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MAYBANK ASIAPAC EX-JAPAN EQUITY-I FUND

Unaudited Semi-annual report For the financial period from 1 February 2023 to 31 July 2023

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Manager's report For the financial period from 1 February 2023 to 31 July 2023

A. Fund Information

- 1. Name of the Fund Maybank AsiaPac Ex-Japan Equity-I Fund (the "Fund")
- 2. Type of Fund Growth
- 3. Category of Fund Equity (Shariah)
- 4. Duration of the Fund The Fund is an open-ended fund.
- 5. Fund launch date/ Commencement date 8 January 2014/ 23 February 2014

6. Fund's investment objective

The Fund aims to achieve capital growth over the long term by investing in Shariah-compliant equities.

7. Fund distribution policy

Distribution, if any, is incidental and will be made from realised income of the Fund.

8. Fund's performance benchmark

Morgan Stanley Capital International All Country ("MSCI AC") Asia Pacific Islamic Ex-Japan Index

9. The Fund's investment policy and principal investment strategy

The Fund invests between 70% to 98% of the Fund's NAV in Shariah-compliant equities listed or traded in the MSCI AC Asia Pacific ex-Japan markets. The Fund will also invest between 2% to 30% of the Fund's NAV in Shariah-compliant liquid assets including Shariah-compliant money market instruments and placement in Shariah-compliant deposits.

10. Net income distribution for the financial period from 1 February 2023 to 31 July 2023

The Fund did not declare any distributions during the financial period from 1 February 2023 to 31 July 2023.

Manager's report For the financial period from 1 February 2023 to 31 July 2023 (cont'd)

B. Performance Review

1. Key performance data of the Fund

| Category | 31.07.2023 | 31.07.2022 | 31.01.2023 |
|---|------------|------------|----------------|
| Portfolio Composition (%) | 1 1 | I | |
| Quoted equities - Local | 2.70 | 4.24 | 2.94 |
| Consumer Products & Services | 1.72 | 2.00 | 1.85 |
| - Technology | 0.98 | 2.24 | 1.09 |
| Quoted equities - Foreign | 91.91 | 81.99 | 86.12 |
| - Australia | 7.99 | 14.83 | 17.66 |
| - China | 0.56 | 1.84 | - |
| - Hong Kong | 18.10 | 16.90 | 24.26 |
| - India | 27.59 | 12.51 | 14.37 |
| - Indonesia | 13.56 | 8.29 | 9.56 |
| - Singapore | - | 1.37 | 1.46 |
| - South Korea | 14.11 | 14.43 | 9.66 |
| - Taiwan | 3.24 | 9.74 | 4.13 |
| - Thailand | 5.44 | 2.08 | 3.60 |
| - United States of America | 1.34 | - | 1.42 |
| Cash and other net assets (%) | 5.39 | 13.77 | 10.94 |
| Total (%) | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| NAV (RM'000) | 71,514 | 62,324 | 67,875 |
| Units in circulation (units'000) | 61,486 | 59,736 | 65,719 |
| NAV per unit (RM) | 1.1631 | 1.0433 | 1.0328 |
| Highest NAV per unit (RM) | 1.1681 | 1.1874 | 1.1874 |
| Lowest NAV per unit (RM) | 0.9960 | 0.9931 | 0.9890 |
| Annual return (%) (1) | | | |
| - Capital growth (%) | 12.62 | (8.72) | (9.65) |
| - Income distribution (%) | 12.02 | (0.72) | (9.03) 3.83 |
| Total return (%) | - 12.62 | (8.72) | (6.19) |
| | 12.02 | (0.72) | (0.19) |
| Benchmark (%) | 7.05 | (8.77) | (6.90) |
| Distribution (RM) | - | - | 2,481,181 |
| Distribution date (ex-date) | - | - | 27.01.2023 |
| Gross distribution per unit (sen) | - | - | 4.00 |
| Net distribution per unit (sen) | - | - | 4.00 |
| Total Expense Ratio ("TER") (%) (2) | 0.90 | 0.98 | 1.77 |
| Portfolio Turnover Ratio ("PTR") (times) ⁽³⁾ | 0.33 | 0.45 | 0.74 |
| FULLUIU TULLUVEL RALU (FIR) (IIIIES) | 0.33 | 0.40 | 0.74 |

Manager's report For the financial period from 1 February 2023 to 31 July 2023 (cont'd)

B. Performance Review (cont'd)

1. Key performance data of the Fund (cont'd)

Note:

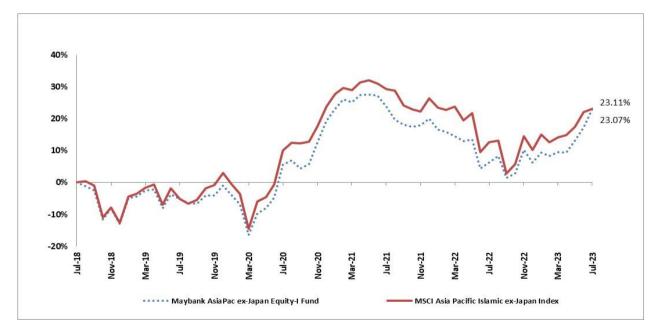
- (1) Actual return of the Fund for the financial period/ year is computed based on the daily average NAV per unit, net of Manager's fee and Trustee's fees.
- (2) The Fund's TER decreased to 0.90% due to lower administrative expenses in the current financial period under review.
- (3) The Fund's PTR decreased to 0.33 times due to lower trading activities in the current financial period under review.

Investors are reminded that past performance of the Fund is not necessarily indicative of its future performance and that unit prices and investment returns may fluctuate.

B. Performance Review (cont'd)

2. Performance of the Fund up to 31 July 2023

| Category | 6 months to 31.07.2023 % | 1 year to 31.07.2023 % | 3 years to 31.07.2023 % | 5 years to 31.07.2023 % |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Capital growth | 12.62 | 11.47 | (2.36) | (13.38) |
| Income distribution | - | 3.83 | 19.47 | 42.13 |
| Total return of the Fund | 12.62 | 15.74 | 16.65 | 23.11 |
| Benchmark | 7.05 | 9.24 | 11.84 | 23.07 |
| Average total return | - | 15.74 | 5.27 | 4.24 |



Source: Lipper, as at 31 July 2023

Manager's report For the financial period from 1 February 2023 to 31 July 2023 (cont'd)

B. Performance Review (cont'd)

2. Performance of the Fund up to 31 July 2023 (cont'd)

The fund registered returns of 12.62%, outperforming the relative benchmark MSCI AC Asia Pacific Islamic Ex-Japan Index by 5.57 basis points ("bps"). In absolute terms, the Fund's outperformance was driven by positions in India, Indonesia, Hong Kong, South Korea and Taiwan. Detractors were companies in Singapore, Australia and Malaysia. The Fund was fully invested on average, which helped with performance as Asian markets was generally on an uptrend during the period. In terms of sector selection, the Fund's exposure to Consumer Discretionary (both in India and Indonesia), Healthcare (India), Materials (Korea, India), Communication Services (mainly China), Industrials and Utilities contributed positively to the Fund despite underweighting Technology, which performed well during the period.

| Cotogony | 31.07.2023 | 31.01.2023 | 31.01.2022 | 31.01.2021 | 31.01.2020 |
|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Category | % | % | % | % | % |
| Annual total | | | | | |
| return | 12.62 | (6.19) | (5.36) | 28.35 | 0.87 |
| Benchmark | 7 05 | (6,90) | (2 41) | 28 71 | 3 88 |

3. Annual total return of the Fund

4. Basis of calculation made in calculating the returns:

The performance figures are a comparison of the growth/ decline in NAV after taking into account all the distributions payable (if any) during the stipulated period.

An illustration of the above would be as follows:

| Capital return | = | (NAV per unit end/ NAV per unit begin) - 1 |
|----------------|---|--|
| Income return | = | Income distribution per unit/ NAV per unit ex-date |
| Total return | = | (1+Capital return) x (1+Income return) - 1 |

C. Market Review

Global equity markets were volatile as investors' optimism at the end of 2022 did not carry through. 2023 started well as the outlook for the global economy looks better than expected, with the United States ("US") and Europe showing resiliency helped by the lower energy prices and the re-opening economy in China. However, this was quickly dampened by the developments in the global banking sector that posed new uncertainty on the direction of monetary policy. While the developed markets' financial sector events were distinctive and has stopped short of a systematic risk, it does potentially lead to tighter lending environment and slower economic activity. More recently, equity markets saw a rally but was narrowed to the AI theme which dominated to mostly stocks that benefit from this frenzy. Indices that have a high concentration in technology also benefited. Market did see some fatigue by second half of June 2023 as the resilient economic data has cushion fears of imminent recession, it would however lead to ramp up in monetary tightening.

