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For the Period Ended 31 December 2024

Areca moneyTRUST Fund

Management Company



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Raja Datuk Zaharaton Bt Raja Dato' Zainal Abidin (Independent Non-Executive Chairman) Dr. Junid Saham (Independent Non-Executive) Dato' Seri Lee Kah Choon (Independent Non-Executive)

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	FUND INFORMATION
Name of the Fund	Areca moneyTRUST Fund
Fund Category/ Type	Money Market Fund
Objective of the Fund	The investment objective of the Fund is to provide investors with a high level of liquidity while providing current income and capital preservation (income could be in the form of Units or cash).
Performance Benchmark	Maybank's 1-month Repo rate
Distribution Policy of the Fund	Twice a year, subject to availability of distributable income.
Rebates & Soft Commissions	The Manager will retain soft commissions received from brokers or dealers, provided that:
	 (a) the soft commissions bring direct benefit or advantage to the management of the Fund and may include research and advisory related services;
	(b) any dealing with the broker or dealer is executed on terms which are the most favourable for the Fund; and
	(c) the availability of soft commissions is not the sole or primary purpose to perform or arrange transactions with such broker or dealer, and the Manager or fund manager shall not enter into unnecessary trades in order to achieve a sufficient volume of transactions to qualify for soft commissions.
	The soft commissions may be in the form of goods and services such as data and quotation services, computer software incidental to the management of the Fund and investment related publications. Cash rebates, if any, will be directed to the account of the Fund. During the period under review, the Manager had not received any soft commissions.
Inception Date	23 April 2007
Financial Year End	30 June

FUND PERFORMANCE					
	2024		2023		2022
NET ASSET VALUE ("NAV")					
Net Asset Value (RM million)	20.89		18.24		26.44
Units in circulation (million units)	38.81 0.5382		34.98 0.5215		52.28 0.5058
NAV per unit (RM)	0.5382		0.5215		0.5058
HIGHEST & LOWEST NAV per unit					
Please refer to Note 1 for further information on NAV and pricing policy					
Highest NAV per unit (RM)	0.5382		0.5215		0.5058
Lowest NAV per unit (RM)	0.5302		0.5131		0.5000
ASSET ALLOCATION % of NAV Unquoted fixed income securities					
Unquoted Bonds	-		28.50		41.50
Liquid assets and other net current assets	100.00		71.50		58.50
DISTRIBUTION					
There was no distribution for the financial period	d under review				
There was no distribution for the mancial perior	u ulluer leview.				
UNIT SPLIT					
There was no unit split exercise for the financial	l period under revi	ew.			
EXPENSE/TURNOVER					
Total expense ratio (TER) (%)	0.24		0.24		0.20
Please refer to Note 2 for further information					
Portfolio turnover ratio (PTR) (times)	0.27		0.65		0.19
Please refer to Note 3 for further information					
	30.06.2024	30	.06.2023	30.	06.2022
	to 31.12.2024	to 31	.12.2023	to 31.	12.2022
TOTAL RETURN					
Please refer to Note 4 for further information Total Return (%)	1.55		1.64		1.16
- Capital growth (%)	1.55		1.64		1.16
- Income distribution (%)	1.55		1.04		1.10
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Annual Total Return (%)	3.09*	3.27*	2.31*	1.48*	1.80*
Performance Benchmark (%):					a (a)
Maybank's 1-month Repo rate	1.92*	1.91*	1.48*	0.85*	0.43*
* Annualised for comparison purpose only					
	1-yr		3-yrs		5-yrs
Average Total Return per annum (%)	3.20		2.81		2.47
Average rotal Return per annuni (70)	5.20		2.01		2.47

NOTES:

Note 1: Selling of units by the Management Company (i.e. when you purchase units and invests in the Fund) and redemption of units by the Management Company (i.e. when you redeem your units and liquidate your investments) will be carried out at NAV per unit (the actual value of a unit). The entry/exit fee (if any) would be computed separately based on your net investment/liquidation amount.

Note 2: TER is calculated based on the total fees and expenses incurred by the Fund, divided by the average net asset value calculated on a daily basis.

Note 3: PTR is computed based on the average of the total acquisitions and total disposals of the investment securities of the Fund, divided by the average net asset value calculated on a daily basis.

Note 4: Fund performance figures are calculated based on NAV to NAV and assume reinvestment of distributions (if any) at NAV. The total return and the benchmark data are sourced from Lipper.

The abovementioned performance computations have been adjusted to reflect distribution payments and unit splits wherever applicable.

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance and unit prices and investment returns may go down, as well as up.

