

The Secret Recipe of ICICI Prudential Income plus Arbitrage Active FOF



The news of Sunita's business venture spread like fire

Sunita is thinking of leaving her job to start a baking business within the next two years.



Is that true?



The question arises, 'How will Sunita finance her baking business?'

Tanya

The variety of cakes you bake have become the talk of the town!

Jessica

Agree! Have you prepared a plan for financing your business?

Sunita

I intend to start my business in the next few years. To fund this venture, I am looking for an investment option with lesser risk.



Sunita began listing her requirements to make an investment decision



Potential to generate reasonable returns with lower volatility

Prefer instruments that have a good credit profile

Actively Managed by Professionals

Ability to take Lower Risk

Tax-efficient investment for the long term

Should Sunita choose the mutual funds route?

Based on your needs, you can consider a mutual fund scheme.

That reminds me of an interesting article I came across!

MUTUAL FUNDS



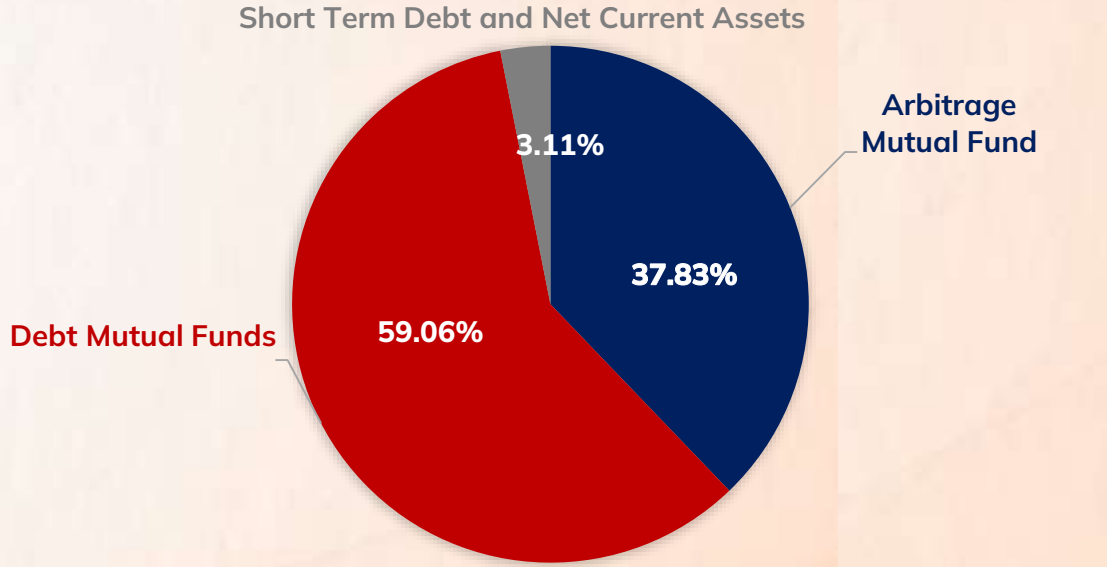
NEWS

ICICI Prudential Income Optimizer Fund (FOF) has been repositioned to ICICI Prudential Income plus Arbitrage Active FOF with effect from April 07, 2025.

ICICI Prudential Income plus Arbitrage Active FOF – A Blend of Debt oriented schemes and Arbitrage schemes



ICICI Prudential Income plus Arbitrage Active FOF	
Portfolio Schemes	Allocation %
ICICI Prudential Corporate Bond Fund	46.46%
ICICI Prudential Gilt Fund	9.73%
ICICI Prudential Money Market Fund	2.87%
ICICI Prudential Equity - Arbitrage Fund	37.83%



Data as on August 31, 2025. The Scheme has allocated 3.11% to Short term debt and net current assets

Sunita's Dilemma – On watching the business news channel, she was wary of market volatility impacting her investment returns

Foreign investors turn away from the Indian equity market

Prolonged Geopolitical Tensions unnerve markets

What could be the impact of the U.S. trade tariffs on major trading partners?

The RBI kept the Repo Rate unchanged in August 2025

Sunita, you don't need to worry as the Scheme is not directly exposed to the ups and downs of the equity market.