Manager's report For the financial period from 1 February 2023 to 31 July 2023 (cont'd)

C. Market Review (cont'd)

The main US markets climbed higher with the Nasdaq's gain of 23.8%, outperforming Standard and Poor's 500 ("S&P 500") and Dow Jones which increased 12.6% and 4.3% respectively mainly driven by the AI frenzy in the technology space. European markets rose, led by German Dax at 8.7% and Stoxx 50 by 7.4%. Meanwhile Financial Times Stock Exhcange 100 ("FTSE 100") was marginally down by 0.93%. Asia was mixed, with Japan gaining 21.4%, followed by Taiwan's 12.3% increase, India's 11.8% rise, and South Korea's 8.6% growth. China and Hong Kong underperformed, with China's CSI1000 dropping 4.3% whilst Hong Kong market crashed 8.1%. Association of Southeast Asian Nations ("ASEAN") was mixed with Indonesia and Singapore in the green, growing marginally by 1.4% and 0.3% respectively. Underperformers were Malaysia, Philippines and Thailand, sliding 2.6%, 6.5% and 7.5% respectively.

Closer to home, the FTSE Bursa Malaysia Emas Shariah Index was down by 1.11%. Generally mid-caps outperformed, with the FTSE Bursa Malaysia Mid 70 Index up by 1.93%. Markets initially started out optimistic on potential recovery, however the 4Q 2022 and 1Q 2023 results seasons dampened sentiment as corporates showing were generally underwhelming with some companies guiding for the weakness to carry on to 2Q & 3Q 2023. Coupled with uncertainties from the banking failures in the developed markets and the global economic slowdown, Malaysian equities continued to show weakness from February 2023 to May 2023. Market started to show signs of bottoming in June 2023 as resilient economic data in the US erased fears of a hard landing. In addition, the government also announced the revival of High Speed Rail project, and raising hopes for more infrastructure projects to be announced such as Penang LRT and KVMRT3, which is expected to be from September 2023 onwards. In addition, in July 2023 the government has also announced RM25b worth of projects to be unveiled under the Energy Transition Roadmap, which could provide support towards the energy sector.

D. Market Outlook & Strategy

The Fund's strategy has been to overweight India and Indonesia, whilst underweighting export oriented countries such as Korea and Taiwan. We are also of the view that Asia Pacific ex-Japan equities has bottomed out, with expectations that interest rates are peaking. We continue to be positive on the market outlook with the inflation coming down in most economies. The narrative has also become less negative as recent moderation in inflation data suggested that our expectations may be correct that the US interest rate are peaking. However, risk of a global slowdown or even stagflation remains. China's recent trade numbers falling below expectations with a double digit decline is also a key risk, hence we opine that volatility in markets will remain. That said, we continue to be fully invested with alpha generation ideas. We continue to overweight India (mainly Healthcare and Industrial) and Indonesia (Consumer) on the back of strong earnings and future growth potential. India has now the largest weight in our portfolio and along with Indonesia the top two overweight positions in the Fund. We have taken profits in some Chinese Stated-Owned Enterprise ("SOE") names which had done well year-to-date ("YTD"). We are underweight Korea as the big export oriented companies will continue to be weighed down by the global economic slowdown.

Manager's report For the financial period from 1 February 2023 to 31 July 2023 (cont'd)

E. Significant Changes in The State of Affairs of the Fund

Subsequent to the issuance of the Prospectus dated 1 March 2023, the following changes were updated in the First Supplementary Prospectus dated 22 August 2023:

| No. | Items | Previous Prospectus | Latest Prospectus |
|-----|---|---------------------|---|
| 1. | Chapter 1 - Definitions | Nil | New definitions of "FTSE" have been inserted. |
| 2. | Chapter 11 - Conflict of Interest and Related Party Transaction | | Information of existing / potential related party transaction of the Manager as at 30 April 2023 has been updated. |

F. Soft Commissions and Rebates

The Manager and its delegates will not retain any form of soft commissions and rebates from or otherwise share in any commission with any broker in consideration for directing dealings in the investments of the Fund unless the commission received is retained in the form of goods and services such as financial wire services and stock quotations systems incidental to investment management of the Fund. All dealings with broker are executed on best available terms.

During the financial period ended 31 July 2023, the Manager and its delegates did not receive any rebates from the brokers or dealers but have retained soft commissions in the form of goods and services such as research materials and advisory services that assist in decision making process relating to the investment of the Fund (i.e. research materials, data and quotation services, computer hardware and software incidental to the investment management of the Fund and investment advisory services) which were of demonstrable benefits to the unitholders.

TRUSTEE'S REPORT

TO THE UNITHOLDERS OF MAYBANK ASIAPAC EX-JAPAN EQUITY-I FUND FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 FEBRUARY 2023 TO 31 JULY 2023

We have acted as Trustee of Maybank AsiaPac ex-Japan Equity-I Fund (the "Fund") for the financial period from 1 February 2023 to 31 July 2023 and we hereby confirm to the best of our knowledge, after having made all reasonable enquiries, Maybank Asset Management Sdn Bhd (the "Manager") has operated and managed the Fund in accordance with the following:

- (a) Limitations imposed on the investment powers of the Manager and the Trustee under the Deeds, the Securities Commission's Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds, the Capital Markets and Services Act 2007 and other applicable laws;
- (b) Valuation and pricing has been carried out in accordance with the Deeds and relevant regulatory requirements; and
- (c) Creation and cancellation of units have been carried out in accordance with the Deeds and relevant regulatory requirements.

For and on behalf of **TMF Trustees Malaysia Berhad** (Company No: 200301008392 (610812-W))

Norhayati Binti Azit Director - Fund Services

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia 26 August 2023

STATEMENT BY MANAGER

TO THE UNITHOLDERS OF MAYBANK ASIAPAC EX-JAPAN EQUITY-I FUND FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 FEBRUARY 2023 TO 31 JULY 2023

I, Ahmed Muzni Bin Mohamed, being one of the Directors of Maybank Asset Management Sdn Bhd (the "Manager"), do hereby state that, in the opinion of the Manager, the accompanying unaudited financial statements are drawn up in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards 134 Interim Financial Reporting and International Accounting Standards 34 Interim Financial Reporting so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of Maybank AsiaPac ex-Japan Equity-I Fund as at 31 July 2023 and of its results, changes in net assets attributable to unitholders and cash flows for the financial period from 1 February 2023 to 31 July 2023 and comply with the requirements of the Deeds.

For and on behalf of the Manager

Ahmed Muzni Bin Mohamed Director

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia 26 August 2023

REPORT OF THE SHARIAH ADVISER

TO THE UNITHOLDERS OF MAYBANK ASIAPAC EX-JAPAN EQUITY-I FUND FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 FEBRUARY 2023 TO 31 JULY 2023

We hereby confirm the following:

- 1. To the best of our knowledge, after having made all reasonable enquiries, Maybank Asset Management Sdn Bhd (the "Manager") has operated and managed the Fund during the period covered by these financial statements in accordance with the Shariah principles and complied with the applicable guidelines, rulings or decisions issued by the Securities Commission Malaysia pertaining to Shariah matters; and
- 2. The asset of the Fund comprises instruments that have been classified as Shariah compliant.

