Market Outlook

For

February 2026

The tide has turned... from pessimism to renewed optimism

Equity markets worldwide continued to demonstrate resilience in January 2026, with emerging markets outperforming developed market peers. Strong risk appetite, robust corporate earnings, and easing monetary conditions provided a supportive backdrop for investor sentiment. A key development shaping market dynamics was the nomination of Kevin Warsh as Chair of the U.S. Federal Reserve. His appointment triggered a swift market reaction: equities edged higher, the U.S. dollar strengthened, and bond yields firmed. Investors interpreted the move as signalling a more orthodox, credibility-driven approach to monetary policy, with greater emphasis on inflation control, balance-sheet discipline, and policy transparency. Commodity prices continued to remain highly volatile driven by a combination of factors including geopolitical tensions and currency fluctuations.

In contrast to global markets, Indian equities underperformed, weighed down by persistent FII outflows and a subdued start to the earnings season, which was impacted by one-off charges related to the implementation of the new labour code.

The Union Budget 2026, in our view, represented another step towards stimulating growth while maintaining fiscal discipline. The government has targeted a fiscal deficit of **4.3% for FY27E versus 4.4% in FY26E**, signaling a measured pace of consolidation that ensures continued policy support. Capital expenditure is projected to rise by **11.5%**, with allocation to sunrise sectors like Semi-conductors increasing to 40,000 Cr and defense allocations increasing by close to **20%**, underscoring the government's commitment to infrastructure and strategic sectors. At the same time, tax revenue assumptions for FY27E have been kept conservative, reflecting prudence in fiscal planning.

While manufacturing has remained a consistent policy priority over the past several years, the 2026 budget also marked a notable shift towards the **services sector**, with initiatives targeting **data centers, IT services, tourism, and creative industries**. This diversification highlights the government's recognition of services as a key growth driver alongside industrial expansion.

Given that policymaking under this administration has been a continuous process, expectations from the budget itself were relatively muted. Overall, we view the budget as constructive; however, market sentiment was dampened by the increase in **Securities Transaction Tax (STT) on Futures and Options**. The move was perceived negatively, particularly as capital gains taxes were left unchanged—both are typically considered in tandem. This raised concerns that the change could further deter foreign institutional investors, whose participation has already been weak in recent years.

The missing link in India's trade strategy had long been the strained relationship with the United States and the roadblocks that stalled progress on a bilateral deal. While several other countries had already secured agreements, India remained on the sidelines. This gap has now been addressed with the U.S. announcing a trade deal with India, reducing tariffs to **18% from the earlier 50%**, a level that is also more favorable compared to other emerging markets peers.

Although the detailed contours of the agreement and the formal signing are still awaited, we view this development as a significant positive for India. With this deal, India will now enjoy strong trading relationships with two of the world's largest economic blocs—the **United States and the European Union**—the latter agreement having been announced earlier. This positions India more strategically in global trade, enhancing its competitiveness and long-term growth prospects.

Equity Market Outlook

As highlighted in our earlier factsheets, we remain constructive on Indian equities, supported by a powerful combination of fiscal, monetary, and regulatory easing that is expected to propel growth. The recently announced trade deal with the U.S., coupled with a more positive earnings outlook, should not only strengthen domestic investor sentiment but also help reverse the extreme negative positioning by foreign institutional investors. In addition, India's resilient macroeconomic backdrop continues to provide a solid foundation for equity performance.

We anticipate that broader markets will participate more meaningfully in CY26, following nearly 15 months of relative underperformance. In our view, CY26 could mark a phase where mid-cap and small-cap segments outperform, and hence are advocating a multicap strategy.

Our investment approach will remain firmly bottom-up, guided by our GARP (Growth at a Reasonable Price) philosophy, ensuring disciplined stock selection while capturing opportunities across market capitalizations.

