

ANNUAL REPORT 31 July 2024

AHAM Select Opportunity Fund

MANAGER AHAM Asset Management Berhad 199701014290 (429786-T)

TRUSTEE HSBC (Malaysia) Trustee Berhad 193701000084 (001281T)

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Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements For the Financial Year Ended 31 July 2024

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FUND INFORMATION

Fund Name	AHAM Select Opportunity Fund
Fund Type	Growth
Fund Category	Equity
Investment Objective	To achieve consistent capital appreciation over the medium to long-term by investing mainly in listed Malaysian companies with good growth prospects.
Benchmark	FTSE Bursa Malaysian Top 100 Index ("FBM 100")
Distribution Policy	The Fund endeavours to distribute income, if any, on an annual basis. However, the amount of income available for distributon may fluctuate from year to year.

FUND PERFORMANCE DATA

Category	As at 31 Jul 2024 (%)	As at 31 Jul 2023 (%)	As at 31 Jul 2022 (%)
Portfolio composition			
Quoted equities – local			
- Construction	1.37	-	-
 Consumer products & services 	6.02	-	2.50
- Energy	6.39	9.51	6.62
- Financial services	24.34	24.00	13.30
- Health care	6.22	8.11	3.93
 Industrial products & services 	3.00	3.78	2.89
- Plantation	1.50	2.15	3.39
- Properties	7.71	5.91	4.15
- Technology	15.01	8.02	6.66
- Telecommunication & Media	7.55	7.23	10.66
- Utilities	8.07	6.55	1.15
 Transportation & Logistics 	4.93	-	-
Total quoted equities – local	92.11	75.26	55.25
Quoted equities – foreign			
- Consumer discretionary	0.59	-	7.37
- Consumer staples	-	2.00	1.77
- Energy	-	-	0.44
- Financial services	0.74	4.94	4.11
- Health care	-	-	1.02
- Industrials	-	-	0.51
- Technology	0.75	9.53	6.20
- Telecommunication	-	2.30	0.94
- Basic material	-	1.13	-
Total quoted equities – foreign	2.08	19.91	22.36
Cash & cash equivalent	5.81	4.83	22.39
Total	100.00	100.00	100.00
Total NAV (RM'million)	894.977	448.793	414.309
NAV per Unit (RM)	1.2811	0.9840	0.9338
Unit in Circulation (million)	698.586	456.099	443.670
Highest NAV	1.3036	0.9870	1.1310
Lowest NAV	0.9764	0.8642	0.9026
Return of the Fund (%)	33.65	6.25	-5.41
- Capital Growth (%)	30.19	5.38	-10.26
- Income Distribution (%)	2.66	0.83	5.40
Gross Distribution per Unit (sen)	3.34	0.80	5.00
Net Distribution per Unit (sen)	3.34	0.80	5.00
Total Expense Ratio (%) ¹	1.60	1.59	1.59
Portfolio Turnover Ratio (times) ²	0.75	0.91	0.94

 $^{^{1}}$ The TER was higher than previous year due to the higher expense of the Fund for the financial year . 2 The PTR was lower than previous year due to higher average daily NAV of the Fund for the financial year .

Basis of calculation and assumption made in calculating the returns:-

The performance figures are a comparison of the growth/decline in Net Asset Value ("NAV") for the stipulated period taking into account all the distribution payable (if any) during the stipulated period.

An illustration of the above would be as follow:-

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

Income Distribution / Unit Split

The Net Asset Value per unit prior and subsequent to the distribution was as follows:-

Cum Date	Ex-Date	Cum-distribution (RM)	Distribution per Unit (RM)	Ex-distribution (RM)
14-Jun-22	15-Jun-22	0.9822	0.050	0.9254
20-Jun-23	21-Jun-23	0.9683	0.008	0.9602
18-Jun-24	19-Jun-24	1.2989	0.033	1.2567

No unit split was declared for the financial year ended 31 July 2024.

Income Distribution Breakdown

Class	Ex-Date	Income (per unit) (sens / cents)	Income (%)	Capital (per unit) (sens / cents)	Capital (%)
MYR	20-Apr-22	5.0000	100	0.0000	0.00
MYR	19-Oct-22	0.8000	100	0.0000	0.00
MYR	19-Jun-24	3.3400	100	0.0000	0.00

Fund Performance

Table 1: Performance of the Fund

	1 Year (1/8/23 - 31/7/24)	3 Years (1/8/21 - 31/7/24)	5 Years (1/8/19 - 31/7/24)	Since Commencement (28/9/01 - 31/7/24)
Fund	33.65%	34.32%	49.97%	1187.85%
Benchmark	16.51%	13.37%	6.09%	202.23%
Outperformance	17.14%	20.95%	43.88%	985.62%

Source of Benchmark: Bloomberg

Table 2: Average Total Return

	1 Year (1/8/23 - 31/7/24)	3 Years (1/8/21 - 31/7/24)	5 Years (1/8/19 - 31/7/24)	Since Commencement (28/9/01 - 31/7/24)
Fund	33.65%	10.33%	8.43%	11.83%
Benchmark	16.51%	4.27%	1.19%	4.96%
Outperformance	17.14%	6.06%	7.24%	6.87%

Source of Benchmark: Bloomberg

Table 3: Annual Total Return

	FYE 2024	FYE 2023	FYE 2022	FYE 2021	FYE 2020
	(1/8/23 -	(1/8/22 -	(1/8/21 -	(1/8/20 -	(1/8/19 -
	31/7/24)	31/7/23)	31/7/22)	31/7/21)	31/7/20)
Fund	33.65%	6.25%	(5.41%)	13.09%	(1.27%)

Benchmark	16.51%	0.39%	(3.07%)	(5.09%)	(1.40%)
Outperformance	17.14%	5.86%	(2.34%)	18.18%	0.13%

Source of Benchmark: Bloomberg

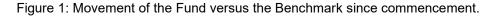
Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance and that Unit prices and investment returns may go down, as well as up.

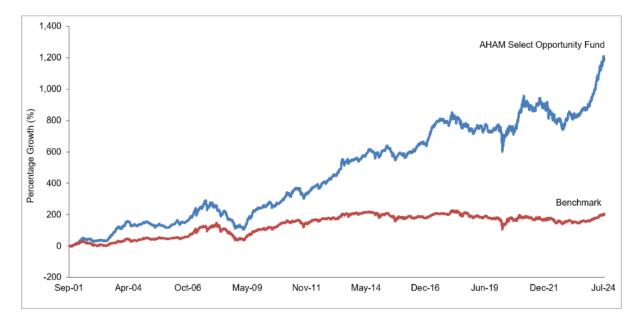
MANAGER'S REPORT

Performance Review (1 August 2023 to 31 July 2024)

For the financial year ended 31 July 2024 (1 August 2023 to 31 July 2024), the Fund has registered a return of 33.65% as compared to the benchmark return of 16.51%. The Fund thus outperformed the benchmark by 17.14%. The Net Asset Value (NAV) per unit of the Fund as at 31 July 2024 was RM1.2811 while the NAV per unit on 31 July 2023 was RM0.9840. During the same period under review, the Fund has declared an income distribution of RM0.0334 per unit.

Since commencement, the Fund has registered a return of 1187.85% compared to the benchmark return of 202.23%, outperforming by 985.62%.





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Asset Allocation

For a snapshot of the Fund's asset mix during the year under review, please refer to Fund Performance Data.

