# KOTAK PIONEER FUND





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# What is Kotak Pioneer Fund?

Kotak Pioneer Fund is an open-ended thematic equity scheme This Fund is a type of mutual fund that invests your money in companies that are doing something new or different — they are the first movers, innovators, or leaders in their field. The Fund Manger is Harish Bihani and Fund was launched 31 oct 2019.

# Kotak Pioneer Fund - Where Innovation Meets Growth

- Category: Thematic Equity (Innovation & Disruption Theme)
- ✓ Ideal Horizon: 5+ Years
- 😚 Global Allocation: Up to 35% in overseas equities & ETFs

# What does "Pioneer" mean here?

It means the fund chooses companies that are: First to bring new ideas or technology Changing their industry Creating something unique





# **How It Works:**

The fund manager identifies emerging trends, innovations, and sectoral disruptions.

Invests in companies that are early adopters, industry leaders, or future disruptors.

Thematic investing is not limited to a sector, but follows innovative business themes like:
Digitaltransformation,Renewable
energy,Fintech, AI, and automation
Healthcare innovation

# Fund Details: Kotak

Category Thematic: Pioneer/Innovation

Type Open-ended equity scheme

Launch DATE: 10 May 2023 Benchmark: NIFTY 500 TRI

Fund Manager: Mr. Harsha Upadhyaya (Chief Investment Officer – Equity, Kotak

Mutual Fund)

Min. Investment ₹100 (SIP) or ₹5,000 (lump sum)

Risk-o-meter Very High



# ♦ Similar Funds from Top 5AMCs:



### 1. ICICI Prudential Mutual Fund:

Thematic Scheme: ICICI Prudential Thematic Advantage Fund of Fund

Fund Manager(s): Sankaran Naren, Dharmesh Kakkad, Manish Banthia, Ritesh Lunawat

**AUM (Assets Under Management):** ~₹4,150+ crore (as of June 2025)

**About:** A Fund of Fund that invests in a mix of ICICI Pru's thematic and sectoral funds like banking, pharma, tech, energy, and consumption.

**Strategy:** Diversified allocation to multiple sectors based on market cycles and macro trends. Suitable for investors looking for long-term exposure to multiple growth themes with expert management.

### 2. HDFC Mutual Fund:

Innovation Scheme: HDFC Innovation Fund

Fund Manager(s): Priya Ranjan

AUM (Assets Under Management): ~₹1,800+ crore (approx., as per recent data)

About: A thematic fund that invests in companies driving or benefiting from

innovation and disruption.

**Strategy:** Focus on futuristic sectors like digital, automation, new-age finance, and green energy. Suitable for high-risk investors with long-term vision (5+ years).

### 3. Nippon India Mutual Fund

Innovation Scheme: Nippon India Innovation Fund

Fund Manager(s): Amit Sharma

**AUM (Assets Under Management)**: ~₹3,500+ crore (approx.)

**About:** Targets companies that create or adopt innovative business models, technology, and products.

**Strategy**: Invests across market caps and sectors such as fintech, digital platforms, AI, and electric mobility. High-risk, high-reward theme for aggressive investors.

# 4. Aditya Birla Sun Life Mutual Fund (ABSL MF):

Disruptive Tech Scheme: ABSL Disruptive Technology Fund

Fund Manager(s): Pranay Sinha

**AUM (Assets Under Management):** ~71,100+ crore (approx.)

**About:** Focuses on disruptive tech themes — such as cloud computing, blockchain, digital payments, robotics, etc.

**Strategy:** Invests in both Indian and global tech companies with potential to disrupt industries. Suitable for tech-savvy and aggressive investors.

### **5.SBI Mutual Fund:**

**Thematic Scheme:** SBI Thematic Fund (actual fund name may very — currently expected to launch or rebrand)

Fund Manager(s): Not officially announced yet

AUM (Assets Under Management): N/A (new or upcoming)

**About:** Expected to be a multi-theme fund focusing on innovation, transformation, and future-ready sectors.

**Strategy:** Likely to follow a sector rotation or innovation-led approach. Suitable for investors looking for broad thematic exposure.



