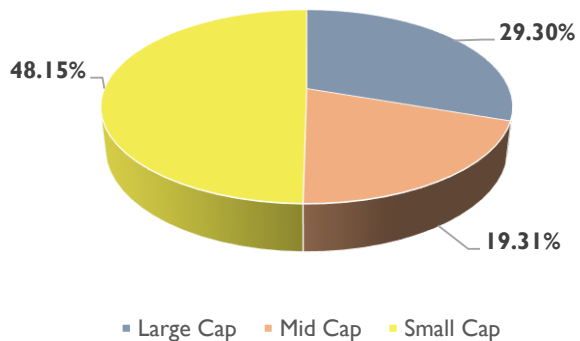
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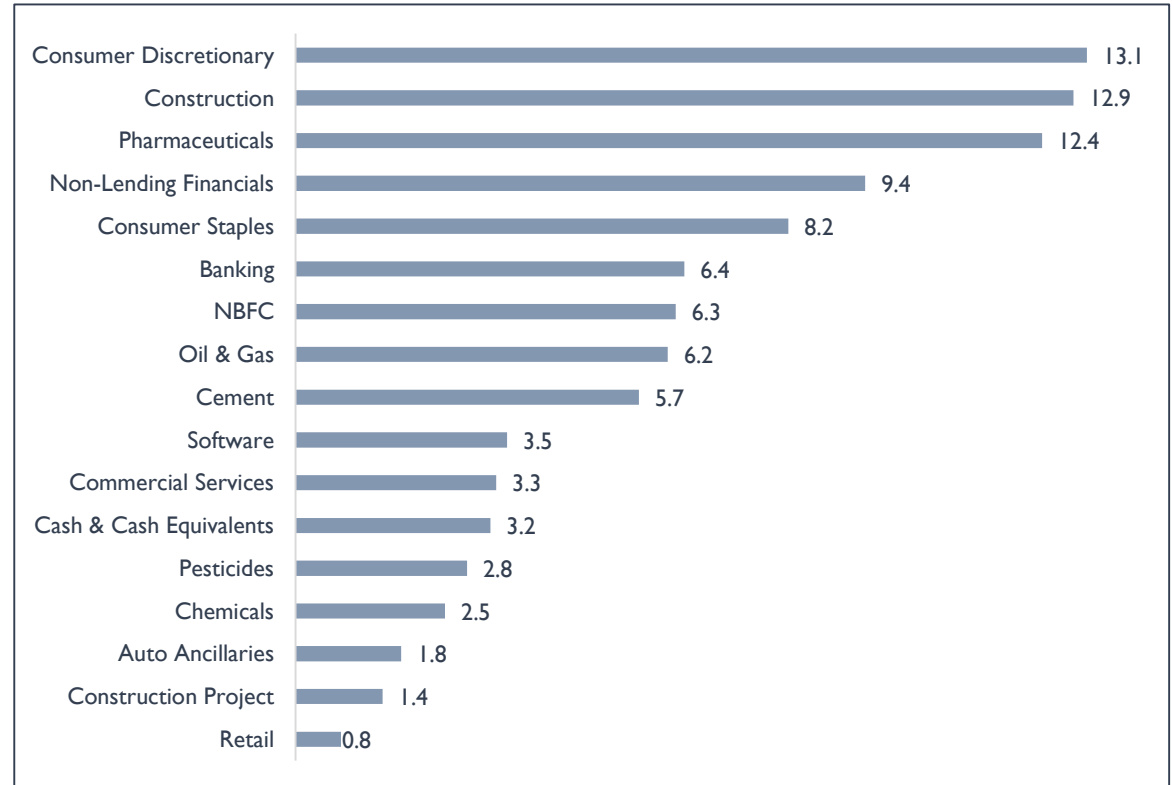
# Portfolio Allocation

## Top 10 Holdings & Market Capitalization

Scrip Name	% Holding
Kajaria Ceramics Ltd.	11.5
Alkem Laboratories Ltd.	8.0
ITC Ltd.	7.0
ICICI Bank Ltd.	6.4
Can Fin Homes Ltd.	6.3
Mahanagar Gas Ltd.	6.2
Birla Corporation Ltd.	5.7
ICICI Securities Ltd.	5.6
Blue Star Ltd.	5.0
TTK Prestige Ltd.	4.8