As at 31 July 2024, the Fund's equities weighting stood at 94.19% (2023: 95.17%) while the balance was held in cash and cash equivalent.

Strategy Employed

Overseas risk are increasing chances of a United States ("US") recession, creating sharp moves to monetary policy; escalation of geopolitical tension; and changes in political personality and hence policies. Domestic

risks are major changes to the key legs of the Malaysia rally - political stability, government-linked investment companies ("GLIC") support, earnings growth and valuation reaching excessive levels. Until then, the Fund will remain heavily invested with risk on mode. Positions will be rotated as needed for new themes and on valuation exhaustion. This fund will remain vigilant and prudent in its positioning and stock selection to suit the prevailing market conditions and would change direction as situation dictates.

Market Review

The Malaysian market enjoyed a robust year to July 2024. The market broke out of its flat trend in early 2024 as rising confidence in the government and economy lead to heavier investor positioning from cash. The trend accelerated as more government policies was produced, creating a virtuous cycle of increasing economic activity, rising investor confidence, increasing investments and consumer confidence. This was reflected in a broad-based rally for the market but with extra emphases in the construction and property space.

Political stability with Royalty backing allowed policy development and execution, something that is lacking in last 3-5 years. These include Johor/Singapore special economic zone, subsidy reform, new energy transition, semiconductor road map, wage reform etc. Market caught up with 2019 pre-covid levels in 2024, with investing conditions that are much better then in terms of value and stability. Government instructions to support Malaysia capital markets via government-linked companies ("GLC") and GLIC created another leg up given size of their assets under management ("AUM"). The Fund broadly outperformed its benchmark index during a 12-month period. This outperformance was driven by early positioning, concentrated portfolios, sector and stock selection.

Investment Outlook

On a 12 month outlook basis, we think there is another 10-15% upside into mid-2025. Stronger earnings, the investment cycle accelerating, lower United States Dollar ("USD") rates and stronger Ringgit and lastly foreign inflows should be primary driver of the market. The funds' 8/10 years of outperforming the index should provide higher return vs market. The negative sentiment of last 3-5 years have clearly reversed, driving the market conditions from a discount value to a neutral value position. We think it can go into premium valuation. Earnings have remained decent, showing low double digit which was reaffirmed by 1Q result season. GLIC and GLC support will continue given strong record inflows while foreign participation remains low vs the over RM60bn that has flowed out since 1Malaysia Development Berhad ("1MDB") issues first surfaced in 2014.

We are in a property upcycle that started in 2022 and accelerated. This creates big wealth effect as around 60% of household's wealth are property related and are benefiting from higher property values. Malaysian market have added RM300bn in value in the last 12 months, with corresponding effect on spending and confidence. We are seeing increasingly more global/regional strategist choosing Malaysia as a preferred choice in Association of Southeast Asian Nations ("ASEAN"). There is also more foreign interest/relearning of Malaysian stocks after years of avoidance.

Data center ("DC)") investments is an example of the rapid transformation of the Malaysian economy and what political stability can do. Artificial intelligence ("AI") everywhere has created massive demand for new form of DC globally, with corresponding plant up in different regions to cater for the usage. Within Asia, Malaysia stands out as the top country choice for its cheapness of land, electricity, availability of electricity & water and political stability. Global plant up of DC appears ultra-aggressive but all industry experts opined it is not enough to cater for AI rollout. In Asia, this has resulted in concentrated investments into Malaysia as a DC hub. The beneficiaries is broad based from property, construction, engineering, utility, owners to financing.

State of Affairs of the Fund

There is neither any significant change to the state affairs of the Fund nor any circumstances that materially affect any interests of the unit holders during the year under review.

Soft Commissions received from Brokers

Soft commissions received from brokers/dealers may be retained by the management company only if the :-

- (i) goods and services provided are of demonstrable benefit to Unit holders of the Fund; and
- (ii) goods and services are in the form of research and advisory services that assists in the decision making process.

During the financial year under review, the Fund has received soft commissions from brokers/dealers who have also executed trades for other funds managed by AHAM Asset Management Berhad. The soft commissions were utilised for goods and services in the form of research materials, data and quotation services, investment-related publications, market data feed, industry benchmarking agencies and investment-related publications to assist the Manager in the investment decision-making process. The soft commission received were for the benefit of the fund and there were no churning of trades.

Cross Trade

No cross trade transactions have been carried out during the reported year.

Securities Financing Transactions

The Fund has not undertaken any securities lending or repurchase transactions during the financial year under review.

Changes Made To the Fund's Prospectus

No changes were made to the Fund's Prospectus over the financial year under review.

TRUSTEE'S REPORT

TO THE UNIT HOLDERS OF AHAM SELECT OPPORTUNITY FUND ("FUND")

We have acted as Trustee of the Fund for the financial year ended 31 July 2024 and we hereby confirm to the best of our knowledge, after having made all reasonable enquiries, AHAM Asset Management Berhad has operated and managed the Fund during the financial year covered by these financial statements in accordance with the following:

- 1. 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
- 3. Any creation and cancellation of units are carried out in accordance with the Deeds and any regulatory requirement

We are of the opinion that the distribution of income by the Fund is appropriate and reflects the investment objective of the Fund.

For HSBC (Malaysia) Trustee Berhad

Yap Lay Guat Manager, Investment Compliance Monitoring

Kuala Lumpur 24 September 2024

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STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

<u>Note</u>	<u>2024</u> RM	<u>2023</u> RM
	18,263,516	15,498,280
	600,766 (311,858)	1,001,828 (968,829)
9	172,212,447	21,255,786
	190,764,871	36,787,065
4 5 6	(8,822,846) (412,412) (25,000) (9,500) (25,418) (2,954,729) (277,075) (12,526,980)	(6,466,853) (302,022) (14,583) (9,500) (8,377) (2,495,671) (360,327) (9,657,333)
	178,237,891	27,129,732
7	325,073	(377,059)
	178,562,964	26,752,673
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 JULY 2024

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2024</u> RM	<u>2023</u> RM
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents Amount due from brokers Amount due from Manager	10	38,319,508 10,387,292	22,871,368 -
- creation of units Dividends receivable Financial assets at fair value through		5,903,821 120,857	۔ 241,019
profit or loss Tax recoverable	9	842,997,049 188,514	427,095,800
TOTAL ASSETS		897,917,041	450,208,187
LIABILITIES			
Amount due to brokers Amount due to Manager		1,747,997	176,180
- management fee - cancellation of units		1,118,993 -	563,549 375,378
Amount due to Trustee		52,220	26,299
Fund accounting fee Auditors' remuneration		2,083 9,500	2,083 9,500
Tax agent's fee		7,800	7,800
Tax provision Other payables and accruals		- 1,027	247,059 7,432
TOTAL LIABILITIES		2,939,620	1,415,280
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NET ASSET VALUE OF THE FUND		894,977,421	448,792,907
EQUITY			
Unit holders' capital Retained earnings		670,739,201 224,238,220	382,060,287 66,732,620
NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDERS		894,977,421	448,792,907
NUMBER OF UNITS IN CIRCULATION	11	698,586,000	456,099,000
NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT (RM)		1.2811	0.9840