FUND REVIEW

For the period ended 31st December 2024, the Fund posted a semi-annual return of 1.55% (annualised 3.09%) versus 0.96% (annualised 1.92%) for the benchmark Maybank's 1-month Reporter. The Fund holds 100.00% in deposits with various financial institutions. The Fund will look to increase returns while moderately lengthening duration of money market placements.

We opine our domestic interest rate policy will remain accommodative as we are confronted by external geopolitical risks and domestic potential inflationary issues from subsidy rationalisation in the year ahead.

Investment Policy and Strategy

NAV man unit an at 21 December 2024

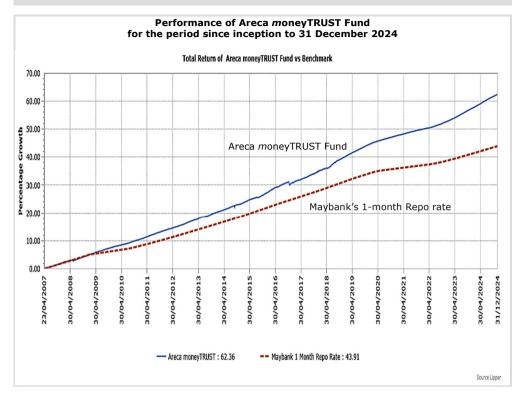
The Fund will focus on providing high level of liquidity to meet the Short-Term cash flow requirements of its Unit Holders, optimizing returns while providing capital preservation.

To achieve its objective, the Fund shall invest at least 90% of its NAV in Deposits and Money Market instruments with eligible Financial Institution. The Fund may invest up to 10% in collective investment schemes with similar objectives.

An eligible Financial Institution is a Financial Institution with the minimum rating of "A" by RAM or equivalent rating by other rating agencies. Should the credit rating of the Financial Institutions be downgraded to below the minimum credit rating by any rating agencies, the Manager shall cease to place new monies with the financial institutions and/or use their best effort to dispose the holdings before maturity.

NAV per unit as at 51 December 2024			KI10.3362
Asset Allocation/Portfolio Composition	2024	2023	2022
Unquoted fixed income securities	-	28.50%	41.50%
Liquid assets and other net current assets	100.00%	71.50%	58.50%

FUND REVIEW



GLOBAL FIXED INCOME MARKET REVIEW AND OUTLOOK

During the review period, the Federal Reserve ("Fed") reduced interest rates by 100 basis points ("bps") in the September, November and December Federal Open Market Committee ("FOMC") meetings, citing progress on inflation reduction and a balanced assessment of risk as the rationale for the move. However, in November the United States Treasury ("UST") yield curves experienced a bearish start in an immediate aftermath of the United States ("US") elections. The 10-year treasury yield rose sharply party driven by expectation of Trump's proposed policies, but yields started to normalise across most tenures as markets recalibrated their expectations. While many believe that president-elect Trump, with his business-focused approach, would favor a low-interest-rate environment, his proposed tariffs could drive inflation. This, in turn, might necessitate a "higher-for-longer" interest rate policy. Markets however are now pricing in a slower pace of rate cuts amidst a strong economic backdrop. We expect yields to stay in range as the pricing of future rate cuts is moderated on the back of stronger job reports.

Across the globe, central banks continued to lower rates with Bank of England ("BOE") cutting its policy rate by 25 bps in November to 4.75% marking the second decrease since its cutting cycle in August. In United Kingdom ("UK"), headline inflation rose from 1.70% to 2.30% and core inflation was up from 3.20% to 3.30% year-on-year ("Y-o-Y") in October. Eurozone's inflation rate accelerated to 2.30% in November (October:2.00%) with energy and food inflation being the main contributor. However, core inflation was stable keeping rate cut market expectations in line. Despite resilient inflation numbers, investors continue to expect that weak demand in France and Germany will give the European Central Bank ("ECB") enough justification for further rate cuts.

MALAYSIA FIXED INCOME MARKET REVIEW AND OUTLOOK

On the domestic front, the headline inflation eased lower to end December at 1.70% from 2.00% six months ago. Core inflation also trended down to 1.60% from 1.90% in this same period. We expect Malaysia to meet the deficit goal of 4.30% of Gross Domestic Product ("GDP") for 2024, but is unclear whether will stick to the medium-term fiscal path of lowering the deficit ratio to below 3.50% in 2025 due to uncertainty on RON95 subsidy rationalisation, higher operating expenditure on civil servant salary increase and whether there are any offsetting revenue measures.

