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GLOSSARY OF FINANCIAL TERMS

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Cap

The top interest rate that can be paid on a floating-rate security.

Capital Asset

Long-term asset that is not bought or sold in the normal course of business.

Capital Gain

Difference between an asset's purchase price and selling price, when the difference is positive.

Capital Markets

Markets where capital funds - debt and equity - are traded.

Capital Stock

Stock authorized by a company's charter. The number and value of issued shares are normally shown, together with the number of shares authorized, in the capital accounts section of the balance sheet.

Capitalization Rate

Rate of interest used to convert a series of future payments into a single present value.

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PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF MUTUAL FUND SCHEMES

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Abstract

The active involvement of mutual funds in the economic development can be seen by their dominant presence in the money and capital market. The present study is confined to evaluate the performance of mutual funds on the basis of daily returns compared with security returns and S&P CNX 500 Index. The present study covers 25 schemes, (10 growth schemes, 11 income schemes, and 4 balanced schemes) floated by different institutions. For the purpose of this study, four performance measures, Sharpe, Treynor, Jensen's and Fama's measures are applied. It is observed that the performance of sample schemes during the study period is good. However, there are some instances where poor performance has been reflected.

Introduction

Mutual fund is a trust or an investment company that pools resources from thousands of investors who share common investment goal and then diversifies its investments into different types of securities in order to provide potential returns and reasonable safety. It has become a major vehicle for mobilization of savings, especially from the small and household savers for investments in the capital market. The mutual fund helps the small and medium size investors to participate in today's complex and modern financial scenario. The investors can participate in the mutual fund by buying the units of the fund. The income earned through these investments and capital appreciation realized by the scheme is shared by its unit holders in proportion to the number of units owned by them. The active involvement of mutual funds in the economic development can be seen by their dominant presence in the money and capital market.

Significance of the study

Mutual Funds Industry has grown by leaps and bounds, particularly during the last two decades. Moreover the entry of private mutual fund has injected a

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Market Value of Schemes Investment + Other Assets (including accrued interest) – All Liabilities (unit Capital and reserves)

$$NAV = \frac{\text{Market Value of Schemes Investment + Other Assets (including accrued interest) – All Liabilities (unit Capital and reserves)}}{\text{No of units outstanding at the end of the day}}$$

B) **Portfolio returns:** The portfolio returns are calculated as follows

$$R_{it} = \frac{D_t + NAV_t - NAV_{t-1}}{NAV_{t-1}}$$

Where

R_{it} is the portfolio returns.

NAV_t = per share NAV at the end of the day t

NAV_{t-1} = per share NAV at the end of the previous day

c) **Market returns:** The following formula is used to calculate market returns.

$$R_{mt} = \frac{M.Ind_t - M.Ind_{t-1}}{M.Ind_{t-1}}$$

Where

R_{mt} is the market returns.

$M.Ind_t$ = Market Index at the end of the day t

$M.Ind_{t-1}$ = Market Index at the end of the previous day

d) **Risk:** It is the difference between the required rate of returns on mutual fund investment and the risk free rate. The total risk of a fund is the sum of systematic and unsystematic risk and it is measured in terms of standard deviation of returns of the fund.

e) **Beta:** The systematic risk is measured in terms of beta, which represents fluctuations in the NAV of the fund vis-à-vis market. Beta coefficient compares the variability of funds returns to the market as a whole. It is a relative measure. By convention, market will have beta value of 1.0. Mutual fund can be said to be volatile, more volatile or less volatile.

f) **Alpha:** It represents the difference between a mutual fund's actual performance and what would be expected at the level of risk assumed. A healthy fund would have an alpha equal to zero. A positive alpha indicates that the manager produced returns greater than expected for the risk taken. Alpha is calculated by comparing the fund's actual performance with the risk adjusted expected returns.

g) Sharpe Measure

The performance of a fund is evaluated on the basis of Sharpe Ratio, which is a ratio of returns generated by the fund over and above risk free rate of returns and the total risk associated with it. According to Sharpe, it is the total risk of the fund that the investors are concerned about. So, the model evaluates funds on the basis of reward per unit of total risk. Symbolically, it can be written as:

$$\text{Sharpe Index (S)}_i = \frac{R_i - R_f}{\sigma_i}$$

Where,

R_i = Average returns on portfolio

R_f = Risk free rate of interest

σ_i = Standard deviation (risk) of the returns of portfolio

While a high and positive Sharpe Ratio shows a superior risk-adjusted performance of a fund, a low and negative Sharpe Ratio is an indication of unfavorable performance.

h) Treynor Measure

This model evaluates funds on the basis of Treynor's Index. This Index is a ratio of returns generated by the fund over and above risk free rate of returns (generally taken to be the returns on securities backed by the government, as there is no credit risk associated), during a given period and systematic risk associated with it (beta). While a high and positive Treynor's Index shows a superior risk-adjusted performance of a fund, a low and negative Treynor's Index is an indication of unfavorable performance.

