

**QUARTERLY REPORT** 30 November 2024

AHAM **Absolute Return** Fund II

MANAGER AHAM Asset Management Berhad 199701014290 (429786-T) CUSTODIAN Deutsche Bank (Malaysia) Berhad (312552-W)

# **Quarterly Report and Financial Statements As at 30 November 2024**

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# QUARTERLY REPORT FUND INFORMATION

Fund Name	AHAM Absolute Return Fund II
Fund Type	Growth
Fund Category	Mixed Assets
Investment Objective	The Fund is categorised as growth fund which seeks to achieve medium to long- term capital appreciation by investing primarily in securities of developed and emerging markets globally
Benchmark	Absolute return of 8.0% per annum
Distribution Policy	The Fund is not expected to make distribution. However, incidental distribution may be declared whenever is appropriate.

### **FUND PERFORMANCE DATA**

# MYR Class

Category	As at 30 Nov 2024	As at 31 Aug 2024
Total NAV (million)	272.461	269.667
NAV per Unit (RM)	1.4815	1.3992
Unit in Circulation (million)	183.908	192.731

# **AUD Class**

Category	As at 30 Nov 2024	As at 31 Aug 2024
Total NAV (million)	1.622	1.599
NAV per Unit (AUD)	0.6211	0.5774
Unit in Circulation (million)	2.612	2.769

# GBP Class

Category	As at 30 Nov 2024	As at 31 Aug 2024
Total NAV (million)	0.244	0.228
NAV per Unit (GBP)	0.5863	0.5487
Unit in Circulation (million)	0.416	0.416

# SGD Class

Category	As at 30 Nov 2024	As at 31 Aug 2024
Total NAV (million)	3.380	3.360
NAV per Unit (SGD)	0.5335	0.5040
Unit in Circulation (million)	6.335	6.667

# **USD Class**

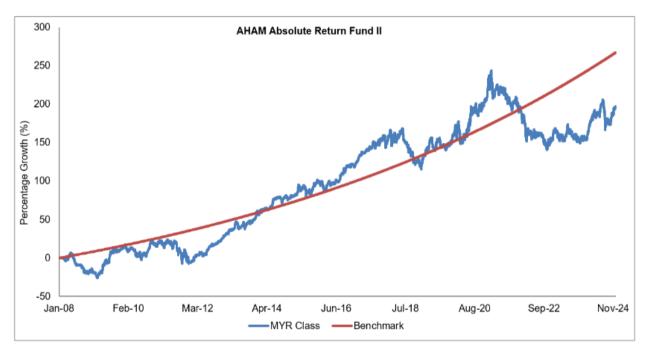
Category	As at 30 Nov 2024	As at 31 Aug 2024
Total NAV (million)	6.196	6.009
NAV per Unit (USD)	0.5210	0.5062
Unit in Circulation (million)	11.892	11.871

# **Fund Performance**

Performance as at 30 November 2024

						Since
	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Commencement
	(1/9/24 -	(1/6/24 -	(1/12/23 -	(1/12/21 -	(1/12/19 -	(8/1/08 -
	30/11/24)	30/11/24)	30/11/24)	30/11/24)	30/11/24)	30/11/24)
MYR Class	5.88%	3.67%	16.46%	(0.74%)	18.33%	196.30%
Benchmark	1.94%	3.93%	8.00%	26.00%	46.99%	267.44%
Outperformance	3.94%	(0.26%)	8.46%	(26.74%)	(28.66%)	(71.14%)

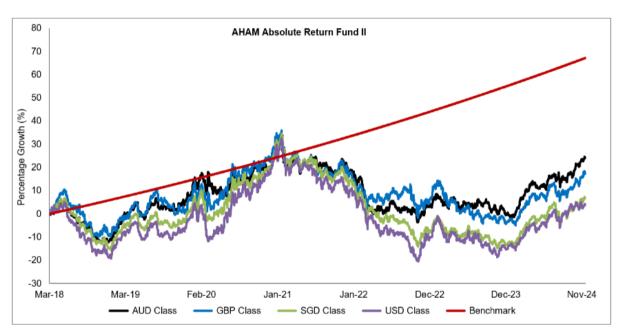
Figure 1: Movement of the Fund versus the Benchmark



