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BUZZ**

NOBODY LIKES TO LOSE



PAIN FROM LOSS > PLEASURE FROM GAIN

**PAIN
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One morning, **SHARMAJI** observed **RAVI** sitting at the kitchen table with his head buried in his hands, clearly showing signs of stress.



SHARMAJI

Oh! Is it a migraine attack?

Migraine



Hypertension



Stress



Market



No, Dad! This time, the trigger is the market!



RAVI

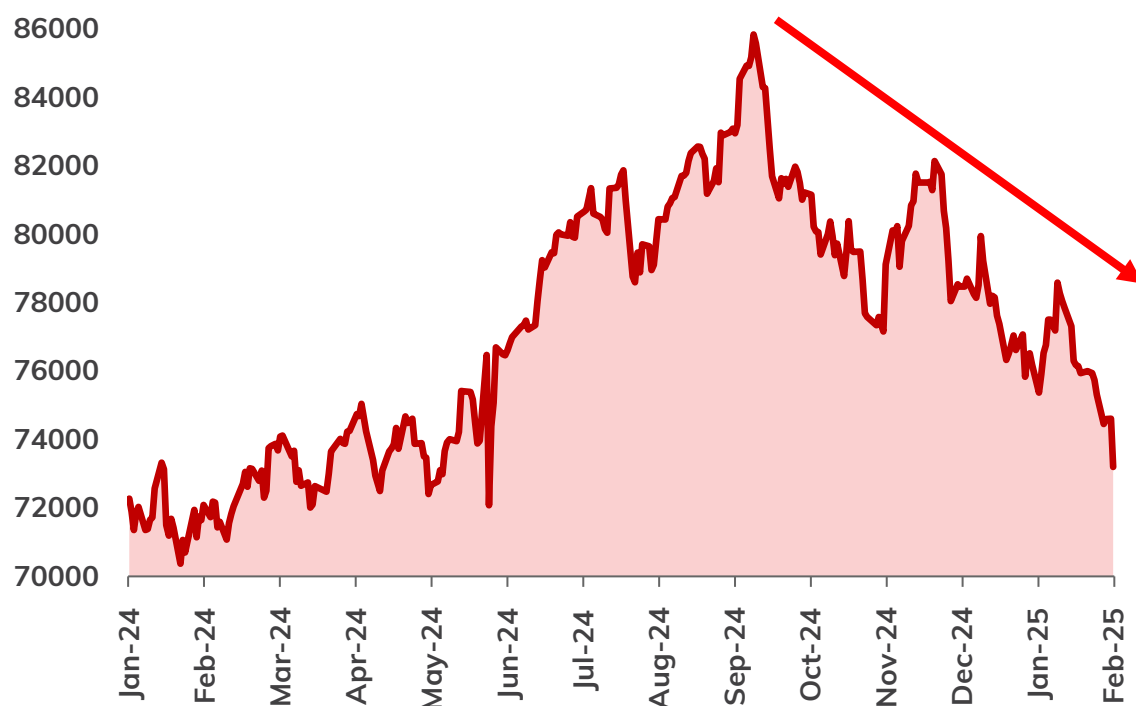


Markets have corrected 15% over the past six months.*
I'm thinking whether to remain invested or exit.

Well, that's a common dilemma of most investors!



BSE SENSEX (CLOSING LEVEL)



FACTORS THAT RATTLED INVESTORS



Heightened Geopolitical Conflicts in the Middle East



Concerns around Reciprocal Tariffs imposed by the U.S.