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

	Unit holders' <u>capital</u> RM	Retained <u>earnings</u> RM	<u>Total</u> RM
Balance as at 1 August 2023	382,060,287	66,732,620	448,792,907
Total comprehensive income for the financial year	-	178,562,964	178,562,964
Distribution (Note 8)	-	(21,057,364)	(21,057,364)
Movement in unit holders' capital:			
Creation of units arising from applications	338,821,165	-	338,821,165
Creation of units arising from distribution	20,915,638	-	20,915,638
Cancellation of units	(71,057,889)		(71,057,889)
Balance as at 31 July 2024	670,739,201	224,238,220	894,977,421
Balance as at 1 August 2022	370,672,558	43,636,275	414,308,833
Total comprehensive income for the financial year	-	26,752,673	26,752,673
Distribution (Note 8)	-	(3,656,328)	(3,656,328)
Movement in unit holders' capital:			
Creation of units arising from applications	56,760,196	-	56,760,196
Creation of units arising from distribution	3,632,172	-	3,632,172
Cancellation of units	(49,004,639)		(49,004,639)
Balance as at 31 July 2023	382,060,287	66,732,620	448,792,907

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2024</u> RM	<u>2023</u> RM
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from sale of investments Purchase of investments Dividends received Interest received Management fee paid Trustee fee paid Fund accounting fee Payment for other fees and expenses Tax payment Realised gain/(loss) on foreign currency exchange Net cash flows used in operating activities		330,953,958 (586,412,964) 18,192,625 600,766 (8,267,402) (386,491) (25,000) (127,345) (110,500) 100,397 (245,481,956)	15,571,159 1,001,828 (6,424,101) (300,027) (12,500) (78,593) (130,000) (284,714)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from creation of units Payments for cancellation of units Payment for distribution		332,917,344 (71,433,267) (141,726)	(48,643,302)
Net cash flows generated from financing activities		261,342,351	8,226,718
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		15,860,395	(67,468,709)
EFFECTS OF FOREIGN CURRENCY EXCHANGE		(412,255)	(684,114)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR		22,871,368	91,024,191
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	10	38,319,508	22,871,368

MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

The following accounting policies have been used in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the financial statements.

A BASIS OF PREPARATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ("MFRS") and International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of financial assets and financial liabilities (including derivative financial instruments) at fair value through profit or loss.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with MFRS and IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reported financial year. It also requires the Manager to exercise their judgement in the process of applying the Fund's accounting policies. Although these estimates and judgement are based on the Manager's best knowledge of current events and actions, actual results may differ.

The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in Note L.

(a) Standards, amendments to published standards and interpretations that are applicable and effective:

There are no standards, amendments to standards or interpretations that are applicable and effective for annual periods beginning on 1 January 2023 that have a material effect on the financial statements of the Fund.

- (a) Standards and amendments that have been issued that are applicable to the Fund but not yet effective:
 - Amendments to MFRS 101 'Classification of liabilities as current or non-current' (effective 1 January 2024) clarify that liabilities are classified as either current or noncurrent, depending on the rights that exist at the end of the reporting period. Classification is unaffected by the entity's expectations or events after the reporting date (e.g. the receipt of a waiver or a breach of covenant). In addition, the amendments clarify that when a liability could be settled by the transfer of an entity's own equity instruments (e.g. a conversion option in a convertible bond), conversion option meeting the definition of an equity instrument in MFRS 132 'Financial Instruments: Presentation' does not impact the current or non-current classification of the convertible instrument.

MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

A BASIS OF PREPARATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

(b) Standards and amendments that have been issued that are applicable to the Fund but not yet effective: (continued)

The amendments also specify that covenants of loan arrangements which an entity must comply with only after the reporting date would not affect classification of a liability as current or non-current at the reporting date. However, those covenants that an entity is required to comply with on or before the reporting date would affect classification of a liability as current or non-current, even if the covenant is only assessed after the reporting date.

The adoption of the above standards, amendments to standards or interpretations is not expected to have a material effect on the financial statements of the Fund.

B INCOME RECOGNITION

Dividend income

Dividend income from financial assets at fair value through profit or loss is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income as part of gross dividend income on the ex-dividend date, when the right to receive the dividend has been established.

Interest Income

Interest income from short-term deposits with licensed financial institutions are recognised based on effective interest rate method on an accruals basis.

Interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount of a financial asset, except for financial assets that subsequently become credit-impaired. For credit-impaired financial assets, the effective interest rate is applied to the net carrying amount of the financial asset (after deduction of the loss allowance).

Realised gains and losses on sale of investments

For quoted equities, realised gains and losses on sale of investments are accounted for as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of investments, determined on a weighted average cost basis.

MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

C TRANSACTION COSTS

Transaction costs are costs incurred to acquire financial assets or liabilities at fair value through profit or loss. They include the bid-ask spread, fees and commissions paid to agents, advisors, brokers and dealers. Transaction costs, when incurred, are immediately recognised in the statement of comprehensive income as expenses.

D DISTRIBUTION

A distribution to the Fund's unit holders is accounted for as a deduction from realised reserve. A proposed distribution is recognised as a liability in the financial year in which it is approved by the Trustee of the Fund.

E TAXATION

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

Tax on investment income from foreign investments is based on the tax regime of the respective countries that the Fund invests in.

Withholding taxes on investment income from foreign investment are based on tax regime of the respective countries that the Fund invests in. Such withholding taxes are not "income tax" in nature and are recognised and measured based on the requirements of MFRS 137. They are presented within other expenses line in the statement of comprehensive income.

F FUNCTIONAL AND PRESENTATION CURRENCY

Items included in 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 the Fund's functional and presentation currency.

G FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATIONS

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions or valuation where items are re-measured. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at 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.

MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

H FINANCIAL ASSETS AND FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

(i) Classification

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

- those to be measured at fair value through profit or loss, and
- those to be measured at amortised cost.

The Fund classifies its investments based on both the Fund's business model for managing those financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets. The portfolio of financial assets is managed and performance is evaluated on a fair value basis. The Fund is primarily focused on fair value information and uses that information to assess the assets' performance and to make decisions. The Fund has not taken the option to irrevocably designate any equity securities as financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income.

The contractual cash flows of the Fund's debt securities are solely payments of principal and interest ("SPPI"). However, these securities are neither held for the purpose of collecting contractual cash flows nor held both for collecting contractual cash flows and for sale. The collection of contractual cash flows is only incidental to achieving the Fund's business model's objective. Consequently, all investments are measured at fair value through profit or loss.

The Fund classifies cash and cash equivalents, amount due from brokers, amount due from Manager and dividends receivable as financial assets measured at amortised cost as these financial assets are held to collect contractual cash flows consisting of amount outstanding.

The Fund classifies amount due to brokers, amount due to Manager, amount due to Trustee, payables for fund accounting fee, auditors' remuneration, tax agent's fee and other payables and accruals as financial liabilities measured at amortised cost.

(ii) Recognition and measurement

Regular purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on the trade-date – the date on which the Fund commits to purchase or sell the asset. Investments are initially recognised at fair value. Transaction costs are expensed in the statement of comprehensive income.

Financial liabilities, within the scope of MFRS 9, are recognised in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the Fund becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument.

Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the investments have expired or have been transferred and the Fund has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership.

Financial liabilities are derecognised when it is extinguished, i.e. when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged or cancelled or expired.

MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

H FINANCIAL ASSETS AND FINANCIAL LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)

(ii) Recognition and measurement (continued)

Gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of the 'financial assets at fair value through profit or loss' category including the effects of foreign transactions are presented in the statement of comprehensive income within 'net gain/(loss) on financial assets at fair value through profit and loss' in the financial year which they arise.