For and on behalf of **Amanie Advisors Sdn Bhd**

Tan Sri Dr Mohd Daud Bakar Executive Chairman

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia 4 September 2023

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 FEBRUARY 2023 TO 31 JULY 2023

| | Note | 01.02.2023 to 31.07.2023 RM | 01.02.2022 to 31.07.2022 RM |
|---|--------|---|---|
| INVESTMENT INCOME/ (LOSS) | | | |
| Dividend income Purification of dividend income Profit income Net gain/ (loss) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL") | 12 | 1,786,103 (36,660) 25,296 | 1,346,471 - 12,064 |
| - Realised gain - Unrealised gain/ (loss) Net gain on foreign exchange | 3 | 3,159,172 2,711,950 <u>2,384,259</u> 10,030,120 | 1,628,172 (8,715,475) 747,858 (4,980,910) |
| EXPENSES | | | |
| Manager's fee Trustee's fee Auditors' remuneration Tax agent's fee Shariah advisory fee Brokerage and other transaction costs Administrative expenses | 4 5 | 551,049 22,042 4,959 25,351 8,927 143,229 51,795 807,352 | 487,696 19,508 4,959 15,575 8,927 141,744 64,191 742,600 |
| Net results before taxation Taxation Net results after taxation | 6 | 9,222,768 (358,257) 8,864,511 | (5,723,510) (296,648) (6,020,158) |
| Net results after taxation is made up of the following: Net realised income Net unrealised income/ (loss) | | 4,045,228 4,819,283 8,864,511 | 1,942,916 (7,963,074) (6,020,158) |

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 JULY 2023

| | Note | 31.07.2023 RM | 31.01.2023 RM |
|--|-------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| ASSETS | | | |
| Financial assets at FVTPL Shariah compliant deposit with a | 7 | 67,660,929 | 60,407,615 |
| licensed Islamic financial institution Dividend income receivable | 8 | 1,105,789 147,905 | 4,544,226 11,107 |
| Profit income receivable | | 88 | 330 |
| Amount due from Manager | 9 | - | 1,287,414 |
| Cash at bank TOTAL ASSETS | 10 | 3,908,696 72,823,407 | 2,301,664 68,552,356 |
| | - | 12,020,401 | 00,002,000 |
| LIABILITIES | | | |
| Amount due to Manager | 9 | 860,283 | 149,400 |
| Amount due to Trustee | 11 | 3,621 | 3,326 |
| Amount due to broker | 12 | 358,003 | - |
| Purification of income payable | 13 | 53,721 | 81,932 |
| Provision for tax | | - | 415,554 |
| Other payables and accruals | - | 33,417 | 26,753 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | - | 1,309,045 | 676,965 |
| NET ASSET VALUE ("NAV") OF THE FUND | - | 71,514,362 | 67,875,391 |
| NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS OF THE FUND COMPRISE: | | | |
| Unitholders' capital | 14(a) | 57,448,821 | 62,674,361 |
| Retained earnings | 14(b) & (c) | 14,065,541 | 5,201,030 |
| NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS | - | 71,514,362 | 67,875,391 |
| NUMBER OF UNITS IN CIRCULATION (UNITS) | 14(a) | 61,485,818 | 65,718,916 |
| NAV PER UNIT | - | 1.1631 | 1.0328 |

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 FEBRUARY 2023 TO 31 JULY 2023

| | Unitholders' capital Note 14(a) RM | Retained earnings Note 14(b) and 14(c) RM | Net assets attributable to unitholders RM |
|---|---|---|--|
| At 1 February 2023 | 62,674,361 | 5,201,030 | 67,875,391 |
| Total comprehensive income for the financial period | - | 8,864,511 | 8,864,511 |
| Creation of units | 21,579,235 | - | 21,579,235 |
| Cancellation of units | (26,804,775) | - | (26,804,775) |
| At 31 July 2023 | 57,448,821 | 14,065,541 | 71,514,362 |
| | | 11.000.000 | 00 507 000 |
| At 1 February 2022 | 57,578,756 | 11,989,080 | 69,567,836 |
| Total comprehensive loss for the financial period | - | (6,020,158) | (6,020,158) |
| Creation of units | 2,938,647 | - | 2,938,647 |
| Cancellation of units | (4,162,140) | - | (4,162,140) |
| At 31 July 2022 | 56,355,263 | 5,968,922 | 62,324,185 |

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 FEBRUARY 2023 TO 31 JULY 2023

| | 01.02.2023 to 31.07.2023 RM | 01.02.2022 to 31.07.2022 RM |
|--|---|--|
| CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING AND INVESTING ACTIVITIES | | |
| Net proceeds from disposal of FVTPL financial assets Net payment for purchase of FVTPL financial assets Profit income received Net dividend received Manager's fees paid Trustee's fees paid Tax paid on foreign dividend received Payment of other fees and expenses Net cash generated from operating and investing activities | 25,113,018 (23,759,922) 25,538 1,477,153 (543,691) (21,748) (616,635) (135,973) 1,537,740 | 31,481,730 (26,906,178) 11,801 1,258,499 (500,955) (20,038) (165,185) (56,512) 5,103,162 |
| CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES | | |
| Cash received from units created Cash paid on units cancelled Net cash used in financing activities | 22,866,649 (26,101,249) (3,234,600) | 2,995,996 (4,938,618) (1,942,622) |
| NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE BEGINNING | (1,696,860) | 3,160,540 |
| OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD Effect of foreign exchange CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END | 6,845,890 (134,545) | 4,847,817 674,595 |
| OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD Cash and cash equivalents comprise of: | 5,014,485 | 8,682,952 |
| Cash at bank (Note 10) Shariah-compliant deposit with a financial institution | 3,908,696 | 6,723,302 |
| with maturity of less than 3 months (Note 8) | 1,105,789 5,014,485 | 1,959,650 8,682,952 |

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 FEBRUARY 2023 TO 31 JULY 2023

1. THE FUND, THE MANAGER AND THEIR PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

Maybank AsiaPac Ex-Japan Equity-I Fund (the "Fund") was constituted pursuant to the execution of a Trust Deed dated 21 June 2013, a First Supplemental Deed dated 20 March 2015, a Second Supplemental Deed dated 10 December 2015 and a third Supplemental Deed dated 2 November 2022 between the Manager, Maybank Asset Management Sdn Bhd ("MAM"), the Trustee, TMF Trustees Malaysia Berhad and the registered unitholders of the Fund. The Deed and Supplemental Deeds are collectively referred to as 'Deeds'.

The principal activity of the Fund is to invest between 70% to 98% of the Fund's NAV in Shariahcompliant equities listed or traded in the Asia Pacific Ex-Japan markets. The Manager will also invest between 2% to 30% of the Fund's NAV in Shariah-compliant liquid assets including Shariah-compliant money market instruments and placement in Shariah-compliant deposits.

The Manager of the Fund is MAM, a company incorporated in Malaysia. It is a holder of the Capital Markets Services License with fund management as its regulated activity under the Capital Markets and Services Act 2007. The principal place of business of MAM is at Level 12, Tower C Dataran Maybank, No. 1 Jalan Maarof, 59000 Kuala Lumpur. MAM is a subsidiary of Maybank Asset Management Group Berhad ("MAMG"), which in turn is a subsidiary of Malayan Banking Berhad ("MBB").

MAM has appointed Maybank Islamic Asset Management Sdn Bhd ("MIAM") as the External Investment Manager for the Fund. MIAM is a wholly-owned subsidiary of MAMG and is a holder of a capital markets services licence to carry out Islamic fund management business pursuant to Section 61 of the Capital Markets and Services Act 2007 ("CMSA").

The role and responsibilities of MIAM include management of the investment portfolio in accordance with the investment objective, subject to the CMSA and the Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds issued by the Securities Commission of Malaysia ("SC") and any other relevant guidelines issued by the SC as well as the terms and conditions of the investment management agreement between MIAM and MAM.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements of the Fund have been prepared in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards 134 Interim Financial Reporting ("MFRS 134"), and International Accounting Standards 34 Interim Financial Reporting.

The Interim financial statements does not include all the information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements, and should be read in conjuction with the Fund's annual financial statements as at 31 January 2023.

The Fund has adopted the MFRS, Amendments to Standards and Interpretations Committee ("IC") which have become effective during the financial period from 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023. The adoption of the new pronouncements did not result in any material impact to the financial statements.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1 Basis of preparation (cont'd)

The financial statement are prepared on a historical cost basis except as disclosed in the accounting policies in Notes 2.3 to Note 2.15 to the financial statements.

The financial statements are presented in Ringgit Malaysia ("RM").

2.2 Standards and amendments to standards issued but not yet effective

The following are Standards and Amendments to Standards issued by the MASB, but not yet effective, up to the date of issuance of the Fund's financial statements. The Fund intends to adopt the relevant standards, if applicable, when they become effective.

| Effective for nnual periods beginning on or after |
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| 1 January 2023 |
| |
| 1 January 2023 |
| 1 January 2023 |
| 1 January 2023 |
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| 1 January 2023 |
| 1 January 2024 |
| |
| Deferred |
| |

The Fund expects that the adoption of the above standards and amendments to standards will not have any material impact on the financial statements in the period of initial application.