Relentless Foreign Portfolio Outflows from Indian Equities



The Indian Rupee weakened to 87.58 against the U.S. Dollar



Tepid Q3FY25 Corporate Earnings Scorecard

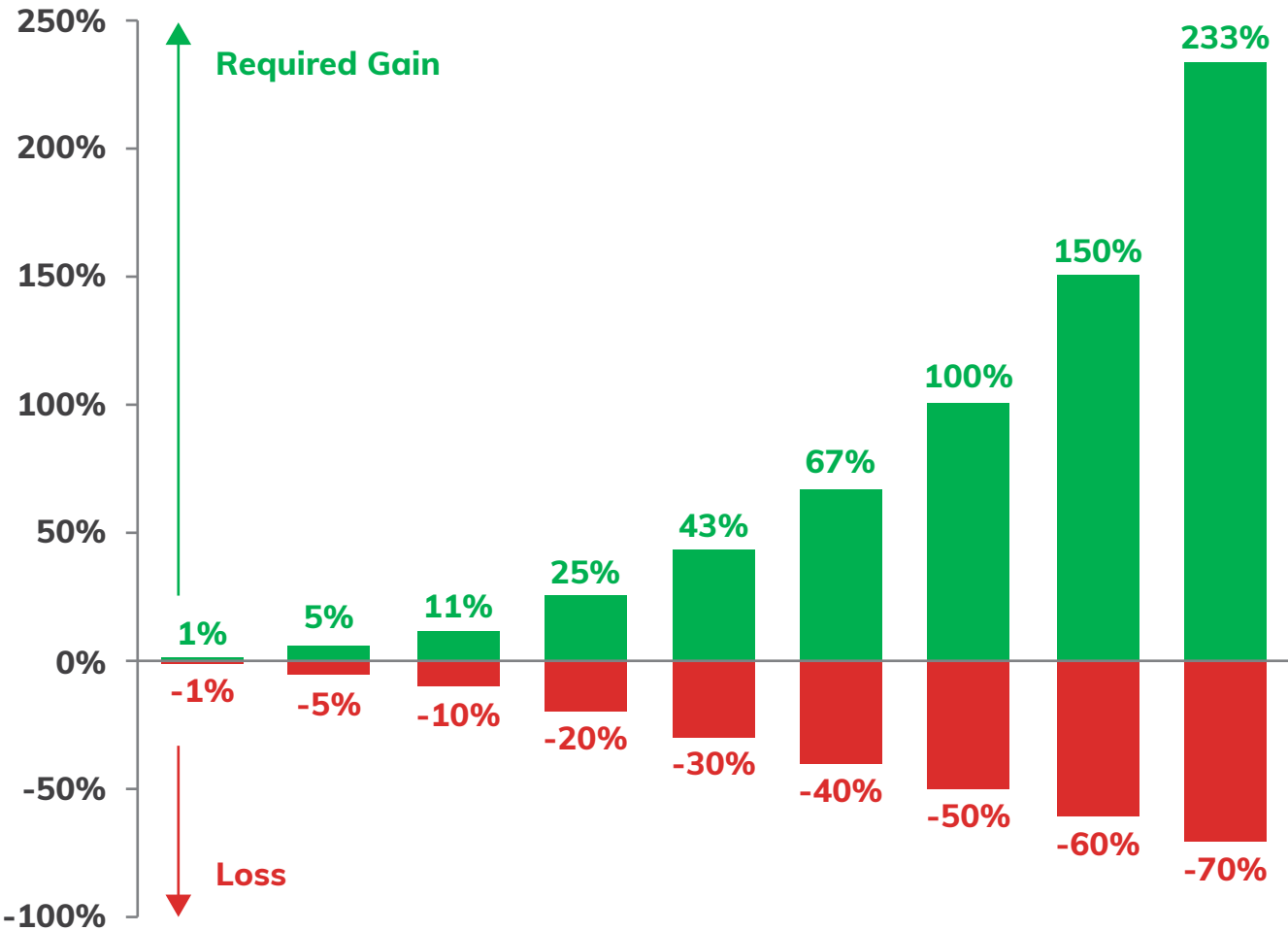


When the markets were rising, you did not think of selling. But now, your confidence has shaken after seeing the fall!

That's because my portfolio has fallen 50%, which means it would have to gain 100% returns to reach its original value.



HIGHER THE PERCENTAGE OF LOSS, GREATER THE PERCENTAGE OF RETURN WOULD BE NEEDED TO RECOVER THE ORIGINAL VALUE.



The conversation revolves around how emotions play the role of a villain when making investment decisions



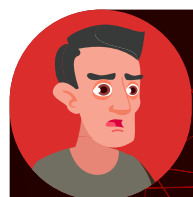
SHARMAJI

Ravi, we often focus on the upside returns and overlook the downside risks.



RAVI

Indeed, the 'fear of missing out' played on my mind when the markets were rising, compelling me to remain invested.



PANIC

When equity markets fall, headlines flash disaster and pessimism spreads rapidly.

Investors panic and sell their investments as they expect the markets to fall further.



OPTIMISM

Conversely, when equity markets rise, investor sentiment shifts to optimism.

Investors buy with the belief that the markets will continue to move upwards.



RAVI

So,
what should I do?

