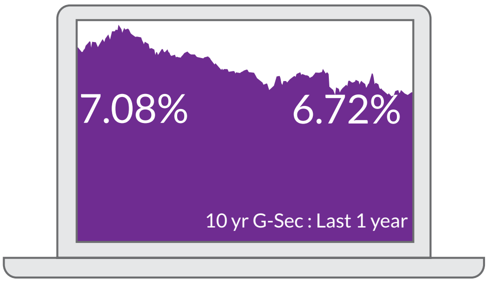
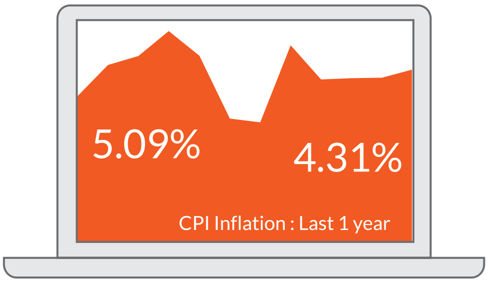
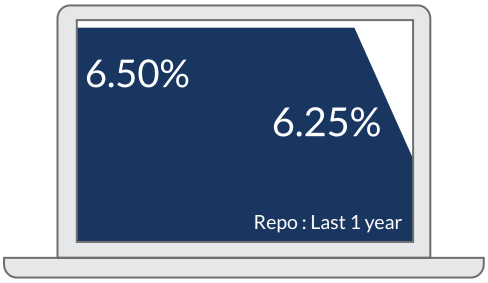
FIXED INCOME OUTLOOK
MARCH 2025







QUICK TAKE

- Start of a shallow rate cycle post February cuts.
- Investors should add duration with every rise in yields, as yield upside limited.
- Mix of 10-year maturity and 1-2-year maturity assets are best strategies to invest in the current macro environment.
- Selective Credits continue to remain attractive from a risk reward perspective given the improving macro fundamentals.

US Treasury yields fell in February after the tariff announcement by the US President on its top trading partners, China, Mexico and Canada led to nervousness in markets. Yields on 10-year US Treasuries fell 33 basis points over the month ending at 4.21% while equities also declined. This decline from above 4.8% was driven by a deteriorating outlook for US growth, as a series of data indicated weak consumer and business sentiment. In India, February was a month of key events – union budget, monetary policy and liquidity measures which led to infusion of Rs 3 lac crores in the banking system. The 10-year government bond yields rose by 3 basis points.

Key Market Events

10 YEAR G-SEC YIELD
6.72%

RBI lowers interest rates and infuses liquidity : The central bank auctioned three-year dollar/rupee buy/sell swaps worth $10 billion and this witnessed strong demand amid persistently tight liquidity deficit in the system. Earlier in the month, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) ushered in a softer interest rate regime by lowering repo rate by 25 bps. Additionally, considering the concerns of banks needing to allocate additional funds to meet the Liquidity Coverage Ratio (LCR) requirements, the RBI postponed the implementation of the revised LCR norms until March 2026. This decision allows banks ample time to comply without experiencing liquidity disruptions.

Inflation falls further : Headline inflation fell to 4.3% in January from 5.2% in December 2023, led by a faster than expected moderation in food prices especially vegetables with the onset of winter months. Core inflation continues to remain below 4% for over 12 months. We anticipate headline inflation to decrease further to 3.8% by end of the year due to good rabi and kharif crop harvests and lower vegetable prices.

Third quarter GDP growth improves : GDP growth improved to 6.2% YoY in Q3FY25 vs 5.6% in Q2FY25 (revised up from 5.4%). The uptick in GDP was led primarily by strength in both private consumption (supported by a buoyant rural economy) and government consumption (pickup in government spending). private consumption grew 6.9% YoY; 100bps pickup from the previous quarter. Moreover, FY25 advance estimate puts annual consumption growth at 7.6%, implying Q4FY25 private consumption growth at 9.9%YY. Government consumption rose to a five quarter high of 8.3% YoY. GVA growth at 6.2% was led by broad-based growth across sectors after a disappointing 2QFY25 performance.

Rupee depreciates but stabilizing slowly : The rupee continued to depreciate, declining 1% against the US dollar largely on account of the US Dollar strengthening and FPI outflows. However, the depreciation has been slower and we believe the rupee could be stabilizing near these levels.

US treasury yields decline in February : February saw yields lower to the tune of 35-40 bps. The two factors that led to the rally in treasuries were slowing growth and macros in the US balance sheet reduction by the US Federal Reserve. The central bank has been reducing supply every month to the tune of US$ 40 bn and this could end in June.