The Budget 2025 which was announced in October continues to set the stage for fiscal consolidation while striking a balance with expansionary policies. The fiscal deficit is expected to narrow to 3.80% of GDP in 2025, down from 4.30% in 2024. From a fixed income perspective, the Budget is also neutral with no major surprises on inflation. We expect no change in the Overnight Policy Rate ("OPR") at 3.00% and on the Monetary Policy Committee ("MPC") statement on policy stance.

CROSS TRADE

No cross trade transactions have been carried out during the financial period under review.

SECURITIES FINANCING TRANSACTIONS

The Fund had not undertaken any securities financing transactions during the financial period under review.

STATE OF AFFAIRS

There has been neither significant change to the state of affairs of the Fund nor any circumstances that materially affect any interests of the unitholders during the financial period under review.

TRUSTEE'S REPORT

To the Unitholders of Areca moneyTRUST Fund ("Fund")

We have acted as Trustee of the Fund for the financial period ended 31 December 2024 and we hereby confirm to the best of our knowledge, after having made all reasonable enquiries, Areca Capital Sdn Bhd has operated and managed the Fund during the period covered by these unaudited financial statements in accordance with the following:

- Limitations imposed on the investment powers of the management company under the deeds, securities laws and the Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds;
- 2. Valuation and pricing is carried out in accordance with the deeds; and
- Any creation and cancellation of units are carried out in accordance with the deeds and any regulatory requirement.

For RHB Trustees Berhad [Company No. : 200201005356 (573019-U)]

MOHD SOFIAN BIN KAMARUDDIN VICE PRESIDENT

LIM BEE FANG ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT

Kuala Lumpur 21 February 2024

STATEMENT BY MANAGER

To the Unitholders of Areca moneyTRUST Fund

We, **WONG TECK MENG** and **EDWARD ISKANDAR TOH BIN ABDULLAH**, two of the Directors of the Manager, Areca Capital Sdn Bhd, 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 and International Financial Reporting Standards so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 31 December 2024 and the financial performance and the cash flows of the Fund for the financial period ended on that date.

For and on behalf of the Manager Areca Capital Sdn Bhd

WONG TECK MENG CEO/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EDWARD ISKANDAR TOH BIN ABDULLAH CIO/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Kuala Lumpur 21 February 2024

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As At 31 December 2024

	Note	31.12.2024 RM	31.12.2023 RM
Assets			
Investments	5	-	5,200,396
Cash and cash equivalents	6	20,903,145	13,061,124
Total Assets	_	20,903,145	18,261,520
Unitholders' Fund and Liabilities			
Liabilities			
Other payables and accrued expenses	7	17,822	16,946
Total Liabilities		17,822	16,946
Unitholders' Fund			
Unitholders' capital		16,597,002	14,483,464
Retained earnings		4,288,321	3,761,110
Net Asset Value Attributable To Unitholders		20,885,323	18,244,574
Total Unitholders' Fund And Liabilities	_	20,903,145	18,261,520
Number Of Units In Circulation	8	38,809,118	34,984,169
Net Asset Value Per Unit (RM)	_	0.5382	0.5215

The accompanying Notes form an integral part of the Financial Statements.

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For The Financial Period Ended 31 December 2024

	Note	01.07.2024 to 31.12.2024 RM	01.07.2023 to 31.12.2023 RM
Investment Income Interest income Net gain on investments at fair value through profit		248,909	214,923
or loss ("FVTPL")	5	84,190	58,125
Total Investments Income		333,099	273,048
Expenditure			
Management fee	9	29,448	22,149
Trustee's fee Audit fee	10	2,945 6,251	2,215 7,000
Tax agent's fee		1,901	1,900
Other expenses		5,626	1,859
Total Expenditure		46,171	35,123
Net Income Before Tax Income Tax Expense	11	286,928	237,925
Net Income After Tax And Total Comprehensive Income For The Financial Period		286,928	237,925
Net Income After Tax Is Made Up Of:			
Realised gain		345,178	255,300
Unrealised loss		(58,250)	(17,375)
		286,928	237,925

The accompanying Notes form an integral part of the Financial Statements.

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSET VALUE

For The Financial Period Ended 31 December 2024

	Unitholders' capital RM	Retained earnings RM	Total net asset value RM
Balance as at 1 July 2023 Amounts received from units created Amounts paid from units cancelled Total comprehensive income for the financial period Balance as at 31 December 2023	11,547,325 10,538,115 (7,601,976) 	3,523,185 - - 237,925 3,761,110	15,070,510 10,538,115 (7,601,976) 237,925 18,244,574
Balance as at 1 July 2024 Amounts received from units created Amounts paid from units cancelled Total comprehensive income for the financial period Balance as at 31 December 2024	7,578,143 17,489,823 (8,470,964) - 16,597,002	4,001,393 286,928 4,288,321	11,579,536 17,489,823 (8,470,964) 286,928 20,885,323

The accompanying Notes form an integral part of the Financial Statements.