The fair value of financial assets traded in active markets (such as trading securities) are based on quoted market prices at the close of trading on the financial year end date. The Fund utilises the last traded market price for financial assets where the last traded price falls within the bid-ask spread. In circumstances where the last traded price is not within the bid-ask spread, the Manager will determine the point within the bid-ask spread that is most representative of the fair value.

If a valuation based on the market price does not represent the fair value of the securities, for example during abnormal market conditions or when no market price is available, including in the event of a suspension in the quotation of the securities for a period exceeding 14 days, or such shorter period as agreed by the Trustee, then the securities are valued as determined in good faith by the Manager, based on the methods or basis approved by the Trustee after appropriate technical consultation.

Financial assets at amortised cost and other financial liabilities are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

(iii) Impairment

The Fund's financial assets measured at amortised cost are subject to expected credit losses. The Fund measures credit risk and expected credit losses using probability of default, exposure at default and loss given default. Management considers both historical analysis and forward-looking information in determining any expected credit loss. Management considers the probability of default to be close to zero as these instruments have a low risk of default and the counterparties have a strong capacity to meet their contractual obligations in the near term. As a result, no loss allowance has been recognised based on 12-month expected credit losses as any such impairment would be wholly insignificant to the Fund.

Significant increase in credit risk

A significant increase in credit risk is defined by management as any contractual payment which is more than 30 days past due.

MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

H FINANCIAL ASSETS AND FINANCIAL LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)

(iii) Impairment (continued)

Definition of default and credit-impaired financial assets

The Fund defines a financial instrument as default, which is fully aligned with the definition of credit-impaired, when it meets one or more of the following criteria:

Quantitative criteria:

Any contractual payment which is more than 90 days past due is considered creditimpaired.

Qualitative criteria:

The debtor meets unlikeliness to pay criteria, which indicates the debtor is in significant financial difficulty. The Fund considers the following instances:

- the debtor is in breach of financial covenants;
- concessions have been made by the lender relating to the debtor's financial difficulty;
- it is becoming probable that the debtor will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation; and
- the debtor is insolvent.

Financial instruments that are credit-impaired are assessed on individual basis.

Write-off

The Fund writes off financial assets, in whole or in part, when it has exhausted all practical recovery efforts and has concluded there is no reasonable expectation of recovery. The assessment of no reasonable expectation of recovery is based on unavailability of debtor's sources of income or assets to generate sufficient future cash flows to repay the amount.

The Fund may write off financial assets that are still subject to enforcement activity. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off will result in bad debt recoveries. There are no write-offs/recoveries during the financial year.

I CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

For the purpose of statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash and bank balances and deposits held in highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

J AMOUNT DUE FROM/(TO) BROKERS

Amounts due from and to brokers represent receivables for securities sold and payables for securities purchased that have been contracted for but not yet settled or delivered on the statement of financial position date respectively. The due from brokers balance is held for collection. Refer to Note H for accounting policy on recognition and measurement.

Any contractual payment which is more than 90 days past due is considered credit impaired.

Significant financial difficulties of the broker, probability that the broker will enter bankruptcy or financial reorganisation, and default in payments are all considered indicators that a loss allowance may be required.

K UNIT HOLDERS' CAPITAL

The unit holders' contributions to the Fund meet the criteria to be classified as equity instruments under MFRS 132 'Financial Instruments: Presentation'. Those criteria include:

- the units entitle the holder to a proportionate share of the Fund's net asset value;
- the units are the most subordinated class and class features are identical;
- there is no contractual obligations to deliver cash or another financial asset other than the obligation on the Fund to repurchase; and
- the total expected cash flows from the units over its life are based substantially on the profit or loss of the Fund.

The outstanding units are carried at the redemption amount that is payable at each financial year if a unit holder exercises the right to put the unit back to the Fund.

Units are created and cancelled at the unit holders' option at prices based on the Fund's net asset value ("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 unit holders with the total number of outstanding units.

MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

L CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS IN APPLYING ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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 contents on the estimates, certain key variables that are anticipated to have material impacts to the Fund's results and financial position are tested for sensitivity to changes in the underlying parameters.

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated by the Manager and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

However, the Manager is of the opinion that there are no accounting policies which require significant judgement to be exercised.

In undertaking any of the Fund's investment, the Manager will ensure that all assets of the Fund under management will be valued appropriately, that is at fair value and in compliance with the Securities Commission's ("SC") Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds.

M REALISED AND UNREALISED PORTIONS OF PROFIT OR LOSS AFTER TAX

The analysis of realised and unrealised profit or loss after tax as presented in the statement of comprehensive income is prepared in accordance with SC's Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024

1 INFORMATION ON THE FUND

The Unit Trust Fund was constituted under the name HwangDBS Select Opportunity Fund (the "Fund") pursuant to the execution of a Deed dated 13 August 2001, First Supplemental Deed dated 18 June 2007, Second Supplemental Deed dated 15 October 2008, Third Supplemental Deed dated 18 January 2012, Fourth Supplemental Deed dated 27 June 2014, Fifth Supplemental Deed dated 28 April 2017, Sixth Supplemental Deed dated 5 October 2018 and Seventh Supplemental Deed dated 6 October 2022 (the "Deeds") entered into between AHAM Asset Management Berhad (the "Manager") and HSBC (Malaysia) Trustee Berhad (the "Trustee"). The Fund has changed its name from HwangDBS Select Opportunity Fund to Hwang Select Opportunity Fund as amended by the Third Supplemental Deed dated 18 January 2012, from Hwang Select Opportunity Fund to Affin Hwang Select Opportunity Fund as amended by Fourth Supplemental Deed dated 27 June 2014 and from Affin Hwang Select Opportunity Fund to AHAM Select Opportunity Fund as amended by the Seventh Supplemental Deed dated 6 October 2022.

The Fund commenced operations on 7 September 2001 and will continue its operations until terminated by the Trustee as provided under Clause 13.1 of the Deed.

The Fund may invest in any of the following investments:

- a) Listed securities on eligible market
- b) Unlisted securities including, without limitation, securities that have been approved by the relevant regulatory authorities for the listing of and quotation for such securities;
- c) Debentures;d) Money market instruments:
- e) Deposits;
- Deposits,
 f) Derivatives, for the purpose of hedging only;
- g) Warrants;
- h) Units or shares in collective investment schemes; and
- i) Any other form of investments permitted by the SC from time to time which are in line with the objective of the Fund

All investments will be subjected to the SC's Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds, the Deeds and the objective of the Fund.

The main objective of the Fund is to achieve consistent capital appreciation over the medium to long term through investing mainly in listed Malaysian and foreign companies with good growth prospects.

The Manager is a company incorporated in Malaysia. The principal activities of the Manager are establishment and management of unit trust funds, exchange-traded funds and private retirement schemes as well as providing fund management services to private clients.