Market view

Earlier in the month, the RBI lowered interest rates ushering in a softer interest rate regime and announced a few liquidity measures. We expect an overall shallow interest rate cut cycle of 25-50 bps in next 6-12 months with 25 bps coming up in the April monetary policy meeting and a long pause thereafter. We also expect further proactive liquidity measures by RBI to anchor the overnight rates to the policy rates. The central bank is cognizant of the fact that growth is slowing while liquidity is weakening. The latest GDP data while better than expectations is still lower and growth may remain subdued in the near term. Inflation is expected to further head lower thereby allowing the central bank to lower rates. As already mentioned in the previous outlook, the Budget was in line with expectations and the borrowing numbers too were aligned with expectations.

Slowing credit growth and fiscal consolidation are negative impulses for slower growth. We had opined that growth in the third and fourth quarter would be below 6.5%, and growth did come below 6.5%. Having said that the GDP numbers are better than expected by the markets. Headline inflation surprised positively and we believe core headline and core inflation will head down in coming months.

In the US, we believe rate cuts could be to the tune of 50-75 basis points. Growth is indeed slowing down as seen by the weaker data such as GDP growth, lower inflation and other macros. The tariff measures implemented by the US on its top trading partners will hurt growth over the medium term. However, we believe that the US President has been slow in his actions and interest rate expectations are being built up again.

Risks to our view: The risks to our view at this point are as below

1) Currency and liquidity are the near-term problems.
2) Inflationary policies of the US government which can lead to a stronger US dollar.
3) China rebound can impact India in a vicious cycle of lower flows, weak growth and high inflation.

Strategy – We have been maintaining a higher duration across all our funds and guiding the rally in bonds since March 2024. We have already witnessed a more than 50 bps of rally in yields in 10-year bonds since early 2024 but positive demand-supply dynamics for government bonds and expected rate cuts will continue to keep bond markets happy, and we can expect another 20-25 bps of rally in the next 3–6 months. Despite the liquidity measures by the RBI, we expect more of liquidity measures as system liquidity still needs to be addressed. Due to favourable demand supply dynamics and OMOs, we continue to have a higher bias towards government bonds in our duration funds.

Accordingly, from a strategy perspective, we have maintained an overweight duration stance within the respective scheme mandates with a higher allocation to Government bonds.

What should investors do?

- Investors should continue to hold duration across their portfolios.
- Incremental gains in long bonds following rate cuts.
- Directionally see yields for 10 year Gsec closer to 6.5% in next 6 months
- In line with our core macro view, we continue to advise short- to medium-term funds with tactical allocation of gilt funds to our clients.

Source: Bloomberg, Axis MF Research.

AXIS CORPORATE BOND FUND

(Formerly known as Axis Corporate Debt Fund)

- Axis Corporate Bond Fund endeavors to capture opportunities by investing in best ideas across the corporate bond curve.
- The fund will typically maintain duration in the range of 2 - 5 years.
- High grade portfolio with 100% AAA/SOV/A1+ rating.
- Aims to capitalize on the 'carry' play at the shorter end and 'capital gain' from the longer end.
- Large portfolio allocation is in corporate bonds having maturity in the range of 2 – 5 years and G-Secs having maturity in the range of 5 - 10 years.
- The mispricing of select higher yield AAA bonds offers room for gains from market compression/ normalization in yields of such papers.
- Primary asset class: Corporate debt securities.
- Investment Horizon: year and beyond.

Residual Maturity: 4.55 years	Modified Duration: 3.35 years
Annualized Portfolio YTM*: 7.37%	Macaulay Duration: 3.52 years

Why Invest?

Actively Managed Corporate Bonds with daily Liquidity endeavors to generate stable returns by following a high quality & low-risk strategy

AXIS BANKING & PSU DEBT FUND

Residual Maturity: 3.67 years	Modified Duration: 2.81 years
Annualized Portfolio YTM*: 7.34%	Macaulay Duration: 2.98 years

Why Invest?

Target stable returns with high credit quality and liquidity. Rigorous credit evaluation.

- The fund Invests primarily in debt and money market securities issued by Banks, PSUs and PFIs with tactical exposure upto 20% to G-Secs/SDLs depending on the market opportunity
- The fund will be deployed 100% into AAA/A1+ and equivalent rated instruments and maintain a Macaulay duration of 1-3 years.
- The fund is positioned to benefit from carry opportunity at the shorter end of the yield curve.
- Investment Horizon:1 year and beyond.