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For The Financial Period Ended 31 December 2024

		01.07.2024 to 31.12.2024	01.07.2023 to 31.12.2023
	Note	RM	RM
Cash Flows From Operating Activities			
Proceeds from disposal of investments		1,000,000	-
Proceeds from maturity of investments		7,500,000	10,500,000
Purchase of investments		(1,933,667)	(8,607,300)
Interest received		284,399	226,038
Management fee paid		(26,991)	(21,676)
Trustee's fee paid		(2,699)	(2,168)
Payment for other fees and expenses		(18,127)	(15,109)
Net Cash Generated From Operating Activities		6,802,915	2,079,785
Cash Flows From Financing Activities			
Cash proceeds from units created		17,489,823	10,538,115
Payment for cancellation of units		(8,470,964)	(7,601,976)
Net Cash Generated From Financing Activities		9,018,859	2,936,139
Net Increase In Cash And Cash Equivalents Cash And Cash Equivalents At Beginning Of		15,821,774	5,015,924
Period		5,081,371	8,045,200
Cash And Cash Equivalents At The End Of Period		20,903,145	13,061,124
Cash And Cash Equivalents Comprise:			
Cash at bank	6	308,643	5,744
Short-term deposits	6	20,594,502	13,055,380
		20,903,145	13,061,124

NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 GENERAL INFORMATION

Areca moneyTRUST Fund ("the Fund") was established pursuant to the Trust Deed dated 12 March 2007, as modified by the First Supplemental Deed dated 25 August 2008, Second Supplemental Deed dated 10 April 2009, Third Supplemental Master Deed dated 15 August 2013, Fourth Supplemental Deed dated 7 December 2018 and Fifth Supplemental Deed dated 17 August 2022 ("the Deeds") between Areca Capital Sdn Bhd as the Manager, RHB Trustees Berhad as the Trustee and all the registered unitholders of the Fund.

The principal activity of the Fund is to invest in "Permitted Investments" as defined under Schedule 7 of the Trust Deeds, which includes money market instruments guaranteed by the government of Malaysia or Bank Negara Malaysia or any state government in Malaysia, deposit and issues by Financial Institutions such as banker's acceptances and negotiable certificates of deposit, units and shares in other collective investment schemes with similar investment objective and any other form of investment as may be agreed upon by the Manager and Trustee from time to time and permitted by the relevant authorities, where necessary. The Fund was launched on 23 April 2007 and will continue its operations until terminated in accordance with the conditions provided in Part 12 of the Deeds.

The investment objective of the Fund is to provide investors with a high level of liquidity while providing current income and capital preservation (income could be in the form of Units or cash). Any material changes to the investment objective would require unitholders' approval.

The Manager of the Fund is Areca Capital Sdn Bhd, a company incorporated in Malaysia. It is engaged in managing, administering, marketing and distributing unit trust funds, managing and administering funds under private mandates and the regulated activities of financial planning and providing investment advice.

2 BASIS OF PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements of the Fund have been prepared in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standard ("MFRSs") as issued by the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board ("MASB"), International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRSs") and the relevant Securities Commission Malaysia guidelines.

Adoption of Amendment to MFRSs

The Fund has applied the following the relevant Amendment for the first time for the financial period beginning on 1 July 2024:

Amendments to MFRS 101 Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current

The adoption of the above did not give rise to any material effects on the financial statements of the Fund.

New MFRS and Amendments to MFRSs in Issue But Not Yet Effective

At the date of authorisation for issue of these financial statements, relevant new MFRS and Amendments to MFRSs which were in issue by the MASB but not yet effective and not early adopted by the Fund are listed below:

Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2027

MFRS 18 Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements Amendments to MFRS 9 Financial Instruments and MFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures

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1 January 2026

The Manager of the Fund anticipates that the abovementioned new MFRS and Amendments to MFRSs will be adopted in the annual financial statements of the Fund when they become effective and that the adoption of these Amendments will have no material impact on the financial statements of the Fund in the period of initial application.

3 MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Fund have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for financial instruments that are measured at fair value. Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for assets.