Fixed Income update

December CPI inflation continued to remain below RBI range at 1.3%, (November: 0.7%), led by food price inflation of (-)2.7% yoy ((-) 0.2% mom), especially by decline in vegetables, fruits and pulses prices. Core inflation (CPI excl. food, beverages and fuel) increased to 4.6% (November: 4.3%). MOSPI will release a new CPI release on February 12, 2026, and new GDP series in end-February, weeks after the MPC on February 6, 2026. With new series releasing after MPC and trade deal already been signed we expect upcoming policy to be non-event for market. Also, RBI has announced incremental liquidity measures to the tune of ~Rs 2tn on 23rd January 2025.

In line with expectations, the Fed maintained status quo on policy rates as assessment of labour market was more positive. Kevin Warsh has been nominated as the next Fed Chair.

Fixed Income outlook:

During the month bond markets sentiments weakened due to i) the deferring of Indian bonds' inclusion in the Bloomberg-Barclays Index ii) higher market borrowing of dated securities than market expectation iii) RBI announced the 4QFY26 SDL calendar at Rs4.99 tn last week vs expectations of Rs4.5 tn. Though, sentiments have turned positive post US India trade deals. Factoring demand supply challenges we remain cautious on the IGB; however we will continue to take tactical calls.

FUTURE GROUP SECURE FUND

SFIN No. ULGF007010118GRPSECFUND133

ABOUT THE FUND

OBJECTIVE

This fund aims to provide progressive returns comparedto fixed income instruments by taking a low exposure to highrisk assets like equity. Fund aims to provide stable returndue to high exposure to Fixed Income instruments whilegenerating additional return through small exposure to equity.

Fund Manager Details

Fund Manager	No. Of Funds Managed		
	Equity	Debt	Hybrid
Srijan Sinha	6	-	7
Vedant Heda	-	4	7
Shobit Gupta	-	4	7
Niraj Kumar	6	4	7

ASSET ALLOCATION

Composition	Min.	Max.	Actual
Cash and Money Market	0.00%	40.00%	3.97%
Fixed Income Instruments	60.00%	100.00%	77.22%
Equities	0.00%	20.00%	18.81%

RISK RETURN PROFILE

Risk	Low To Moderate
Return	High

DATE OF INCEPTION

19th December 2018

FUND PERFORMANCE as on 30-Jan-2026

Returns since Publication of NAV

Absolute Return	109.41%
CAGR Return	10.94%

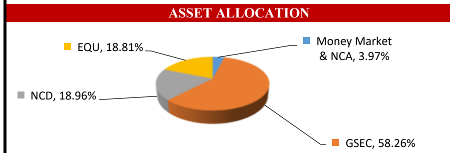
NAV & AUM as on 30-Jan-2026

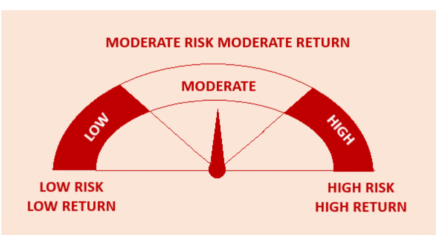
NAV	AUM (In Lakhs)
20.9410	8,390.61

Modified Duration (In Years)

5.52

ASSET ALLOCATION





PORTFOLIO AS ON 30-Jan-2026

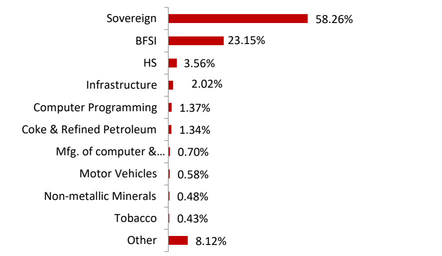
SECURITIES	HOLDINGS
MONEY MARKET INSTRUMENTS & NCA	**3.97%**

