

# First State Regional India Fund

# Objectives and investment strategy

The Fund aims to achieve long term capital appreciation and invests all or substantially all of its assets in the First State Indian Subcontinent Fund (the "Underlying Sub-Fund"), under the Dublin registered First State Global Umbrella Fund plc.

The Underlying Sub-Fund invests primarily (at least 70% of its net asset value) in a diversified portfolio of equity securities or equity-related securities issued by companies of the Indian subcontinent. Countries of the Indian subcontinent include India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and Bangladesh. The Underlying Sub-Fund concentrates on securities that are listed, traded or dealt in on regulated markets in the Indian subcontinent and offshore instruments issued by companies established or operating or have significant interests in the Indian subcontinent and listed on other regulated markets.

# Annualised performance in USD (%)^

	1yr	3yrs	5yrs	10yrs	Since Inception
Class A (SGD - Acc) (Ex initial charges)	-1.1	-1.9	4.6	8.9	8.7
Class A (SGD - Acc) (Inc initial charges)	-6.1	-3.5	3.5	8.4	8.5
Benchmark*	3.2	0.7	5.2	3.2	6.6

# Cumulative performance in USD (%)^

	3mths	1yr	Зугѕ	5yrs	Since Inception
Class A (SGD - Acc) (Ex initial charges)	19.0	-1.1	-5.5	25.3	782.3
Class A (SGD - Acc) (Inc initial charges)	13.0	-6.1	-10.2	19.0	738.2
Benchmark*	22.2	3.2	2.1	29.0	430.8



Source: Lipper, First State Investments. Single pricing basis with net income reinvested.

#### **Fund information**

Fund size	US\$69.0mn
Dealing	Monday to Friday (except public holidays)
Minimum initial investment	US\$1,000
Minimum subsequent investment	US\$100
Management fee	1.75%p.a.
Initial charge	5.0% (Cash)

#### Asset allocation (%)<sup>†</sup>

Country	%	%	%
India	85.2 Bangladesh	1.3 Pakistan	1.3
Sri Lanka	0.7 Liquidity	11.4	_

Sector	%		%		%
Consumer Staples	17.5	Financials	16.1	Materials	12.6
Industrials	11.8	Consumer Discret.	8.2	Info. Tech.	7.8
Comms Services	5.5	Real Estate	4.8	Health Care	3.4
Energy	0.9	Liquidity	11.4		_

### Top 10 company holdings (%)

Security name	Sector	%
Colgate-Palmolive (India) Limited	(Consumer Staples)	7.1
Bharti Airtel Limited	(Comms Services)	5.5
ICICI Bank	(Financials)	5.3
HDFC Bank	(Financials)	5.0
Ambuja Cements Limited	(Materials)	4.9
Infosys Limited	(Info. Tech.)	4.5
Godrej Industries Limited	(Industrials)	3.9
Godrej Consumer Products Limited	(Consumer Staples)	3.3
Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited	(Financials)	3.0
SKF India Ltd	(Industrials)	3.0

# Available share classes

Share Class Inception Date	NAV Price	ISIN Code
Class A (Acc) 22 Aug 1994	US\$5.5842	SG9999000186



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# **Important Information**

- ♦ Data provided in this factsheet is based on reference to the SGD pricing.
- ^The performance prior to 18 Oct 02 is in relation to the Fund before its conversion to a feeder fund.
- \* MSCI India Index
- The Fund may hold multiple equity securities in the same company, which have been combined to provide the Fund's total position in that company. Index weights, if any, typically include only the main domestic-listed security. The above Fund weightings may or may not include reference to multiple securities.
- <sup>\*</sup> Allocation percentage is rounded to the nearest one decimal place and the total allocation percentage may not add up to 100%.

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