The financial statements were authorised for issue by the Manager on 24 September 2024.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

Financial instruments are as follows:

<u>2024</u>	<u>Note</u>	At amortised <u>cost</u> RM	At fair value through profit or loss RM	<u>Total</u> RM
Financial assets				
Cash and cash equivalents Dividends receivable Amount due from brokers Amount due from Manager	10	38,319,508 120,857 10,387,292	- - -	38,319,508 120,857 10,387,292
- creation of units Quoted equities	9	5,903,821	- 842,997,049	5,903,821 842,997,049
Total		54,731,478	842,997,049	897,728,527
Financial liabilities				
Amount due to brokers Amount due to Manager		1,747,997	-	1,747,997
- management fee Amount due to Trustee		1,118,993	-	1,118,993
Fund accounting fee		52,220 2,083	-	52,220 2,083
Auditors' remuneration		9,500	-	9,500
Tax agent's fee Other payables and accruals		7,800 1,027	-	7,800 1,027
Total		2,939,620	-	2,939,620
<u>2023</u>				
Financial assets				
Cash and cash equivalents Dividends receivable Quoted equities	10 9	22,871,368 241,019 -	- - 427,095,800	22,871,368 241,019 427,095,800
Total		23,112,387	427,095,800	450,208,187

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Financial instruments are as follows: (continued)

	<u>Note</u>	At amortised <u>cost</u> RM	At fair value through profit or loss RM	<u>Total</u> RM
<u>2023</u> (continued)				
Financial liabilities				
Amount due to brokers Amount due to Manager		176,180	-	176,180
- management fee		563,549	-	563,549
 cancellation of units 		375,378	-	375,378
Amount due to Trustee		26,299	-	26,299
Fund accounting fee		2,083	-	2,083
Auditors' remuneration		9,500	-	9,500
Tax agent's fee		7,800	-	7,800
Other payables and accruals		7,432	-	7,432
Total		1,168,221	-	1,168,221

The Fund is exposed to a variety of risks which include market risk (including price risk, interest rate risk and currency risk), liquidity risk, credit risk and capital risk.

Financial risk management is carried out through internal control processes adopted by the Manager and adherence to the investment restrictions as stipulated by the SC's Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds.

Market risk

(a) Price risk

Price risk arises mainly from the uncertainty about future prices of investments. It represents the potential loss the Fund might suffer through holding market positions in the face of price movements. The Manager manages the risk of unfavourable changes in prices by continuous monitoring of the performance and risk profile of the investment portfolio.

The Fund's overall exposure to price risk was as follows:

	<u>2024</u> RM	<u>2023</u> RM
Quoted investments Quoted equities		427,095,800

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Market risk (continued)

(a) Price risk (continued)

The following table summarises the sensitivity of the Fund's profit after taxation and NAV to price risk movements. The analysis is based on the assumptions that the market price increased by 10% (2023: 15%) and decreased by 10% (2023: 15%) with all other variables held constant. This represents management's best estimate of a reasonable possible shift in the quoted securities having regard to the historical volatility of the prices.

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<u>% Change in price</u> 2024	<u>Market value</u> RM	Impact on profit after <u>tax/NAV</u> RM
-10%	758,697,344	(84,299,705)
0%	842,997,049	-
+10%	927,296,754	84,299,705
<u>2023</u>		
-15%	363,031,430	(64,064,370)
0%	427,095,800	-
+15%	491,160,170	64,064,370

(b) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk arises from the effects of fluctuations in the prevailing levels of market interest rates on the fair value of financial assets and liabilities and future cash flows.

The Fund's exposure to the interest rate risk is mainly confined to short-term deposit placement with a financial institution. The Manager overcomes this exposure by way of maintaining deposits on a short-term basis.

The Fund's exposure to interest rate risk associated with deposit with a licensed financial institution is not material as the deposit is held on a short-term basis.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Market risk (continued)

(c) Currency risk

Currency risk is associated with investments denominated in foreign currencies. When the foreign currencies fluctuate in unfavourable movement against Ringgit Malaysia, the investments will face currency losses in addition to the capital gain/(loss). The Manager will evaluate the likely directions of the foreign currency versus Ringgit Malaysia based on considerations of economic fundamentals such as interest rate differentials, balance of payments position, debt levels and technical chart considerations.

The following table sets out the foreign currency risk concentrations and counterparties of the Fund:

<u>2024</u>	Quoted <u>equities</u> RM	Cash and cash <u>equivalents</u> RM	Dividends <u>receivable</u> RM	<u>Total</u> RM
Financial assets				
Chinese Yuan Euro Hong Kong Dollar India Korean Won Singapore Dollar Taiwan Dollar United States Dollar	- 5,315,828 6,621,743 - 6,685,307 - 18,622,878	244 983 348,893 - 56,016 - 25,935,417 26,341,553	- 60,731 23,872 - 36,254 - 120,857 - 120,857 - Other <u>liabilities*</u> RM	244 983 5,664,721 6,682,474 23,872 56,016 6,721,561 25,935,417 45,085,288 <u>Total</u> RM
Financial liabilities				
Euro			12	12

*Other liabilities consist of other payables and accruals.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Market risk (continued)

(c) Currency risk (continued)

The following table sets out the foreign currency risk concentrations and counterparties of the Fund: (continued)

<u>2023</u>	Quoted <u>equities</u> RM	Cash and cash <u>equivalents</u> RM	Dividends <u>receivable</u> RM	<u>Total</u> RM
Financial assets				
Euro Hong Kong Dollar Indian Rupee Indonesian Rupiah Korean Won Singapore Dollar Taiwan Dollar Thai Baht United States Dollar	23,805,337 7,661,984 4,389,269 19,074,777 4,740,019 20,675,674 8,985,947 - - 89,333,007	980 - - 11 66,857 - - 20,854,030 20,921,878	104,832 5,233 - 47,954 - - - - 158,019	980 23,910,169 7,667,217 4,389,269 19,122,742 4,806,876 20,675,674 8,985,947 20,854,030 110,412,904
			Other <u>liabilities*</u> RM	<u>Total</u> RM
Financial liabilities				
Euro			12	12

*Other liabilities consist of other payables and accruals.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Market risk (continued)

(c) Currency risk (continued)

United States Dollar

The table below summarises the sensitivity of the Fund's profit after tax and NAV to changes in foreign exchange movements. The analysis is based on the assumption that the foreign exchange rate changes by each currency's respective historical volatility, with all other variables held constant. This represents management's best estimate of a reasonable possible shift in the foreign exchange rate, having regard to historical volatility of this rate. Any increase/(decrease) in foreign exchange rate will result in a corresponding (decrease)/increase in the net assets attributable to unit holders by each currency's respective historical volatility. Disclosures below are shown in absolute terms, changes and impacts could be positive or negative.

<u>2024</u>	Change in <u>rate</u> %	Impact on profit after <u>tax/NAV</u> RM
Chinese Yuan Euro Hong Kong Dollar India Korean Won Singapore Dollar Taiwan Dollar United States Dollar	+/- 3.97 +/- 4.86 +/- 4.77 +/- 4.61 +/- 6.29 +/- 3.02 +/- 4.07 +/- 4.79	+/- 270,207 +/- 308,062 +/- 1,502 +/- 1,692
<u>2023</u>		
Euro Hong Kong Dollar Indian Rupee Indonesian Rupiah Korean Won Singapore Dollar Taiwan Dollar Thai Baht	+/- 7.88 +/- 6.25 +/- 6.03 +/- 6.30 +/- 8.99 +/- 4.63 +/- 4.99 +/- 8.25	+/- 462,034 +/- 276,628 +/- 1,719,780 +/- 222,753

+/- 6.35 +/- 1,325,121

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Fund will encounter difficulty in meeting its financial obligations. The Manager manages this risk by maintaining sufficient level of liquid assets to meet anticipated payments and cancellations of units by unit holders. Liquid assets comprise bank balances, deposit with licensed financial institution and other instruments, which are capable of being converted into cash within 7 days.