SECURITIES	HOLDINGS
GOVERNMENT SECURITIES	**58.26%**
0% CS 19/12/2029	8.44%
7.24% Gsec 18 Aug 2055	6.21%
6.01% Gsec 21 July 2030	5.29%
0% CS 19/12/2030	4.69%
6.90% Gsec 15/04/2065	4.68%
0% CS 15/062030	4.63%
7.41% UP SDL 14/06/2034	4.26%
6.68% Gsec 07 July 2040	3.73%
0% CS 19/12/2033	3.30%
0% CS 17/06/2033	2.33%
Others	10.71%

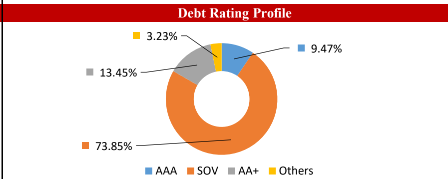
SECURITIES	HOLDINGS
CORPORATE DEBT	**18.96%**
9.09% Muthoot Finance Ltd 01/06/2029	6.20%
9.00% Shriram Transport Finance Company Ltd 28/03/2028	3.68%
7.89% Bajaj Housing Finance Ltd 14/07/2034	3.56%
9.30% AU Small Finance Bank ltd 13/08/2032	2.55%
8.85% HDB Fin. Services Ltd 07/06/2029 Sub debt	1.12%
8.40% Cholamandalam Investment And Fin Co Ltd 09/08/2028	0.73%
8.94% Power Finance Corporation Ltd 25/03/2028	0.62%
10.63% IOT Utkal Energy Services Ltd 2028 20/07/2028	0.38%
8.90% BHARTI TELECOM Ltd 05/11/2031	0.13%

SECURITIES	HOLDINGS
EQUITY	**18.81%**
HDFC Bank Ltd	1.73%
ICICI Bank Ltd	1.20%
State Bank of India	1.01%
Axis Bank Ltd	1.01%
Reliance Industries Ltd	0.94%
Infosys Technologies Ltd.	0.72%
Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd	0.64%
Kotak Nifty PSU Bank ETF	0.60%
ITC Ltd	0.43%
Bharti Airtel Ltd. (Partly Paid)	0.42%
Fusion Finance Ltd	0.41%
Tata Consultancy Services Ltd	0.41%
Nippon India ETF Nifty PSU Bank BeES	0.35%
IndusInd Bank Ltd	0.34%
UltraTech Cement Ltd	0.31%
Punjab National Bank	0.31%
ETERNAL Ltd (Zomato Ltd)	0.31%
Bank of Baroda	0.31%
Genus Power Infrastrucure Ltd	0.30%
TRENT Ltd	0.30%
Nagarjuna Construction Co. Ltd	0.29%
Mahindra And Mahindra Ltd	0.29%
Max Healthcare Institute Ltd	0.27%
Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd	0.27%
Swiggy Ltd	0.25%
Others	5.39%

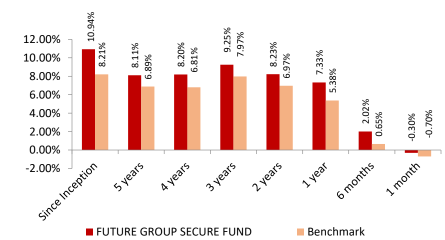
SECTORAL ALLOCATION



Debt Rating Profile

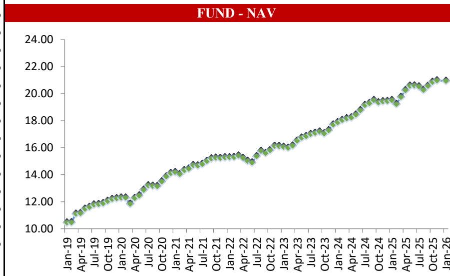


BENCHMARK COMPARISON (CAGR RETURN)



Benchmark :Nifty Composite Debt Index 85%+Nifty 50-15%

FUND - NAV



FUTURE GROUP GROWTH FUND

SFIN No. ULGF009010118GRPGTHFUND133

ABOUT THE FUND

OBJECTIVE

This fund aims to provide potentially high returns by investing a significant portion in equities to target growth in capital value of assets. The fund will also invest to a certain extent in govt. securities, corporate bonds and money market instruments to generate stable return.

