

EQUITY MARKETS and "THE SEPTEMBER EFFECT"

Dear Investors,



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August was a good month for the markets.

The Indian markets hit a new high, driven by global trends and strong local buying, achieving a record twelve-day winning streak in August, surpassing the previous record of 11 days set in 2007.

The rally was led by the broad-based Nifty-50 for the fourth week in a row. The Bank Nifty brought up the rear.

This broad market rally pushed both benchmark and smaller indices to new peaks, even though foreign investors (FIIs) sold about Rs 19,000 crore in the cash market during the last week of the month.

Despite concerns of a slowdown in capital expenditure due to the elections, gross fixed capital formation grew by 7.5% in Q1 FY25, up from 6.5% in the previous quarter, indicating a likely increase in private capex.

GDP in Q1 was affected by a drag from net exports of goods and services and reduced government consumption expenditure.

While global markets had mixed results in August, India's BSE Sensex reached a new high of 82,637.03, gaining 0.76%, and the Nifty50 hit 25,268.35, closing 1.14% higher than in July 2024.

A surprise bonus issue by Reliance Industries gave an extra boost to the Indian markets.



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However, with the next month on the calendar, we know that Equity markets in September are often viewed with concern, as it has historically been one of the worst months for stocks.

This historical recurrence is also known as The September Effect

The September Effect is a market anomaly where stock returns tend to be weaker during September. It's seen as an anomaly because it contradicts the idea of market efficiency. Some believe this weakness is due to seasonal behavior, with investors adjusting their portfolios and cashing in at the end of summer. While there is some statistical evidence supporting the September Effect, its occurrence depends on the specific time period being analyzed.

| Nifty 50 Returns - Last 10 years | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Year | Sept Returns | | | | | | |
| 2023 | 2.00% | | | | | | |
| 2022 | -3.75% | | | | | | |
| 2021 | 2.77% | | | | | | |
| 2020 | -1.23% | | | | | | |
| 2019 | 4.09% | | | | | | |
| 2018 | -6.42% | | | | | | |
| 2017 | -1.30% | | | | | | |
| 2016 | -1.99% | | | | | | |
| 2015 | -0.28% | | | | | | |
| 2014 | 0.13% | | | | | | |
| 2013 | 4.82% | | | | | | |

Source: primeinvestor, niftyindices



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Since 1950, the S&P 500 has averaged a 0.7% loss in September. In the past four years, the index saw sharp declines of 4.9%, 9.3%, 4.8%, and 3.9%. This year has followed the trend, with markets starting on a negative note. In the first week of September, US markets dropped, pulling global markets down as well.

Indian markets also faced selling pressure, with benchmark indices closing 1.5% lower for the week ending 6th Sept-24, despite hitting new all-time highs earlier. The broader market also declined, with a sharp fall across all sectors on Friday, closing in the red.

However, Indian markets remained more resilient, recording the smallest drop globally for the week.

Despite Friday's [6th Sept's] steep decline, Indian markets outperformed globally, while U.S. markets recorded their worst weekly performance in 18 months.

Now we've had an exciting rally over the past 18 months, with wealth accumulation seeming almost effortless. But can we expect the same momentum over the next six months—or even 18?

Markets have a habit of stretching valuations, and we are now at unprecedented levels. A correction, or a return to normal, seems like a matter of time.

The macroeconomic environment remains strong, but the equity markets have simply outpaced current fundamentals, reflecting the long-term potential and investor confidence in continued growth.



