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AXIS CRISIL-IBX AAA BOND FINANCIAL SERVICES – SEP 2027 INDEX FUND

NFO PERIOD: 8th Nov to 21st Nov 2024



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An open-ended Target Maturity Index Fund investing in constituents of CRISIL-IBX AAA Financial Services Index – Sep 2027.

A moderate interest rate risk and relatively low credit risk

NFO Opens: 8th Nov 2024 NFO Closes: 21st Nov 2024

SEBI recently allowed mutual fund houses to launch Sectoral Target Maturity Funds. By virtue of their portfolio construct, these funds offer **higher carry without diluting the credit profile** vis-à-vis active debt funds with similar duration/rating profile, thereby making them an ideal investment proposition in the current interest rate environment.

Portfolio Construct of Sectoral TMFs vs other Debt Mfs:

Parameter	Sectoral TMFs	Traditional TMFs	Active Debt Funds
Parameter	AAA Bonds of defined sectors*	AAA Bonds (diversified across sectors), G-Secs, SDLs	Depends on the scheme type and its mandate
Sectoral Limit	*	\checkmark	✓
Portfolio Liquidity Norms	×	×	✓

^{*}Based on currently live indices

- Sector limits and portfolio liquidity norms lead to a drag on the YTM of active debt funds.
- Traditional Target Maturity Funds have sector limits and generally invest in G-Secs/SDLs/AAA PSU bonds, thereby having a limited exposure to high quality carry assets.

Why should investors consider 3 year Financial Services Target Maturity Fund?

a) Strong Fundamentals

NBFC landscape has changed drastically over the last 5 years with improvement in metrics like capitalisation, asset quality, provision coverage, profitability and funding mix (lower reliance on short term borrowings). Proactive regulations are ensuring long-term stability of the sector.

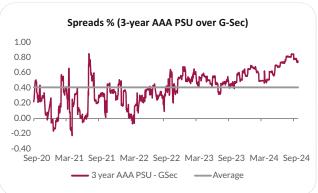
Banking Sector is also in the best of health in decades with adequate capitalisation and provisioning, NPAs at multi-year lows, healthy credit growth and higher profitability.

b) Attractive Spreads - Risk-reward remains favourable due to strong fundamentals

While fundamentals for the sector remain strong, we have seen widening of spreads due to:

- Higher Corporate Bonds supply in H1
- Expected change in LCR guidelines
- Tighter banking system liquidity for most of the first half led to higher money market yields which in turn was the reason for corporate bond spreads to widen





Source: Bloomberg, data as of 25th Oct 2024

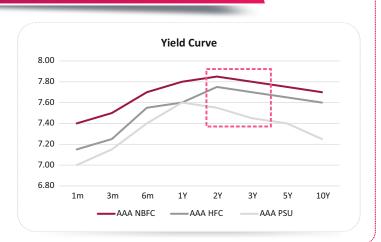
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c) 3 years - Sweet Spot on the yield curve

Corporate Bond yield curve is currently inverted. 3 year segment is a sweet spot as it offers a combination of higher absolute yields and potential for capital gains due to:

- Anticipated rate cuts
- Easy liquidity conditions

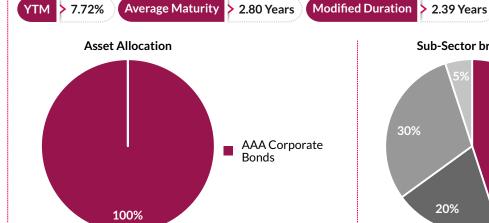
Source: Axis MF Research; Data as on 29th Oct 2024

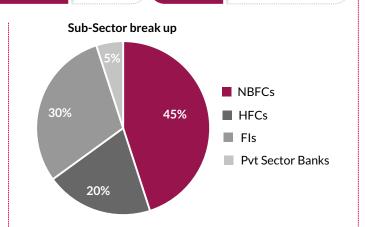


CRISIL-IBX AAA Financial Services Index - Sep 2027

As on 03rd Nov 2024

Key Characteristics:





Target Date > 30th September 2027

Constituents:

Issuer	Weights
L&T Finance Ltd.	5%
Tata Capital Ltd.	5%
Tata Capital Housing Finance Ltd.	5%
Small Industries Development Bank of India	5%
Rural Electrification Corporation Ltd.	5%
Power Finance Corporation Ltd.	5%
National Housing Bank	5%
National Bank for Agriculture & Rural Development	5%
Mahindra & Mahindra Financial Services Ltd.	5%
LIC Housing Finance Ltd.	5%

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Aditya Birla Finance Ltd.	5%
Kotak Mahindra Prime Ltd.	5%
Kotak Mahindra Investments Ltd.	5%
Indian Railway Finance Corporation Ltd.	5%
HDFC Bank Ltd.	5%
HDB Financial Services Ltd.	5%
Bajaj Housing Finance Ltd.	5%
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Axis Finance Ltd.	5%
Aditya Birla Housing Finance Ltd.	5%

 $Source: Crisil, Data as on 03rd \ Nov \ 2024. For index \ methodology, kindly \ refer \ \underline{\textit{here}}.$

The sectors mentioned herein currently part of the underlying Index. It should not be construed as investment advice or recommendation to any party. Past performance may or may not be sustained in future.

To Summarise

Axis CRISIL-IBX AAA Bond Financial Services – Sep 2027 Index Fund is a high quality - product offering visibility of returns over the next ~3 years. Given the tactical spread widening, despite the robust health of the financial services sector, the fund is an attractive proposition from risk-reward perspective.

Product Label and PRC

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Product Labelling

This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*

- Income over the target maturity period.
- An open ended target maturity index fund tracking CRISIL-IBX AAA Financial Services Index - Sep 2027, subject to tracking error/tracking difference.

*Investors should consult their financial advisers if in doubt about whether the product is suitable for them.

Noderate High High High Low Very High RISKOMETER Investors understand that their principal will be at moderate risk

Product Riskometer

Benchmark Riskometer



Index - Sep 2027

Potential Risk Class Matrix

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

(The product labelling assigned during the New Fund Offer is based on internal assessment of the Scheme Characteristics or model portfolio and the same may vary post NFO when actual investments are made)

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