AXIS SHORT DURATION FUND

(Formerly known as Axis Short Term Fund)

- The fund is a combination of short duration as well as carry that can help mitigate interest rate risk and deliver a balanced return over a long run.
- Actively managed strategy with allocation primarily to 2 - 5 year corporate bonds and G-Secs, with no restriction on maturity of individual securities.
- The fund tracks corporate bonds, government securities and money market instruments spreads and takes an active view on the rates and liquidity to decide the allocation.
- The fund maintains a high proportion of AAA/SOV/A1+ & equivalents assets in the portfolio.
- Long term rating: Sub AAA assets (excl bank CDs) ≤ 20%, no exposure to below AA rated assets
- Primary asset class: Corporate Bonds, G-Secs and money market instruments
- Investment Horizon: 1 year and beyond

Residual Maturity: 3.61 years	Modified Duration: 2.79 years
Annualized Portfolio YTM*: 7.57%	Macaulay Duration: 2.92 years

Why Invest?

Actively Managed Short Duration Fund with Daily Liquidity endeavors to generate stable returns by following a high quality & low-risk strategy

AXIS CREDIT RISK FUND

Residual Maturity: 2.89 years	Modified Duration: 2.25 years
Annualized Portfolio YTM*: 8.50%	Macaulay Duration: 2.36 years

Why Invest?

To capture opportunities across accrual, credit and duration space. Monitors risk by controlling the overall portfolio duration

- The fund is positioned to benefit from its core allocation in short term corporate bonds (Below AA+) i.e. in the 2-3-year space.
- The focus of the fund is to capture the credit spreads compression in the 1-4 year corporate bonds and also have a higher 'carry'.
- In the current environment the fund has tactically allocated to AA & A names where we believe the risk reward is attractive from a carry play.
- Given our market view on improved credit environment, improving corporate profitability and looking at a favorable risk reward perspective the fund has an allocation to lower rated corporate bonds (below AAA rating).

AXIS STRATEGIC BOND FUND

- The fund as part of its investment mandate aims to invest 50-60% in AAA bonds with overall portfolio duration target range of 3- 4 years.
- The spreads in short non AAA corporate bonds over AAA currently looks attractive from a risk reward basis and hence the fund is allocated assets to these securities on an incremental basis.
- The portfolio design should help generate stable returns while bringing down volatility relative to a longer duration fund.

Residual Maturity: 5.0 years	Modified Duration: 3.53 years
Annualized Portfolio YTM*: 8.05%	Macaulay Duration: 3.69 years

Why Invest?

to target stable risk-return profile

AXIS DYNAMIC BOND FUND

Residual Maturity: 18.64 years	Modified Duration: 7.97 years
Annualized Portfolio YTM*: 7.13%	Macaulay Duration: 8.28 years

Why Invest?

"Go Anywhere" actively managed fund following a Best Ideas approach and can move across the yield curve

- The fund's duration will be actively managed in line with the evolving interest rate scenario.
- The fund will allocate 100% to AAA/Sovereign rated assets and investments will be across corporate bonds, Gsecs, SDLs etc based on the market opportunity/spreads.
- The fund is ideally suited for our current call to incrementally add duration in investor portfolios in a calibrated manner.
- Investment Horizon: 3 years and beyond.

AXIS ULTRA SHORT DURATION FUND
(Formerly known as Axis Ultra Short Term Fund)

- Targets an indicative portfolio duration of 3 – 6 months
- High quality portfolio with selective Sub AAA exposure: Sub AAA assets (excl bank CDs) ≤ 30%
- Primary asset class: Short term debt and money market instruments
- Elevated short term spreads offer higher yields at the shorter end of the curve. The fund aims for a low duration with low volatility and relatively higher carry.
- Investment Horizon: 3 – 6 months.

Residual Maturity	Modified Duration	Annualized Portfolio YTM*	Macaulay Duration
187 days	175 days	7.70%	182 days

Why Invest?

Short term solution for parking funds

AXIS TREASURY ADVANTAGE FUND

Residual Maturity	Modified Duration	Annualized Portfolio YTM*	Macaulay Duration
489 days	344 days	7.62%	362 days

Why Invest?

Target stable returns with high credit quality and liquidity. Rigorous credit evaluation. Suitable for investors with a holding period of 3-6 months or more.

- The fund is well diversified with a portfolio mix of corporate bonds, certificate of deposits, commercial papers and government bonds.
- The fund will typically maintain duration in the range of 6 months to 1 year.
- Fund tracks corporate bond and Money market instruments spreads closely while making its allocations.
- The fund is likely to benefit from steepness of the rate/liquidity curve and its high accrual vs Money Market Funds.
- Long term rating: Sub AAA assets (excl bank CDs) ≤ 20%, no exposure to below AA rated assets
- The fund is ideally positioned for the current interest rate environment and has added duration to the portfolio as interest rate hike cycle has peaked.
- Primary asset class: Money Market and short term debt instruments
- Investment horizon: 6 – 12 months.