2.3 Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Fund becomes a party to the contractual provision of the instrument.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of financial assets and financial liabilities (other than financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss) are added to or deducted from the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities, as appropriate, on initial recognition. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

2.4 Financial assets

All regular way purchases or sales of financial assets are recognised and derecognised on a trade date basis. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the time frame established by regulation or convention in the market place.

All recognised financial assets are subsequently measured in their entirety at amortised cost or fair value, depending on the classification of the assets.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

2.4 Financial assets (cont'd)

(i) Financial assets at amortised cost

The Fund classifies cash and cash equivalents, dividend income receivable, profit income receivable and amount due from Manager as financial assets at amortised cost. These assets are subsequently measured using the effective profit rate ("EPR") method and are subject to impairment. The EPR is a method of calculating the amortised cost of financial asset and of allocating and recognising the profit income in profit or loss of the relevant period.

Unless designated as at FVTPL on initial recognition, debt instruments that meet the following conditions are subsequently measured at amortised cost less impairment loss:

- the assets are held within a business model whose objectives is to hold assets in order to collect contractual cash flows; and
- the contractual terms of the instrument give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and profit on the principal amount outstanding.

Debt instruments that do not meet the criteria above are classified as either fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVTOCI") or FVTPL.

(ii) Financial assets at FVTPL

Investments in quoted equities are classified as FVTPL, unless the Fund designates an investment that is not held for trading as FVTOCI on initial recognition.

A financial asset is recognised at FVTPL if:

- it has been acquired principally for the purpose of selling it in the near term;
- on initial recognition it is part of the portfolio of identified financial instruments that the Fund manages together and has evidence of a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking; or
- it is a derivative that is not designated and effective as a hedging instruments or a financial guarantee.

Debt instruments that do not meet the amortised cost or FVTOCI criteria are measured at FVTPL. In addition, debt instruments that meet the amortised cost criteria but are designated as at FVTPL are measured at FVTPL. A debt instrument may be designated as at FVTPL upon initial recognition if such designation eliminates or significantly reduces a measurement or recognition inconsistency that would arise from measuring assets or liabilities or recognising the gains and losses on them on different bases.

Debt instruments are reclassified from amortised cost to FVTPL when the business model is changed such that the amortised cost criteria are no longer met. Reclassification of debt instruments that are designated as at FVTPL on initial recognition is not allowed.

Financial assets at FVTPL are measured at fair value at the end of each reporting period, with any gains or losses arising on remeasurement recognised in profit or loss.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

2.4 Financial assets (cont'd)

(ii) Financial assets at FVTPL (cont'd)

Dividend income on quoted equities as at FVTPL is disclosed separately in the profit or loss.

Changes in the fair value of FVTPL investments are recognised in 'unrealised gain on FVTPL investments' in profit or loss. Accumulated unrealised gains is reclassified to 'realised gain on FVTPL investments' in profit or loss when the associated assets are sold.

(iii) Impairment

Credit losses are recognised based on the Expected Credit Loss ("ECL") model. The Fund recognises loss allowances for ECL on financial instruments that are not measured at FVTPL. The impairment model does not apply to equity investments.

ECL is a probability-weighted estimate of credit losses. It is measured as follows:

- Financial assets that are not credit-impaired at the reporting date: As the present value of all cash shortfalls (i.e. the difference between the cash flows due to the entity in accordance with the contract and the cash flows that the Fund expects to receive).
- Financial assets that are credit-impaired at the reporting date:
 As the difference between the gross carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows.

At each reporting date, the Fund assesses whether financial assets carried at amortised cost are credit-impaired. A financial asset is 'credit-impaired' when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset have occurred.

Evidence that a financial asset is credit-impaired includes the following observable data:

- Significant financial difficulty of the issuer or counterparty;
- Significant downgrade in credit rating of the instrument by a rating agency;
- A breach of contract such as a default or past due event; or
- The disappearance of an active market for a security because of financial difficulties.

For balances with short-term nature, full impairment will be recognised on uncollected balances after the grace period.

(iv) Derecognition

The Fund derecognises a financial asset only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or when it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset to another entity. If the Fund neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership and continues to control the transferred asset, the Fund recognises its retained profit in the asset and an associated liability for amounts it may have to pay. If the Fund retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of a transferred financial asset, the Fund continues to recognise the financial asset and also recognises a collateralised borrowing for the proceeds received.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

2.4 Financial assets (cont'd)

(iv) Derecognition (cont'd)

On derecognition of financial asset classified as FVTPL, the cumulative unrealised gain or loss previously recognised is transferred to realised gain or loss on disposal in profit or loss.

On derecognition of financial asset at amortised cost, gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the asset is derecognised, modified or impaired.

2.5 Financial liabilities

(i) Classification

Financial liabilities are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into and the definitions of a financial liability. The Fund classifies amount due to Manager, amount due to Trustee, amount due to broker, and other payables and accruals as other financial liabilities.

(ii) Recognition and measurement

The Fund's financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value plus directly attributable transaction costs and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the EPR method.

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is extinguished. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the liabilities are derecognised, and through the amortisation process.

2.6 Fair value measurement

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value measurement is based on the presumption that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability takes place either:

- (i) In the principal market for the asset or liability; or
- (ii) In the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market for the asset or liability.

The principal or the most advantageous market must be accessible by the Fund.

The fair value of an asset or a liability is measured using the assumptions that the market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming that the market participants act in their economic best interest.

A fair value measurement of a non-financial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

2.6 Fair value measurement (cont'd)

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

- (i) Level 1 Quoted (unadjusted) market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- (ii) Level 2 Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is directly or indirectly observable.
- (iii) Level 3 Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable.

For assets and liabilities that are recognised in the financial statements on a recurring basis, the Fund determines whether transfers have occurred between levels in the hierarchy by re-assessing categorisation (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each reporting date.

For the purpose of fair value disclosures, the Fund has determined classes of assets and liabilities on the basis of the nature, characteristics and risks of the asset or liability and the level of the fair value hierarchy as explained above.

2.7 Functional and foreign currency

(a) Functional and presentation currency

The financial statements of the Fund are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Fund operates (the "functional currency"). The financial statements are presented in Ringgit Malaysia, which is also the Fund's functional currency.

(b) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of transactions or valuations where items are remeasured. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at financial period/ year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income, except when deferred in other comprehensive income as qualifying cash flow hedges.

2.8 Unitholders' contribution

The unitholders' contributions to the Fund are classified as equities under the requirements of MFRS 132 Financial Instruments: Presentation as they are puttable instruments whereby the unitholders have the right to redeem their units in the Fund at their option.

The outstanding units are carried at the redemption amount that is payable at each financial period if unitholder exercises the right to put the unit back to the Fund. Units are created and cancelled at prices based on the Fund's NAV per unit at the time of creation or cancellation. The Fund's NAV per unit is calculated by dividing the net assets attributable to unitholders with the total number of outstanding units.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

2.9 Distributions

Any distribution to the Fund's unitholders is accounted for as a deduction from realised reserves except where dividend is sourced out of distribution equalisation which is accounted for as a deduction from unitholders' capital. A proposed dividend is recognised as a liability in the period in which it is approved. Distribution is either reinvested or paid in cash to the unitholders on the income payment date. Reinvestment of units is based on the NAV per unit on the income payment date which is also the time of creation.

2.10 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank and Shariah-compliant deposit with licensed Islamic financial institution with original maturity of three months or less which have an insignificant risk of changes in value.

2.11 Revenue/ Income

Revenue/ Income is measured at the fair value of consideration received or receivable.

Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive is established.

Profit income is recognised using the EPR method.

Realised gain or loss on disposal of investments is accounted for as the difference between net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the investments.

Other revenue/ income is generally recognised when the Fund satisfies a performance obligation by transferring a promised good or service or an asset to a customer. An asset is transferred when (or as) the customer obtains control of that asset.

Any purification of income resulting from investments in Shariah non-compliant investments are derecognised from the corresponding gain or dividend income in the statement or profit or loss.

2.12 Taxation

Current tax assets and liabilities are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the tax authorities. The tax rates and tax laws used to compute the amount are those that are enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date.