Fund Manager Details

Fund Manager	No. Of Funds Managed		
	Equity	Debt	Hybrid
Srijan Sinha	6	-	7
Vedant Heda	-	4	7
Shobit Gupta	-	4	7
Niraj Kumar	6	4	7

ASSET ALLOCATION

Composition	Min.	Max.	Actual
Cash and Money Market	0.00%	40.00%	3.05%
Fixed Income Instruments	30.00%	70.00%	38.52%
Equities	30.00%	60.00%	58.43%

RISK RETURN PROFILE

Risk	Low To Moderate
Return	High

DATE OF INCEPTION

10th December 2020

FUND PERFORMANCE as on 30-Jan-2026

Returns since Publication of NAV

Absolute Return	84.14%
CAGR Return	12.61%

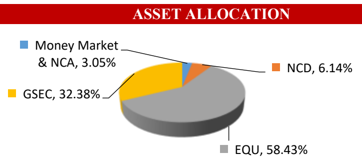
NAV & AUM as on 30-Jan-2026

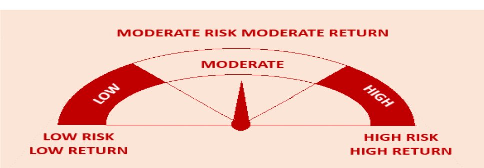
NAV	AUM (In Lakhs)
18.4140	3,400.53

Modified Duration (In Years)

6.51

ASSET ALLOCATION





PORTFOLIO AS ON 30-Jan-2026

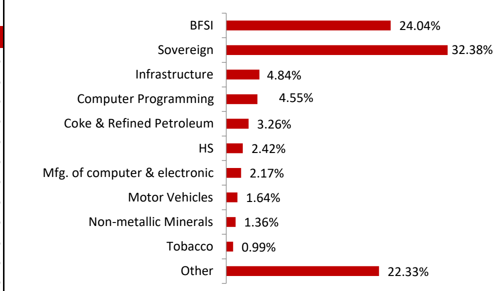
SECURITIES	HOLDINGS
MONEY MARKET INSTRUMENTS & NCA	**3.05%**

SECURITIES	HOLDINGS
GOVERNMENT SECURITIES	**32.38%**
6.68% Gsec 07 July 2040	10.62%
6.01% Gsec 21 July 2030	8.85%
6.90% Gsec 15/04/2065	3.30%
7.38% UP SDL 13/03/2036	2.93%
6.48% Govt. Stock 2035	2.49%
0% CS 15/062030	0.96%
0% CS 17/06/2033	0.90%
0% CS 22/02/2030	0.89%
0% CS 19/12/2029	0.65%
0% CS 19/12/2030	0.65%
Others	0.15%

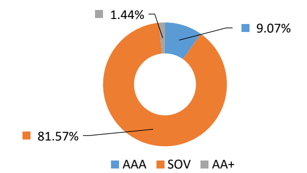
SECURITIES	HOLDINGS
CORPORATE DEBT	**6.14%**
9.30% AU Small Finance Bank ltd 13/08/2032	3.15%
7.89% Bajaj Housing Finance Ltd 14/07/2034	2.42%
8.40% Cholamandalam Investment And Fin Co Ltd 09/08/2028	0.57%

SECURITIES	HOLDINGS
EQUITY	**58.43%**
Others	17.87%
DSP Mutual Fund - DSP Nifty PSU Bank ETF	4.64%
HDFC Bank Ltd	3.92%
Axis Bank Ltd	3.46%
ICICI Bank Ltd	3.33%
ICICI Prudential Nifty Bank ETF - NIFTY BANK INDEX	2.48%
Reliance Industries Ltd	2.34%
Infosys Technologies Ltd.	2.22%
State Bank of India	1.77%
Tata Consultancy Services Ltd	1.58%
Bharti Airtel Ltd. (Partly Paid)	1.54%
SBI-ETF Nifty Bank	1.03%
Creditaccess Grameen Ltd	1.01%
UltraTech Cement Ltd	1.01%
ITC Ltd	0.99%
ETERNAL Ltd (Zomato Ltd)	0.96%
TRENT Ltd	0.93%
Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd	0.90%
Genus Power Infrastrucure Ltd	0.86%
Punjab National Bank	0.83%
Mahindra And Mahindra Ltd	0.81%
Anant Raj Ltd	0.81%
Bank of Baroda	0.81%
Nagarjuna Construction Co. Ltd	0.79%
IndusInd Bank Ltd	0.76%
Aavas Financiers Ltd	0.75%

