





### **News at Glance**

#### March 2025

### **Global News**

- US Federal Reserve kept interest rates steady for a second straight monetary policy meet held during March 2025 while cautioning about slowing economy and rising inflation risks amid US tariff policies.
- Fears of economic downturn in US caused intense sell off in equity markets during March wiping out \$4 trillion from US stock markets.
- Global markets witnessed heavy fall as US Tariffs on China, Canada and Mexico came into
  effect in March resulting in the affected countries responding through retaliatory actions
  and stern warnings.
- In a significant escalation to the Global Trade War, US President Donald Trump announced 25% tariffs on on all cars shipped to the United States which will come into effect from April 2, 2025.
- US Treasury Yields rose during the month of March amidst growing economic concerns and escalation of tariff war.
- Crude Oil prices held near 1-month highs amid tightening global supply outlook due to threatened U.S. tariffs on countries buying Venezuelan production.

#### **Domestic News**

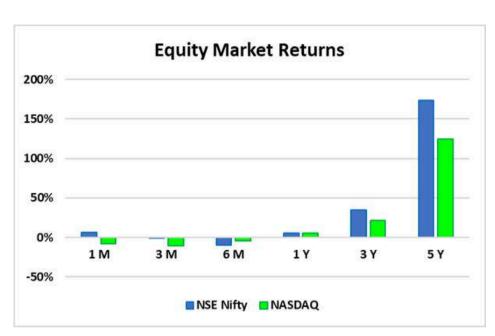
- Indian Equity Markets surged during the month with both BSE Sensex and Nifty 50 rising by 6% each thereby marking the highest monthly gain in 4 years and positioning India as the top performer among world's ten largest equity markets.
- Reserve Bank announced another liquidity infusion measure this month through open market operation (OMO) purchases and a \$10-billion dollar-rupee swap auction, aiming to inject Rs 1.9 lakh crore into the banking system.
- Inflation in India eased to a seven-month low of 3.61 percent in February from 4.31 percent in January 2025.
- Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs) turn net buyers of Equity in March after two months of intensive selling. This marks the first instance of net inflows since December last year.

Source: www.moneycontrol.com, www.reuters.com



# **India & USA: Equity Markets**

| Period  | Nifty 50 | NASDAQ |
|---------|----------|--------|
| 1 month | 6%       | -8%    |
| 3 month | -1%      | -10%   |
| 6 month | -10%     | -5%    |
| 1 Year  | 5%       | 6%     |
| 3 Year  | 35%      | 22%    |
| 5 Year  | 174%     | 125%   |



Source: www1.nseindia.com, www.bseindia.com, Data as on 28-March-2025

## **Indian Equities**



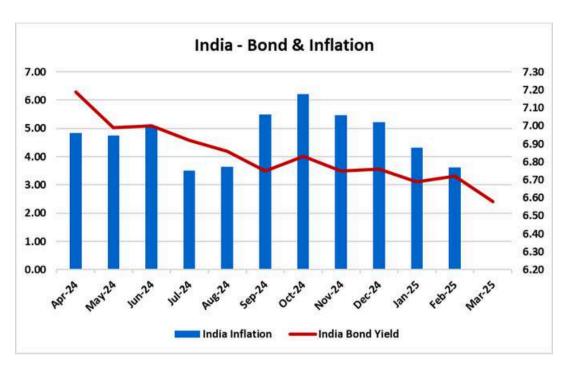
Performance of major indices in March 2025:

- Nifty 50: 6%
- Nifty Midcap: 9.5%
- Nifty Small Cap: 10.1%

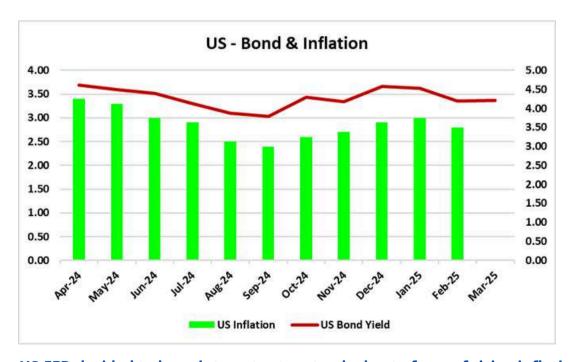
Inspite of positive performance in March 2025, the Indian Equity Markets are yet to recover from their peak valuations of September/October 2024.



