

QUARTERLY REPORT 31 May 2024

AHAM **Aiiman Income** Fund

MANAGER AHAM Asset Management Berhad 199701014290 (429786-T) TRUSTEE
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Quarterly Report and Financial Statements As at 31 May 2024

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QUARTERLY REPORT

FUND INFORMATION

Fund Name	AHAM Aiiman Income Fund
Fund Type	Income
Fund Category	Fixed Income (Shariah-compliant Wholesale)
Investment Objective	The Fund aims to provide investors with a steady income stream by investing in Sukuk, Islamic money market instruments and/or Islamic deposits.
Benchmark	Maybank 1-month General Investment Account (GIA-i) rate.
Distribution Policy	Subject to the availability of income, the Fund will make distribution on a monthly basis. However, the amount of income available for distribution may fluctuate from month to month. At our discretion, the Fund may distribute (1) realised income, (2) realised capital gains, (3) unrealised income, (4) unrealised capital gains, or (5) a combination of any of the above.

FUND PERFORMANCE DATA

Category	As at 31 May 2024	As at 29 Feb 2024
Total NAV (RM'million)	1134.339	791.459
NAV per Unit (RM)	1.0000	1.0000
Unit in Circulation (million)	1133.788	791.183

Income Distribution Breakdown

Class	Ex-date	Income (sens / cents)	Income (%)	Capital (sens / cents)	Capital (%)
MYR	2024-05-31	0.2888	100	-	-
	2024-04-30	0.2795	100	-	-
	2024-03-31	0.2789	98	0.0058	2

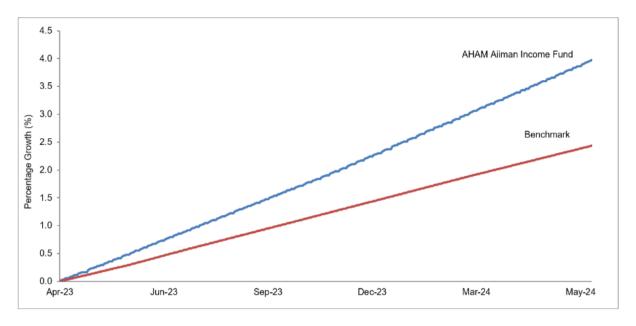
Fund Performance

Performance as at 31 May 2024

	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	Since Commencement
	(1/3/24 - 31/5/24)	(1/12/23 - 31/5/24)	(1/6/23 - 31/5/24)	(3/4/23 - 31/5/24)
Fund	0.86%	1.73%	3.39%	3.93%
Benchmark	0.50%	1.02%	2.09%	2.41%
Outperformance	0.36%	0.71%	1.30%	1.52%

Source of Benchmark: Maybank

Movement of the Fund versus the Benchmark



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Benchmark: Maybank 1-month General Investment Account (GIA-i) rate

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Asset Allocation

Fund's asset mix during the period under review:

	31 May 2024	
	(%)	
Fixed Income	27.29	
Cash & money market	72.71	
Total	100.00	

Strategies Employed

Over the period under review, the Fund invested mainly in Malaysia Government Investment Issues, Government-Guaranteed Sukuk, Cagamas Sukuk, and Money Market deposits with the objective to provide investors with income stream over the medium to long-term period. The portfolio duration and allocation between fixed income and deposits was managed based the interest rate outlook for the market over the medium to long-term horizon, as well as to accommodate daily liquidity requirement and to provide the Fund's core feature of fixed NAV price. Macroeconomic conditions, market trends and available investment opportunities are also important considerations.

At the end of the period under review, portfolio duration stood at 0.05-year with an asset allocation of 27% fixed income and 73% deposits, The fund maintained a higher deposit composition during the period under review amid (1) higher deposit returns relative fixed income yields, (2) liquidity requirement to accommodate active fund flows, and most importantly, (3) to position more defensively to protect the fund from adverse market conditions, as the Fund is still at its infancy stage of accumulating reserves, in order to provide its core feature of fixed NAV price.

Market Review

At the beginning of the period under review, global bond market volatility was heightened due to uncertainties surrounding the US Federal Reserve's terminal policy rate. Inflation data in the US was trending lower, lifting market sentiment and drove global fixed income yields lower despite the US Federal Reserve's 'higher for longer' narrative. However, economic outlook turned robust while core inflation remained sticky, exerting pressure on the investors' expectations on the timing of rate cuts by the US Federal Reserve. US Treasury yields repriced higher in April on the back of better-than-expected economic data and higher inflation print. The Federal Reserve during its 30 Apr/01 May 2024 FOMC meeting, kept the Fed Funds Target Rate (FFTR) unchanged at 5.25%-5.50%.