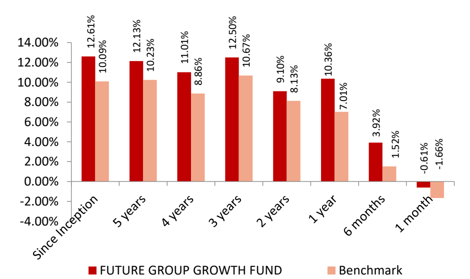
SECTORAL ALLOCATION



Debt Rating Profile

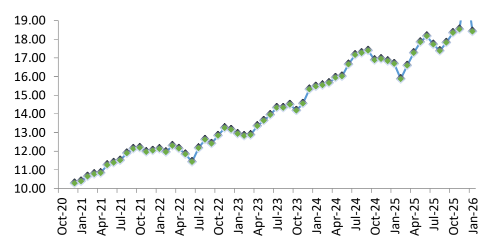


BENCHMARK COMPARISON (CAGR RETURN)



Benchmark :Nifty Composite Debt Index 50%+Nifty 50-50%

FUND - NAV



GROUP BALANCED FUND

SFIN No. ULGF008010118GRPBALFUND133

ABOUT THE FUND

OBJECTIVE

This fund aims to provide capital growth by availing opportunities in debt and equity markets while maintaining a good balance between risk and return. The fund will also invest in money market instruments to provide liquidity.

Fund Manager Details

Fund Manager	No. Of Funds Managed		
	Equity	Debt	Hybrid
Srijan Sinha	6	-	7
Vedant Heda	-	4	7
Shobit Gupta	-	4	7
Niraj Kumar	6	4	7

ASSET ALLOCATION

Composition	Min.	Max.	Actual
Cash and Money Market	0.00%	40.00%	3.68%
Fixed Income Instruments	40.00%	80.00%	57.89%
Equities	20.00%	40.00%	38.43%

RISK RETURN PROFILE

Risk	Low To Moderate
Return	Moderate

DATE OF INCEPTION

27th November 2024

FUND PERFORMANCE as on 30-Jan-2026

Returns since Publication of NAV

Absolute Return	9.99%
CAGR Return	8.46%

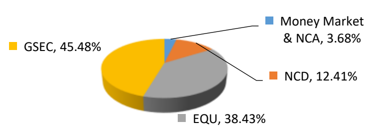
NAV & AUM as on 30-Jan-2026

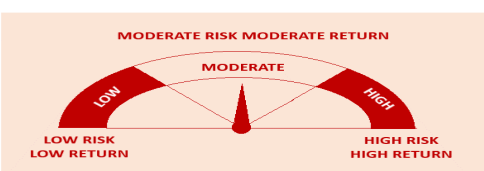
NAV	AUM (In Lakhs)
10.9991	668.03

Modified Duration (In Years)

6.18

ASSET ALLOCATION





PORTFOLIO AS ON 30-Jan-2026

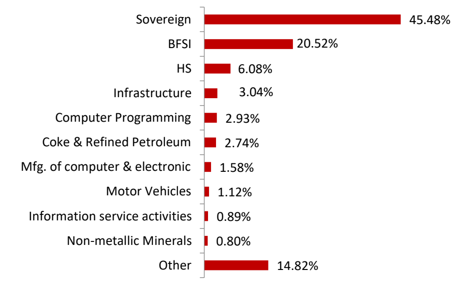
SECURITIES	HOLDINGS
MONEY MARKET INSTRUMENTS & NCA	**3.68%**

