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2. As ever, country selection remains key in emerging markets to capture the most attractive idiosyncratic risk and opportunity in this broad and diverse investment universe.

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