AXIS MONEY MARKET FUND

- Targets an indicative portfolio average maturity of 4 – 12 months.
- The fund has added duration in the portfolio as the interest rate cycle has peaked.
- Targets 100% A1+ high quality short term securities.
- Long term rating: Sub AAA assets (excl bank CDs) ≤ 20%, no exposure to below AA rated assets
- Primary asset class: Short term debt and money market instruments with maturity of upto 1 year
- Investment horizon: 3 – 12 months.

Residual Maturity	Modified Duration	Annualized Portfolio YTM*	Macaulay Duration
242 days	242 days	7.54%	242 days

Why Invest?

Short term solution for parking funds

AXIS FLOATER FUND

Residual Maturity	Modified Duration	Annualized Portfolio YTM*	Macaulay Duration
19.59 years	7.81 years	6.96%	8.09 years

Why Invest?

To limit the interest rate risksin the debt portfolio.

- Axis Floater Fund is an ideal solution for investors looking at short to medium term investment solutions aimed at generating superior risk adjusted returns across market cycles.
- The fund is positioned as a market linked actively managed portfolio of high quality securities. The fund will dynamically manage the duration of the portfolio in accordance with the interest rate environment.

AXIS LONG DURATION FUND

- The fund is positioned as long only held to maturity strategy investing only in government securities.
- The high absolute yields at the longer end of the curve makes the current positioning of the strategy attractive for medium to long term investors.
- The fund is ideally suited for our current call to incrementally add duration in investor portfolios in a calibrated manner.

Residual Maturity	Modified Duration	Annualized Portfolio YTM*	Macaulay Duration
33.62 years	11.83 years	7.20%	12.25 years

Why Invest?

To create a long term income solution through investment in high quality debt instruments

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AT A GLANCE

	Axis Overnight Fund	Axis Liquid Fund	Axis Money Market Fund	Axis Ultra Short Duration Fund	Axis Treasury Advantage Fund	Axis Corporate Bond Fund	Axis Banking & PSU Debt Fund	Axis Short Duration Fund	Axis Credit Risk Fund	Axis Dynamic Bond Fund	Axis Strategic Bond Fund	Axis Gilt Fund	Axis Floater Fund	Axis Long Duration Fund
Why Invest?	Cash Management	Cash Management	Cash Management	Short term solution for parking funds	For spare cash in your Bank Account	Capture opportunities in high quality corporate bond portfolio	Short term investment with high quality portfolio	Actively Managed Short Duration Fund with Daily Liquidity	To capture opportunities from credit spread while managing risk	"Go Anywhere" Fund following a Best Ideas Approach	To target stable risk-return profile	To capture opportunities from investments in government securities	To limit the interest rate risks in the debt portfolio	To create a long term income solution through investment in high quality debt instruments
Type of Scheme	Overnight Fund	Liquid Fund	Money Market Fund	Ultra Short Duration Fund	Low Duration Fund	Corporate Bond Fund	Banking and PSU Fund	Short Duration Fund	Credit Risk Fund	Dynamic Bond	Medium Duration Fund	Gilt Fund	Floater Fund	Long Duration Fund
Residual Maturity	3 days	40 days	242 days	187 days	489 days	4.55 years	3.67 years	3.61 years	2.89 years	18.64 years	5 years	22.75 years	19.59 years	33.62 years
Macaulay Duration	3 days	40 days	242 days	182 days	362 days	3.52 years	2.98 years	2.92 years	2.36 years	8.28 years	3.69 years	10.14 years	8.09 years	12.25 years
Modified Duration	3 days	40 days	242 days	175 days	344 days	3.35 years	2.81 years	2.79 years	2.25 years	7.97 years	3.53 years	9.79 years	7.81 years	11.83 years
Annualized Portfolio YTM*	6.30%	7.17%	7.54%	7.70%	7.62%	7.37%	7.34%	7.57%	8.50%	7.13%	8.05%	7.11%	6.96%	7.20%
Asset Mix														
Money Market Instruments	100.00%	98.36%	97.29%	53.60%	32.02%	6.67%	5.84%	6.00%	4.01%	5.94%	2.84%	2.69%	8.71%	4.35%
Corporate Bond	0.00%	1.64%	0.00%	38.25%	50.10%	64.87%	79.15%	65.42%	78.26%	23.20%	59.01%	0.00%	6.07%	0.00%
G-Sec	0.00%	0.00%	2.71%	4.75%	11.97%	25.44%	15.01%	24.33%	16.71%	70.86%	37.25%	97.31%	85.22%	95.65%
PTC	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	3.42%	5.91%	3.02%	0.00%	4.25%	0.00%	0.00%	0.48%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Rating Mix														
Sovereign /AAA & equivalent $	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	82.27%	87.28%	100.00%	100.00%	87.18%	30.86%	100.00%	52.54%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
AA+	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	12.45%	11.79%	0.00%	0.00%	11.97%	3.68%	0.00%	6.04%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
AA	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	1.98%	0.93%	0.00%	0.00%	0.85%	33.48%	0.00%	21.75%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
AA-	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	3.30%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.44%	0.00%	9.78%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
A+	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	12.91%	0.00%	7.92%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2.63%	0.00%	1.97%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
A-	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Below A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Load Structure														
Exit Load	NIL	Graded Exit Load^	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	If redeemed / switched-out within 12 months - For 10% of investment : Nil For remaining investment : 1%. If redeemed / switched out after 12 months from the date of allotment: Nil	NIL	If redeemed / switched-out within 12 months : - For 10% of investment : Nil - For remaining investment : 1%. If redeemed/ switched out after 12 months from the date of allotment: Nil.	NIL	NIL	NIL