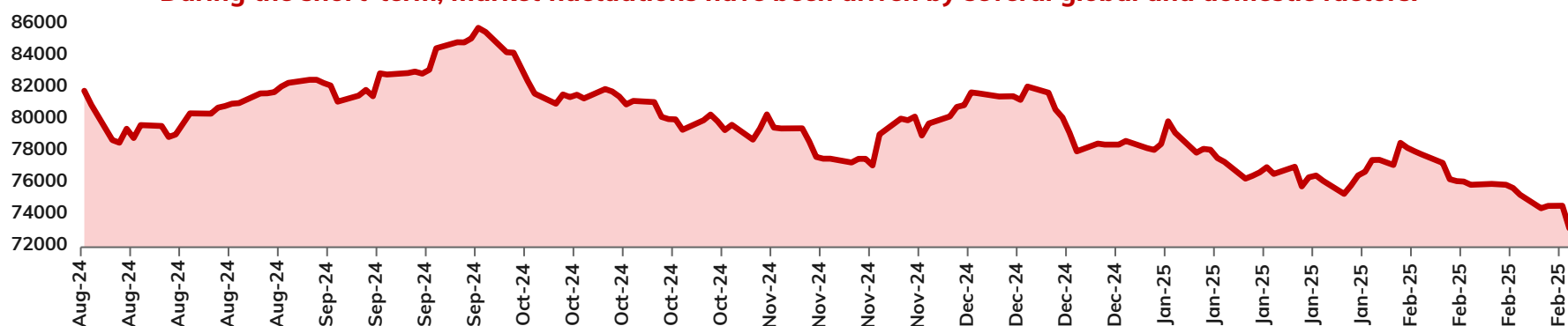
Firstly, don't let emotions control you.
Secondly, invest in equities with a long-term perspective as markets are inherently volatile.



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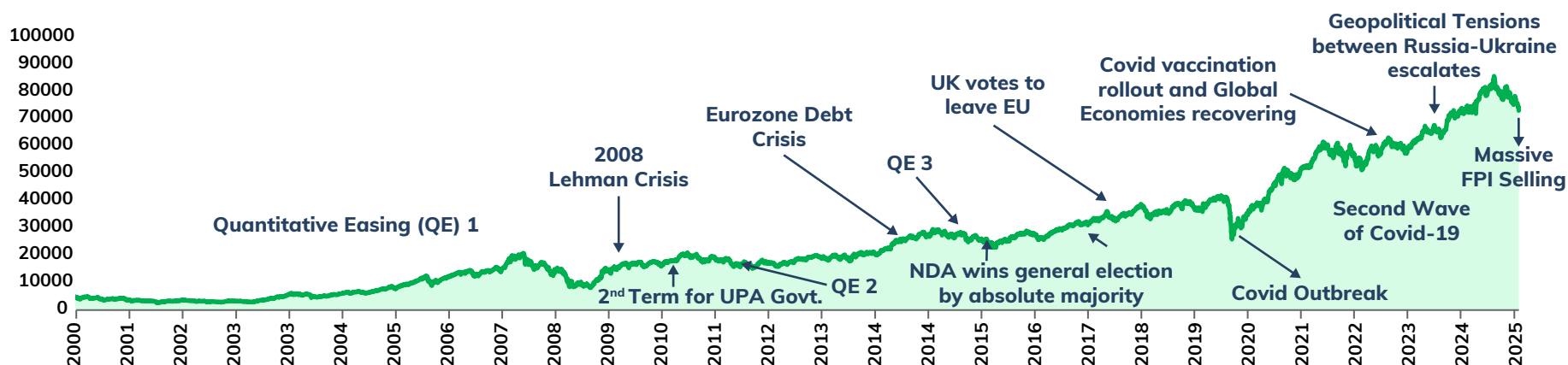
BSE SENSEX (CLOSING LEVEL) - SHORT-TERM PICTURE

During the short-term, market fluctuations have been driven by several global and domestic factors.



BSE SENSEX (CLOSING LEVEL) - LONG-TERM PICTURE

However, if you zoom at the larger picture, you will observe that markets tend to offer potential growth over the long term.

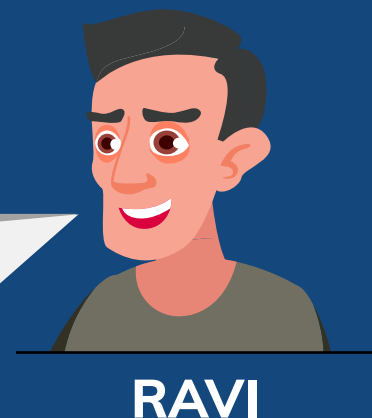


Source: BSE. Data as on February 28, 2025. Past performance may or may not be sustained in future and is not a guarantee of any future returns. UPA: United Progress Alliance, GDP: Gross Domestic Product, EU: European Union, FPI: Foreign Portfolio Investment, NDA: National Democratic Alliance. Covid: Coronavirus Disease., QE: Quantitative Easing, Govt.: Government.



Thirdly, you should invest across different asset classes to balance the portfolio.

Indeed, Gold and Debt could provide reasonable stability when equity markets fall.