The table below analyses the Fund's financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the statement of financial position date to the contractual maturity date.

The amounts in the table below are the contractual undiscounted cash flows:

<u>2024</u>	Within <u>one month</u> RM	Between one month <u>to one year</u> RM	<u>Total</u> RM
Amount due to brokers Amount due to Manager	1,747,997	-	1,747,997
- management fee	1,118,993	-	1,118,993
Amount due to Trustee	52,220	-	52,220
Fund accounting fee	2,083		2,083
Auditors' remuneration	,	9,500	9,500
Tax agent's fee	-	7,800	7,800
Other payables and accruals		1,027	1,027
	2,921,293	18,327	2,939,620
2023			
Amount due to brokers Amount due to Manager	176,180	-	176,180
- management fee	563,549	-	563,549
- cancellation of units	375,378	-	375,378
Amount due to Trustee	26,299	-	26,299
Fund accounting fee	2,083	-	2,083
Auditors' remuneration	-	9,500	9,500
Tax agent's fee	-	7,800	7,800
Other payables and accruals	-	7,432	7,432
	1,143,489	24,732	1,168,221

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the ability of an issuer or counterparty to make timely payments of interest, principals and proceeds from realisation of investments. The Manager manages the credit risk by undertaking credit evaluation to minimise such risk.

The settlement terms of amount due from brokers are governed by the relevant rules and regulations as prescribed by the respective stock exchanges.

Credit risk arising from cash and bank balances is managed by ensuring that they are held by parties with credit rating of AA or higher.

Credit risk arising from placement of deposit in licensed financial institution is managed by ensuring that the Fund will only place deposits in reputable licensed financial institutions.

The settlement terms of the proceeds from the creation of units receivable from the Manager are governed by the SC's Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds.

The following table sets out the credit risk concentration of the Fund:

<u>2024</u>	Cash and cash <u>equivalents</u> RM	Other <u>assets*</u> RM	<u>Total</u> RM
Financial Services - AAA - Non-rated ("NR") Health Care	38,319,508 -	- 60,731	38,319,508 60,731
- NR Industrial Products & Services	-	7,196,009	7,196,009
- NR	-	3,191,283	3,191,283
Others - NR	-	5,903,821	5,903,821
Technology - NR	-	60,126	60,126
	38,319,508	16,411,970	54,731,478

* Other assets consist of amount due from brokers, amount due from Manager and dividends receivable.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Credit risk (continued)

The following table sets out the credit risk concentration of the Fund: (continued)

<u>2023</u>	Cash and cash <u>equivalents</u> RM	Dividends <u>receivable</u> RM	<u>Total</u> RM
Basic Materials			
- NR	-	57,734	57,734
Financial Services			
- AAA	22,871,368	-	22,871,368
- NR	-	5,233	5,233
Plantation - NR		83,000	83,000
Real Estate	-	03,000	03,000
- NR	-	47,098	47,098
Telecommunication		,	,
- NR	-	47,954	47,954
	22,871,368	241,019	23,112,387

Capital risk

The capital of the Fund is represented by equity consisting of unit holders' 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 unit holders. 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 unit holders and benefits for other stakeholders and to maintain a strong capital base to support the development of the investment activities of the Fund.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

3 FAIR VALUE ESTIMATION

Financial instruments comprise financial assets and financial liabilities. Fair value is defined as 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 of financial assets traded in active markets (such as trading securities) is based on quoted market prices at the close of trading on the financial year end date. The Fund utilises the bid price for financial assets which falls within the bid-ask spread.

An active market is a market in which transactions for the asset take place with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

The fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities that are not traded in an active market is determined by using valuation techniques.

(i) <u>Fair value hierarchy</u>

The table below analyses financial instruments carried at fair value. The different levels have been defined as follows:

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

The level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement is categorised in its entirety is determined on the basis of the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. For this purpose, the significance of an input is assessed against the fair value measurement in its entirety. If a fair value measurement uses observable inputs that require significant adjustment based on unobservable inputs, that measurement is a Level 3 measurement. Assessing the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgement, considering factors specific to the asset or liability.

The determination of what constitutes 'observable' requires significant judgement by the Fund. The Fund considers observable data to be that market data that is readily available, regularly distributed or updated, reliable and verifiable, not proprietary and provided by independent sources that are actively involved in the relevant market.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

3 FAIR VALUE ESTIMATION (CONTINUED)

(i) <u>Fair value hierarchy</u> (continued)

The following table analyses within the fair value hierarchy the Fund's financial assets (by class) measured at fair value:

	<u>Level 1</u> RM	<u>Level 2</u> RM	<u>Level 3</u> RM	<u>Total</u> RM
<u>2024</u>				
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss - quoted equities	842,997,049			842,997,049
<u>2023</u>				
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss - quoted equities	427,095,800	-		427,095,800

Investments whose values are based on quoted market prices in active markets, and are therefore classified within Level 1, include active listed equities. The Fund does not adjust the quoted prices for these instruments.

(ii) The carrying values of cash and cash equivalents, amount due from brokers, amount due from Manager, dividends receivable and all current liabilities are a reasonable approximation of the fair values due to their short-term nature.

4 MANAGEMENT FEE

In accordance with the Deeds, the Manager is entitled to a management fee at a rate not exceeding 3.00% per annum on the NAV of the Fund, calculated on a daily basis.

For the financial year ended 31 July 2024, the management fee is recognised at a rate of 1.50% (2023: 1.50%) per annum on the NAV of the Fund, calculated on a daily basis as stated in the Prospectus.

There will be no further liability to the Manager in respect of management fee other than the amounts recognised above.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

5 TRUSTEE FEE

In accordance with the Deeds, the Trustee is entitled to an annual fee at a rate not exceeding 0.30% per annum on the NAV of the Fund, subject to a minimum of RM35,000.

For the financial year ended 31 July 2024, the Trustee fee is recognised at a rate of 0.07% (2023: 0.07%) per annum on the NAV of the Fund, subject to a minimum fee of RM18,000 per annum calculated and accrued daily, exclusive of foreign sub-custodian fee as stated in the Prospectus.

There will be no further liability to the Trustee in respect of Trustee fee other than the amount recognised above.

6 FUND ACCOUNTING FEE

The Fund valuation and accounting fee for the Fund is RM25,000 (2023: RM14,583) for the financial year.

7 TAXATION

	<u>2024</u> RM	<u>2023</u> RM
Current taxation Overprovision of taxation in prior year	(325,073)	377,059
	(325,073)	377,059

The numerical reconciliation between net profit before taxation multiplied by the Malaysian statutory tax rate and tax expense of the Fund is as follows:

	<u>2024</u> RM	<u>2023</u> RM
Net profit before taxation	178,237,891	27,129,732
Tax at Malaysian statutory rate of 24% (2023: 24%)	42,777,094	6,511,136
Tax effects of: Investment income not subject to tax Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Restrictions on tax deductible expenses for Unit Trust Fund Overprovision of taxation in prior year	(45,783,569) 886,424 2,120,051 (325,073)	(8,296,402) 763,422 1,398,903 -
Tax expense	(325,073)	377,059

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

8 DISTRIBUTION

	<u>2024</u> RM	<u>2023</u> RM
Distribution to unit holders is from the following sources:		
Dividend income Interest income Realised gain on sale of investments Previous year's realised income	9,948,659 441,322 11,852,648 2,521,840	4,204,777 - - -
Gross realised income Less: Expenses Less: Taxation	24,764,469 (3,707,105) -	4,204,777 (438,759) (109,690)
Net distribution amount	21,057,364	3,656,328
Gross/Net distribution per unit (sen)	3.34	0.80
Ex-date	19.06.2024	21.06.2023

Gross distribution per unit is derived from gross realised income less expenses divided by the number of units in circulation, while net distribution per unit is derived from gross realised income less expenses and taxation divided by the number of units in circulation.

