

# ALCHEMY SMART ALPHA SMALL & MICRO CAP

Unlocking Hidden Gems in India's Small Cap Market

Fund Manager: Alok Agarwal



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#### WHY SMALL AND MICROCAP STRATEGY?



India is a land of a billion opportunities and a long runway of growth.



This growth gets better captured in riding the journey of successful companies morphing from micro to small to mid to large. This whole journey has potential to create lot of wealth/returns.



Over the last 10 years, while Nifty 50 TRI has delivered 14.3% CAGR, the comparative number for Nifty SmallCap 250 TRI is 19.9% .\*

#### WHY ALCHEMY CAPITAL?



**Expertise**: Our seasoned team possesses deep knowledge and expertise in navigating the nuances of India's small-cap landscape.



Research-driven Approach: We use a unique blend of Quant + Active styles.



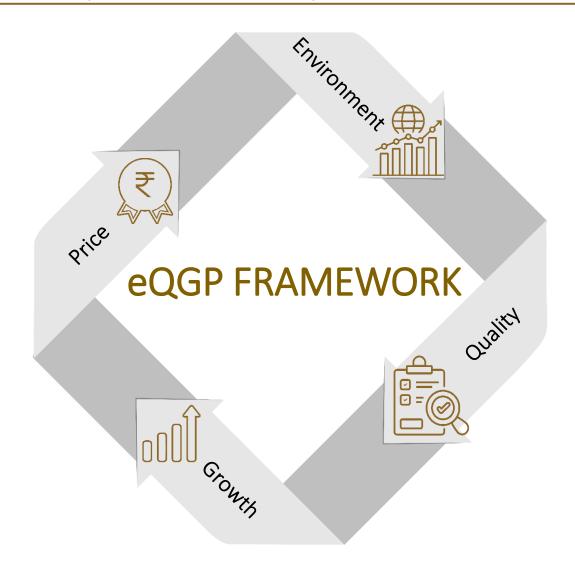
**Diversification:** We believe in a well-diversified portfolio strategy to mitigate risk and capture growth opportunities across various sectors.



Active Management: We actively monitor and manage our portfolio to capitalize on emerging trends and swiftly adapt to market dynamics.

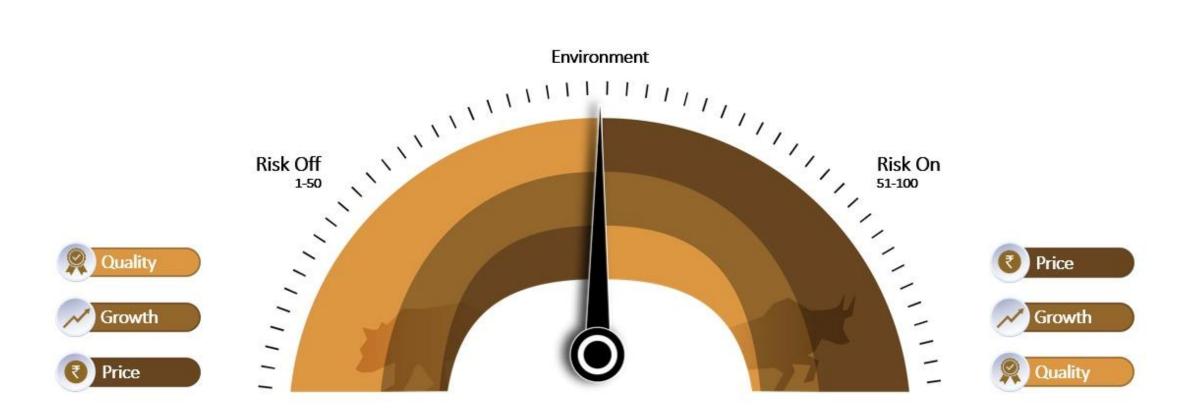
# UNIQUE METHOD – EQGP FRAMEWORK





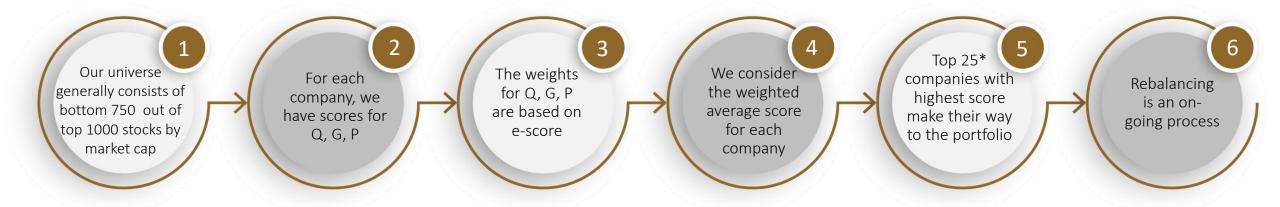








# PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION PROCESS







## eQGP - Environment

The philosophy of the product is to get aggressive in a risk-on environment and defensive in a risk-off environment. Our rating band on the environment is based of multiple factors. Few of them are:

- Liquidity conditions in the market
- Interest rate conditions in the market
- Improving or deteriorating macro growth
- Improving or deteriorating macro balance sheet
- Price action parameters in multiple sections of the market
- Trends in corporate profits
- Currency situation
- Policy level support





# eQGP - Quality

The quality of a business comes from multiple attributes. The higher the number of these attributes in favour, the higher the quality. Our quality rating band is based of multiple factors. Few of them are:

- Capital efficiency absolute & relative
- Leverage ratios absolute & relative
- EVA generation track record
- OCF generation track record
- Consistency in profit generation
- FCF track record
- Credit rating
- Management quality





All good things in the company need to culminate into business growth. Our growth rating band is based of multiple factors. Few of them are:

- Profit growth absolute and relative
- Operating efficiency absolute and relative
- Business growth
- Market share gains
- Consistency of growth





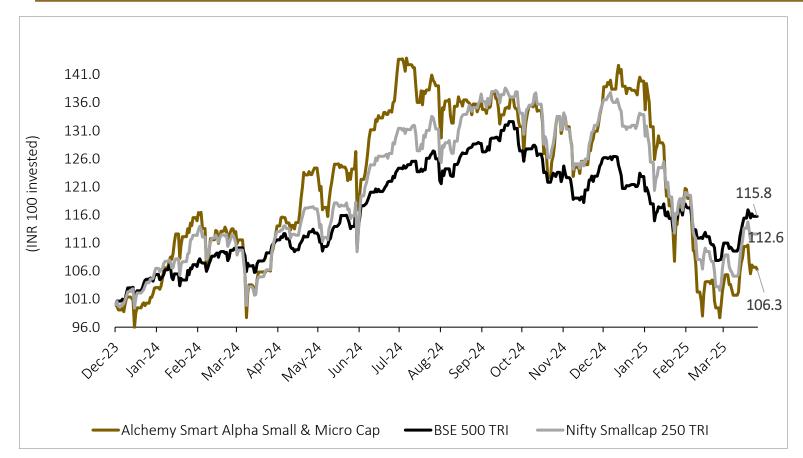
# eQGP - Price Action

**Returns come from price action and movement.** Our price action rating band is based of multiple factors. Few of them are:

- Tailwinds in the price behaviour absolute and relative
- Ownership trends
- Consistency of outperformance
- Liquidity
- Risk reward potential

# ALCHEMY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

## LIVE PERFORMANCE



Period	Alchemy Smart Alpha Small & Micro Cap^	BSE 500 TRI	Nifty Smallcap 250 - TRI	Alpha over Nifty Smallcap 250 - TRI
1 Month	6.9%	7.3%	9.1%	-2.2%
3 Months	-22.7%	-4.4%	-14.8%	-7.8%
6 Months	-21.4%	-11.8%	-17.8%	-3.6%
1 Year	0.3%	6.0%	6.0%	-5.8%
Since Inception^^	4.7%	11.7%	9.4%	-4.7%

Data as of March 31, 2025

#### ^Performance related information provided herein is not verified by SEBI.

<sup>^</sup> Returns are net of fees, expenses & taxes (if applicable).

<sup>^</sup>Returns less than 365 days: Absolute, greater than 365 days: CAGR (Computed using TWRR method).

<sup>^</sup>Past Performance is not indicative of future performance.