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, regardless of whether that price is directly observable or estimated using another valuation technique. In estimating the fair value of an asset or a liability, the Fund takes into account the characteristics of the asset or liability if market participants would take those characteristics into account when pricing the asset or liability at the measurement date. Fair value for measurement and/or disclosure purposes in these financial statements is determined on such a basis, except for share-based payment transactions that are within the scope of MFRS 2, leasing transactions that are within the scope of MFRS 16, and measurements that have some similarities to fair value but are not fair value, such as net realisable value in MFRS 102 or value

In addition, for financial reporting purposes, fair value measurements are categorised into Level 1, 2 or 3 based on the degree to which the inputs to the fair value measurements are observable and the significance of the inputs to the fair value measurement in its entirety, which are described as follows:

- Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date;
- Level 2 inputs are inputs, other than quoted prices included within Level 1, that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

Income Recognition

Interest income from short-term deposits and unquoted fixed income securities are recognised on an accrual basis based on the effective yield of the asset.

Realised gain and loss on disposal of investments is arrived at based on net sales proceeds less carrying value. Any unrealised gain and loss previously charged to profit or loss in relation to the disposal of this investment will be reversed and classified as realised gain or loss during the financial period.

Unrealised gains and losses are calculated based on changes in the fair value of financial instruments at the end of the reporting period.

Income Tax

Pursuant to Paragraph 35 and 35A, Schedule 6 of the Income Tax Act 1967, interest income derived by the Fund is exempt from tax, and pursuant to Paragraph 61(1)(b) of the Income Tax Act 1967, gains from realisation of investments are not treated as income and is also exempt from tax.

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 ("RM"), which is also the Fund's functional currency.

Unitholders' Capital

The unitholders' contributions to the Fund meet the definition of puttable instruments classified as equity instruments.

The units in the Fund are puttable instruments which entitle the unitholders to a pro-rata share of the net asset value of the Fund. The units are subordinated and have identical features. There is no contractual obligation to deliver cash or another financial asset other than the obligation on the Fund to repurchase the units. The total expected cash flows from the units in the Fund over the life of the units are based on the change in the net asset value of the Fund.

Creation and Cancellation of Units

The Fund issues cancellable units, which are cancelled at the unitholders' option and are classified as equity. Cancellable units can be put back to the Fund at any time for cash equal to a proportionate share of the Fund's net asset value. The outstanding units are carried at the redemption amount that is payable at the net asset value if the holder exercises the right to put the units back to the Fund.

Units are created and cancelled at the unitholders' option at prices based on the Fund's net asset value per unit at the time of creation or cancellation. The Fund's net asset value per unit is calculated by dividing the net assets attributable to unitholders with the total number of outstanding units.

Financial Instruments

Categories of financial assets are determined on initial recognition and are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition unless the Fund changes its business model for managing financial assets in which case all affected financial assets are reclassified on the first day of the first reporting period following the change of the business model.

Financial Assets

(i) Classification

The Fund classified its financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- those to be measured subsequently at fair value (either through other comprehensive income or through profit or loss), and
- those to be measured at amortised cost.

The classification depends on the entity's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual terms of the cash flows.

For assets measured at fair value, gains and losses will either be recorded in profit or loss or other comprehensive income. For investments in equity instruments that are not held for trading, the Fund can make an irrevocable election at the time of initial recognition to account for the equity investments either at fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVTOCI") or fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL").

(ii) Recognition and derecognition

Regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on trade-date, the date on which the Fund commits to purchase or sell the asset. Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or have been transferred and the Fund has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership.

(iii) Measurement

At initial recognition, the Fund measures a financial asset at its fair value plus, in the case of a financial asset not at FVTPL, transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial asset. Transaction costs of financial assets carried at FVTPL are expensed in profit or loss.

Impairment of Financial Assets

The Fund assesses at the end of each reporting period whether there is any objective evidence that a financial asset is impaired.

The Fund applies the simplified approach under MFRS 9 which requires expected lifetime loss to be recognised from initial recognition. The expected loss allowance is based on provisional matrix.

Derecognition of Financial Assets

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 transfer nor retain substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership and continues to control the transferred asset, the Fund recognises its retained interest 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 continue to recognise the financial asset and also recognises a collateralised borrowing for the proceeds received.

Equity Instruments

The Fund measures its equity investments at fair value with gains or losses on valuation recognised in profit or loss unless the Fund's management has made an irrevocable election to recognise the fair value gains and losses in other comprehensive income at its initial stage.

Financial Liabilities

Financial liabilities are classified as measured at amortised cost or FVTPL.

A financial liability is any liability with contractual obligation to deliver cash or another financial asset to another enterprise, or to exchange financial instruments with another enterprise under conditions that are potentially unfavourable.

Financial Liabilities Measured Subsequently at Amortised Cost

Financial liabilities that are not held for trading, or designated as at FVTPL, are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial liability and of allocating interest expense over the relevant years. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments (including all fees and points paid or received that form an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life of the financial liability, or (where appropriate) a shorter period, to the amortised cost of a financial liability.

