

## PRESS RELEASE

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### **IISL launches 6 corporate bond indices**

#### **Indices aim to capture the risk-return dynamics of AAA segment of Indian corporate bond market**

**Mumbai:** India Index Services & Products Limited (IISL), an NSE group company, has today launched a series of six AAA rated corporate bond indices for the Indian bond markets.

The NIFTY AAA Corporate Bond Index series comprises five indices across different maturities and one composite index. Each of the 5 maturity-based indices represents performance of liquid corporate bonds falling in specific residual maturity bucket. The composite index, on the other hand, covers all 5 distinct maturity buckets and hence seeks to represent the dynamics of the entire AAA corporate yield curve.

The NIFTY AAA corporate bond index series includes the following specific indices

Sr. no.	Index name	Residual maturity range
1	NIFTY AAA Ultra Short-Term Corporate Bond Index	0.5 to 2 Years
2	NIFTY AAA Short-Term Corporate Bond Index	2 to 3 Years
3	NIFTY AAA Medium-Term Corporate Bond Index	3 to 5 Years
4	NIFTY AAA Long-Term Corporate Bond Index	5 to 10 Years
5	NIFTY AAA Ultra Long-Term Corporate Bond Index	>10 Years
6	NIFTY AAA Corporate Bond Index	All maturities

The base date for all the indices is 31-Dec-2013 and base value is 1000. The index composition will be reviewed on a quarterly basis. The indices will be calculated on an end-of-day basis. The indices are expected to act as benchmarks for asset managers looking for an effective metric that measures the risk-return dynamics of the corporate bond market. The indices are also expected to be reference indices to be tracked by passive funds in the form of Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs), index funds and structured products.

“The index construction methodology pays specific attention to maintaining high portfolio liquidity, lower portfolio turnover and better market coverage. Given the illiquid nature of the Indian corporate bond market, this unique mix of index attributes is expected to make them the most suitable benchmark indices” said Mukesh Agarwal, CEO – IISL.

All NIFTY indices follow a well-defined, market relevant and rules-based framework that helps IISL provide transparent, replicable and market representative indices.

For information on index methodology and factsheet, please visit us at [www.nseindia.com](http://www.nseindia.com)

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