Domestic Indices - 1M Change

SENSEX

82,365.77

+ 0.76%

NIFTY 50

25,235.90

+ 1.49%

NIFTY BANK

51,351.00

- 0.39%

NIFTY MIDCAP 100

59,286.65

+ 0.50%

NIFTY SMALLCAP 100

19,307.10

+ 0.89%

Global Indices - 1M Change

DOW JONES

41,563.09

+ 1.76%

NASDAQ 100

19,574.64

+ 1.10%

S&P 500

5,648.39

+ 2.28%

SHANGAI COMP

2,842.21

- 3.28%

NIKKEI 225

38,647.68

- 1.16%

*Data as of 31st August 2024



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NIFTY Indices - 1M & 1Y Change

IT

4.74%

37.29%

PHARMA

6.61%

53.80%

PSU BANK

- 5.56%

56.38%

PVT BANK

- 0.09%

12.07%

AUTO

- 1.92%

67.02%

METAL

- 1.86%

41.23%

FMCG

1.57%

23.42%

INFRA

- 0.57%

58.50%

*Data as of 31st August 2024



Price-to-Earnings (PE) Ratio

 NIFTY 50
 23.10

 NIFTY 500
 26.90

 NIFTY MIDCAP 100
 43.70

 NIFTY SMALLCAP 100
 30.20

Market Outlook

While the phase of speculative investment based on narratives is firmly behind us, the market still has potential to rise, even with short-term corrections or volatility. This makes it a "buy on dips" market.

However, the long winning streak calls for caution, as pullbacks are a natural part of a bull run. The 25,000 level has become a strong support.



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| LONG ONLY AIFs | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------------|
| Strategy | Inception Date | AUM | 1M | 3M | 6M | 1Y | 2Y | 3Y | 5Y | SI | Туре |
| 360 ONE Equity Opportunity Fund- Series 2 | Feb-23 | - | 1.25% | 13.15% | 21.07% | 33.78% | - | - | - | 26.98% | Close Ended |
| 360 ONE High Conviction Fund –Series 1^ | Nov-19 | - | 1.62% | 15.71% | 21.00% | 40.52% | 25.82% | 13.67% | - | 17.61% | Close Ended |
| 360 ONE Turnaround Opp. Fund | Jul-21 | - | 1.98% | 14.67% | 19.87% | 54.20% | 37.61% | 28.85% | - | 28.84% | Close Ended |
| Abakkus Diversified Alpha Fund-1 | Dec-22 | - | 2.09% | 13.51% | 20.73% | 57.48% | - | - | - | 39.88% | Close Ended |
| Abakkus Diversified Alpha Fund-2 | Nov-23 | - | 2.23% | 13.33% | 22.75% | 1 | - | - | - | 36.76% | Close Ended |
| Abakkus Emerging Opportunities. Fund | Jun-19 | - | 5.07% | 15.04% | 20.23% | 38.01% | 42.29% | 25.53% | 40.91% | 38.83% | Close Ended |
| Abakkus Growth Fund-1 | Jul-18 | - | 2.32% | 14.40% | 19.45% | 36.89% | 34.36% | 18.55% | 29.41% | 23.91% | Close Ended |
| Abakkus Growth Fund-2 | Nov-21 | \ - | 1.91% | 14.07% | 16.49% | 44.02% | 36.64% | - | - | 28.15% | Close Ended |
| Accuracap AlphaGen Next ^ | Dec-18 | 76.75 | 1.10% | 9.20% | 13.30% | 31.80% | 20.60% | 12.50% | 17.30% | 14.50% | Open Ended |
| Accuracap Vectra Fund ^ | Dec-18 | 43 | 1.20% | 10.10% | 13.80% | 29.10% | 21.50% | 11.60% | 19.00% | 14.60% | Open Ended |
| Alchemy Emerging Leaders of Tomorrow | Oct-22 | 1378 | 3.55% | 17.90% | 32.96% | 55.30% | - | - | - | 37.98% | Close Ended |
| Alchemy Emerging Leaders of Tomorrow - 2 | Mar-23 | 328 | 1.32% | 14.98% | 24.42% | 50.49% | - | - | - | 55.76% | Close Ended |
| Alchemy Leaders of Tomorrow | Jan-18 | 608 | 1.69% | 16.47% | 29.26% | 52.94% | 31.41% | 26.06% | 30.13% | 19.60% | Open Ended |
| Ampersand Growth Opportunities | Sep-17 | 767 | 3.40% | 21.00% | 34.30% | 73.40% | 48.66% | 33.30% | 35.30% | 26.00% | Open Ended |
| Athena Enhanced Equity Fund | May-23 | - | 2.34% | 11.37% | 19.42% | 29.53% | - | - | - | 27.62% | Open Ended |
| Carnelian Bharat Amritkaal Fund | Apr-24 | - | 3.23% | 18.06% | - | - | - | - | - | 49.78% | Close Ended |
| Carnelian Compounder Fund – 1 | May-19 | - | 3.75% | 15.25% | 17.49% | 55.71% | 40.24% | 24.34% | 27.45% | 25.85% | Close Ended |
| Carnelian Structural Shift Fund | Apr-22 | - | 5.55% | 23.94% | 23.65% | 53.53% | 41.91% | - | - | 40.28% | Close Ended |