Current taxes are recognised in profit or loss, except to the extent that the tax relates to items recognised outside profit or loss, either in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.

Current tax expense is determined according to Malaysian tax laws at the current tax rate based upon the taxable profit earned during the financial period.

In some jurisdictions, investment income is subject to withholding tax deducted at the source of the income. Withholding tax is a generic term used for the amount of withholding tax deducted at the source of the income and is not significant for the Fund. The Fund presents the withholding tax separately from the gross investment income in the statement of comprehensive income.

No deferred tax is recognised as no temporary differences have been identified.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

2.13 Segment information

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting used by the chief operating decision-maker. The chief operating decision-maker is responsible for allocating resources and assessing performance of the operating segments.

2.14 Cleansing/ Purification of income

The Fund is required to cleanse or purify any income or gains generated by Shariah non-compliant activity or sources. Such Shariah non-compliant gain or income may arise as follows:

(i) Shariah non-compliant investment

The Manager will immediately dispose of any Shariah non-compliant investment inadvertently made in the Fund. If the disposal of the Shariah non-compliant investment results in losses to the Fund, the losses are to be borne by the Manager by ensuring the loss portion is restored and returned to the Fund. The said investment will be disposed/ withdrawn with immediate effect or within a period of not more than one month after becoming aware of the status of the investment.

In the event that there are any capital gains or dividend received before or after the disposal of the investment, such gains will be channelled to Baitulmal and/ or any other charitable bodies as advised by the Shariah Adviser. The Fund have the right to retain only the investment cost.

(ii) Reclassification of Shariah Status of the fund's investment

If a security is reclassified as Shariah non-compliant by the SACSC and/ or the Shariah board of the MSCI Islamic Index Series, as per the Shariah Adviser's advice, the said security shall be disposed of soonest practical, once the total amount of dividends received and the market value held equal the original investment costs.

Any dividends received up to the date of the announcement/ review and capital gains arising from the disposal of the Shariah non-compliant security made at the time of the announcement/ review can be kept by the Fund. However, any dividends received and excess capital gains derived from the disposal of Shariah non-compliant securities after the announcement/ review day is to be channelled to Baitumal and/ or any charitable bodies as advised by the Shariah Adviser.

On the other hand, the Fund is allowed to hold the investment in the Shariah non-compliant securities if the market price of the said securities is below the investment cost. It is also permissible for the Fund to keep the dividends received during the holding period until such time when the total amount of dividends received and the market value of the Shariah non-compliant securities held equal the investment cost. At this stage, the Fund is advised to dispose of their holding.

(iii) Purification of cash dividend received

The cleansing process is the means by which all remaining elements of non permissible income are removed or purged from a portfolio through dividend cleansing. The process applies mainly to non-permissible income as per MSCI screening methodology and should be disposed according to the same methodology of MSCI. The cleansed income shall be channelled to Baitumal and/ or any charitable bodies as advised by the Shariah Adviser.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

2.14 Cleansing/ Purification of income (cont'd)

The purification exercise is done by channelling the purification amount to charitable purposes as advised by the Shariah Adviser and this exercise will be performed by the Investment Manager when relevant information has been obtained. The calculation of the purification amount must further be endorsed by the Shariah Adviser for verification before the purification is done.

Any purification on gains resulting from investments in Shariah non-compliant investments is disclosed as a reduction of the corresponding capital gain and/ or dividend in the statement of profit or loss.

Any unpaid purification will be disclosed under purification of income payables (Note 13).

2.15 Critical accounting estimates and judgments

The Fund makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, rarely equal the related actual results. To enhance the information content of the estimates, certain key variables that are anticipated to have material impact to the Fund's results and financial position are tested for sensitivity to changes in the underlying parameters.

No major judgement have been made by the Manager in applying the Fund's accounting policies. There are no key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities.

3. NET GAIN ON FOREIGN EXCHANGE

| | 01.02.2023 to 31.07.2023 RM | 01.02.2022 to 31.07.2022 RM |
|--|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Net realised foreign exchange gain/ (loss) | 276,926 | (4,543) |
| Net unrealised foreign exchange gain | 2,107,333 | 752,401 |
| | 2,384,259 | 747,858 |

4. MANAGER'S FEE

The Manager's fee is computed daily based on 1.50% (01.02.2022 to 31.07.2022: 1.50%) per annum ("p.a.") of the NAV of the Fund before deducting the Manager's fee and Trustee's fees.

5. TRUSTEE'S FEE

The Trustee's fee is computed daily based on 0.06% (01.02.2022 to 31.07.2022: 0.06%) p.a. of the NAV of the Fund before deducting the Manager's fee and Trustee's fees.

6. TAXATION

Income tax is calculated at the Malaysian statutory tax rate of 24% (01.02.2022 to 31.07.2022: 24%) of the estimated assessable income for the financial period.

The tax charge for the financial year is in relation to the taxable income earned by the Fund after deducting tax allowable expenses. In accordance with Schedule 6 of the Income Tax Act 1967, dividend income and profit income earned by the Fund is exempted from tax. With effect from 1 January 2022, the current income tax exemption on foreign-sourced income ("FSI") received in Malaysia by Malaysian residents has been removed.

Income derived from sources outside Malaysia may be subject to tax in the country from which it is derived. Tax on dividend income from foreign quoted equities is based on the tax regime of the respective countries that the Fund invests in.

A reconciliation of income tax expense applicable to net loss before tax at the statutory income tax rate to income tax expense at the effective income tax rate is as follows:

| | 01.02.2023 to 31.07.2023 RM | 01.02.2022 to 31.07.2022 RM |
|---|--|--|
| Net loss before taxation | 9,222,768 | (5,723,510) |
| Tax at Malaysian statutory rate of 24% (01.02.2022 to 31.07.2022: 24%) Income not subject to tax Loss not deductible for tax purpose Income tax at source Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Tax expense for the financial period | 2,213,464 (2,260,054) - 211,082 193,765 358,257 | (1,373,642) (896,296) 2,091,714 296,648 178,224 296,648 |

7. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FVTPL

| | | 31.07.2023 RM | 31.01.2023 RM |
|---|-----|------------------|------------------|
| Shariah-compliant quoted equities - local | (a) | 1,930,684 | 1,993,126 |
| Shariah-compliant quoted equities - foreign | (b) | 65,730,245 | 58,414,489 |
| | | 67,660,929 | 60,407,615 |

| 31.07.2023 | Quantity Unit | Aggregate cost RM | Market value RM | Percentage of NAV % |
|--|--|---|---|--|
| (a) Shariah-compliant equities - Local | | | | |
| Consumer Products & Services | | | | |
| DKSH Holdings (M) Bhd MR D.I.Y Group (M) Bhd | 145,600 347,600 493,200 | 673,222 430,310 1,103,532 | 716,352 510,972 1,227,324 | 1.00 0.71 1.72 |
| Technology | | | | |
| CTOS Digital Bhd | 502,400 | 638,845 | 703,360 | 0.98 |
| Total Shariah-compliant equities - Local | 995,600 | 1,742,377 | 1,930,684 | 2.70 |
| (b) Shariah-compliant equities - Foreign (cont'd) | | | | |
| Australia | | | | |
| BHP Group Ltd Nickel Industries Ltd South32 Ltd Stockland Co Ltd | 27,009 199,200 64,000 54,000 344,209 | 3,468,199 756,484 977,365 719,426 5,921,474 | 3,771,546 498,772 753,651 691,616 5,715,585 | 5.27 0.70 1.05 0.97 7.99 |
| China | | | | |
| Sungrow Power Supply Co Ltd | 5,700 | 389,351 | 400,651 | 0.56 |
| Hong Kong | | | | |
| Alibaba Group Holding Limited BYD Co Ltd China Mobile Itd China Unicom Hong Kong Ltd CNOOC Ltd Country Garden Services Holdings Co Ltd JD.com Inc | 67,000 5,400 15,000 215,500 377,600 67,900 6,811 | 4,313,427 830,905 436,185 485,269 2,130,867 834,072 1,145,477 | 3,773,172 859,607 555,362 697,048 2,743,720 344,343 628,659 | 5.28 1.20 0.78 0.97 3.84 0.48 0.88 |
| Kunlun Energy Ltd KWG Living Group Holdings Ltd Meituan Tencent Holdings Ltd | 382,200 469,400 5,000 <u>6,100</u> 1,617,911 | 1,363,863 901,204 468,255 1,399,798 14,309,322 | 1,401,818 268,414 422,514 1,248,679 12,943,336 | 1.96 0.38 0.59 1.75 18.10 |

