

Arka Investment Advisory announces the first close of its maiden Rs. 250 Cr Credit Fund

Mumbai, February 13, 2023: Arka Investment Advisory Services Private Limited (AIASPL) has announced the first close of Arka Credit Fund I, a scheme of its maiden credit fund, Arka Credit Fund. It is a diversified, sector-agnostic Category-II Alternative Investment Fund (AIF) having a target corpus of INR 250 Cr. with a green shoe option of Rs. 50 Cr. It has a tenure of 4.5 years and the sponsor and/ or its subsidiary(ies) has approved investment of Rs. 55 Cr. in the Fund.

The Arka Credit Fund I aims to provide structured solutions for mid-market corporates and conglomerates to support their business needs and is backed by a strong management team of the fund has a cumulative experience of 100+ years in managing assets in the performing credit and structured credit space.

Gauri Kirloskar, Managing Director, Kirloskar Oil Engines Limited, said, "The Asset Management business rollout is a well-thought-out diversification strategy of the group in alignment with our NBFC business, Arka Fincap Ltd."

Vimal Bhandari, Executive Vice Chairman & CEO, Arka Fincap Limited, said, "The fund shall compliment the NBFC in providing a more comprehensive solution to our clients."

Sonit Singh, Director & Head, Arka Investment Advisory Services Private Limited, said, "With a strong track record of investing in investment grade credit space along with the inherent demand from the market post pandemic, Arka Group now launches this credit fund to fill the gap which persists in the market. We are planning to make 8-10 investments at a ticket size between Rs. 30-50 Cr in performing credit space at an IRR of 14% - 16%. Our maiden offering has a strong backing from our sponsors and so far Arka Credit Fund I has received an encouraging response from marquee investors."

About Arka Investment Advisory Services:

Arka Investment Advisory Services Private Limited (AIASPL) is the Investment Manager for Arka's maiden credit fund, which is a diversified, secure, mid-market focussed Category II Alternative Investment Fund registered with SEBI. It is a subsidiary of Arka Financial Holdings Private Limited, which is in turn is a wholly owned subsidiary of Kirloskar Oil Engines Limited. Fund would specialise in investment across sectors in the performing credit space. It comprises a strong management team with cumulative 100+ years of experience across the financial services industry who have built a strong track record in investment & lending over the last 4 years.

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