Malaysian fixed income market turned volatile towards the end of April in line with rising global bond yields trend. Nonetheless, the rise in yields were relatively subdued anchored by ample domestic liquidity. Against a backdrop of stable domestic growth, real money investor's demand for yield and duration drove credit spreads towards historical low and kept the long end of Malaysia's sovereign yield curve supported. Wide interest differential between the US and Malaysia exerted upward pressure to domestic bond yields (especially at the short end) and weighed on the Ringgit. The 3-year, 10-year, and 30-year Malaysian sovereign bond yields stood at 3.61% (+31 bps), 3.99% (+25 bps), and 4.30% (+13 bps) respectively at the end of April. The yield curve bear flattened, as short-term bond yields rose more than long-term bond yields.

Malaysia's 1Q2024 GDP growth showed an uptick to 4.2% y/y (from a +2.9% y/y in 4Q23), higher than the advance estimate and consensus of 3.9%. Headline inflation also inched higher to 2.0% y/y in May, from 1.8% y/y in April and March. Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) maintained its Overnight Policy Rate (OPR) unchanged at 3.0%, the fifth consecutive pause since July 2023 meeting. In its statement, BNM noted that the existing monetary policy stance continues to be supportive of economic growth, in line with its evaluation of the inflation and growth prospects going forward.

Investment Outlook

The US Federal Funds Rate of 5.25-5.50% appeared sufficiently restrictive, with recent data showing signs of easing in wage growth and core inflation components. Looking past the current data driven volatility, the Manager opines that the US Federal Reserve should remain dovish over the medium term.

Domestically, Malaysia's growth outlook is within expectations although there is a risk that it could be impacted by slower global trade, global tech downcycle, geopolitical tensions, and tighter monetary policies. Despite the on-going subsidy rationalization, the impact on domestic inflation would require a longer time to ascertain. Hence, BNM is expected to prioritize growth over inflation in the near-term, giving rise to a stable OPR outlook.

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD ENDED 31 MAY 2024

	Financial period ended	Financial period ended
	31.5.2024 RM	31.5.2023 RM
INVESTMENT INCOME		
Profit income from financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Net gain on financial assets at	9,467,654	388,782
fair value through profit or loss	7,983	582
	9,475,637	389,364
EXPENSES		
Management fee Trustee fee Fund accounting fee Auditor's remuneration Tax agent's fee	(530,911) (32,141) (3,000) (2,016) (882)	(25,319) (3,288) (1,516)
Other expenses	(2,012) (570,962)	(83) (30,206)
	(370,902)	(30,200)
NET PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION	8,904,675	359,158
Taxation	-	-
NET PROFIT AFTER TAXATION AND TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE		
FINANCIAL PERIOD	8,904,675	359,158
Net profit after taxation is made up of the following:		
Realised amount Unrealised amount	8,278,758 625,917	314,340 44,818
	8,904,675	359,158

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 MAY 2024

	<u>2024</u> RM	<u>2023</u> RM
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	866,812,685 311,207,703	71,323,967 11,612,352
TOTAL ASSETS	1,178,020,388	82,936,319
LIABILITIES		
Amount due to dealer Amount due to Manager	40,151,857	-
- management fee Amount due to Trustee Fund accounting fee Auditors' remuneration Tax agent's fee Other payables and accruals Distribution payable TOTAL LIABILITIES	151,266 9,863 1,000 10,016 4,382 1,558 3,351,544 43,681,486	13,966 1,676 1,000 - - - 177,719 194,361
NET ASSET VALUE OF THE FUND	1,134,338,902	82,741,958
EQUITY		
Unitholders' capital Retained earnings	1,133,788,000 550,902	82,724,000 17,958
NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS	1,134,338,902	82,741,958
NUMBER OF UNITS IN CIRCULATION	1,133,788,000	82,724,000
NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT (RM)	1.00	1.00

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD ENDED 31 MAY 2024

	Unitholders' <u>capital</u> RM	Retained <u>earnings</u> RM	<u>Total</u> RM
Balance as at 1 March 2024	791,183,000	275,567	791,458,567
Total comprehensive income for the Financial period	-	8,904,675	8,904,675
Distributions	-	(8,629,340)	(8,629,340)
Movement in unitholders' capital:			
Creation of units arising from applications	622,078,660	-	622,078,660
Creation of units arising from distributions	8,629,340	-	8,629,340
Cancellation of units	(288,103,000)	-	(288,103,000)
Balance as at 31 May 2024	1,133,788,000	550,902	1,134,338,902

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