Symbolically, it can be represented as:

$$\text{Treynor's Index (T)}_i = \frac{R_i - R_f}{\beta_i}$$

Where,

R_i = Average returns on portfolio

R_f = Risk free rate of interest

β_i = Beta coefficient of portfolio

i) Jensen Model

Jensen's model proposes another risk adjusted performance measure. This measure was developed by Michael Jensen and it is sometimes referred to as the

Efficient market theories state that higher the risk, higher should be the returns and vice versa. The growth schemes with the highest risk yielded higher returns. The income schemes with the next higher risk yielded moderate returns. In the case of balanced schemes, they earned low returns with low risk. The overall analysis shows that the risk returns relationship does exist in few of the mutual fund schemes.

With reference to the performance of the individual growth schemes, the Reliance Growth Fund – Growth Plan has yielded the highest returns of 75.79% with highest risk (25.89). The Birla Advantage Fund – Dividend Scheme has earned the negative returns of -1.58% with low risk (1.74).

Among the sample income schemes taken for this study, Reliance Income Fund – Annual Dividend Plan has yielded the highest returns of 47.31% with highest risk (18.89). This is followed by Birla Sunlife, Govt. Securities Long Term Dividend Scheme (returns of 22.74% and risk 8.5). The least returns was earned by the Birla Sunlife Monthly Income – Quarterly Dividend Plan (0.33%) while least risk was faced by the Birla Sun life Cash Manager – Growth.

In the case of balanced schemes, JM Balanced Fund - Growth Scheme has earned high returns of 3.77% with high risk of 2.62 compared to other schemes. All other balanced schemes have earned negative returns irrespective of level of risk. The overall analysis shows that the growth and income schemes have performed better than the balanced schemes. Among the individual schemes, Reliance Funds occupied the top rank in both the growth and income schemes.

ii) Results of Performance Measure models

Table -2 shows the results of Sharpe, Treynor, Jensen, and Fama models. From the analysis of the Table, a general trend could be observed. Few schemes got similar ranks both under the Sharpe and Treynor measures. This indicates the fact that the total risk of a well diversified portfolio is equal to the systematic risk. It means that the schemes are well diversified. Such schemes are given below:

Growth Scheme

- ❖ Birla Sun life Tax Relief – 96 Fund
- ❖ Birla Sun life Equity Fund – Growth

Income Scheme

- ❖ Birla Income plus – Growth
- ❖ Birla Sun life Income Fund – Regular Growth

Balanced Schemes

- ❖ JM Balanced Fund – Dividend

The Sharpe ratio clearly shows that most of the sample growth schemes have earned positive results. Schemes like Birla Advantage Fund – Dividend, Birla Sunlife Equity Fund – Dividend have earned negative results. These schemes are considered as superior risk adjusted performing fund. Most of the income and balanced schemes earned negative results under Sharpe and Treynor measures. It indicates the unfavorable performance of funds.

The results of Treynor measures show that most of the schemes have earned low and negative results. This is an indication of unfavorable performance of funds. The Jensen measures in all the schemes under three categories showed positive results ranging from 6-7 percent except the Birla Tax Plan – 98.

The application of Fama's measures under the three categories showed that most of the schemes have earned low but positive results. However, the Birla Tax Plan – 98 earned high returns of 5.54. It means that the fund manager has managed the fund efficiently and earned the returns well above the returns of other schemes.

iii) Top Mutual Fund Schemes:

The ranking of the schemes under the four models are not the same. This may be due to the fact that these four models use different parameters for the evaluation. The ranking of schemes (top three schemes) under four models are given in Table-3

Findings of the Study

The following are the important findings of the study:

- ❖ Among the growth schemes taken for this study, two schemes – Reliance Growth Fund – GP (75.79%) and Birla Advantage Fund -Growth (14.59%) have outperformed others. The actual returns of these schemes are greater than the average returns
- ❖ The few sample income schemes (Reliance Income Fund – ADP, Birla Sunlife Govt.Secu.Long Term Dividend, etc.) have yielded moderate returns, while the balanced schemes earned low returns.