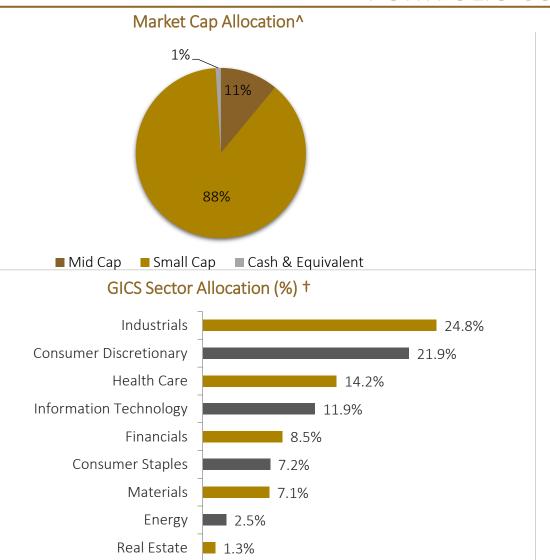
<sup>^</sup>The above performance figures are aggregate of all discretionary clients; the investor's actual portfolio may differ.

<sup>^</sup>Please follow the given link for viewing Performance relative to other portfolio managers: <a href="https://www.apmiindia.org/apmi/welcomeiaperformance.htm?action=PMSmenu">https://www.apmiindia.org/apmi/welcomeiaperformance.htm?action=PMSmenu</a>

<sup>^^</sup> Inception date: December 6 ,2023

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# PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION



#### Top Holdings

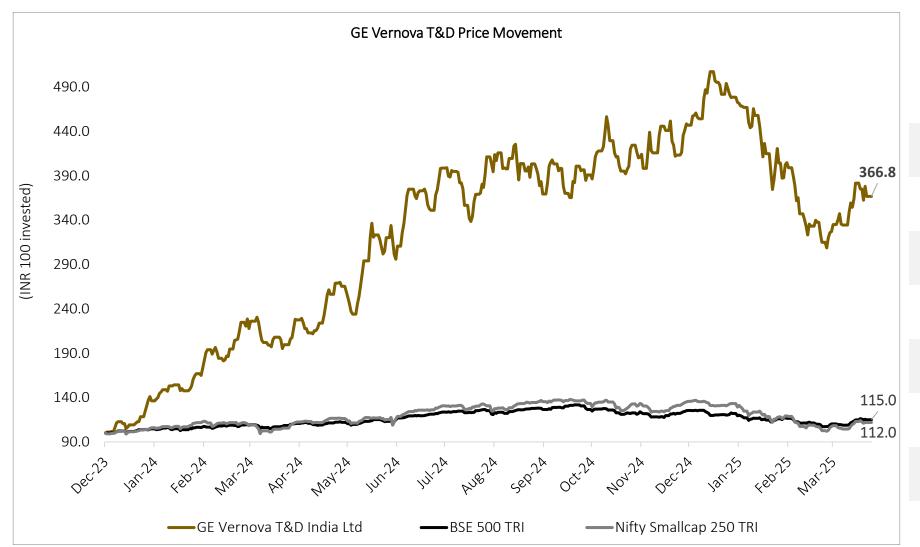
Top 10 Stocks by Weight	% Weight
GE Vernova T&D India Ltd	10.5%
PG Electroplast Ltd	8.3%
Multi Commodity Exchange of India Ltd	6.0%
Refex Industries Ltd	5.8%
Goldiam International Ltd	4.9%
Suven Pharmaceuticals Ltd	4.4%
Cartrade Tech Ltd	4.2%
Taj GVK Hotels & Resorts Ltd	4.0%
Avanti Feeds Ltd	3.9%
Kiri Industries Ltd	3.9%

#### Ratio Analysis

Ratio	Alchemy Smart Alpha Small & Micro Cap^^
Upside Capture Ratio##	107%
Downside Capture Ratio##	124%
Capture Ratio##	86%

# ALCHEMY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

# **CASE STUDIES**





Entry date	7-Dec-23
Entry price	INR 425
Exit date	NA( in portfolio)
Current Price	INR 1559
Absolute Gain	267%
BSE 500 TRI	15%
Nifty Smallcap 250 - TRI	12%