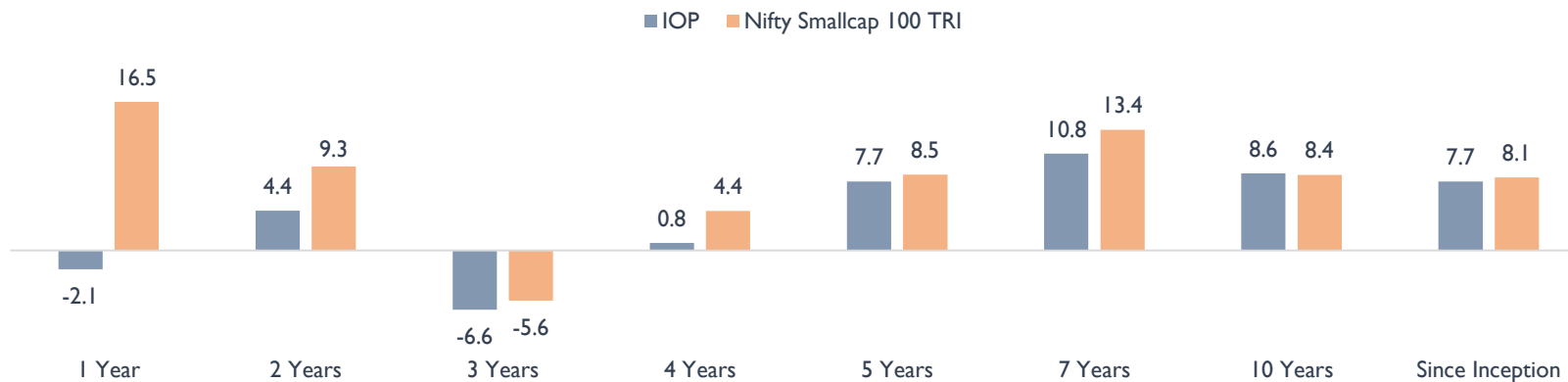
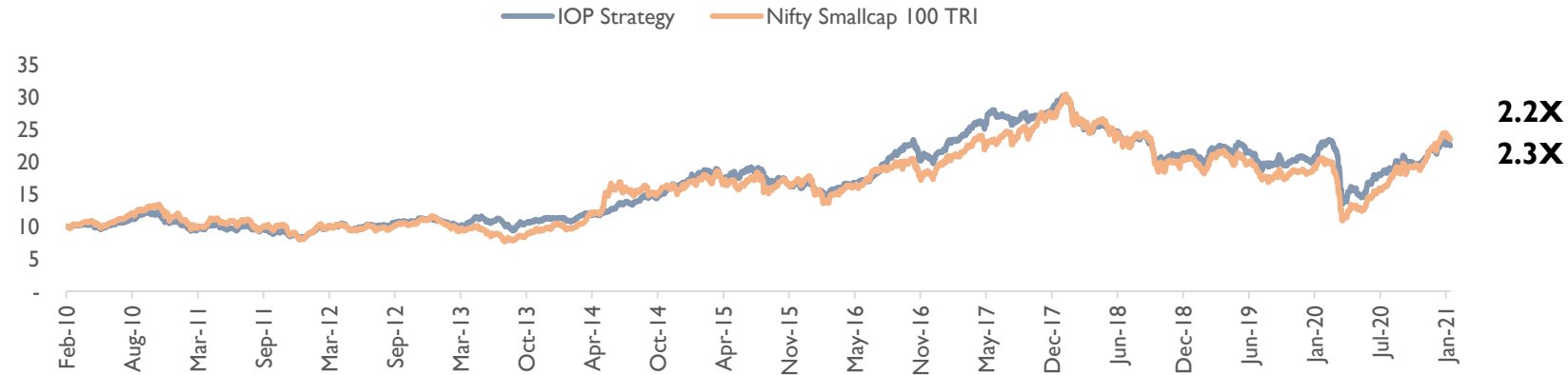


## Sectoral Allocation



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# Portfolio Performance



One lac invested in the strategy on 15th Feb 2010 would have grown to Rs. ~2 lacs today against ~2 lacs invested in Benchmark

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**Small Cap stocks are a volatile and unpredictable lot...**

**...but may provide the greatest opportunities for upside**

**To earn super-normal returns with small cap stocks:**

- **Be patient**
- **Never exit looking at rear-view performance**
- **Double up at extremes if possible**



# Chairman – Investment Committee

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**Raamdeo Agrawal**  
**Chairman, MOFSL**

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- Raamdeo Agrawal is the Co-Founder of Motilal Oswal Financial Services Limited (MOFSL).
- As Chairman of Motilal Oswal Asset Management Company, he has been instrumental in evolving the investment management philosophy and framework.
- He is on the National Committee on Capital Markets of the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), and is the recipient of "Rashtriya Samman Patra" awarded by the Government of India.
- He has also featured on 'Wizards of Dalal Street' on CNBC. Research and stock-picking are his passions which are reflected in the book "Corporate Numbers Game" that he co-authored in 1986 along with Ram K Piparia.
- He has also authored the Art of Wealth Creation, that compiles insights from 21 years of his Annual 'Wealth Creation Studies'.
- Raamdeo Agrawal is an Associate of Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.

# Portfolio Manager

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Fund Manager

## Manish Sonthalia

- Manish has been managing the Strategy since inception and also serves as the Director of the Motilal Oswal India Fund, Mauritius.
- He has over 25 years of experience in equity research and fund management, with over 14 years with Motilal Oswal PMS.
- He has been the guiding pillar in the PMS investment process and has been managing various PMS strategies and AIFs at MOAMC.
- Manish holds various post graduate degrees including an MBA in Finance, FCA, Company Secretaryship (CS) and Cost & Works Accountancy (CWA).

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