| 31.07.2023 (cont'd) | Quantity Unit | Aggregate cost RM | Market value RM | Percentage of NAV % |
|--|------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| (b) Shariah-compliant equities - Foreign (cont'd) | | | | |
| India | | | | |
| Ajanta Pharma Ltd | 3,831 | 356,805 | 356,308 | 0.50 |
| Ambuja Cements Ltd | 58,700 | 1,344,866 | 1,489,360 | 2.08 |
| Bayer CropScience Ltd | 2,300 | 668,531 | 560,720 | 0.78 |
| Bharat Bijlee Ltd | 3,748 | 662,919 | 776,519 | 1.09 |
| Eris Lifesciences Ltd | 14,526 | 546,961 | 630,213 | 0.88 |
| Finolex Industries Ltd | 71,000 | 719,943 | 776,993 | 1.09 |
| Hawkins Cookers Ltd | 1,760 | 579,935 | 648,565 | 0.91 |
| Jio Financial Services Ltd | 28,900 | 274,147 | 400,444 | 0.56 |
| Mahanagar Gas Ltd | 16,500 | 959,142 | 1,011,167 | 1.41 |
| Mankind Pharma Ltd | 5,204 | 385,209 | 496,996 | 0.69 |
| Narayana Hrudayalaya Ltd | 16,300 | 783,815 | 902,619 | 1.26 |
| PI Industries Ltd | 4,000 | 718,305 | 792,561 | 1.11 |
| Polycab India Ltd | 2,050 | 382,943 | 541,119 | 0.76 |
| Reliance Industries Ltd | 28,900 | 2,845,798 | 4,037,298 | 5.65 |
| Sonofi India Ltd | 3,640 | 1,301,046 | 1,399,655 | 1.96 |
| Sapphire Foods India Ltd | 9,800 | 680,555 | 737,383 | 1.03 |
| Styrenix Performance | | | | |
| Materials Ltd | 12,800 | 759,014 | 835,345 | 1.17 |
| Sun Pharmaceutical | | | | |
| Industries Ltd | 22,400 | 919,456 | 1,403,546 | 1.96 |
| Torrent Pharmaceuticals Ltd | 7,800 | 777,567 | 856,098 | 1.20 |
| Varun Beverages Ltd | 12,300 | 382,699 | 542,198 | 0.76 |
| Voltamp Transformers Ltd | 2,100 | 399,123 | 532,901 | 0.75 |
| _ | 328,559 | 16,448,779 | 19,728,008 | 27.59 |
| Indonesia | | | | |
| PT Indo Tambangraya Megah | | | | |
| Tbk | 97,700 | 870,879 | 794,575 | 1.11 |
| PT MAP Aktif Adi Perkasa | 17,950,000 | 1,798,164 | 4,347,311 | 6.08 |
| PT Matahari Department | | | | |
| Store Tbk | 1,328,900 | 1,643,434 | 1,199,970 | 1.68 |
| PT Mitra Aidperkasa Tbk | 3,407,000 | 1,418,238 | 2,017,012 | 2.82 |
| PT Ultrajaya Milk Industry | | | | |
| & Trading | 2,320,000 | 1,109,413 | 1,335,334 | 1.87 |
| _ | 25,103,600 | 6,840,128 | 9,694,202 | 13.56 |

| 31.07.2023 (cont'd) | Quantity Unit | Aggregate cost RM | Market value RM | Percentage of NAV % |
|---|---|--|--|---|
| (b) Shariah-compliant equities - Foreign (cont'd) | | | | |
| South Korea | | | | |
| LG Chemical Ltd Posco Co Ltd Samsung Electronics Co Ltd Samsung SDO Co Ltd | 390 1,030 20,910 721 23,051 | 754,736 933,893 4,508,559 1,847,248 8,044,436 | 893,618 2,338,215 5,160,856 1,695,388 10,088,077 | 1.25 3.27 7.22 2.37 14.11 |
| Taiwan | | | | |
| MediaTek Inc Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd Unimicron Technology Corp | 4,100 18,100 16,900 39,100 | 550,099 1,082,683 523,524 2,156,306 | 405,113 1,464,435 446,505 2,316,053 | 0.57 2.05 0.62 3.24 |
| Thailand | | | | |
| AAPICO Hitech Public Co Ltd COM7 Public Co Ltd PTT Exploration and Production Public Co Ltd Somboon Advance Technology Public Co Ltd | 349,200 213,700 34,500 <u>330,400</u> 927,800 | 1,414,817 929,590 674,909 <u>795,970</u> 3,815,286 | 1,532,174 789,596 726,143 <u>841,472</u> 3,889,385 | 2.14 1.10 1.02 <u>1.18</u> 5.44 |
| United States | | | | |
| PDD Holding Inc | 2,360 | 780,868 | 954,948 | 1.34 |
| Total Shariah compliant equities - foreign | 28,392,290 | 58,705,950 | 65,730,245 | 91.91 |
| Total equities | 29,387,890 | 60,448,327 | 67,660,929 | 94.61 |
| Unrealised gain on investments * | | _ | 7,212,602 | |

| 31.01.2023 | Quantity Unit | Aggregate cost RM | Market value RM | Percentage of NAV % |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| (a) Shariah-compliant equities - Local | | | | |
| Consumer Products & Services | | | | |
| DKSH Holdings (M) Bhd MR D.I.Y Group (M) Bhd | 139,200 325,800 465,000 | 640,192 379,034 1,019,226 | 634,752 619,020 1,253,772 | 0.94 0.91 1.85 |
| Technology | <u> </u> | | | |
| CTOS Digital Bhd | 480,100 | 602,311 | 739,354 | 1.09 |
| Total Shariah-compliant equities - Local | 945,100 | 1,621,537 | 1,993,126 | 2.94 |
| (b) Shariah-compliant equities - Foreign | | | | |
| Australia | | | | |
| BHP Group Ltd Nickel Mines Ltd Seek Ltd South32 Ltd Stockland Co Ltd Whitehaven Coal Ltd Woodside Energy Group Ltd | 41,000 183,200 12,300 73,900 51,400 86,000 5,600 453,400 | 5,188,505 712,419 1,107,821 1,141,035 693,904 1,322,891 464,637 10,631,212 | 6,085,280 602,955 895,046 1,008,430 607,157 2,171,318 610,325 11,980,511 | 8.97 0.89 1.32 1.49 0.89 3.20 0.90 17.66 |
| Hong Kong | | | | |
| Alibaba Group Holding Limited BYD Co Ltd China Mobile Ltd China Shenhua Energy Co Ltd China Telecom Corporation Ltd China Unicom Hong Kong Ltd CNOOC Ltd CNOOC Ltd Country Garden Services Holdings Co Ltd JD.com, Inc Kunlun Energy Co Ltd KWG Living Group Holding Ltd Meituan | 56,400 5,000 36,000 49,000 716,000 540,000 358,000 61,000 6,161 546,000 500,000 4,360 | 3,736,026 783,632 1,037,064 636,135 1,067,039 1,171,264 1,990,635 783,280 1,097,739 1,944,566 959,954 415,725 | 3,304,374 667,013 1,101,632 649,670 1,504,867 1,620,105 2,214,416 704,147 776,940 1,837,295 500,940 414,504 | 4.87 0.98 1.62 0.96 2.22 2.39 3.26 1.04 1.14 2.71 0.74 0.61 |
| Tencent Holdings Ltd | 4,380 5,600 2,883,521 | 1,297,586 16,920,645 | 1,165,404 16,461,307 | 1.72 24.26 |