$AAA & Equivalent includes AAA/A1+-rated papers.

^Graded exit load for Axis Liquid fund as below:

Investor exit upon Subscription	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7 onwards
Exit load as a % of redemption proceeds	0.0070%	0.0065%	0.0060%	0.0055%	0.0050%	0.0045%	Nil

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AT A GLANCE

	Axis CRISIL IBX 70:30 CPSE Plus SDL April 2025 Index Fund	Axis CRISIL IBX SDL May 2027 Index Fund	Axis Nifty AAA Bond Plus SDL Apr 2026 50:50 ETF	Axis Nifty SDL September 2026 Debt Index Fund	Axis CRISIL IBX 50:50 Gilt Plus SDL September 2027 Index Fund	Axis CRISIL IBX 50:50 Gilt Plus SDL June 2028 Index Fund	Axis CRISIL IBX SDL June 2034 Debt Index Fund	Axis CRISIL-IBX AAA Bond NBFC – Jun 2027 Index Fund	Axis CRISIL-IBX AAA Bond Financial Services – Sep 2027 Index Fund	Axis CRISIL-IBX AAA Bond NBFC-HFC-Jun27 Index Fund
Why Invest?	Low cost hassle free solution for investors looking to build their core fixed income portfolio in the debt portfolio	Focus on running a highly liquid portfolio of SDLs	Aim to earn better returns than bank fixed deposits of a similar duration	Focus on running a highly liquid portfolio of SDLs	Aim to earn better returns than bank fixed deposits of a similar duration	Aim to earn better returns than bank fixed deposits of a similar duration	Focus on running a highly liquid portfolio of SDLs	Aim to benefit from higher carry vis-à-vis active debt funds with similar maturity/rating profile	Aims to track the performance of AAA issuers from the financial services sector maturing near target date of the index	Aims to track the performance of AAA issuers from the NBFC and HFC segment maturing near target date of the index
Type of Scheme	Index Fund	Index Fund	ETF	Index Fund	Index Fund	Index Fund	Index Fund	Index Fund	Index Fund	Index Fund
Residual Maturity	0.11 years	2.08 years	0.73 years	1.45 years	2.24 years	2.98 years	8.74 years	2.05 years	2.33 years	2.07 years
Macaulay Duration	0.11 years	1.92 years	0.71 years	1.36 years	2.05 years	2.63 years	6.35 years	1.86 years	2.11 years	1.86 years
Modified Duration	0.1 years	1.85 years	0.68 years	1.31 years	1.98 years	2.55 years	6.13 years	1.72 years	1.96 years	1.73 years
Annualized Portfolio YTM*	7.17%	6.92%	7.26%	6.90%	6.77%	6.83%	7.25%	7.75%	7.65%	7.70%
Asset Mix										
Money Market Instruments	12.00%	2.84%	2.98%	4.62%	5.92%	4.34%	4.62%	5.68%	4.99%	6.53%
Corporate Bond	66.38%	0.00%	54.22%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	92.99%	95.01%	93.47%
G-Sec	21.62%	97.16%	42.80%	95.38%	94.08%	95.66%	95.38%	1.33%	0.00%	0.00%
PTC	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Rating Mix										
Sovereign /AAA & equivalent $	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
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Fund Name & Benchmark	Product Labelling	Product Riskometer#	Benchmark Riskometer	Potential Risk Class

Axis Dynamic Bond Fund

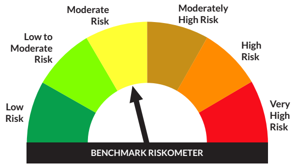
(An open ended dynamic debt scheme investing across duration. A relatively high interest rate risk and moderate credit risk)

Benchmark: NIFTY Composite Debt Index A-III

This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:

- Optimal returns over medium to long term.
- To generate stable returns while maintaining liquidity through active management of a portfolio of debt and money market instruments.