SECURITIES	HOLDINGS
GOVERNMENT SECURITIES	**45.48%**
0% CS 22/04/2035	24.34%
6.01% Gsec 21 July 2030	9.60%
7.41% UP SDL 14/06/2034	6.02%
0% Cs 19 Jun 2033	2.10%
6.48% Govt. Stock 2035	1.47%
8.15% TN SDL 09/05/2028	1.47%
8.68% TN SDL 10/10/2028	0.47%

SECURITIES	HOLDINGS
CORPORATE DEBT	**12.41%**
8.90% BHARTI TELECOM Ltd 05/11/2031	6.33%
7.87% LIC Housing Finance Ltd 14/05/2029	6.08%

SECURITIES	HOLDINGS
EQUITY	**38.43%**
DSP Mutual Fund - DSP Nifty PSU Bank ETF	3.13%
HDFC Bank Ltd	2.55%
Axis Bank Ltd	2.39%
SBI-ETF Nifty Bank	2.17%
ICICI Bank Ltd	1.90%
Reliance Industries Ltd	1.88%
Infosys Technologies Ltd.	1.54%
State Bank of India	1.20%
Bank of Baroda	1.08%
Fusion Finance Ltd	1.00%
Tata Consultancy Services Ltd	0.94%
Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd	0.82%
Bharti Airtel Ltd. (Partly Paid)	0.81%
IndusInd Bank Ltd	0.80%
ITC Ltd	0.75%
Anant Raj Ltd	0.65%
Punjab National Bank	0.62%
Genus Power Infrastrucure Ltd	0.62%
Nagarjuna Construction Co. Ltd	0.55%
UltraTech Cement Ltd	0.55%
Mahindra And Mahindra Ltd	0.55%
Adani Enterprises Ltd	0.48%
Dixon Technologies (India) Ltd	0.47%
Swiggy Ltd	0.47%
TRENT Ltd	0.46%
Others	10.05%

SECTORAL ALLOCATION



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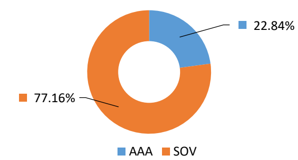
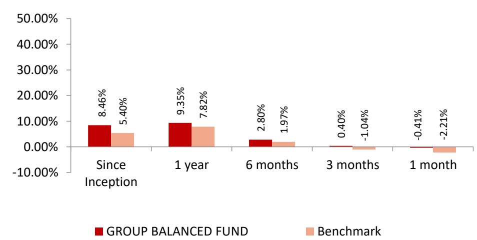
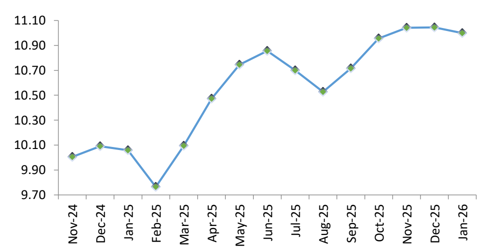


BENCHMARK COMPARISON (CAGR RETURN)



Benchmark :Nifty Composite Debt Index 70%+Nifty 50-30%

FUND - NAV



GROUP INCOME FUND

SFIN No. ULGF005010118GRPINCFUND133

ABOUT THE FUND

OBJECTIVE

This fund aims to provide stable returns by investing inassets with relatively low to moderate level of risk. Thefund will invest in fixed income securities such as Govt.Securities, Corporate Bonds & any other fixed incomeinvestments along with Money Market Instruments for liquidity.