Distribution for the financial year is an amount of RM2,521,840 (2023: RM Nil) made from previous year's realised income.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

9 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

	<u>2024</u> RM	<u>2023</u> RM
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss - quoted equities – local - quoted equities – foreign	824,374,171 18,622,878	337,762,793 89,333,007
	842,997,049	427,095,800
Net gain on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		
 realised gain/(loss) on sale of investments unrealised gain on changes in fair value 	48,379,465 123,832,982	(4,693,529) 25,949,315
	172,212,447	21,255,786

(a) Quoted equities – local

(i) Quoted equities – local as at 31 July 2024 are as follows:

	<u>Quantity</u>	Aggregate <u>cost</u> RM	Fair <u>value</u> RM	Percentage <u>of NAV</u> %
<u>Construction</u> Gamuda Berhad	1,565,000	12,270,593	12,300,900	1.37
<u>Consumer Products & Services</u> Capital A Berhad Sime Darby Berhad	25,827,000 12,444,700	22,086,751 29,777,452	21,436,410 32,356,220	2.40
	38,271,700	51,864,203	53,792,630	6.02
<u>Energy</u>				
Dialog Group Berhad Yinson Holdings Berhad	14,898,000 8,163,200	35,225,932 17,963,299	37,691,940 19,510,048	4.21 2.18
	23,061,200	53,189,231	57,201,988	6.39

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

9 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS (CONTINUED)

(a) Quoted equities – local (continued)

(i) Quoted equities – local as at 31 July 2024 are as follows: (continued)

	<u>Quantity</u>	Aggregate <u>cost</u> RM	Fair <u>value</u> RM	Percentage <u>of NAV</u> %
<u>Financial Services</u> Aeon Credit Service (M) Berhad Allianz Malaysia Berhad AMMB Holdings Berhad CIMB Group Holdings Berhad Hong Leong Bank Berhad Hong Leong Financial Group Bhd Malayan Banking Berhad Public Bank Berhad	4,362,300 1,416,458 4,567,100 6,815,422 636,700 325,100 2,097,698 10,727,000	27,738,901 6,277,872 19,195,987 39,197,059 12,137,939 5,282,665 18,416,371 44,657,864	31,321,314 31,048,759 20,597,621 50,502,277 12,224,640 5,591,720 21,396,520 45,160,670	3.50 3.47 2.30 5.64 1.37 0.62 2.39 5.05
	30,947,778	172,904,658	217,843,521	24.34
<u>Health Care</u> Hartalega Holdings Berhad Kossan Rubber Industries Berhad KPJ Healthcare Berhad	3,912,700 4,185,000 18,771,800	7,275,067 5,358,948 22,768,804	11,855,481 8,830,350 34,915,548	1.33 0.99 3.90
	26,869,500	35,402,819	55,601,379	6.22
Industrial Products & Services Efficient E-Solutions Berhad Hiap Teck Venture Berhad	14,000,000 55,259,000	2,702,000 23,540,085	3,360,000 23,485,075	0.38 2.62
	69,259,000	26,242,085	26,845,075	3.00
<u>Plantation</u> Kuala Lumpur Kepong Berhad SD Guthrie Berhad	423,413 1,009,300	9,908,537 4,518,711	8,925,546 4,491,385	1.00 0.50
	1,432,713	14,427,248	13,416,931	1.50
<u>Property</u> Mah Sing Group Berhad SP Setia Berhad	23,039,400 16,224,600	19,727,506 23,187,214	43,083,678 25,959,360	4.81 2.90
	39,264,000	42,914,720	69,043,038	7.71

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

9 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS (CONTINUED)

(a) Quoted equities – local (continued)

(i) Quoted equities – local as at 31 July 2024 are as follows: (continued)

	Quantity	Aggregate <u>cost</u> RM	Fair <u>value</u> RM	Percentage <u>of NAV</u> %
Technology				
CTOS Digital Berhad	20,973,500	27,805,428	29,572,635	3.30
Frontken Corporation Berhad	5,749,500	20,250,372	24,722,850	2.76
Inari Amertron Berhad	9,169,400	29,781,016	34,660,332	3.87
ITMAX SYSTEM Berhad	14,444,100	26,447,108	45,498,915	5.08
	50,336,500	104,283,924	134,454,732	15.01
Telecommunications & Media				
Telekom Malaysia Berhad	5,575,497	32,145,836	38,805,459	4.34
TIME dotCom Berhad	5,614,100	24,594,191	28,744,192	3.21
	11,189,597	56,740,027	67,549,651	7.55
T				
<u>Transportation & Logistics</u> Malaysia Airports Holdings Berhad	4,310,500	33,488,084	44,139,520	4.93
Utilities				
Mega First Corporation Berhad	5,326,400	19,755,356	25,779,776	2.88
Tenaga Nasional Berhad	3,300,500	35,976,715	46,405,030	5.19
	8,626,900	55,732,071	72,184,806	8.07
Total quoted equities – local	305,134,388	659,459,663	824,374,171	92.11
Accumulated unrealised gain on quoted equities – local		164,914,508		
Total quoted equities – local		824,374,171		

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

9 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS (CONTINUED)

(a) Quoted equities – local (continued)

(ii) Quoted equities – local as at 31 July 2023 are as follows:

	<u>Quantity</u>	Aggregate <u>cost</u> RM	Fair <u>value</u> RM	Percentage <u>of NAV</u> %
Energy				
Dialog Group Berhad	6,569,300	16,565,120	15,043,697	3.35
Yinson Holdings Berhad	10,830,600	23,445,732	27,618,030	6.15
	17,399,900	40,010,852	42,661,727	9.50
Financial Services				
Allianz Malaysia Berhad	1,416,458	6,277,872	21,246,870	4.73
CIMB Group Holdings Berhad	5,988,822	30,605,226	33,118,185	7.38
Hong Leong Bank Berhad	891,100	16,987,777	17,412,094	3.88
Malayan Banking Berhad	2,249,098	19,174,350	20,264,373	4.52
RHB Bank Berhad	2,761,846	15,351,640	15,659,667	3.49
	13,307,324	88,396,865	107,701,189	24.00
<u>Health Care</u> Hartaleaga Holdings Berhad	3,892,000	6,933,538	8,562,400	1.91
Kossan Rubber Industries Berhad	6,782,000	8,524,443	9,630,440	2.15
KPJ Healthcare Berhad	15,975,800	17,508,622	18,212,412	4.06
	26,649,800	32,966,603	36,405,252	8.12
Industrial Products & Services				
NextGreen Global Berhad	1,558,900	1,708,160	1,348,449	0.30
Sunway Berhad	8,781,240	13,684,110	15,630,607	3.48
	10,340,140	15,392,270	16,979,056	3.78
Diantation				
<u>Plantation</u> Kuala Lumpur Kepong Berhad	415,000	9,742,549	9,661,200	2.15