The risk of the scheme is moderate



The risk of the benchmark is moderate

Credit Risk → / Interest Rate Risk ↓	Relatively Low (Class A)	Moderate (Class B)	Relatively High (Class C)
Relatively Low (Class I)			
Moderate (Class II)			
Relatively High (Class III)		B-III	

Axis Gilt Fund

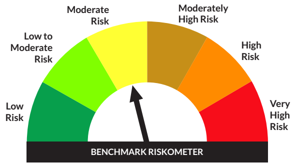
(An open-ended debt scheme investing in government securities across maturity. A relatively high interest rate risk and relatively low credit risk)

Benchmark: CRISIL Dynamic Gilt Index

This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:

- Credit risk free returns over medium to long term.
- Investment mainly in government securities across maturities.

The risk of the scheme is moderate



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Relatively High (Class III)	A-III		

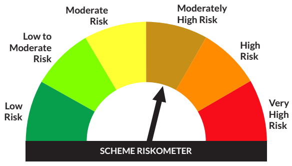
Axis Strategic Bond Fund

(An open-ended medium term debt scheme investing in instruments such that the Macaulay duration of the portfolio is between 3 years to 4 years. A relatively high interest rate risk and relatively high credit risk)

Benchmark: NIFTY Medium Duration Debt Index A-III

This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:

- Optimal returns over medium term.
- Investment in diversified portfolio of debt and money market securities to generate optimal risk adjusted returns while maintaining liquidity.



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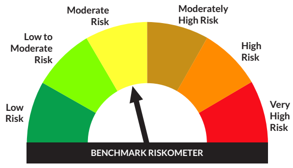

The risk of the benchmark is moderate

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Axis Credit Risk Fund

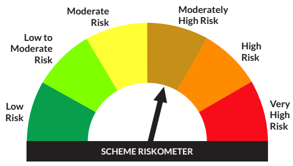
(An open-ended debt scheme predominantly investing in AA and below rated corporate bonds (excluding AA+ rated corporate bonds. A relatively high interest rate risk and relatively high credit risk)

Benchmark: CRISIL Credit Risk Debt B-II Index

This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:

- Stable returns in the short to medium term.
- Investment in debt and money market instruments across the yield curve and credit spectrum.

The risk of the scheme is high



The risk of the benchmark is moderately high

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Axis Banking & PSU Debt Fund

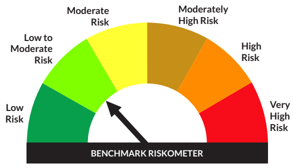
(An open-ended debt scheme predominantly investing in debt instruments of banks, public sector undertakings & public financial institutions. A relatively high interest rate risk and moderate credit risk)

Benchmark: Nifty Banking & PSU Debt Index A-II

This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:

- Regular income over short to medium term.
- Investment in debt and money market instruments issued by Banks, PFIs & PSUs.

The risk of the scheme is moderate



The risk of the benchmark is low to moderate

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Relatively High (Class III)		B-III	

Axis Corporate Bond Fund

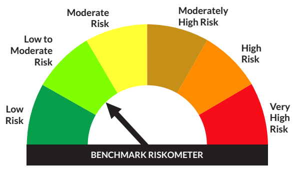
(An open ended debt scheme predominantly investing in AA+ and above rated corporate bonds. A relatively high interest rate risk and moderate credit risk)

Benchmark: NIFTY Corporate Bond Index A-II

This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:

- Regular income over short to medium term.
- Predominantly investing in corporate debt.

The risk of the scheme is moderate



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Moderate (Class II)			
Relatively High (Class III)		B-III	

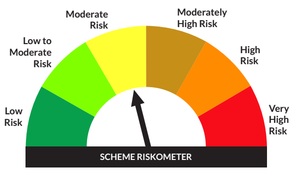
Axis Short Duration Fund

(An open-ended short term debt scheme investing in instruments such that the Macaulay duration of the portfolio is between 1 year to 3 years. A relatively high interest rate risk and moderate credit risk)

Benchmark: NIFTY Short Duration Debt Index A-II

This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:

- Regular income while maintaining liquidity over short term.
- Investment in debt and money market instruments.



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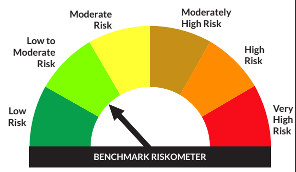

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Relatively High (Class III)		B-III	

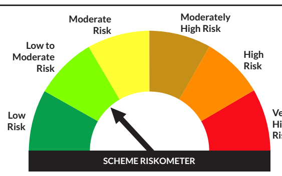
Axis Liquid Fund

(An open-ended liquid scheme. A relatively low interest rate risk and moderate credit risk)

Benchmark: NIFTY Liquid Index A-I

This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:

- Regular income over short term.
- Investment in debt and money market instruments.