Fund Manager Details

Fund Manager	No. Of Funds Managed		
	Equity	Debt	Hybrid
Vedant Heda	-	4	7
Shobit Gupta	-	4	7
Niraj Kumar	6	4	7

ASSET ALLOCATION

Composition	Min.	Max.	Actual
Cash and Money Market	0.00%	40.00%	3.99%
Fixed Income Instruments	60.00%	100.00%	96.01%
Equities	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

RISK RETURN PROFILE

Risk	Low To Moderate
Return	High

DATE OF INCEPTION

31st March 2019

FUND PERFORMANCE as on 30-Jan-2026

Returns since Publication of NAV	
Absolute Return	73.62%
CAGR Return	8.40%

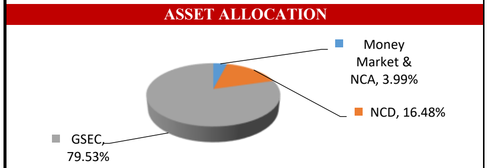
NAV & AUM as on 30-Jan-2026

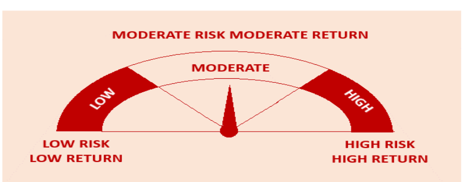
NAV	AUM (In Lakhs)
17.3621	316.08

Modified Duration (In Years)

6.30

ASSET ALLOCATION





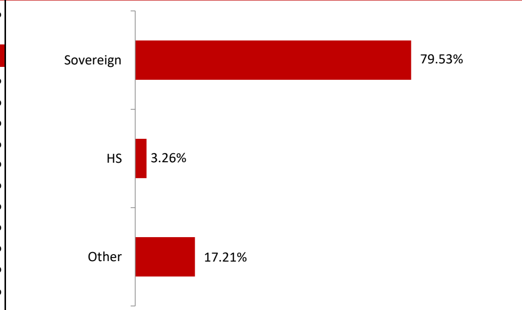
PORTFOLIO AS ON 30-Jan-2026

SECURITIES	HOLDINGS
MONEY MARKET INSTRUMENTS & NCA	**3.99%**

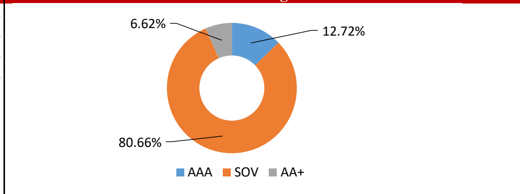
SECURITIES	HOLDINGS
GOVERNMENT SECURITIES	**79.53%**
6.90% Gsec 15/04/2065	16.27%
0% CS 19/12/2029	14.22%
6.01% Gsec 21 July 2030	10.92%
7.24% Gsec 18 Aug 2055	9.36%
7.10% GOI Sovereign Green Bond 27/01/2028	7.70%
6.48% Govt. Stock 2035	6.23%
0% CS 22/02/2030	6.16%
6.68% Gsec 07 July 2040	6.09%
0% CS 17/06/2033	1.93%
8.00% GOI OIL Bond 23/03/2026	0.63%

SECURITIES	HOLDINGS
CORPORATE DEBT	**16.48%**
8.90% BHARTI TELECOM Ltd 05/11/2031	6.69%
8.40% Cholamandalam Investment And Fin Co Ltd 09/08/2028	6.53%
7.89% Bajaj Housing Finance Ltd 14/07/2034	3.26%

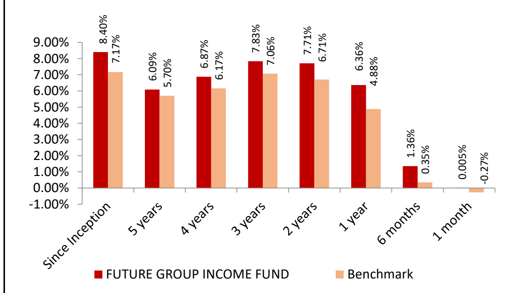
SECTORAL ALLOCATION



Debt Rating Profile



BENCHMARK COMPARISON (CAGR RETURN)



Benchmark :Nifty Composite Debt Index 100%

FUND - NAV