ICICI Prudential Income plus Arbitrage Active FOF – Actively Managed by Professionals

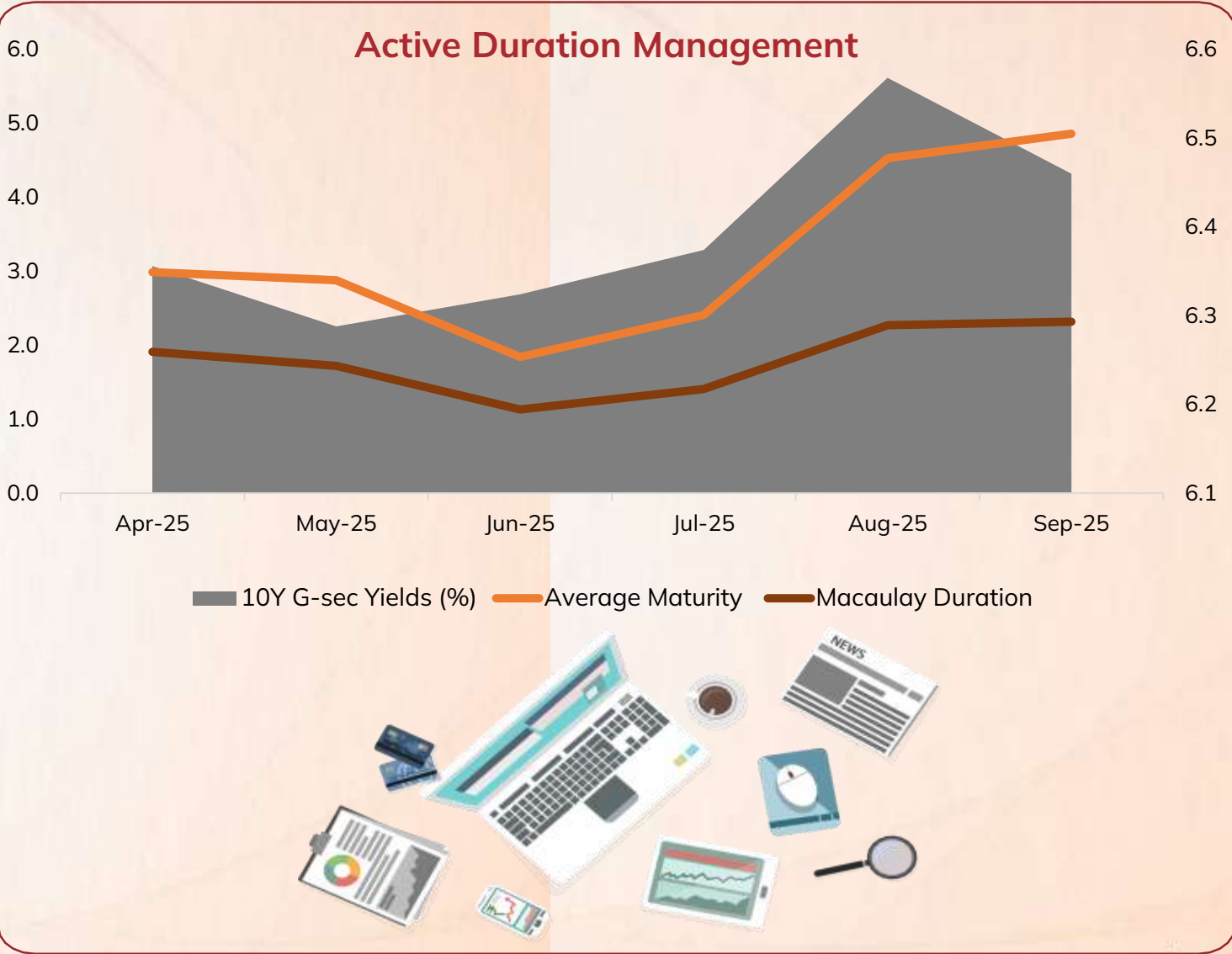


Scheme Allocation	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25	Aug-25
ICICI Prudential Equity - Arbitrage Fund	38.01%	35.96%	39.97%	40.30%	37.83%
ICICI Prudential Corporate Bond Fund	60.16%	51.81%	20.44%	47.15%	46.46%
ICICI Prudential Long Term Bond Fund	--	1.87%	--	--	--
ICICI Prudential Savings Fund	--	--	39.80%	--	--
ICICI Prudential Money Market Fund	--	--	--	11.97%	2.87%
ICICI Prudential Gilt Fund					9.73%



Source: G-Secs: Government Securities. The above table consists of month end data.

ICICI Prudential Income plus Arbitrage Active FOF – Actively Managed by Professionals



Y: Year. G-sec: Government Securities. Data as on September 08, 2025.