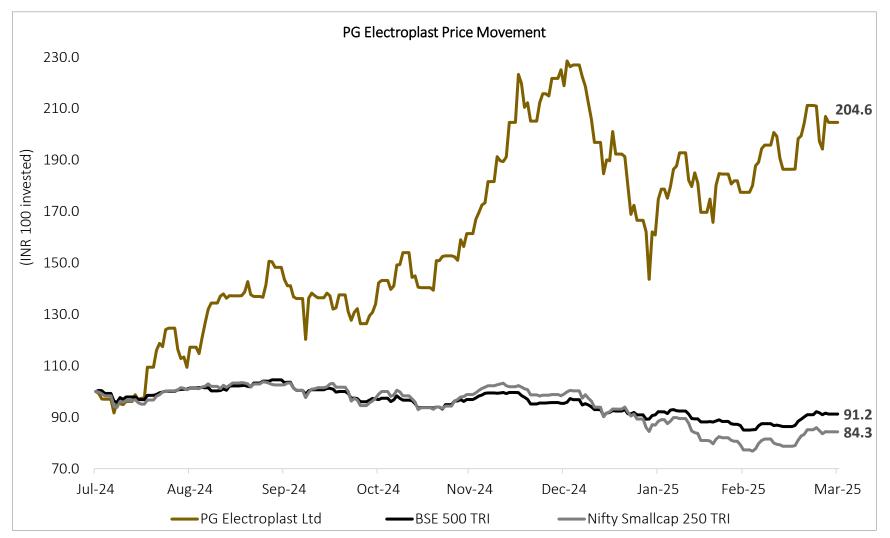
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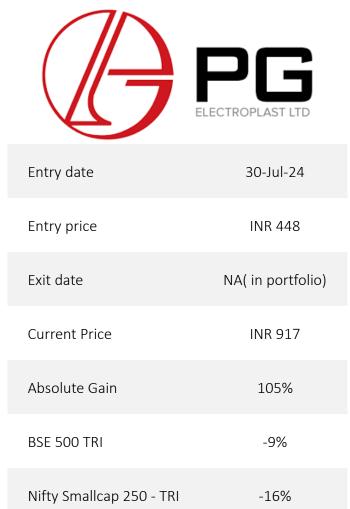
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# ALCHENY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

# **CASE STUDIES**





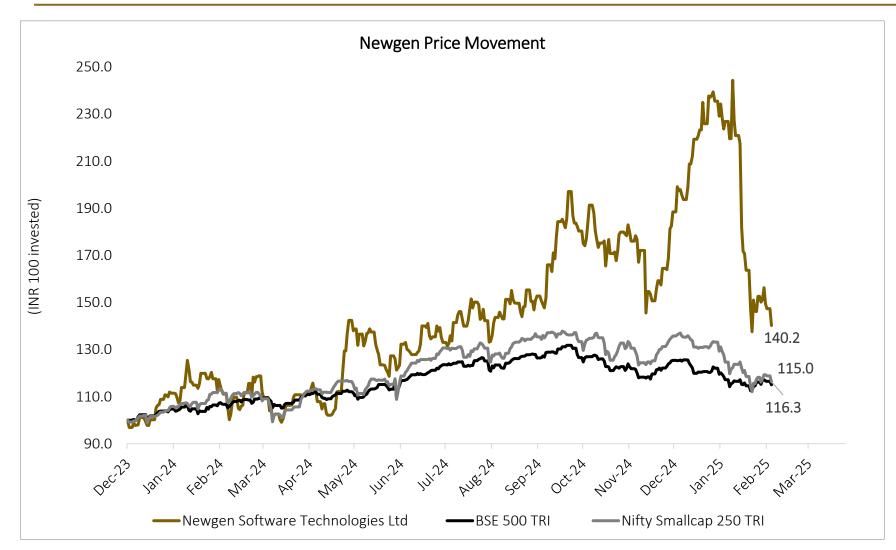
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# ALCHEMY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

# **CASE STUDIES**





Entry date	7-Dec-23
Entry price	INR 718
Exit date	10-Feb-25
Exit Price	INR 1007
Absolute Gain	40%
BSE 500 TRI	15%
Nifty Smallcap 250 - TRI	16%