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|--------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|------------|--------|
| Nifty 50 TRI | 1.36% | 12.55% | 15.76% | 32.64% | 20.50% | 15.17% | 19.37% |
| BSE 500 TRI | 0.96% | 12.88% | 18.75% | 41.14% | 25.34% | 18.91% | 22.88% |

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| Dalal & Broacha India Oppo. Multicap^ | Dec-19 | - | 1.05% | 11.90% | 22.97% | 41.76% | 30.90% | 18.60% | - | 19.50% | Open Ended | |
| First Water Capital Fund | Aug-20 | - | 2.19% | 18.19% | 22.88% | 73.20% | 51.20% | 38.42% | - | 47.21% | Close Ended | |
| First Water Capital Fund - II | Jul-23 | - | 2.36% | 15.87% | 17.60% | 57.88% | - | - | - | 58.79% | Open Ended | |
| Girik Multicap Growth Equity Fund II | Jan-22 | 229.79 | 3.99% | 17.40% | 25.77% | 56.86% | 39.57% | - | - | 25.71% | Close Ended | |
| Guardian Capital Parners Fund Opportunities Scheme | Jan-20 | - | 3.64% | 19.82% | 21.77% | 34.60% | 32.99% | 23.80% | - | 38.28% | Close Ended | |
| ICICI Pru Growth Leaders Fund | Nov-21 | 877.7 | 1.59% | 9.09% | 25.22% | 45.66% | 37.24% | - | - | 28.10% | Close Ended | |
| Incred Emerging Business Fund | Mar-22 | Ī | 3.84% | 24.73% | 30.75% | 40.25% | 35.10% | - | - | 29.65% | Close Ended | |
| Monarch AIF MNCL Capital Compounder Fund - I | Aug-22 | 205 | -3.70% | 5.10% | 11.10% | 29.10% | 26.30% | - | - | 26.10% | Open Ended | |
| Motilal Oswal Growth Anchors Fund | Feb-23 | 1925 | 3.79% | 22.83% | 30.68% | 56.36% | - | - | - | 56.09% | Close Ended | |
| Motilal Oswal Hedged Equity Multi Factor Strategy | Feb-22 | 156 | 0.90% | 15.40% | 22.10% | 70.40% | 37.60% | - | - | 29.00% | Close Ended | |
| Nepean Long Term Opportunities Fund II | Oct-21 | 220 | 0.49% | 15.04% | 16.44% | 36.71% | 26.14% | - | - | 20.38% | Open Ended | |
| Prudent Equity ACE Fund | Dec-22 | - | 3.10% | 15.40% | 22.30% | 64.90% | - | - | - | 66.60% | Open Ended | |
| Rational Equity Flagship Fund I | Mar-23 | 105 | 0.28% | 18.11% | 20.47% | 68.00% | - | - | - | 88.64% | Open Ended | |
| SageOne Flagship Growth 2 Fund | Aug-21 | 1250 | 1.80% | 14.17% | 26.08% | 56.45% | 35.97% | - | - | 23.29% | Close Ended | |
| Sameeksha India Equity Fund | Feb-22 | 284 | 3.80% | 16.50% | 18.70% | 46.30% | 41.90% | - | - | 33.40% | Open Ended | |
| Samvitti Capital Alpha Fund ^ | Nov-15 | 436 | -1.05% | 6.05% | 13.54% | 49.76% | 41.05% | 25.56% | 26.71% | 16.24% | Open Ended | |

