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| Figures as of | Aug 29, 2025 |
| Net Asset Value | USD 103.58 (A Class), USD 105.00 (B Class), USD 105.66 (C Class) |
| Fund Size | USD 5.3 million |
| Inception Date* | Feb 21, 2025 |
| Cumulative Total Return | 109.5% in USD |
| Annualized Total Return | 17.5% in USD |

* The track record is the combination of two consecutive track records of Oaks Asset Management and Prana India Equity. From January 28, 2021 to September 30, 2024, it is the performance of the ABC Equity Portfolio managed by Oaks Asset Management for listed Indian equities. Since the launch on February 21, 2025 it is the performance of Prana India Equity.

Net Asset Value (Monthly)



Performance

| | August | YTD | 1 Year | Feb 2025 |
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| A Class | (2.7%) | - | - | 3.6% |
| B Class | (2.6%) | - | - | 5.0% |
| C Class | (2.5%) | - | - | 5.7% |

Largest Holdings

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| State Bank of India | 5.1% | <div style="width: 5.1%;"></div> |
| Reliance Industries | 5.1% | <div style="width: 5.1%;"></div> |
| Larsen and Toubro | 3.5% | <div style="width: 3.5%;"></div> |
| NTPC | 3.4% | <div style="width: 3.4%;"></div> |
| Power Grid | 3.3% | <div style="width: 3.3%;"></div> |
| DLF | 3.2% | <div style="width: 3.2%;"></div> |

Exposure

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| Materials | 14.2% | <div style="width: 14.2%;"></div> |
| Industrials | 13.2% | <div style="width: 13.2%;"></div> |
| Financials | 10.1% | <div style="width: 10.1%;"></div> |
| Energy | 9.3% | <div style="width: 9.3%;"></div> |
| Utilities | 8.8% | <div style="width: 8.8%;"></div> |
| Cash | 19.9% | <div style="width: 19.9%;"></div> |

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- Prana was down 2.5% in August
- Near Term Pain v/s Long Term Resilience
- Rebuilding bridges with China
- Preparing the portfolio for a paradigm shift.

Quarterly Patterns continue in 2025. Indian equity markets followed their quarterly trend in 2025, declining in Q1, rising in Q2, and falling again in Q3. Unlike major global markets, India faced negative sentiment due to trade tensions with the US. Foreign investors sold about \$5.3 billion, while domestic institutions bought \$10.8 billion. The INR hit new lows, and long-term bond yields rose as expectations of increased fiscal spending grew in response to US tariffs.

Prana India Equity Fund was down 2.5% in USD in August. The draw-down matched Indian market aggregates. Only Consumer Staples and Discretionary sectors remained positive during the broad correction. Shrimp exports, healthcare, and telecom equipment exposures detracted most. We raised cash to about 20% to offset declines. Our 30% INR hedge lost ground due to a slight INR recovery but helped limit losses from its sharp drop on August 29th.

Near Term Pain v/s Long Term Resilience. With up to 50%, India faces some of the highest US-tariffs alongside harsh criticism from US leadership. In response, the Indian government has chosen not to yield to demands to halt Russian oil purchases or make trade concessions, prioritizing national interests over immediate external pressures. This stance brings short-term pain, especially for sectors heavily reliant on US exports such as textiles, gems and jewelry, and shrimp, with closures likely in these industries. Nevertheless, the overarching strategy is to foster greater self-sufficiency, thereby reinforcing long-term economic resilience. To mitigate the immediate impact, the government is planning indirect tax reductions, aiming to cushion economic stress. These measures have contributed to renewed strength in the consumer sectors, reflecting the commitment to balancing near-term pain with the promise of long-term stability.

Rebuilding bridges with China. At the end of the month, the Indian Prime Minister Modi attended the SCO summit in Tianjin and met with President Xi. The meeting resulted in announcements related to improving relations and resuming economic cooperation. The approach includes promoting Chinese investment in India's manufacturing sector, rather than relying only on imports of Chinese products. Additionally, China may serve as an export market for certain commodities and goods from India.

Preparing the portfolio for a paradigm shift. The recent United States policy actions directed towards India could serve as a catalyst for supply-side reforms, potentially reducing bureaucratic constraints and fostering economic growth. Our core themes—agriculture, manufacturing, infrastructure, digital transformation, and human capital—are increasingly pertinent within this context of enhancing resilience. Accordingly, we will strategically adjust the portfolio to emphasize sectors under these themes that are expected to be central to forthcoming policy initiatives over the next 12 to 15 months.

General Information

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| Name | Prana India Equity Fund |
| Theme | Macro Themes driving India's Transition |
| Nature | Long-only equity fund, actively managed |
| Focus | Listed Indian equities |

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| Structure | A sub-fund of the Protea UCITS Umbrella domiciled in Luxembourg |
| Distributions | Income annually |
| Fiscal Year End | December 31 |
| Reporting | Semi-annually in USD |
| Currency Classes | USD, CHF, EUR (all unhedged) |
| Trading | Daily issuance and redemption, based on net asset value |

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| Fund Manager | FundPartner Solutions (Europe) S.A. |
| Custodian Bank | Bank Pictet & Cie (Europe) AG |
| Investment Manager | HSZ (Hong Kong) Limited |
| Advisor | OAKS Asset Management, India |
| Auditors | Deloitte |

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| Management Fee | A Class: 1.2% annually |
| Management Fee | B Class: 2.4% annually |
| Management Fee | B Class: 2.9% annually |

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| Issuance Fee | None |
| Redemption Fee | None |

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| A Class | ISIN LU2850665907 |
| B Class | ISIN LU2850666038 |
| C Class | ISIN LU2850666111 |
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Investment Opportunity

As India is about to cross the \$2,500 GDP per capita threshold, it is entering a phase of accelerated economic growth. The country is well-positioned to benefit from geopolitical shifts and supply chain realignments. This trend will enhance India's attractiveness as a destination for global investments.

Investment Strategy

The objective of the Prana India Equity fund is to create sustained shareholder value by identifying macro themes that are driving India's transition and selecting and allocating to sectors that are capturing these themes. It is an all-cap strategy with a large cap bias. The strategy is benchmark agnostic. At least two-thirds of the total assets are to be invested in companies which are domiciled in India. At most one-third of the total volume of funds can be invested in equity-oriented stocks and money market instruments of issuers worldwide.

Risk Management

The Indian stock market has many of the risks and characteristics of emerging markets. Prana India Equity is well diversified to avoid concentration risk. The weight of each position in the portfolio is subject to a maximum limit of 10%, while the positions over 5% in aggregate must not make up more than 40% of the portfolio. Upside and downside risks are managed by shifting allocation between the core portfolio (>65% of assets) which includes companies capturing India's economic transition, a satellite portfolio (<35%) meaning companies with large weights but outside the core sectors and cash (<33%).

Investment Manager

HSZ (Hong Kong) Limited is a Hong Kong based independent investment management company. Its investment team has been managing Asian equity portfolios since 1994.

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