#### Performance as at 30 November 2024

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	30/11/24)	30/11/24)	30/11/24)	30/11/24)	30/11/24)	30/11/24)
Benchmark	1.94%	3.93%	8.00%	26.00%	46.99%	67.21%
AUD Class	7.57%	12.05%	24.10%	2.73%	18.06%	24.22%
Outperformance	5.63%	8.12%	16.10%	(23.27%)	(28.93%)	(42.99%)
GBP Class	6.85%	10.02%	21.71%	(1.11%)	14.92%	17.26%
Outperformance	4.91%	6.09%	13.71%	(27.11%)	(32.07%)	(49.95%)
SGD Class	5.85%	8.79%	22.56%	(7.91%)	9.80%	6.70%
Outperformance	3.91%	4.86%	14.56%	(33.91%)	(37.19%)	(60.51%)
USD Class	2.92%	9.80%	22.16%	(6.09%)	11.87%	4.20%
Outperformance	0.98%	5.87%	14.16%	(32.09%)	(35.12%)	(63.01%)

#### Movement of the Fund versus the Benchmark



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Benchmark: 8.0% per annum

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#### **Asset Allocation**

Fund's asset mix during the period under review:

	30 November 2024	
	(%)	
Equity	73.68	
Unit Trust	18.97	
Cash & money market	7.35	
Total	100.00	

#### **Strategies Employed**

The fund's primary strategy is to invest in Quality Compounders at reasonable valuations. Quality Compounders are businesses with a strong moat, high return on capital, and a healthy growth trajectory.

#### **Market Review**

The S&P 500 index has experienced significant gains of approximately 7% in USD terms from September 1, 2024 to November 30, 2024.

Several factors contributed to the S&P 500's robust performance during this period. Strong corporate earnings fueled by solid consumer demand and efficient cost management boosted investor confidence. Investor sentiment was also supported by easing inflation trends, a stabilizing interest rate environment, and optimism surrounding Al-driven productivity gains.

As for the Asia ex-Japan (AxJ) equity markets, as measured by the MSCI Asia ex-Japan Index, was flat in USD terms between September 1, 2024 to November 30, 2024.

Within AxJ markets, China was the strongest performer. The Chinese government introduced various stimulus measures, including infrastructure investments and tax incentives to boost the economy and stabilize investor sentiment. Improved economic indicators, such as industrial production and retail sales, also fueled optimism.

#### **Investment Outlook**

Several key macroeconomic factors are expected to influence global equity markets. The primary factor is the trajectory of inflation data in developed countries, particularly the U.S. Changes in U.S. inflation data will determine the Federal Funds Rate and overall financial conditions in the U.S., which will significantly impact global financial conditions.

China's economic health also has broad implications for the global economy, particularly for Asian economies due to close trade linkages with China. The Chinese economy continues to struggle with sluggish housing sales and domestic consumption. Although various stimulus measures have been implemented, they have yet to successfully accelerate the Chinese economy.

Global geopolitical developments are another important driver of financial markets. Donald Trump's election victory would lead to changes in domestic policies affecting U.S. businesses and global trade activities.

These key issues will be closely monitored, and any material developments will impact the portfolio's construction for the remainder of 2024. Our portfolio positioning does incorporate risk mitigation strategies to better withstand potential changes in macroeconomic conditions.

# UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2024

	Financial period ended <u>30.11.2024</u> RM	Financial period ended 30.11.2023 RM
INVESTMENT INCOME/(LOSS)		
Dividend income Interest income from financial assets at amortised cost	2,940,196 26,513	2,048,344 56,227
Net loss on foreign currency exchange Net gain/(loss) on financial assets	(1,320,750)	(656,645)
at fair value through profit or loss	12,414,172	(3,977,849)
	14,060,131	(2,529,923)
EXPENSES		
Management fee Custodian fee Fund accounting fee Auditors' remuneration Tax agent's fee Transaction costs Other expenses	(1,613,732) (57,652) (18,000) (5,766) (1,955) (334,381) (467,671) (2,499,157)	(1,947,027) (37,019) (18,000) (5,750) (1,900) (575,331) (259,409) (2,844,436)
NET PROFIT/(LOSS) BEFORE TAXATION	11,560,974	(5,374,359)
Taxation	-	(231,420)
INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDERS	11,560,974	(5,605,779)
Increase/(decrease) of net asset attributable to unit holders is made up of the following		
Realised amount Unrealised amount	929,067 10,631,907	(22,276,871) 16,671,092
	11,560,974	(5,605,779)

# UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 NOVEMBER 2024

ASSETS	<u>2024</u> RM	<u>2023</u> RM
Cash and cash equivalents Dividend receivables Amount due from brokers Amount due from Manager - creation of units - management fee rebate receivable Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Tax recoverable	21,624,450 71,574 5,211,513 32,648 293,951,108 12,098	30,856,458 23,320 8,209,933 131,592 43,851 324,947,077
TOTAL ASSETS	320,903,391	364,212,231
LIABILITIES		
Amount due to brokers Amount due to Manager	2,473,983	2,473,983
- management fee	261,632	300,412
- cancellation of units Fund accounting fee	884,143 6,000	1,387,243 9,000
Auditors' remuneration	1,177	5,750
Tax agent's fee	9,749	5,794
Tax payables	-	123,078
Other payables and accruals	11,553	11,974
TOTAL LIABILITIES (EXCLUDING NET ASSET		
ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDERS)	3,648,237	4,317,234
NET ASSET VALUE OF THE FUND	317,255,154	359,894,997
NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDERS	317,255,154	359,894,997

# UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 NOVEMBER 2024 (CONTINUED)

REPRESENTED BY:	<u>2024</u> RM	<u>2023</u> RM
FAIR VALUE OF OUTSTANDING UNITS		
- AUD Class - GBP Class - MYR Class - SGD Class - USD Class	4,693,202 1,375,908 272,454,337 11,208,399 27,523,308 317,255,154	6,143,543 1,363,178 302,577,622 12,107,985 37,702,669 359,894,997
NUMBER OF UNITS IN CIRCULATION		
<ul><li>AUD Class</li><li>GBP Class</li><li>MYR Class</li><li>SGD Class</li><li>USD Class</li></ul>	2,612,000 416,000 183,908,000 6,335,000 11,892,000	3,982,000 480,000 237,865,000 7,970,000 18,973,000
	205,163,000	269,270,000
NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT (RM)		
<ul><li>AUD Class</li><li>GBP Class</li><li>MYR Class</li><li>SGD Class</li><li>USD Class</li></ul>	1.7968 3.3075 1.4815 1.7693 2.3144	1.5428 2.8400 1.2721 1.5192 1.9872
NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT IN RESPECTIVE CURRENCIES		
- AUD Class - GBP Class - MYR Class - SGD Class - USD Class	AUD0.6211 GBP0.5863 RM1.4815 SGD0.5335 USD0.5210	AUD0.5005 GBP0.4817 RM1.2721 SGD0.4353 USD0.4265

# UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2024

	Financial period ended 30.11.2024 RM	Financial period ended 30.11.2023 RM
NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDERS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD	329,137,971	402,691,303
Movement due to units created and cancelled during the financial period:		
Creation of units arising from applications	3,617,555	493,261
- AUD Class - GBP Class	194,976	15,652 131,607
- MYR Class	3,113,548	346,002
- SGD Class	100,937	-
- USD Class	208,094	-
Cancellation of units	(27,061,346)	(37,683,788)
- AUD Class	(467,848)	(305,285)
- MYR Class	(23,120,877)	(32,592,144)
- SGD Class	(2,001,840)	(15,414)
- USD Class	(1,470,781)	(4,770,945)
Net increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable		
to unit holders during the financial period	11,560,974	(5,605,779)
- AUD Class	166,704	(91,575)
- GBP Class	48,656	(19,644)
- MYR Class	9,942,020	(4,691,843)
- SGD Class	462,419	(183,356)
- USD Class	941,175	(619,361)
NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDERS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD	317,255,154	359,894,997

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