TOP 5 ISSUES for 2014

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1. INVEST BEFORE OR AFTER THE ELECTIONS?



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- Anti-Congress sentiments were reflected in the state elections of December 2013.
- However, AAP (Aam Admi Party) has the potential to convert the General Elections of May '14 from a bipolar fight to a triangular contest
- The following 3 scenarios are likely:
 - BJP led NDA wins with a majority
 - Indian National Congress led UPA wins with majority
 - Hung Parliament or a 3rd Front forms the Government
- A decisive majority will be a positive for the markets
- There could be a lot of volatility leading up to and closely following the election verdict.



What should you do?

SCENARIO 1:

- Market will fall sharply as a reaction to the exit polls or the actual results. And then recover quickly as it happened in 2004
- > ACTION:
- Keep allocating systematically in equities from now.
- Maintain your Debt/Equity Asset Allocation strictly
- Nobody can predict the election outcome. Don't try to time the market. Mind you, every body is trying to do the same

SCENARIO 2

- Market will fall after the election and stay down for many months
- > ACTION:
- Evaluate the macro economic situation. Unlikely that any new Government will adopt regressive policies
- Continue your systematic allocation till you gain further confidence
- > Take advantage of weakness in equities to increase allocation within limits
- It is unlikely that markets will remain weak for many months.



2. INVEST IN DEBT OR EQUITY IN 2014?



DEBT OR EQUITY?

- We love assured returns
- We also love capital protection
- We have a strong appetite for high yielding debt
 - Even though we burn our fingers time and again
 - Risk and return trade off
- Domestic participation in Indian equities has been quite low
 - This is not unusual given the volatile nature of the asset class
 - Low level of awareness
 - Perception that it does not make money for the masses
- The choice is not either Debt or Equity
 - But how much of each



How do you decide how much of debt or Equity should be in your portfolio?

- Decide based on the following simple factors:
 - Your risk profile
 - Time horizon of investment
 - Impact of inflation on your financial goals
 - Tax impact on your net returns
 - Liquidity needs
 - Risk/return tradeoff on individual products
- Don't put all your eggs in one basket



Share Market In Long Run Rolling 5

Rolling 3

Rolling 1Year

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Mar-06

Mar-07

Mar-08

Mar-09

Mar-10

Mar-11

Mar-12

Mar-13

Possibility of loss

Avg. Return

Year End

Mar-79

Sensex

100

11280

13072

15644

17527

19445

17404

18835

9708

73.70%

15.90%

19.70%

-37.94%

80.54%

10.49%

-11.72%

12\34

24.97%

8.22%

1	Mar-80	129	28.60%						
2	Mar-81	173	34.90%						
3	Mar-82	218	25.50%	29.60%					
4	Mar-83	212	-2.80%	18.00%					
5	Mar-84	245	16.00%	12.20%	19.60%				
6	Mar-85	354	44.20%	17.60%	22.40%				
7	Mar-86	574	62.20%	39.50%	27.00%	28.30%			
8	Mar-87	510	-11.10%	27.70%	18.60%	21.80%			
9	Mar-88	398	-21.90%	4.00%	13.50%	12.60%			
10	Mar-89	714	79.10%	7.50%	23.80%	18.50%	21.70%		
11	Mar-90	781	9.50%	15.20%	17.10%	20.50%	19.80%		
12	Mar-91	1168	49.50%	43.10%	15.30%	25.00%	21.00%		
13	Mar-92	4285	266.90%	81.70%	53.00%	42.80%	34.70%		
14	Mar-93	2281	-46.80%	42.90%	41.70%	21.80%	26.80%		
15	Mar-94	3779	65.70%	47.90%	39.50%	33.10%	31.40%	27.40%	
16	Mar-95	3261	-13.70%	-8.70%	33.10%	35.00%	24.90%	24.00%	
17	Mar-96	3367	3.20%	13.90%	23.60%	24.80%	19.30%	21.80%	
18	Mar-97	3361	-0.20%	-3.80%	-4.70%	23.20%	20.70%	20.00%	
19	Mar-98	3893	15.80%	6.10%	11.30%	18.70%	25.60%	21.40%	
20	Mar-99	3740	-3.90%	3.60%	-0.20%	-1.90%	18.00%	19.90%	19.85%
21	Mar-00	5001	33.70%	14.20%	8.90%	11.90%	20.40%	19.30%	20.09%
22	Mar-01	3604	-27.90%	-2.50%	1.40%	-0.70%	11.90%	13.00%	16.38%
23	Mar-02	3469	-3.70%	-2.50%	0.60%	0.90%	-2.10%	13.60%	14.85%
24	Mar-03	3049	-12.10%	-15.20%	-4.80%	-1.40%	2.90%	14.50%	14.27%
25	Mar-04	5591	83.40%	15.80%	8.40%	7.50%	4.00%	14.70%	16.85%
26	Mar-05	6493	16.10%	23.20%	5.40%	7.60%	7.10%	15.20%	15.66%