ICICI Prudential Income plus Arbitrage Active FOF – Better Tax Efficiency



	Short-Term Capital Gains	Long-Term Capital Gains	Holding Period
Arbitrage Schemes	20%	12.5%	12 Months
Debt Schemes	Tax Slab rate	Tax Slab rate	NA
ICICI Prudential Income plus Arbitrage Active FOF	Tax Slab rate	12.5%	24 Months



Investors should consult their tax advisers before making any decision. NA: Note Applicable.

ICICI Prudential Income plus Arbitrage Active FOF – No Tax Impact on Investors on Managing the allocation of underlying schemes

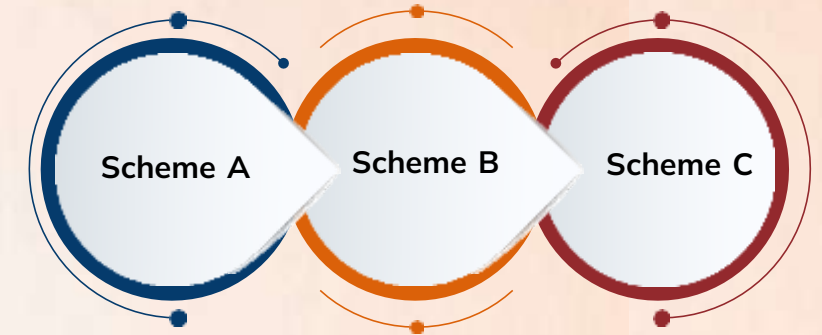


If an investor makes changes to their investment portfolio, it could attract higher tax liabilities.

However, when you invest in this Scheme, there will be no tax impact on investors when changes are made to the underlying schemes.

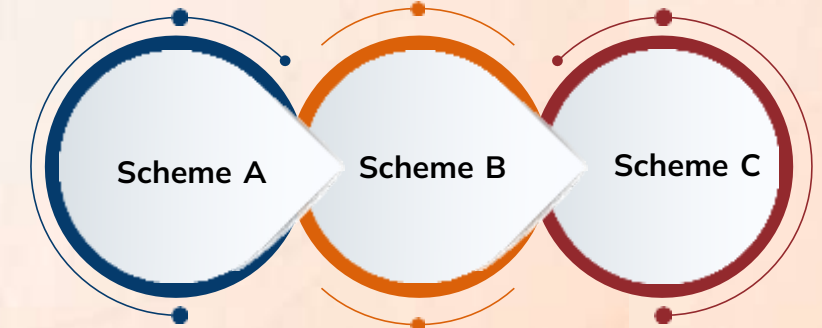
Investors Switching between debt schemes

Switching between debt schemes triggers a debt taxation at slab rate each time for investors.



ICICI Prudential Income plus Arbitrage Active FOF

Investors will be taxed only at redemption with a 12.5% tax rate for a holding period of 24 months



After understanding the key aspects of the Scheme, Sunita began to evaluate if it is in line with her investment needs

Sunita's Investment Requirements

Potential to generate reasonable returns with lower volatility



Prefer instruments that have a good credit profile



Actively Managed by Professionals



Ability to take Lower Risk



Tax-efficient investment for the long term



ICICI Prudential Income plus Arbitrage Active FOF

✓ The Scheme is not directly exposed to the ups and downs of the equity market. The portfolio includes a blend of debt-oriented and arbitrage schemes.

✓ A good credit portfolio of debt and arbitrage based schemes

✓ Actively managed based on market dynamics to capture opportunities presented by the market

✓ The risk profile is relatively lower due to predominant exposure to debt schemes

✓ Enjoys a LTCG tax of 12.5% with a holding period of 24 months, offering better tax efficiency

ICICI Prudential Income plus Arbitrage Active FOF – Performance Track Record



Returns of ICICI Prudential Income plus Arbitrage Active FOF - Growth Option as on August 31, 2025

Particulars	1 Year		3 Years		5 Years		Since inception	
	CAGR (%)	Current Value of Investment of Rs. 10000	CAGR (%)	Current Value of Investment of Rs. 10000	CAGR (%)	Current Value of Investment of Rs. 10000	CAGR (%)	Current Value of Investment of Rs. 10000
Scheme	5.69	10567.70	11.43	13836.83	11.01	16853.93	8.84	62876.10
60% Nifty Composite Debt Index + 40% Nifty Arbitrage Index (Benchmark)	2.10	10209.66	8.73	12853.74	9.89	16021.32	8.67	60870.64
CRISIL 10 Year Gilt Index (Additional Benchmark)	7.77	10774.49	7.82	12533.57	5.51	13074.17	5.78	33890.91
NAV (Rs.) Per Unit (as on August 29,2025 : 62.8761)	59.4984		45.4411		37.3065		10.00	