Table 1
AND RETURNS OF MUTUAL FUND SCHEMES VS. SENSEX

| No | Schemes | Fund Return | Fund Risk | Beta |
|------------------------|--|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| Growth Scheme | | | | |
| 1 | Birla AdvantageFund -Dividend | -0.0158 | 1.7477 | -0.0268 |
| 2 | Birla AdvantageFund -Growth | 0.1459 | 3.8360 | 0.1751 |
| 3 | Birla Tax Plan 98 | 0.0862 | 4.5782 | -0.0906 |
| 4 | Birla sun life Tax Relief -96 Fund | 0.0438 | 1.7828 | 0.3020 |
| 5 | Birla sun life Equity Fund -Dividend | 0.0217 | 1.9434 | 0.3159 |
| 6 | Birla sun life Equity Fund - Growth | 0.0566 | 1.8846 | 0.3272 |
| 7 | JM Basic Fund | 0.0568 | 5.2400 | 0.1493 |
| 8 | Reliance vision Fund-GP | 0.1110 | 1.4530 | 0.1481 |
| 9 | Reliance Growth Fund -DP | 0.0794 | 2.1848 | -0.0528 |
| 10 | Reliance Growth Fund-GP | 0.7579 | 25.8897 | 0.3632 |
| | Average (For all schemes) | 13.43% | 5.0540 | |
| Income Schemes | | | | |
| 11 | Birla Income Plus - Growth | 0.1048 | 4.2816 | -0.0821 |
| 12 | Birl Sunlife Income Fund - Reg.Growth | 0.0373 | 0.1757 | 0.0109 |
| 13 | Birla Sunlife Income Fund - 54EA Div | 0.0052 | 0.4891 | 0.0120 |
| 14 | Birla Sunlife Income Fund - 54EB Div | 0.0052 | 0.4817 | 0.0183 |
| 15 | Birla Sunlife Monthly Income -Qty Div | 0.0033 | 0.4094 | 0.0261 |
| 16 | Birla Sunlife Govt.Secu.Long Term Dividend | 0.2274 | 8.5226 | -0.1805 |
| 17 | Birla Sunlife Cash Manager - Growth | 0.0231 | 0.0141 | -0.0001 |
| 18 | Reliance Income Fund - QDP | 0.0075 | 0.3454 | 0.0002 |
| 19 | Reliance Income Fund - HDP | 0.0090 | 0.4262 | 0.0004 |
| 20 | Reliance Income Fund - ADP | 0.4731 | 18.8896 | 0.1852 |
| 21 | Reliance Income Fund - Growth | 0.0356 | 0.1594 | -0.0031 |
| | Average (For all schemes) | 8.47% | 3.1086 | |
| Balanced Scheme | | | | |
| 22 | Birla Balance -Growth | -0.0062 | 1.0413 | -0.0299 |
| 23 | Birla Balance - Dividend | -0.0021 | 1.2445 | -0.0196 |
| 24 | JM balanced fund -Dividend | -0.0070 | 1.1263 | 0.1903 |
| 25 | JM balanced fund -Growth | 0.0377 | 2.6249 | 0.0734 |
| | Average (For all schemes) | 0.56% | 1.5093 | |
| | MARKET (S&P CNX 500) INDEX | 4.5% | 1.648 | 1.000 |

Source: Corporate Database- Prowess.