#### India & USA: Debt Markets & Inflation



- India 10Y G-Sec yield fell to a 3-year low in March and closed at 6.58 levels from 6.72 in February.
- The fall in yields can be attributed to liquidity infusion measures adopted by RBI in March and anticipation of a possible rate cut in the upcoming Monetary Policy meet in April.



- US-FED decided to keep interest rates steady due to fears of rising inflationary risks and economic slowdown.
- US Bond yields in March rose to their highest levels in a month amidst economic concerns and escalation of Tariff war.



# **Mutual Fund Scheme Performance**

## **Category - Equity**

#### Performance by Mutual Fund Category (%) as on 31 March 2025

| 3 Months                    | 6 Months                     | 1 Year                    | 3 Years                    | 5 Years                    | 10 Years                     |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Large Cap<br>(3.36)         | Large Cap<br>(10.20)         | Mid Cap<br>10.23          | Mid Cap<br>18.29           | Small Cap<br>35.19         | Small Cap<br>15.91           |
| ELSS<br>(6.64)              | ELSS<br>(11.93)              | Large &<br>MidCap<br>8.94 | Small Cap<br>16.74         | Mid Cap<br>30.85           | Mid Cap<br>14.89             |
| Large &<br>MidCap<br>(7.74) | Large &<br>MidCap<br>(12.03) | Multi Cap<br>8.19         | Multi Cap<br>16.57         | Multi Cap<br>28.36         | Multi Cap<br>13.91           |
|                             |                              |                           |                            |                            |                              |
| Flexi Cap<br>(7.58)         | Flexi Cap<br>(12.35)         | Small Cap<br>7.54         | Large &<br>MidCap<br>15.79 | Large &<br>MidCap<br>27.05 | Large &<br>MidCap<br>13.45   |
|                             |                              | •                         | MidCap                     | MidCap                     | MidCap                       |
| (7.58)<br>Multi Cap         | (12.35)<br>Multi Cap         | 7.54<br>ELSS              | MidCap<br>15.79<br>ELSS    | MidCap<br>27.05<br>ELSS    | MidCap<br>13.45<br>Flexi Cap |

Source: www.valueresearchpro.com



# **Mutual Fund Scheme Performance**

## **Category - Debt**

#### Performance by Mutual Fund Category (%) as on 31 March 2025

| 1 Month                    | 3 Months                   | 6 Months                   | 1 Year                     | 3 Years                    |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Corporate<br>Bond<br>1.26  | Medium<br>Duration<br>2.49 | Medium<br>Duration<br>4.05 | Medium<br>Duration<br>8.53 | Medium<br>Duration<br>6.82 |
| Medium<br>Duration<br>1.23 | Corporate<br>Bond<br>2.27  | Corporate<br>Bond<br>3.84  | Corporate<br>Bond<br>8.22  | Money Market<br>6.65       |
| Short Duration<br>1.10     | Short Duration<br>2.19     | Short Duration<br>3.82     | Short Duration<br>8.00     | Liquid<br>6.63             |
| Money Market<br>0.84       | Money Market<br>1.95       | Money Market<br>3.71       | Low Duration<br>7.44       | Low Duration<br>6.43       |
|                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |
| Low Duration<br>0.83       | Low Duration<br>1.91       | Low Duration<br>3.67       | Money Market<br>7.42       | Corporate<br>Bond<br>6.42  |
|                            |                            |                            |                            | Bond                       |

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