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17.23%

16.30%

13.70%

15.16%

11.86%

12.40%

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1.08

16.23%

7.70%

16.05%

17.60%

20.14%

15.19%

16.83%

15.10%

15.82%

7.26%

Year Year Year

Rolling 7 Rolling 10 Rolling 15 Rolling 20

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Year

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Why Invest in Equity

Person Staying out of Equity Market DO	Companies Benefited by formers Action	We the Market Participants Benefited by investing in those scripts (Since Dec. 2008)		
Put FD with Banks @ 9% and put money in Banks Savings Account @ 4%	HDFC BANK YES BANK INDUSIND BANK	Up by 3.5 times Up by 5.9 times Up by 11 times		
Buy Gold & Gold Jwellery	Titan Industries (TANISHQ)	Up by 6.9 times (Gold up by 2.8 times)		
Buy Real Estate by taking loan from HDFC Ltd, LIC Housing Finance	ACC Hindustan Sanitary ware	192% return Up by 3.5 times		
Buy Insurance Products	Bajaj Finvest Max India	Up by 6 times Up by 2 times		
Go to shopping in MALLs	Phoenix Mill	Up by 2.7 times		
Upgrade your CARS	MARUTI BAJAJ AUTO	Up by 2.9 times Up by 10.9 times		
Go to Movies in Multiplex	PVR Zee Telefilms	Up by 3 times Up by 3 times		
Order PIZZA to DOMINOs	JUBILIANT FOODWORK	Up by 5.4 times		
Fall Sick	Apollo Hospital Dr. Reddy's Lab	Up by 3.8 times Up by 4 times		



3. INVEST IN LARGE CAPS OR MIDCAPS?



LARGE CAP OR MID CAP?

- The calendar year 2013 saw large caps outperforming mid caps with Sensex giving 8.9% return and BSE Midcap yielding -5.7%
- However, the BSE Midcap performance can be broken down into 2 cycles :
 - Downward: From 1st January 2013 to 28th August 2013: 27%
 - Upward: From 28th August 2013 to 31st December 2013: + 28%
- The reason for the underperformance in the downward phase are:
 - Lower retail investor participation in this segment.
 - FIIs, the main drivers of Indian stock markets also primarily invest in the large-cap stocks.
 - The earnings growth slowed down in the mid-cap space due to high interest rates and economic slowdown
- A survey of Indian fund managers revealed that 10 out of 16 of them plan to increase their allocation to mid-cap companies in the January-March quarter
- The valuation gap between large caps and mid caps is still big and midcaps will rally the most in case of an economic recovery

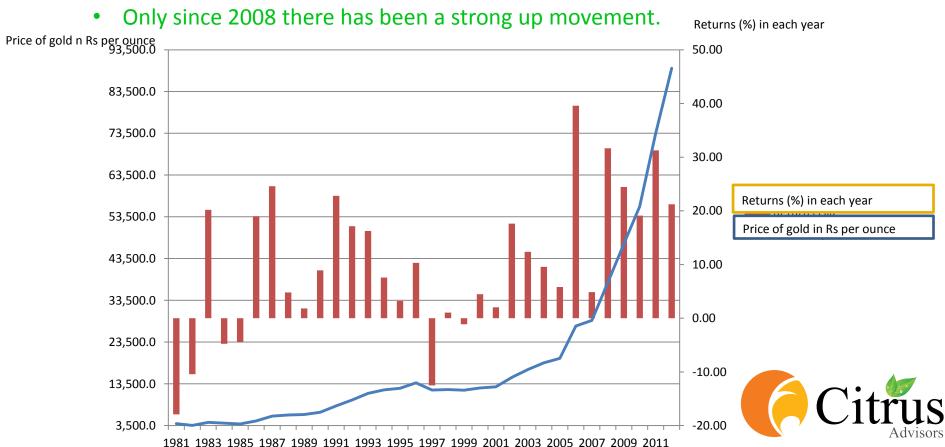


4. INVEST IN GOLD IN 2014?



Gold as an asset class

- Between 1981 to 1985, gold as a investment gave positive returns only in 1983.
- Then there was a bull run and it gave decent positive returns from 1986 to 1996. During this period the precious metal gave less than 5 per cent in 3 years and between 5-10 percent in two years.
- From 1996 to 2002, the performance of gold was dismal at best.



GOLD OR REAL ESTATE?

- Lure for gold waning due to import restrictions
- And halt in the rally of prices
- Gold prices fell by 6% in 2013
- What about Real estate?
 - The analysis has to be very local
 - Unit of investment has to be high
 - Liquidity



5. SHOULD YOU INVEST DIRECTLY OR THROUGH A PROFESSIONAL MANAGER?



How do decide?

- Thumb rule:
 - Entrust 80% to a professional manager
 - Keep 20% for direct deployment
- Spend time in identifying a good manager
- Take the help of a financial advisor
- Keep reviewing the progress of your portfolio
 - Not daily or weekly
 - At quarterly intervals or
 - When there is a major cyclical move



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