Table 2
RESULTS OF SHSAPE, TREYNOR, JENSON AND FAMA MODELS

| Schemes | SHARPE | Rank | TRYNOR | Rank | JENSON | Rank | FAMA | Rank |
|--|---------|------|----------|------|---------|------|--------|------|
| Growth Scheme | | | | | | | | |
| Birla AdvantageFund -Dividend | -0.0542 | 10 | 2.484 | 1 | 0.0676 | 2 | 0.0437 | 4 |
| Birla AdvantageFund -Growth | 0.1285 | 1 | -0.237 | 9 | 0.0631 | 5 | 0.0158 | 8 |
| Birla Tax Plan 98 | 0.0715 | 2 | 0.826 | 4 | -0.1115 | 10 | 5.5423 | 1 |
| Birla sun life Tax Relief -96 Fund | 0.0062 | 7 | -0.178 | 7 | 0.0604 | 6 | 0.0432 | 5 |
| Birla sun life Equity Fund -Dividend | -0.0128 | 9 | -0.190 | 8 | 0.0601 | 7 | 0.0667 | 2 |
| Birla sun life Equity Fund - Growth | 0.0210 | 6 | -0.148 | 6 | 0.0598 | 8 | 0.0418 | 6 |
| JM Basic Fund | 0.0440 | 4 | -0.392 | 10 | 0.0637 | 3 | 0.0029 | 9 |
| Reliance vision Fund-GP | 0.0649 | 3 | 0.297 | 5 | 0.0637 | 3 | 0.0476 | 3 |
| Reliance Growth Fund -DP | 0.0057 | 8 | 1.349 | 3 | 0.0682 | 1 | 0.0378 | 7 |
| Reliance Growth Fund-GP | 0.0267 | 5 | 1.902 | 2 | 0.0590 | 9 | 0.2786 | 10 |
| Income Schemes | | | | | | | | |
| Birla Income Plus - Growth | 0.0892 | 3 | 0.921 | 3 | 0.0688 | 2 | 0.0098 | 8 |
| Birla Sunlife Income Fund -Reg.Growth | -0.3440 | 9 | -6.096 | 9 | 0.0668 | 7 | 0.0647 | 3 |
| Birla Sunlife Income Fund - 54EA Div | -0.1318 | 4 | -5.578 | 8 | 0.0667 | 8 | 0.0605 | 7 |
| Birla Sunlife Income Fund - 54EB Div | -0.1339 | 5 | -3.664 | 7 | 0.0666 | 9 | 0.0606 | 6 |
| Birla Sun life Monthly Income -Qty Div | -0.1603 | 7 | -2.567 | 6 | 0.0664 | 10 | 0.0615 | 4 |
| Birla Sunlife Govt.Secu.Long Term Div | 0.2195 | 2 | 0.599 | 4 | 0.0710 | 1 | 0.0468 | 10 |
| Birla Sunlife Cash Manager - Growth | -4.7240 | 11 | 533.169 | 1 | 0.0670 | 4 | 0.0668 | 1 |
| Reliance Income Fund - QDP | -0.1865 | 8 | -312.028 | 11 | 0.0670 | 4 | 0.0057 | 9 |
| Reliance Income Fund - HDP | -0.1481 | 6 | -162.328 | 10 | 0.0670 | 4 | 0.0613 | 5 |
| Reliance Income Fund - ADP | 0.4696 | 1 | 0.111 | 5 | 0.0629 | 11 | 0.1851 | 11 |
| Reliance Income Fund - Growth | -0.3848 | 10 | 21.350 | 2 | 0.0671 | 3 | 0.0649 | 2 |
| Balanced Scheme | | | | | | | | |
| Birla Balance -Growth | -0.0705 | 4 | 2.238 | 2 | 0.0677 | 1 | 0.0531 | 1 |
| Birla Balance - Dividend | -0.0559 | 2 | 3.412 | 1 | 0.0674 | 2 | 0.0504 | 3 |
| JM balanced fund -Dividend | -0.0665 | 3 | -0.359 | 3 | 0.0628 | 4 | 0.0520 | 2 |
| JM balanced fund -Growth | 0.0122 | 1 | -0.875 | 4 | 0.0654 | 3 | 0.0320 | 4 |

Source: Corporate Database- Prowess.

| Particulars | 1991-92 | | | 1996-97 | | | |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| | Target | Achievement | Rate of achievement (n %) | Target | Achievement | Rate of achievement (n %) | Rate of target (n %) |
| 1. Production (Rs. Crores) | | | | | | | |
| (a) SSI | 16000.00 (81.89) | 16000.00 (81.92) | 100.00 | 2,33,463.00 (79.20) | - | - | 145.91 |
| (b) VSI | 195376.00 (100) | 195294.00 (100) | 99.95 | 2,94,775.00 (100) | - | - | 150.67 |
| 2. Employment (Lakh person) | | | | | | | |
| (a) SSI | 133.30 (32.11) | 126.00 (28.42) | 94.52 | 150.50 (27.17) | - | - | 112.90 |
| (b) VSI | 415.02 (100) | 443.22 (100) | 106.79 | 553.74 (100) | - | - | 133.42 |
| 3. Export (Rs. Crores) | | | | | | | |
| (a) SSI | 7681.00 (43.61) | 12658.00 (65.06) | 158.60 | 20,200.00 (42.22) | - | - | 253.10 |
| (b) VSI | 15,297.45 (100) | 22,448.16 (100) | 125.64 | 50,215.00 (100) | - | - | 334.43 |

Source: Computed from

1. The 5th Five Year plan, 1985-90, (p-11)
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- (U.S. Ministry of Planning Commission, New Delhi)

Note:

1. Rate of achievement = $\frac{100}{\text{Target}} \times \text{Achievement}$
2. Rate of target = $\frac{100}{\text{Target (Previous year)}} \times \text{Target (Current year)}$
3. Figures given in the parenthesis are percentage