## Investment Philosophy, Framework and Process

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## **Investment Philosophy**

- We believe that stock price tends to track fair business value over the medium to long-term
- Long-term is a series of short-terms
- More things might happen in the future than will
- Listening to market/street signals complements fundamental analysis
- While a top-down view is necessary, it's not a substitute for bottom-up stock-picking
- Identification of superior growth, compounded over long periods of time, within an appropriate valuation
  - framework, is the primary way in which we seek to add value to the client's portfolio



#### **Fair Value Drivers**

#### **VALUE DRIVER**

Projected Core Earnings

Projected Core Book Value

#### **MULTIPLE**

**Projected Return on Equity** 

Future Growth expectations in Value Driver

**Risk Free Rate** 

**Riskiness of Cash Flow** 

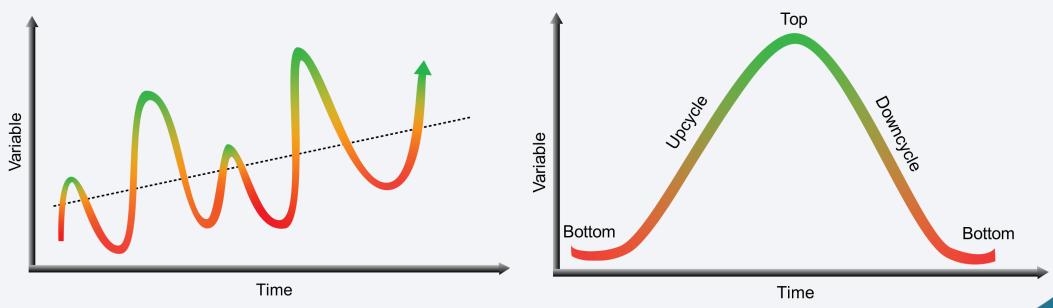


Fair Value



## **Long Term Is A Series Of Short Terms**

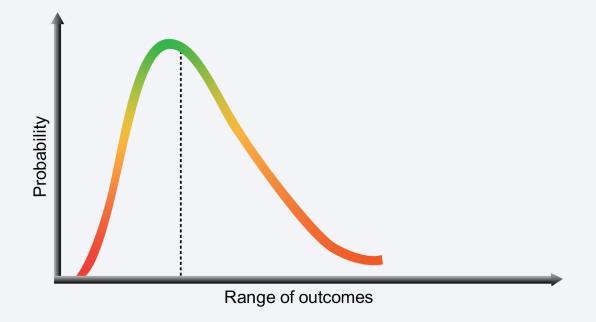
- Everything is cyclical or has phases
- Where are we in the cycle...
  - ➤ Dictates Research Approach &
  - Portfolio positioning





## More Things Might Happen In The Future Than Will

- Probabilistic thinking
- Bull case, bear case, and probabilityweighted expected value framework
- Position sizing of bets
- Risk reward analysis





#### **Investment Process**

- The Investment Process is divided into two parts.
- Stock Research Process: It includes New Stock Selection and Monitoring the existing stocks
- Portfolio Management: Based on research, portfolio is constructed and rebalanced



#### Research Process

- Monitoring Existing Stocks
- New Stock Ideas



## Portfolio Management

- Portfolio Construction
- Rebalancing Portfolio for New Information/ Development
- Considering & Incorporating New Stock Ideas

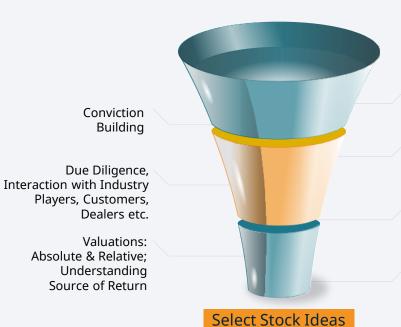


#### **Investment Process: Research Process**

#### Corporate Interactions/ Annual Reports/

Sell Side Research/ Others

For Portfolio



Understanding Business Economics

Assessing Management/ Promoters/ Business

Reinvestment Opportunity Growth Prospects

Financials: Dividend Policy, ROE & Growth

## BACKDROP Macros

**Government Policies** 

Regulations

**Global Events** 

**Judicial Actions** 

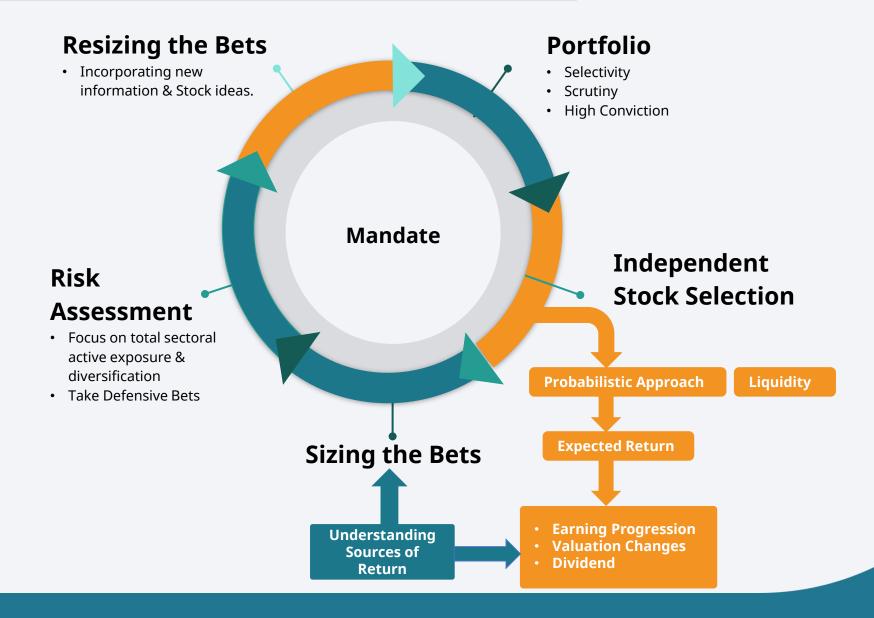
**Politics** 

Others

- The flow of Research process is a funnel like structure with multiple sieves where we examine various aspects in a sequence
- The extent of time and efforts expended on a particular idea is a function of how many filters the idea qualifies through



## **Investment Process: Portfolio Management**





### **Stock Classification Framework**

The stocks in a portfolio can be classified into categories where each one has a specific role and may have the potential to meet certain expectations in terms of delivery:

#### Strategic (



These are typically 'buy & hold' compounding stocks. They are generally characterized by good quality business and competent managements with a long track record.

#### **Tactical**



These are not 'buy & hold' stocks. For these stocks, exiting at the right time is as important as getting in at the right time. They are generally from more cyclical industries and need to be part of the portfolio only during the upcycle.

#### Option



These stocks appear very promising from a top-down perspective. However, they generally do not have long-term business or management track record. They are inherently riskier in nature but can have the potential to offer higher returns.

### Defensive

These stocks are generally big benchmark stocks where investment manager has low conviction about their outperformance. However, not owning them at all may be deemed too risky from relative performance standpoint. These are generally neutral or underweight relative positions.



## Salient Features of our Investment Style



Long term view



Focus on business value accretion



Growth & quality orientation



Conscious of current market dynamics



Not going down the Quality curve even as we go down the market cap curve for small/mid-cap mandates



Benefiting from compounding of earnings and valuation re-rating for small/mid-cap mandates



Extent of active bets ....Function of conviction level



True to mandate



Clarity through stock classification



Conscious of liquidity



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