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is extinguished. When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially difference terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability, and the difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognised in profit or loss.

Investments

Unquoted fixed income securities are valued at FVTPL and are generally valued by reference to published prices of an approved bond pricing agency ("BPA").

Gains or losses arising from the changes in the fair value of the investments are recognised in the profit or loss and are classified as unrealised gain or loss.

Classification of Realised and Unrealised Gains and Losses

Gains or losses arising from the disposal of financial instruments are recognised as realised gains or losses in the profit or loss.

Gain or losses arising from the changes in the valuation of financial instruments at the end of the reporting period are recognised as unrealised gains or losses in the profit or loss.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Fund has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, where it is probable that the Fund will be required to settle that obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount or timing of the obligation.

The amount recognised as a provision will be the best estimate of the amount required to settle the present obligation at the reporting date, taking into account the uncertainties surrounding the obligation. Where a provision is measured using the estimated cash flows to settle the present obligation, its carrying amount will be the present value of those cash flows.

Statement of Cash Flows

The Fund adopts the direct method in the preparation of the statement of cash flows.

Cash and cash equivalents, which comprise cash and balances with banks and other financial institutions and deposit placements, are short-term, highly liquid investments with maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition or are readily convertible to cash with insignificant risk of changes in value.

4 CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

(i) Critical judgements in applying accounting policies

In the process of applying the Fund's accounting policies, which are described in Note 3 above, the Manager is of the opinion that there are no instances of application of judgement which are expected to have a significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements.

(ii) Key sources of estimation uncertainty

The Manager believes that there are no key assumptions made concerning the future, and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the end of the reporting period, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial period.

5 INVESTMENTS

Financial assets at FVTPL:	2024 RM	2023 RM
Unquoted fixed income securities		5,200,396
Net gain on investments at FVTPL comprise:		
Realised gain on disposals	142,440	75,500
Unrealised loss on changes in fair values	(58,250)	(17,375)
	84,190	58,125

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss as at 31 December 2023 are as follows:

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Issuer coupon (%) maturity rating UNQUOTED FIXED INCOME SECURITIES	Nominal value RM	Adjusted Cost RM	Fair Value RM	Fair Value as a % of Net Asset Value %
Unquoted Bonds				
Projek Lebuhraya Usahasama Bhd				
4.65% 12/01/2024 AAA	2,600,000	2,660,465	2,656,195	14.56
Sabah Development Bank Bhd	1 500 000	1 535 010	4 507 705	0.07
4.40% 30/07/2024 AA1	1,500,000	1,525,010	1,527,725	8.37
WCT Holdings Bhd 5.00% 28/02/2024 AA-	1 000 000	1 016 096	1 016 476	E E7
	1,000,000	1,016,986	1,016,476	5.57
Total investments	_	5,202,461	5,200,396	28.50
Unrealised loss on investments			(2,065)	

6 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2024 RM	2023 RM
Cash at bank	308,643	5,744
Short-term deposits	20,594,502	13,055,380
	20,903,145	13,061,124

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Short-term deposits represent deposits placed with local licensed financial institutions.

The weighted average interest rate for short-term deposits is 2.86% (2023: 2.93%) per annum and the average maturity period is 2 days (2023: 2 days).

7 OTHER PAYABLES AND ACCRUED EXPENSES

	2024 RM	2023 RM
Accrued expenses:		
Management fee	5,336	4,542
Trustee's fee	534	454
Audit fee	6,251	6,250
Tax agent's fee	5,701	5,700
-	17,822	16,946

8 NUMBER OF UNITS IN CIRCULATION

	2024 Units	2023 Units
At beginning of the period	21,846,544	29,372,973
Created during the period	32,797,155	20,330,684
Cancelled during the period	(15,834,581)	(14,719,488)
At end of the period	38,809,118	34,984,169

9 MANAGEMENT FEE

The Schedule 8 of the Deeds provides that the Manager is entitled to an annual management fee up to 2.50% per annum computed daily on the net asset value of the Fund before the deduction of the management fee and Trustee's fee for the relevant day.

The management fee provided in the financial statements is 0.30% (2023: 0.30%) per annum for the financial period.

10 TRUSTEE'S FEE

The Schedule 9 of the Deeds provides that the Trustee is entitled to an annual Trustee's fee up to 0.25% per annum computed daily on the net asset value of the Fund before the deduction of the management fee and Trustee's fee for the relevant day.

The Trustee's fee provided in the financial statements is 0.03% (2023: 0.03%) per annum for the financial period.