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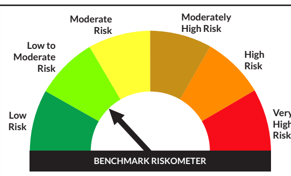

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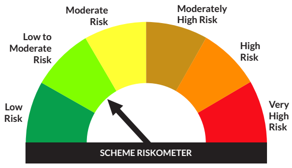
Axis Treasury Advantage Fund

(An open-ended low duration debt scheme investing in instruments such that the Macaulay duration of the portfolio is between 6 to 12 months. A relatively high interest rate risk and moderate credit risk)

Benchmark: NIFTY Low Duration Debt Index A-I

This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:

- Regular income over short term.
- Investment in debt and money market instruments.



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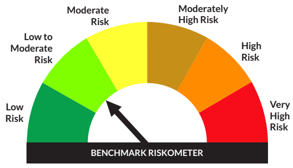

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Axis Money Market Fund

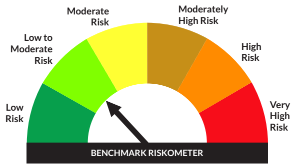
(An open ended debt scheme investing in money market instruments. A relatively low interest rate risk and moderate credit risk)

Benchmark: NIFTY Money Market Index A-I

This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:

- Regular income over short term
- Investment in money market instruments with maturity up to one year.

The risk of the scheme is moderate



The risk of the benchmark is low to moderate

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Relatively Low (Class I)		B-I	
Moderate (Class II)			
Relatively High (Class III)			

Axis Ultra Short Duration Fund

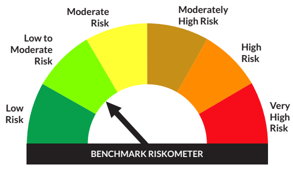
(An open ended ultra-short term debt scheme investing in instruments such that the Macaulay duration of the portfolio is between 3 months and 6 months. A moderate interest rate risk and moderate credit risk)

Benchmark: NIFTY Ultra Short Duration Debt Index A-I

This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:

- Regular income over short term.
- Investment in Debt & Money Market instruments such that the Macaulay duration of the portfolio is between 3 months - 6 months.

The risk of the scheme is moderate



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Relatively High (Class III)			

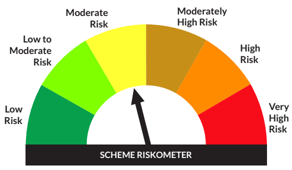
Axis Floater Fund

(An open ended debt scheme predominantly investing in floating rate instruments. A relatively high interest rate risk and moderate credit risk)

Benchmark: NIFTY Medium to Long Duration Debt Index A-III

This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:

- Regular income over short term investment horizon.
- To invest predominantly in floating rate instruments (including fixed rate instruments converted to floating rate exposures using swaps/derivatives)



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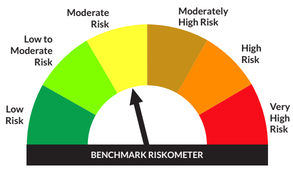

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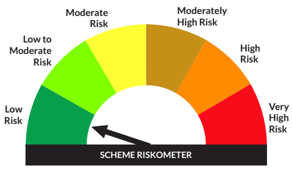
Axis Overnight Fund

(An open ended debt scheme investing in overnight securities. A relatively low interest rate risk and relatively low credit risk)

Benchmark: Nifty 1D Rate Index

This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:

- Regular income with high levels of safety and liquidity over short term.
- Investment in debt and money market instruments with overnight maturity.



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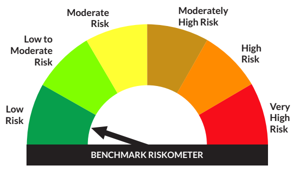

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Axis CRISIL IBX 70:30 CPSE Plus SDL April 2025 Index Fund

(An open-ended Target Maturity Index Fund investing in constituents of CRISIL IBX 70:30 CPSE Plus SDL - April 2025. A moderate interest rate risk and relatively low credit risk)

Benchmark: CRISIL IBX 70:30 CPSE Plus SDL Index - April 2025

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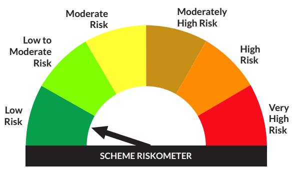
- Income over long term
- Investments in state government securities (SDLs) similar to the composition of CRISIL IBX 70:30 CPSE Plus SDL – April 2025, subject to tracking errors.