Notes: 1. The scheme is currently managed by Manish Banthia and Ritesh Lunawat. Mr. Manish Banthia has been managing this fund since Jun 2017. Total Schemes managed by the Fund Manager (Debt) is 25 (25 are jointly managed). Mr. Ritesh Lunawat has been managing this fund since Dec 2020. Total Schemes managed by the Fund Manager (Debt) is 11 (11 are jointly managed). Refer annexure from [page no. 112](#) for performance of other schemes currently managed by Manish Banthia and Ritesh Lunawat. 2. Date of inception: 18-Dec-03. 3. Past performance may or may not be sustained in future and the same may not necessarily provide the basis for comparison with other investment. 4. Load is not considered for computation of returns. 5. In case, the start/end date of the concerned period is a nonbusiness date (NBD), the NAV of the previous date is considered for computation of returns. The NAV per unit shown in the table is as on the start date of the said period. 6. The performance of the scheme is benchmarked to the Total Return variant of the Index. 7. With effect from May 13, 2024, Ms. Sharmila D'silva has been appointed as the fund manager under the scheme. 8. The categorization of ICICI Prudential Income Optimizer Fund (FOF) has been changed w.e.f. April 07, 2025. Please refer to the addendum published on website for more details. 9. The Benchmark of the Scheme has been changed from NIFTY 50 TRI (35%) + CRISIL Composite Bond Index (65%) to 60% Nifty Composite Debt Index + 40% Nifty Arbitrage Index. The returns presented above are of the previous benchmark. 10. Ms. Sharmila D'silva, Ms. Masoomi Jhumarvala & Mr. Dharmesh Kakkad has ceased to be the Fund Manager effective April 25, 2025. 11. the above returns are of the Regular plan. The benchmark return as on August 29, 2025 has been considered for August 31, 2025 as the same was a non-business day.

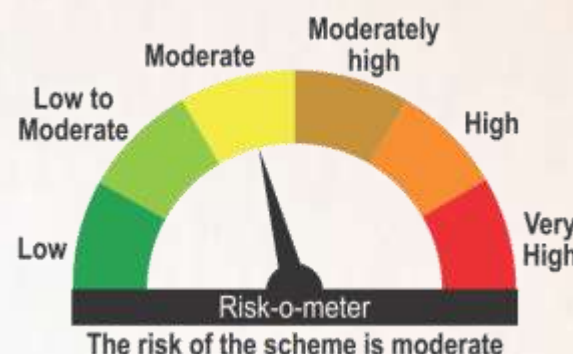
ICICI Prudential Income plus Arbitrage Active FOF (Erstwhile ICICI Prudential Income Optimizer Fund (FOF)) (An open ended fund of funds scheme investing in Debt oriented and arbitrage schemes).

This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:

- Short Term Savings
- An open ended fund of funds scheme investing in Debt Oriented and arbitrage schemes

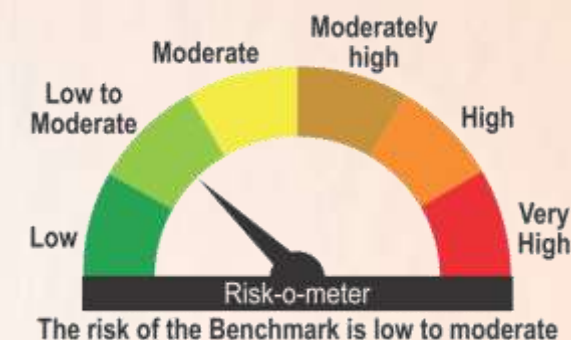
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Scheme



Benchmark

(60% Nifty Composite Debt Index + 40% Nifty Arbitrage Index)



Please note that the Risk-o-meter(s) specified will be evaluated and updated on a monthly basis. The below riskometers are as on August 31, 2025. Please refer to <https://www.icicipruamc.com/news-and-updates/all-news> for more details.

Investors may please note that they will be bearing the recurring expenses of the relevant fund of funds scheme in addition to the expenses of the underlying schemes in which the fund of funds scheme makes investment.

Mutual Fund investments are subject to market risks, read all scheme related documents carefully.

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