| 31.01.2023 (cont'd) | Quantity Unit | Aggregate cost RM | Market value RM | Percentage of NAV % |
|--|---------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| (b) Shariah-compliant equities - Foreign (cont'd) | | | | |
| India | | | | |
| Ambuja Cements Ltd | 41,800 | 1,029,165 | 873,725 | 1.29 |
| Bayer Corpscience Ltd | 2,300 | 680,157 | 533,214 | 0.79 |
| Eris Lifesciences Ltd | 22,600 | 859,351 | 719,075 | 1.06 |
| Hawkins Cookers Ltd | 1,655 | 547,218 | 534,990 | 0.79 |
| PI Industries Ltd | 3,900 | 707,552 | 609,032 | 0.90 |
| Reliance Industries Ltd | 24,800 | 2,556,084 | 3,041,363 | 4.48 |
| Sanofia India Ltd | 3,000 | 1,113,554 | 859,439 | 1.27 |
| Sapphire Foods India Ltd | 9,200 | 648,176 | 623,164 | 0.92 |
| Sun Pharmaceutical | 0 () (0 0 | | | |
| Industries Ltd | 21,400 | 849,867 | 1,153,405 | 1.70 |
| Uniparts India Ltd | 15,900 | 485,601 | 459,384 | 0.68 |
| Varun Beverages Ltd | 5,600 | 345,076 | 334,430 | 0.49 |
| | 152,155 | 9,821,801 | 9,741,221 | 14.37 |
| Indonesia | | | | |
| PT Arwana Citramulia Tbk. PT Indo Tambangraya | 2,385,500 | 720,369 | 683,267 | 1.01 |
| Megah Tbk. | 177,400 | 1,550,474 | 1,830,236 | 2.70 |
| PT MAP Aktif Adiperkasa | 1,606,000 | 1,502,891 | 1,739,298 | 2.56 |
| PT Matahari Department | | | | |
| Store Tbk. | 1,137,900 | 1,392,390 | 1,423,684 | 2.10 |
| PT Mitra Adiperkasa Tbk. | 2,180,000 | 828,164 | 807,690 | 1.19 |
| | 7,486,800 | 5,994,288 | 6,484,175 | 9.56 |
| Singapore | | | | |
| Sasseur REIT | 373,800 | 899,497 | 989,006 | 1.46 |
| South Korea | | | | |
| LG Chem Ltd | 343 | 642,793 | 819,588 | 1.21 |
| POSCO Holding Inc | 1,200 | 1,025,595 | 1,248,758 | 1.84 |
| Samsung Electronics Co Ltd | 21,250 | 4,577,632 | 4,488,914 | 6.61 |
| | 22,793 | 6,246,020 | 6,557,260 | 9.66 |
| | | | | |

7. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FVTPL (CONT'D)

| 31.01.2023 (cont'd) | Quantity Unit | Aggregate cost RM | Market value RM | Percentage of NAV % |
|---|------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| (b) Shariah-compliant equities - Foreign (cont'd) | | | | |
| Taiwan | | | | |
| E Ink Holdings Inc MediaTek Inc Taiwan Semiconductor | 39,000 5,600 | 941,809 785,455 | 955,305 570,954 | 1.41 0.84 |
| Manufacuring Co Ltd Unimicron Technology | 13,000 | 674,232 | 963,612 | 1.42 |
| Corporation | 16,000 | 519,640 | 310,128 | 0.46 |
| _ | 73,600 | 2,921,136 | 2,799,999 | 4.13 |
| Thailand | | | | |
| Com7 Public Company Limited PTT Exploration & Production | 167,000 | 788,101 | 677,263 | 1.00 |
| Public Company Limited Somboon Advance Technology | 41,400 | 801,402 | 921,415 | 1.36 |
| Public Company Limited | 302,700 | 719,290 | 840,654 | 1.24 |
| _ | 511,100 | 2,308,793 | 2,439,332 | 3.60 |
| United States of America | | | | |
| PinDuoDuo Inc. | 2,300 | 735,493 | 961,678 | 1.42 |
| Total Shariah compliant equities - Foreign | 11,959,469 | 56,478,885 | 58,414,489 | 86.12 |
| Total equities | 12,904,569 | 58,100,422 | 60,407,615 | 89.06 |
| Unrealised gain on investments * | | _ | 2,307,193 | |

* The unrealised gain on FVTPL investments comprise the amounts arising from changes in fair values and effects from foreign exchange.

8. SHARIAH-COMPLIANT DEPOSIT WITH A LICENSED ISLAMIC FINANCIAL INSTITUTION

| | 31.07.2023 RM | 31.01.2023 RM |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Shariah-compliant deposit with a licensed Islamic Islamic financial institution of less than 3 months | 1,105,789 | 4,544,226 |

8. SHARIAH-COMPLIANT DEPOSIT WITH A LICENSED ISLAMIC FINANCIAL INSTITUTION (CONT'D)

The weighted average effective profit rates ("WAEPR") per annum and average maturity of deposits with a licensed financial institution as at 31 July 2023 were as follows:

| | 31.07.20 |)23 | 31.01.20 | 23 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| | WAEPR % p.a. | Average Maturity Days | WAEPR % p.a. | Average Maturity Days |
| Shariah-compliant deposit with maturity of less than 3 months | 2.90 | 1 | 2.65 | 1 |

9. AMOUNT DUE FROM/ TO MANAGER

| | | Note | 31.07.2023 RM | 31.01.2023 RM |
|-----|--|---------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| (a) | Amount due from Manager Subscription of units | (i) | | 1,287,414 |
| (b) | Amount due to Manager Manager's fee Redemption of units | (ii) (iii) | 90,520 769,763 860,283 | 83,162 66,238 149,400 |

(i) The amount represents amount receivable from the Manager for units created.

(ii) The amount relates to the amount payable to the Manager arising from the accruals for Manager's fee at the end of the financial period/ year. The normal credit term for Manager's fee is 15 days (01.02.2022 to 31.07.2022: 15 days).

(iii) The amount represents amount payable to the Manager for units redeemed/ cancelled.

10. CASH AT BANK

The table below indicates the currencies that the Fund have in cash at bank as at the reporting date:

| | 31.07.2023 RM | 31.01.2023 RM |
|------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Malaysian Ringgit ("RM") | 9,100 | 97,898 |
| Chinese Yuen ("CNY") | 114 | 51 |
| Indian Rupee ("INR") | 504,089 | 554,232 |
| Taiwan Dollar ("TWD") | 739,745 | - |
| United States Dollar ("USD") | 2,655,648 | 1,649,483 |
| | 3,908,696 | 2,301,664 |
| | | |

11. AMOUNT DUE TO TRUSTEE

The amount due to Trustee relates to the amount payable to the Trustee arising from the accruals for Trustee's fee at the end of the financial period. The normal credit term for Trustee's fee is 15 days (31.07.2022: 15 days).

12. AMOUNT DUE TO BROKER

Amount due to broker relates to the amount payable to broker arising from the sales of investments. The settlement period for this payable is within 2 working days (31.07.2022: 2 working days) from the deal date.

13. PURIFICATION OF INCOME

During the current financial period, income purification amount received of RM36,660 will be channelled to Baitulmal or any other charitable bodies as advised by the Shariah Adviser at a later date.

14. TOTAL NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

| | | Note | 31.07.2023 RM | 31.01.2023 RM |
|---|-----------------------|--------------|------------------|------------------|
| Unitholders' capital | | (a) | 57,448,821 | 62,674,361 |
| Accumulated realised income | | (b) | 10,979,149 | 6,933,921 |
| Accumulated unrealised income/ (| loss) | (C) | 3,086,392 | (1,732,891) |
| | | | 71,514,362 | 67,875,391 |
| | - 01.02.2023 to | | 01.02.2022 to | |
| | 31.07.2 | 023 | 31.01.2023 | |
| (a) Unitholders' capital | No. of units | RM | No. of units | RM |
| At beginning of the financial | | | | |
| period/ year | 65,718,916 | 62,674,361 | 60,856,730 | 57,578,756 |
| Creation of units | 20,557,502 | 21,579,235 | 13,625,633 | 14,504,945 |
| Reinvestment of units | - | - | 2,402,383 | 2,481,181 |
| Cancellation of units | (24,790,600) | (26,804,775) | (11,165,830) | (11,890,521) |
| At end of the financial period/ year | 61,485,818 | 57,448,821 | 65,718,916 | 62,674,361 |

As of the end of the financial period/ year, the total number and value of units held legally or beneficially by the Manager and a related party were as follows:

| | 31.07.2023 | | 31.01.2023 | |
|-------------|--------------|-------|--------------|-------|
| | No. of units | RM | No. of units | RM |
| The Manager | 1,529 | 1,778 | 1,529 | 1,579 |

In the opinion of the Manager, the above units were transacted at the prevailing market price. Other than the above, there were no units held by the Manager or parties related to the Manager.