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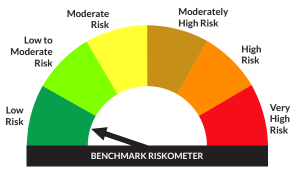

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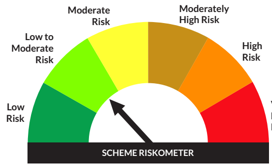
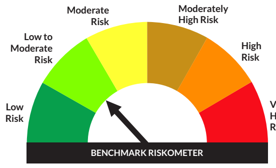
• Investments in state government securities (SDLs) replicating the composition of CRISIL IBX SDL Index – May 2027, subject to tracking errors.</td><td>

The risk of the scheme is low to moderate</td><td>

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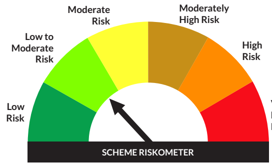
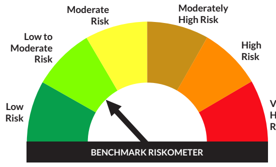
• Investment in AAA rated Corporate Bonds & State Development Loans (SDLs) as represented by Nifty AAA Bond Plus SDL Apr 2026 50:50 Index, subject to tracking errors.</td><td>

The risk of the scheme is low to moderate</td><td>

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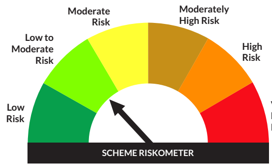
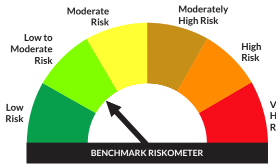
• Investments in state government securities (SDLs) replicating the composition of Nifty SDL Sep 2026 Index subject to tracking errors.</td><td>

The risk of the scheme is low to moderate</td><td>

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Benchmark: CRISIL IBX 50:50 Gilt Plus SDL - June 2028 Index</td><td>This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:
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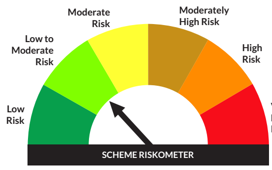
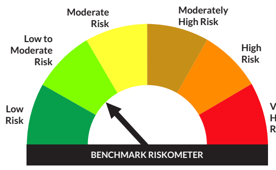
• The scheme that seeks to provide Investment returns corresponding to the total returns of the securities as represented by CRISIL IBX 50:50 Gilt Plus SDL Index – June 2028, subject to tracking errors.</td><td>

The risk of the scheme is low to moderate</td><td>

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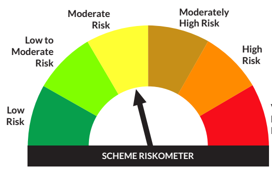
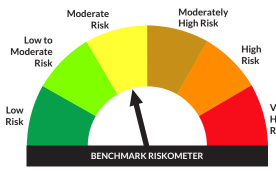
• Investment in Debt and Money Market instruments with portfolio Macaulay duration of greater than 7 years.</td><td>

The risk of the scheme is moderate</td><td>

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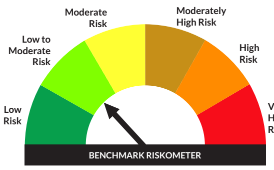
<td>The risk of the benchmark is low to moderate</td>
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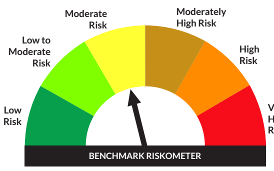
<td>The risk of the benchmark is moderate</td>
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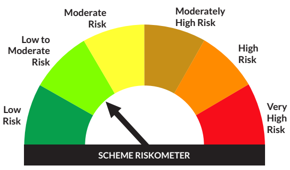
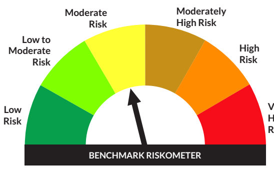
<td>The risk of the scheme is low to moderate</td>
<td>The risk of the benchmark is moderate</td>
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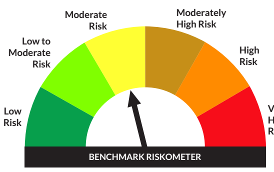
<td>The risk of the benchmark is moderate</td>
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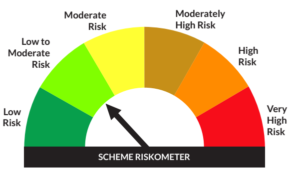
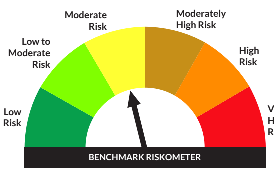
<td>The risk of the scheme is low to moderate</td>
<td>The risk of the benchmark is moderate</td>
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