# Volatility Measures and Performance:

### 1. ICICI Prudential Mutual Fund:



The ICICI Prudential Large Cap Fund stands out with:

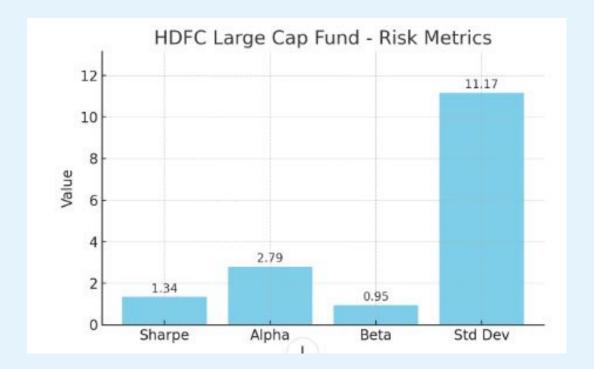
The highest Sharpe ratio is 1.56 (best risk-adjusted performance),

The highest alpha is 4.87 (most excess return),

And lowest beta and standard deviation 10.35 (lowest volatility).

This fund is an excellent choice for investors seeking high alpha with controlled risk, showing that the fund manager has effectively delivered returns while minimizing volatility.

# 2. HDFC Mutual Fund:



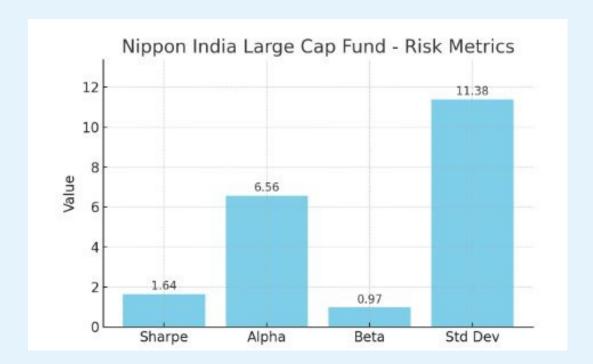
The HDFC Large Cap Fund demonstrates a solid risk-adjusted performance with a strong alpha 2.79 and Sharpe ratio 1.34 and moderate volatility slightly below market levels. It appears to be a well-managed large-cap fund suitable for investors seeking relatively stable growth with better-than-benchmark returns.

# 3. Aditya Birla Sun Life Mutual Fund (ABSL MF):



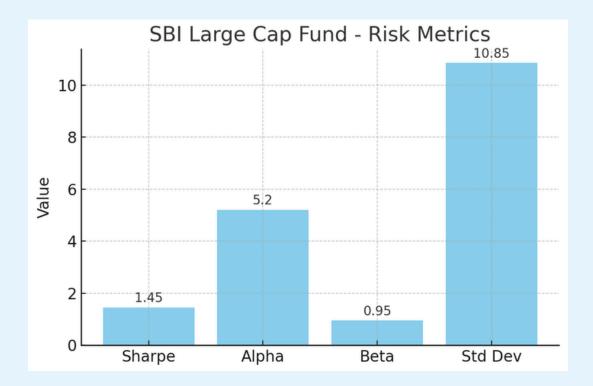
The ABSL Large Cap Fund offers a slightly better Sharpe ratio is 1.35 and lower risk Beta is 0.92 & Std Dev is 10.79 compared to HDFC's fund, while maintaining a strong alpha. It appears suitable for investors looking for stable returns with slightly lower risk, without compromising much on outperformance potential.

# 4. Nippon India Mutual Fund



The Nippon India Large Cap Fund shows strong risk-adjusted performance with a Sharpe Ratio of 1.64 and Alpha of 6.56, indicating high returns and strong outperformance over its benchmark. Its Beta of 0.97 reflects near-market volatility, while a Standard Deviation of 11.38 shows moderate risk. Overall, it's a solid choice for long-term investors seeking growth with controlled risk.

### 5.SBI Mutual Fund:



The SBI Large Cap Fund shows a balanced performance with a Sharpe Ratio of 1.45, indicating good risk-adjusted returns. Its Alpha of 5.20 suggests strong outperformance over the benchmark. With a Beta of 0.95, the fund is slightly less volatile than the market. The Standard Deviation of 10.85% confirms moderate volatility, making it suitable for investors with an average risk appetite looking for stable long-term growth.

# **CONCLUSION:**

Pioneer Funds are becoming popular among investors who want high growth by investing in new and fast-growing sectors. These funds focus on companies that bring innovation and change, both in India and around the world.

Kotak Pioneer Fund is one such fund that stands out because it invests in both Indian innovative companies and global technology leaders through ETFs. Launched in October 2019, it has given good returns and is known for its smart mix of Indian and global investments.

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