14. TOTAL NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS (CONT'D)

| (b) Accumulated realised income | | |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| | 01.02.2023 | 01.02.2022 |
| | to | to |
| | 31.07.2023 | 31.01.2022 |
| | RM | RM |
| At beginning of the financial period/ year | 6,933,921 | 8,077,886 |
| Net realised income for the financial period/ year | 4,045,228 | 1,337,216 |
| Distribution out of realised reserve | - | (2,481,181) |
| At end of the financial period/ year | 10,979,149 | 6,933,921 |
| (c) Accumulated unrealised income/ (loss) | | |
| | 01.02.2023 | 01.02.2022 |
| | to | to |
| | 31.07.2023 | 31.01.2022 |
| | RM | RM |
| At beginning of the financial period/ year | (1,732,891) | 3,911,194 |
| Net unrealised loss for the financial period/ year | 4,819,283 | (5,644,085) |
| At end of the financial period/ year | 3,086,392 | (1,732,891) |
| | | |

15. TRANSACTIONS WITH BROKERS/ DEALERS/ FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Details of transactions with broker/ dealer for the current and previous financial period were as follows:

| 01.02.2023 to 31.07.2023 | Value of trade RM | Percentage of total trade % | Brokerage fees RM | Percentage of brokerage fees % |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Maybank Investment Bank | | | | |
| Bhd ("MIBB")* | 13,025,510 | 26.55 | 19,844 | 22.97 |
| Kim Eng Securities India Pte Ltd** | 12,150,352 | 24.77 | 24,301 | 28.13 |
| CIMB Investment Bank Bhd | 9,208,563 | 18.77 | 14,308 | 16.56 |
| CLSA Securities Korea Ltd | 5,120,534 | 10.44 | 10,241 | 11.85 |
| KAF Equities Sdn Bhd | 3,161,480 | 6.44 | 6,323 | 7.32 |
| KAF Seagroatt & Campbell Bhd | 2,473,771 | 5.04 | 4,898 | 5.67 |
| CLSA Securities (M) Sdn Bhd | 2,303,735 | 4.70 | 3,456 | 4.00 |
| CLSA Ltd | 1,245,442 | 2.54 | 2,199 | 2.55 |
| United Overseas Bank (M) Bhd | 365,078 | 0.75 | 829 | 0.95 |
| | 49,054,465 | 100.00 | 86,399 | 100.00 |

15. TRANSACTIONS WITH BROKERS/ DEALERS/ FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS (CONT'D)

Details of transactions with broker/ dealer for the current and previous financial period were as follows: (cont'd)

| 01.02.2022 to 31.07.2022 | Value of trade RM | Percentage of total trade % | Brokerage fees RM | Percentage of brokerage fees % |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Maybank Investment Bank | | | | |
| Bhd ("MIBB")* | 25,920,635 | 45.20 | 41,987 | 42.28 |
| CLSA Asia-Pacific Markets | 17,368,493 | 30.28 | 29,178 | 29.38 |
| KAF Investment Bank Bhd | 5,548,824 | 9.68 | 11,098 | 11.18 |
| Kim Eng Securities India Pte Ltd** | 4,796,406 | 8.36 | 9,593 | 9.66 |
| Affin Hwang Investment Bank Bhd | 2,101,716 | 3.66 | 4,203 | 4.23 |
| United Overseas Bank (M) Bhd | 1,615,757 | 2.82 | 3,243 | 3.27 |
| | 57,351,831 | 100.00 | 99,302 | 100.00 |

* MIBB is a subsidiary of Malayan Banking Berhad, the ultimate holding company of the Manager.

** Kim Eng Securities India Pte Ltd and Maybank Investment Bank Bhd are related parties of MBB, the ultimate holding company of the Manager.

Details of transactions, primarily Shariah-compliant deposits with a licensed Islamic financial institution for the current and previous financial period are as follows:

| | 01.02.2023 to 31.07.2023 | | 01.02.2022 to 31.07.2022 | |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|
| Financial institutions | Value of placements RM | Percentage of total placements % | Value of placements RM | Percentage of total placements % |
| Maybank Islamic Bhd *** | 219,267,111 | 100.00 | 165,070,362 | 100.00 |

*** Maybank Islamic Bhd is a subsidiary of MBB, the ultimate holding company of the Manager.

16. SIGNIFICANT RELATED PARTY TRANSACTION AND BALANCES

For the purpose of these financial statements, parties are considered to be related to the Fund or the Manager if the Fund or the Manager has the ability directly or indirectly, to control the party or exercise significant influence over the party in making financial and operating decision, or vice versa, or where the Fund or the Manager and the party are subject to common control or common significant influence. Related parties may be individuals or other entities.

In addition to the related party information disclosed elsewhere in the financial statements, there are no significant related party transactions and balances of the Fund.

The Manager is of the opinion that the transactions with the related parties have been entered into in the normal course of business and have been established on terms and conditions that are not materially different from that obtainable in transactions with unrelated parties.

16. SIGNIFICANT RELATED PARTY TRANSACTION AND BALANCES (CONT'D)

(i) Significant related party transaction

| | 01.02.2023 to 31.07.2023 RM | 01.02.2022 to 31.07.2022 RM |
|--|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Maybank Islamic Berhad Profit income from deposits | 25,296 | 12,064 |
| (ii) Significant related party balances | 31.07.2023 RM | 31.01.2023 RM |
| <u>Maybank Islamic Berhad</u> Shariah compliant deposit | 1,105,789 | 4,544,226 |

17. TOTAL EXPENSE RATIO ("TER")

The TER of the Fund is the ratio of the sum of fees and expenses incurred by the Fund to the average NAV of the Fund calculated on a daily basis. The fees and expenses include Manager's fee, Trustee's fee, auditors' remuneration, tax agent's fee and other administrative expenses. For the financial period from 1 February 2023 to 31 July 2023, the TER of the Fund stood at 0.90% (01.02.2022 to 31.07.2022: 0.92%).

18. PORTFOLIO TURNOVER RATIO ("PTR")

The PTR of the Fund is the ratio of average acquisitions and disposals of the Fund for the financial period to the average NAV of the Fund calculated on a daily basis. For the financial from 1 February 2023 to 31 July 2023, the PTR of the Fund stood at 0.33 times (01.02.2022 to 31.07.2022: 0.45 times).

19. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Portfolio Management Committee (the "PMC") of the Manager, being the chief operating decisionmaker, makes the strategic decisions on resources allocation of the Fund. The decisions are based on an integrated investment strategy to ensure the Fund achieves its targeted return with an acceptable level of risk within the portfolio.

The PMC is responsible for the performance of the Fund by investing between 70% to 98% of the Fund's NAV in guoted equities listed or traded in the Asia Pacific ex-Japan markets. The Manager will also invest between 2% to 30% of the Fund's NAV in Shariah-compliant liquid assets including Shariahcompliant money market instruments and placement in Shariah-compliant deposits.

On this basis, the PMC considers the business of the Fund to have a single operating segment located in Malaysia. Asset allocation decisions are based on a single, integrated investments strategy and the Fund's performance is evaluated on an overall basis.

The internal reporting of the Fund's assets, liabilities and performance is prepared on a consistent basis with the measurement and recognition principles of MFRS and IFRS.

There were no changes in the reportable operating segments during the financial period.

20. FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY

The Fund uses the following hierarchy for determining and disclosing the fair value of financial instruments by valuation technique:

- Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices).
- Level 3: Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

| | Level 1 RM | Level 2 RM | Level 3 RM |
|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 31.07.2023 | | | |
| Financial assets at FVTPL | 67,660,929 | | |
| 31.01.2023 | | | |
| Financial assets at FVTPL | 60,407,615 | - | - |

21. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

The capital of the Fund can vary depending on the demand for redemptions and subscriptions to the Fund.

The Fund's objectives for managing capital are:

- (a) To invest in investments meeting the description, risk exposure and expected returns indicated in its prospectus;
- (b) To achieve consistent returns while safeguarding capital by using various investment strategies;
- (c) To maintain sufficient liquidity to meet the expenses of the Fund, and to meet redemption requests as they arise; and
- (d) To maintain sufficient fund size and to ensure that the operations of the Fund are cost-efficient.

No changes were made to the capital management objectives, policies or processes since the commencement date.