11 INCOME TAX EXPENSE

There is no income tax expenses for the period as interest income derived by the Fund is exempted income from tax pursuant to Paragraph 35 and 35A, Schedule 6 of the Income Tax Act 1967. Gains arising from realisation of investments are not treated as income pursuant to Paragraph 61(1)(b) of the Income Tax Act 1967.

12 TOTAL EXPENSE RATIO AND PORTFOLIO TURNOVER RATIO

Total Expense Ratio (TER)

Total expense ratio for the Fund is 0.24% (2023: 0.24%) for the financial period ended 31 December 2024. The total expense ratio which includes management fee, trustee's fee, audit fee, tax agent's fee and other expenses, is calculated as follows:

 $TER = \frac{(A + B + C + D + E)}{E} \times 100$

- A = Management fee
- B = Trustee's fee
- C = Audit fee
- D = Tax agent's fee
- E = Other expenses
- F = Average net asset value of the Fund

The average net asset value of the Fund for the financial period is RM19,471,879 (2023: RM14,645,511).

Portfolio Turnover Ratio (PTR)

The portfolio turnover ratio for the Fund is 0.27 times (2023: 0.65 times) for the financial period ended 31 December 2024. The portfolio turnover ratio is derived from the following calculation:

<u>(Total acquisition for the financial period + total disposal for the financial period) \div 2 Average net asset value of the Fund for the financial period calculated on a daily basis</u>

Where:	total acquisition for the financial period	=	RM1,933,667	(2023: RM8,607,300)
	total disposal for the financial period	=	RM8,500,000	(2023: RM10,500,000)

13 UNITS HELD BY THE MANAGER AND PARTIES RELATED TO THE MANAGER

As at end of the financial period, the total number and value of units held by related parties are as follows:

<i>←2024→ ←2023→</i>		
No. of units	RM No. of units	RM
-	- 14,600	7,614
-	- 14,600	7,614
	No. of units	No. of units RM No. of units

There are no units held by the Manager for the financial period under review.

The Directors of the Manager are 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. These dealings with related parties have been transacted at arm's length basis.

14 TRADE WITH BROKERS/DEALERS

Details of transactions with brokers/dealers are as follows:

Brokers/Dealers	Value of Trades RM	% of Total Trades %
2024		
Kenanga Investment Bank Bhd	1,945,151	66.05
Malayan Banking Bhd	1,000,000	33.95
	2,945,151	100.00

Brokers/Dealers	Value of Trades RM	% of Total Trades %
2023		
Kenanga Investment Bank Bhd	4,452,101	51.73
Malayan Banking Bhd	1,631,903	18.96
CIMB Bank Bhd	1,516,873	17.62
Affin Hwang Investment Bank Bhd	1,006,423	11.69
	8,607,300	100.00

15 RISK MANAGEMENT POLICIES

FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Fund seeks to provide high level of liquidity while providing current income and capital preservation by investing primarily in very short-term, highly liquid, near cash and money market instruments and partially in unquoted fixed income securities. In order to meet its stated investment objectives, the Fund utilises risk management for both defensive and proactive purposes. Rigorous analysis of sources of risk in the portfolio is carried out and the following policies are implemented to provide effective ways to reduce future risk and enhance future returns within the Fund's mandate.

The key risks faced by the Fund are credit risk, liquidity risk, market risk (including interest rate risk and price risk) primarily on its investment and capital risk.

Categories of Financial Instruments

Financial assets Carried at FVTPL:	2024 RM	2023 RM
Investments		5,200,396
Amortised cost: Cash and cash equivalents	20,903,145	13,061,124
Financial liabilities Amortised cost: Other payables and accrued expenses	17,822	16,946

Credit risk management

Credit risk is the risk that the counterparty to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the Fund by failing to discharge an obligation. The Fund is exposed to the risk of creditrelated losses that can occur as a result of a counterparty or issuer being unable or unwilling to honour its contractual obligations to make timely repayments of interest, principal and proceeds from realisation of investments.

The Manager manages the Fund's credit risk by undertaking credit evaluation and close monitoring of any changes to the issuer/counterparty's credit profile to minimise such risk. It is the Fund's policy to enter into financial instruments with reputable counterparties.

The Fund's maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by the carrying amount of each class of financial assets recognised in the statement of financial position. None of the Fund's financial assets were past due or impaired as at 31 December 2024.

The credit risk for cash at bank is considered negligible since the counterparties are reputable banks with high quality external ratings.