Time Period	BSE Sensex Returns (%)	CRISIL Composite Bond Fund Index Returns (%)	Gold Returns (%)
2024	8.2	9.1	20.6
2023	18.7	7.3	15.4
2022	4.4	2.5	13.9
2021	22	3.4	-4.2
2020	15.8	12.0	28
2019	14.4	10.9	23.8
2018	5.9	5.9	7.9
2017	27.9	4.7	5.1
2016	1.9	12.8	11.3
2015	-5	8.6	-6.6
2014	29.9	14.3	-7.9
2013	9	3.6	-4.5
2012	25.7	9.3	12.3
2011	-24.6	6.9	31.7
2010	17.4	4.9	23.2
2009	81	3.5	24.2
2008	-52.4	8.8	26.1



In 2024, Gold delivered 20.6% returns as investors leaned to the yellow metal amidst global uncertainties.



In 2021, the BSE Sensex delivered 22% returns as economies began to recover from the pandemic-induced setbacks. During this period, Gold forayed in the negative territory.



In 2015, bond market was the lead performer. Stock markets tanked on concerns around a slowing Chinese economy.



In 2008, the BSE Sensex plunged 52% due to the Global Financial Crisis. During this period, investors found solace in the relative stability of Gold.

Source: MFI Explorer; Calendar year returns. Returns mentioned are in terms of CAGR. Data as on December 31, 2024. For calculating returns of Gold, MCX prices are considered. For Equity Returns, BSE Sensex values are considered. For Debt: CRISIL Composite Bond Fund Index is considered. Returns are calculated on absolute basis. Past performance may or may not be sustained in future. Green color represents best value and red color represents worst value. MFI Explorer is a tool provided by ICRA Online Ltd. For their standard disclaimer please visit <http://www.icraonline.com/legal/standard-disclaimer.html>

Gradually, Ravi's headache began to ease.
He was keen to understand how to navigate
market volatility



RAVI

Dad, selecting which
asset class would perform
is a difficult task!

Also, switching between
investments involves
higher tax outgo.

You can consider
investing in Hybrid
mutual fund
schemes that invest
across different
asset classes.



SHARMAJI

SCHEME RECOMMENDATIONS

Scheme	Net Equity Range	Asset Class			Taxation
		Equity	Debt	Gold	
ICICI Prudential Equity & Debt Fund	65-80%	✓	✓		Equity
ICICI Prudential Multi-Asset Fund	10-80%	✓	✓	✓	Equity
ICICI Prudential Balanced Advantage Fund	30-80%	✓	✓		Equity
ICICI Prudential Asset Allocator Fund (FOF) [^]	0-100%*	✓	✓	✓	12.5% Taxation with 24 months holding period

Data as on February 28, 2025. The net equity exposure is calculated net of stock futures and options (Notional Exposure of Index Put Options only). The portfolio of the scheme is subject to changes within the provisions of the Scheme Information document of the scheme. Please refer to the SID for investment pattern, strategy and risk factors. The asset allocation and investment strategy will be as per Scheme Information Document. [^]Investors may please note that they will be bearing the recurring expenses of this Scheme in addition to the expenses of the underlying Schemes in which this Scheme makes investment.*Please note that total Non Debt Allocation of the scheme will be 35-100%. Non Debt allocation includes Equity & Gold. Consult your tax advisor for further details on taxation and applicability based on your tax structure and regime. FOFs: Fund of Funds.

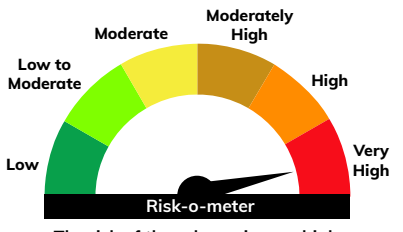
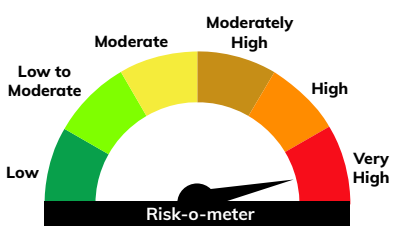


Ravi, remember that,
'A Penny Saved is a Penny Earned!'

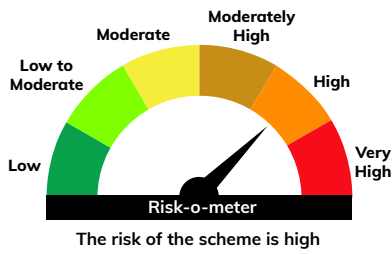
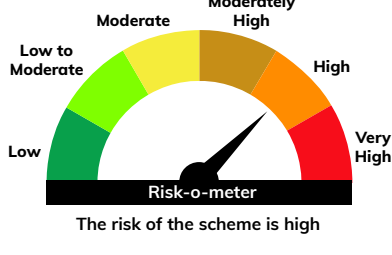
I agree, Dad.
I will continue to invest.
After all, I aspire to buy
a house we can call our
own home!



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