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| Alta Cura Al Absolute Return Fund | Oct-21 | - | 0.51% | 2.78% | 6.70% | 13.31% | 15.80% | - | - | 15.21% | Open Ended |
| Avendus Absolute Return Fund | Mar-17 | 1112 | 1.73% | 1.42% | 5.46% | 12.11% | 10.65% | 10.55% | 10.86% | 12.04% | Open Ended |
| Avendus Enhanced Return Fund-II | Nov-18 | 398 | 1.01% | 12.37% | 10.71% | 24.78% | 20.12% | 13.85% | 16.53% | 14.23% | Open Ended |
| Divinion Dynamic Fund | Aug-22 | - | 0.55% | 8.84% | 10.37% | 21.24% | 33.41% | - | - | 33.30% | Close Ended |
| Dolat Absolute Return LLP | Jan-21 | - | 1.33% | 4.96% | 9.00% | 21.33% | 15.82% | 13.07% | - | 12.64% | Open Ended |
| ICICI Pru Enhanced Dynamic Equity Fund | Oct-22 | 701 | 0.62% | 6.66% | 13.31% | 37.81% | - | - | - | 25.27% | Open Ended |
| ICICI Pru Long Short Fund-Series I | Aug-18 | 236.4 | 1.22% | 1.46% | 2.58% | 3.54% | 5.82% | 6.54% | 10.46% | 11.23% | Open Ended |
| InCred Liquid Alternative Fund - I | May-23 | - ^ | 0.63% | 1.98% | 5.19% | 12.50% | - | - | - | 12.58% | Open Ended |
| Inquant Debt Plus | Sep-22 | | 1.27% | 4.80% | 8.57% | 11.26% | - | - | - | 9.13% | Open Ended |
| ITI Long Short Equity Fund * | Apr-18 | 1 | 1.00% | 7.66% | 13.33% | 33.91% | 19.93% | 13.67% | 17.76% | 15.68% | Open Ended |
| Nuvama Enhanced Dynamic Growth Equity Fund | Apr-21 | 1712 | 2.94% | 15.52% | 22.73% | 49.00% | 32.93% | 26.52% | - | 27.86% | Open Ended |
| Swyom India Alpha Fund | Sep-23 | - | 2.11% | 19.00% | 27.75% | - | - | - | - | 73.71% | Open Ended |
| TATA Absolute Return * | Apr-19 | 294 | 0.67% | 2.05% | 4.28% | 7.63% | 8.07% | 9.27% | 6.84% | 8.07% | Open Ended |
| TATA Equity Plus Abs Returns Fund * | Mar-20 | 2630 | 0.76% | 3.31% | 6.59% | 12.92% | 12.52% | 12.81% | - | 20.03% | Open Ended |
| Volvin Growth Fund-Active Rabbit | Sep-22 | - | 0.95% | 10.50% | 15.10% | 27.28% | - | - | - | 31.15% | Open Ended |
| Whitespace Alpha Fund 1- Equity Plus | Oct-19 | - | 1.00% | 13.17% | 19.49% | 42.78% | 31.89% | 24.54% | 29.51% | 29.51% | Open Ended |
| Whitespace Alpha Fund 2- Debt Plus | Aug-20 | - | 0.06% | 2.52% | 7.69% | 16.15% | 17.16% | 13.25% | - | 14.05% | Open Ended |

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