The Fund invests in unquoted fixed income securities of at least investment grade as rated by a credit rating agency at inception. The following table set out the Fund's portfolio of unquoted fixed income securities by rating categories:

		As a % of unquoted fixed income	As a % of
Credit Rating	Fair Value	securities	NAV
	RM	%	%
2023			
Unquoted Fixed Income Securities			
AAA	2,656,195	51.08	14.56
AA1	1,527,725	29.38	8.37
AA-	1,016,476	19.54	5.57
	5,200,396	100.00	28.50

The following table set out the Fund's portfolio of investments by industry:

2024	Short-term deposits RM	Unquoted fixed income securities RM
Industry		
Finance, insurance and business services	20,594,502	-
	20,594,502	-
2023 Industry Construction Finance, insurance and business services Civil, engineering and construction	13,055,380 13,055,380	2,656,195 1,527,725 1,016,476 5,200,396

Liquidity risk management

Liquidity risk is defined as the risk that the Fund will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset. Exposure to liquidity risk arises because of the possibility that the Fund could be required to pay its liabilities or redeem its units earlier than expected. The Fund manages its liquidity risk by investing predominantly in securities that it expects to be able of being converted into cash with 7 days.

All financial liabilities are repayable on demand or due within 1 year from the date of the statement of financial position.

Market risk management

This is a class of risk that inherently exists in an economy and cannot be avoided by any business or Fund. It is usually due to changes in market variables such as interest rates and market prices.

During the financial period, as the Fund invests only in unquoted fixed income securities, the performance of the Fund might go up or down in accordance with the prevailing market risk of Malaysia.

Interest rate risk management

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rate. The Fund's short-term deposits and cash at bank earn interest at floating rates but is not exposed to any significant interest rate risk as the floating rates, represented by overnight cash rates, do not fluctuate significantly year-onyear.

The Fund is exposed to risk of fluctuation in fair value of financial assets as a result of change in the market interest rate. The valuation for financial assets at FVTPL move inversely to the market interest rate movements. As the market interest rate rise, the fair value of financial assets at FVTPL decrease and vice versa.

Price risk management

Price risk is the risk of unfavourable changes in the fair value of unquoted fixed income securities as the result of changes in the levels of the equity indices. The price risk exposure arises from the Fund's investments in unquoted fixed income securities. The Manager manages the risk of unfavourable changes in prices by continuous monitoring of the performance and risk profile of the investment portfolio.

Price risk sensitivity

The Manager's best estimate of the effect on the income for the period due to a reasonably possible change in price, with all other variables held constant is indicated in the table below:

	Changes in price %	Effect on profit or loss Increase/(Decrease) RM
2024 Investments	+5/-5%	
2023 Investments	+5/-5%	260,020/(260,020)

Capital risk management

The capital of the Fund is represented by equity consisting of unitholders' capital and retained earnings. The amount of equity can change significantly on a daily basis as the Fund is subject to daily subscriptions and redemptions at the discretion of unitholders. The Fund's objective when managing capital is to safeguard the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern in order to provide returns for unitholders and benefits for other stakeholders and to maintain a strong capital base to support the development of the investment activities of the Fund.

16 FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction in the principal (or most advantageous) market at the measurement date under current market conditions.

Unquoted fixed income securities are valued using fair value prices quoted by a bond pricing agency ("BPA"). When no market price is available or during abnormal market or when the Manager is of the view that the price quoted by BPA for a specific bond differs from the market price by more than 20 basis points, the Manager will separately assess the security to determine the price valuation, and the Manager will record the valuation basis and obtain the necessary internal approvals for using the non-BPA price.

For deposits and placements with financial institutions with maturities of less than twelve months, the carrying value is a reasonable estimate of fair value.

The carrying amounts of other financial assets and financial liabilities approximate their fair values due to short maturity of these instruments.

The following table provides an analysis of financial instruments that are measured subsequent to initial recognition at fair value, grouped into Levels 1 to 3 based on the degree to which the fair value is observable.

	Level 1 RM	Level 2 RM	Level 3 RM	Total RM
2024 Financial assets at FVTPL Unquoted fixed income securities		-	-	-
2023 Financial assets at FVTPL Unquoted fixed income securities		5,200,396		5,200,396

There is no transfer between Levels 1, 2 and 3 during the financial period.

17 COMPARATIVE FIGURES

The following comparative figures have been reclassified to conform with current period's financial statements presentation:

	2023 RM	Reclassification RM	2023 RM
Statement of financial position			
Assets	E 100 200	(F 100 200)	
Unquoted fixed income securities Cash at bank	5,100,380	(5,100,380)	-
	5,744	(5,744)	-
Short-term deposits	13,052,236	(13,052,236)	-
Other receivable	103,160	(103,160)	-
Investments	-	5,200,396	5,200,396
Cash and cash equivalents		13,061,124	13,061,124



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