Source: Bloomberg

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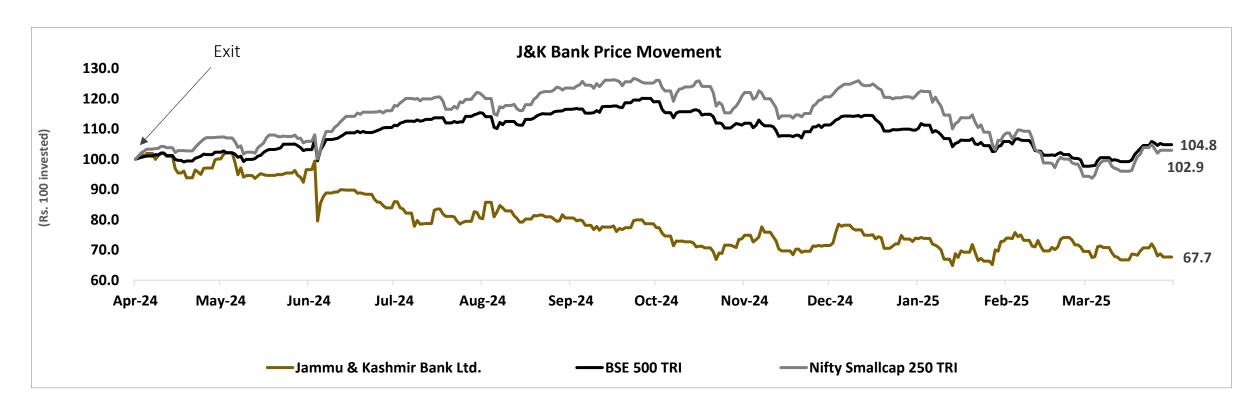
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About 58% of the stocks that we exited since inception^ have underperformed Nifty Smallcap 250 TRI index post our exit. Below is one of the example of Jammu & Kashmir Bank Ltd.





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### PRODUCT HIGHLIGHTS



Objective: To generate long term risk adjusted returns.

Philosophy & Strategy\*\*: A High-Risk High Return oriented strategy which aims at generating long term alpha consistently by investing predominantly in small cap & microcap companies. The investment philosophy follows Growth at Reasonable Price/ Premium (GARP) approach with a blend of quant and active management.

Fund Manager: Alok Agarwal

Description of types of securities: Equity

Basis of selection of types of Securities as part of the Product/ Investment Approach: Equity stocks are chosen for investment on the basis of following factors: 1.The company fundamentals, as reflected in reported numbers. 2.Investment strategy research regarding various market cycles 3.Risk & Reward ratios

Allocation of Portfolio across types of Securities: Upto 100% in equity (cash portion may be deployed in liquid funds/ debt securities).

Portfolio Construct: A typical Portfolio may generally consist maximum of 50 stocks across sectors.

Benchmark: BSE 500 TRI

Basis for choice of benchmark: As per APMI Circular APMI/2022-23/02 dated March 23, 2023.

Indicative Tenure or Investment horizon: 3 to 5 Years

Risk associated with Product/Investment approach^^: High Risk

<sup>\*\*</sup>The investment objectives, strategy and allocation are indicative and there are no assurances that it will be achieved. Investors are advised to take independent tax, legal, risk, financial and other professional advice.

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# **ALCHEMY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT**



Alchemy Capital Management is one of the pioneers in providing bespoke Portfolio Management Services in India. The company is registered with the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) as a Portfolio Manager and based out of Mumbai.



One of the few Portfolio
Managers in India to have been
in existence since 2002



Pioneers in bottom-up stock picking skills with a long-term investing approach



With an experienced team of investment professionals at the helm, there is a strong emphasis on Compliance and Risk Management



Managing/advising AUM of USD 1 billion\*, we have earned the trust of institutional investors, sovereign funds, ultra HNIs and family offices.

\*Data as of March 31, 2025



## **OUR INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY**

- We believe that consistent and superior long term absolute returns can be made across market cycles by investing in growth companies with good management teams.
- We like businesses which address large and growing external opportunities, have a competitive advantage in effectively exploiting those opportunities and have a scalable business model with higher-than-average Return on Capital Employed (ROCE) over the investment horizon.
- We believe that management teams are key to business success. We look for managements which have aggression, are aligned to business outcomes while simultaneously having respect for governance and capital allocation.
- While growth companies form the core of our portfolio, we also tactically invest in deep value opportunities and special situations that may appear due to and during market cycles.

# **INVESTMENT TEAM**





Hiren Ved
Director & CIO
Experience: 30+ Y

#### **INVESTMENT**



Alok Agarwal Head - Quant & Fund Manager Experience: 22 Y



Himani Shah Co-Fund Manager Experience: 20 Y



Mythili Balakrishnan Co-Fund Manager Experience: 22 Y

#### RESEARCH



Vimal Gohil Research Analyst Experience: 13 Y



Haresh Kapoor Research Analyst Experience: 12 Y



Ruchika Bhatia Research Analyst Experience: 9 Y



Hrushikesh Shah Research Analyst Experience: 1 Y



Deven Ved Co-Fund Manager, Quant Experience: 17 Y



Jagpreet Chhabra
VP – Quant Research Analyst
Experience: 22 Y



Rishabha Doshi Quant Analyst Experience: 3 Y



Gayathree T V
Quant Research Analyst
Experience: Fresher

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