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**CORE EQUITY PORTFOLIO**





**Surjitt Singh Arora,**  
Portfolio Manager

### Leaders last long, grow strong

Dear Investor,

#### PERFORMANCE RECAP

Our portfolio has delivered a 2.7% return vs a 4.0% return for the Nifty 500 during October 2022, thereby underperforming by 130bps. Our overweight stance on Materials, Chemicals and Autos impacted our performance for the month. The stocks which underperformed were VST Tillers & Tractors, Timken India, Navin Fluorine, Asian Paints and Escorts Kubota. This was partially compensated by the outperformance of Eicher Motors, Phoenix Mills and ACC.

On a one-year basis, our portfolio delivered a return of 16.1% vs 2.2% for the Nifty 500, outperforming the benchmark by ~13.9%. The changes in the portfolio (during the Sept-Nov'21 period) with a tilt towards Growth at Reasonable Prices (GARP) approach has led to an improvement in the overall performance as against a pure Value Approach earlier. The portfolio outperformed the index mostly due to stock selection in Specialty Chemicals as well as an overweight position in Industrials and underweight stance in the Financial sector. Three of our top holdings i.e. Timken India, Phoenix Mills and SBI contributed meaningfully to our outperformance, thereby reflecting the high conviction calls in the portfolio.

#### INVESTMENT PROCESS

We invest in structurally strong companies, that are termed as good quality companies. A good quality company is a company that has reached a minimum scale in terms of revenue, has gone through at least one downcycle and emerged as a stronger company, has a consistency in cash flows and higher return on capital employed over the last 10 years. The second aspect has been to always own companies which are market leaders in a particular domain. We have, over a period of time, seen that market leaders generally tend to come back stronger with higher market share after the downturn as weaker players usually exit in the downturn.

All stocks which have a large weightage in the portfolio currently SBI, Timken India, Bharat Electronics, KEI Industries, Navin Fluorine, Eicher Motors, and Phoenix Mills, etc. were bought keeping the above mentioned thought process in mind.

#### PORTFOLIO OUTLOOK

Higher interest rates both Globally and in India could pose a risk to the equity valuation premium enjoyed by the Indian Market in the near-term. Also, within India, food inflation seems to be sticky, given the erratic monsoons across key states.

Given the global monetary tightening and inflation scenario, markets globally have seen a correction, though India's outperformance has been remarkable. Due to the trinity of rising global interest in India, favorable demographics and increased investments, India could see steady growth over the long term. In addition, healthy tax collections, buoyant domestic savings and decent recovery from the Covid-led slowdown bodes well for both investment and consumption, the two main pillars of long-term growth. This, along with formalization and increased capacity utilization, implies impetus to all-around economic activity levels. Hence, we remain positive on the Indian economy.

If you see our portfolios, majority of our investment companies are either debt-free or have very low Net Debt: Equity ratio. We prefer companies which are inward-oriented i.e. mainly domestic demand-driven as against those who are pre-dominantly dependent on exports given the current global environment. At the same time, domestic data is quite encouraging whether it is credit growth, personal loan growth, GST collections, Auto sales, or IIP data.

India has outperformed peers and over the medium term we see healthy growth and a similar trend going forward. India's outperformance is not an aberration, it is well warranted. From a 3 to 5 year perspective, we remain constructive on Indian Equities given the fact that the Indian economy would be one of the fastest growing economies in the world.

Yours Sincerely

**Surjitt Singh Arora**

### Top 15 Holdings of PGIM India Core Equity Portfolio Discretionary Portfolio Regular Plan as on October 31st, 2022

Date of Purchase	Equity	Sector	%
Sep-2021	Timken India Ltd	Industrials	6.37%
May-2018	Bharat Electronics Ltd	Industrials	5.95%
Sep-2021	Phoenix Mills Ltd	Real Estate	5.58%
Sep-2015	State Bank Of India	Financials	5.37%
Jul-2013	VST Tillers Tractors Ltd	Industrials	5.37%
Aug-2013	Cummins India Ltd	Industrials	4.82%
Dec-2021	Astral Ltd	Industrials	4.65%
Jan-2015	ICICI Bank Ltd	Financials	4.47%
Oct-2017	Power Grid Corporation Of India Ltd	Utilities	4.18%
Jun-2015	ITC Ltd	Consumer Staples	4.18%
Sep-2021	ACC Ltd	Materials	3.96%
May-2014	Infosys Ltd	Information Technology	3.96%
Oct-2021	Navin Fluorine International Ltd	Materials	3.94%
Aug-2018	Cipla Ltd	Health Care	3.83%
Sep-2022	Escorts Kubota Ltd	Industrials	3.71%
	<b>Total</b>		<b>70.34%</b>

### Portfolio Details as on October 31st, 2022

Weighted average RoCE	18.79%
Portfolio PE (2-years forward)	25.80
Portfolio dividend yield	1.27%
Average age of companies (Years)	49

### Portfolio Composition as on October 31st, 2022

Large Cap	42.89%
Mid Cap	38.86%
Small Cap	14.63%
Cash	3.59%

**Large Cap:** Market cap of the 100th company in the Nifty 500 (sorted by market cap in descending order) as on October 31st, 2022

**Midcap:** Market cap below 100th company to the market cap of the 250th company in the Nifty 500 (sorted by market cap in descending order) as on October 31st, 2022

**Small Cap:** Market cap lower than the 250th company in the Nifty 500 (sorted by market cap in descending order) as on October 31st, 2022

### PGIM India Core Equity Portfolio - Performance as on October 31st, 2022

Period	Portfolio	NIFTY 500	NIFTY 50
1 Month	2.66%	4.01%	5.37%
3 Months	6.53%	5.17%	4.98%
6 Months	9.81%	4.33%	5.32%
1 Year	16.13%	2.23%	1.93%
2 Years	32.04%	26.90%	24.40%
3 Years	16.82%	16.76%	14.89%
5 Years	10.53%	11.00%	11.75%
Since inception date 08/07/2013	15.78%	14.04%	12.79%
Portfolio Turnover*	26.50%		

\*Portfolio Turnover ratio for the period November 1st, 2021 to October 31st, 2022

The above holding represents top 15 holdings of PGIM India Core Equity Portfolio - Regular Portfolio based on all client portfolios existing as on the date stated above, excluding any temporary cash investments. The above holdings do not represent the model portfolio being offered to the clients (including prospective clients) and hence it is possible that these stocks may not be part of the portfolios constructed for new clients. The above holdings are for illustration purpose only and it should not be considered as investment recommendation or analysis or advice or opinion from the Portfolio Manager on the above mentioned stocks. The above portfolio holdings are provided on an "as is" basis, and the Portfolio Manager makes no express or implied warranties or representations with respect to the accuracy, completeness, reliability, or fitness of the above portfolio holdings or any financial results you may achieve from their use. In no event shall the Portfolio Manager, its directors or employees or its affiliates have any liability relating to the use of the portfolio holdings.

## PGIM India Core Equity Portfolio - Annualised Performance as on October 31st, 2022

	Current Year April 1, 2022 to October 31, 2022	April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022	April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021	April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020	April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019
PGIM India Core Equity Portfolio	10.89%	24.45%	53.25%	-23.66%	3.79%
Benchmark - NIFTY 500	3.56%	20.96%	75.99%	-27.60%	8.43%

Performance is calculated on Time Weighted Rate of Return (TWRR) basis

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