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

9 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS (CONTINUED)

(a) Quoted equities – local (continued)

(ii) Quoted equities – local as at 31 July 2023 are as follows: (continued)

	Quantity	Aggregate <u>cost</u> RM	Fair <u>value</u> RM	Percentage <u>of NAV</u> %
Property				
Eco World Development Group Berhad	21,017,500	12,408,883	19,756,450	4.40
Mah Sing Group Berhad	10,158,000	7,724,681	6,755,070	1.51
	31,175,500	20,133,564	26,511,520	5.91
Technology				
CTOS Digital Berhad	10,139,500	14,355,677	14,093,905	3.14
Frontken Corporation Berhad	2,184,800	5,241,936	7,078,752	1.58
Inari Amertron Berhad	2,595,200	8,013,018	7,837,504	1.75
ITMAX System Berhad	4,919,000	6,897,196	6,984,980	1.56
	19,838,500	34,507,827	35,995,141	8.03
Telecommunication & Media				
Telekom Malaysia Berhad	3,275,197	16,355,394	16,638,001	3.71
TIME dotCom Berhad	2,948,100	10,790,926	15,831,297	3.53
	6,223,297	27,146,320	32,469,298	7.24
Utilities				
Mega First Corporation Berhad	3,922,400	13,436,058	12,943,920	2.88
Tenaga Nasional Berhad	1,715,500	15,572,812	16,434,490	3.66
	5,637,900	29,008,870	29,378,410	6.54
Total quoted equities – local	130,987,361	297,305,720	337,762,793	75.27
Accumulated unrealised gain on quoted equities – local		40,457,073		
Total quoted equities – local		337,762,793		

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

9 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS (CONTINUED)

(b) Quoted equities – foreign

(i) Quoted equities – foreign as at 31 July 2024 are as follows:

	<u>Quantity</u>	Aggregate <u>cost</u> RM	Fair <u>value</u> RM	Percentage <u>of NAV</u> %
Hong Kong				
<u>Consumer Discretionary</u> Samsonite International SA	402,280	5,668,166	5,315,828	0.59
India				
<u>Financial Services</u> HDFC Bank Ltd	74,700	7,114,431	6,621,743	0.74
Taiwan				
<u>Technology</u> Unimicron Technology Corp United Microelectronics Corp	109,500 560,600	2,978,106 4,192,238	2,738,190 3,947,117	0.31 0.44
	670,100	7,170,344	6,685,307	0.75
Total quoted equities – foreign	1,147,080	19,952,941	18,622,878	2.08
Accumulated unrealised loss on quoted equities – foreign		(1,330,063)		
Total quoted equities – foreign		18,622,878		

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

9 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS (CONTINUED)

(b) Quoted equities – foreign (continued)

(ii) Quoted equities – foreign as at 31 July 2023 are as follows:

	<u>Quantity</u>	Aggregate <u>cost</u> RM	Fair <u>value</u> RM	Percentage <u>of NAV</u> %
Hong Kong				
<u>Basic Materials</u> Ganfeng Lithium Co Ltd	102,060	3,376,463	2,938,650	0.65
<u>Financial Services</u> AIA Group Ltd	120,000	5,190,199	5,364,749	1.20
<u>Technology</u> Meituan Tencent Holdings Ltd	68,980 47,300	6,368,757 9,882,243	5,825,024 9,676,914	1.30 2.16
	116,280	16,251,000	15,501,938	3.46
India				
<u>Financial Services</u> Axis Bank Ltd IndusInd Bank Ltd	125,528 14,137	6,575,124 1,098,445	6,564,223 1,097,761	1.46 0.24
	139,665	7,673,569	7,661,984	1.70
Indonesia				
<u>Financial Services</u> Bank Rakyat Indonesia Persero	2,598,200	4,423,732	4,389,269	0.98

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

9 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS (CONTINUED)

(b) Quoted equities – foreign (continued)

(ii) Quoted equities – foreign as at 31 July 2023 are as follows: (continued)

	<u>Quantity</u>	Aggregate <u>cost</u> RM	Fair <u>value</u> RM	Percentage <u>of NAV</u> %
South Korea				
<u>Basic Material</u> LG Chemical Ltd	930	2,255,220	2,130,332	0.47
<u>Technology</u> Samsung Electronics Mechanics Ltd	12,854	6,292,368	6,602,271	1.47
<u>Telecommunication</u> Samsung Electronics Co Ltd Samsung Electronics Co Ltd	22,450	4,649,888	5,539,380	1.23
- Preference Shares	23,711 46,161	4,466,651 9,116,539	4,802,794	2.30
Singapore				
<u>Financial Services</u> United Overseas Bank Ltd	46,500	4,496,641	4,740,019	1.06
Thailand				
<u>Consumer Staples</u> CP ALL PCL	1,077,000	8,806,421	8,985,947	2.00

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

9 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS (CONTINUED)

(b) Quoted equities – foreign (continued)

(ii) Quoted equities – foreign as at 31 July 2023 are as follows: (continued)

	<u>Quantity</u>	Aggregate <u>cost</u> RM	Fair <u>value</u> RM	Percentage <u>of NAV</u> %
<u>Taiwan</u>				
<u>Technology</u> Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd Nan Ya Printed Circuit Board Corp Unimicron Technology Corp United Microelectronics Corp	152,000 102,000 38,000 560,600 852,600	12,267,462 4,590,058 1,106,707 4,192,238 22,156,465	12,276,250 3,622,387 1,003,975 3,773,062 20,675,674	2.74 0.81 0.22 0.84 4.61
Total quoted equities – foreign	5,112,250	90,038,617	89,333,007	19.90
Accumulated unrealised loss on quoted equities – foreign		(705,610)		
Total quoted equities – foreign		89,333,007		

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

10 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	<u>2024</u> RM	<u>2023</u> RM
Cash and bank balances Deposits with licensed financial institution	26,521,888 11,797,620	20,987,833 1,883,535
	38,319,508	22,871,368

Weighted average effective interest rates per annum with a licensed financial institution are as follows:

	<u>2024</u> %	<u>2023</u> %
Deposits with a licensed financial institution	3.00	3.00

Deposits with a licensed financial institution have an average remaining maturity period of 1 day (2023: 1 day).

11 NUMBER OF UNITS IN CIRCULATION

	2024 No. of units	2023 No. of units
At the beginning of the financial year	456,099,000	443,670,000
Creation of units arising from applications	288,665,210	60,323,000
Creation of units arising from distribution	16,685,790	3,786,668
Cancellation of units	(62,864,000)	(51,680,668)
At the end of the financial year	698,586,000	456,099,000

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

12 TRANSACTIONS WITH BROKERS

(a) Details of transactions with the top 10 brokers for the financial year ended 31 July 2024 are as follows:

Value <u>of trade</u> RM	Percentage of total <u>trade</u> %	Brokerage <u>fees</u> RM	Percentage of total <u>brokerage</u> %
124,113,970	13.37	291,530	13.59
112,622,200	12.13	197,094	9.19
109,829,063	11.83	273,547	12.75
59,392,781	6.40	148,482	6.92
41,935,809	4.52	101,444	4.73
40,293,610	4.34	100,734	4.70
39,386,816	4.24	74,510	3.47
37,246,576	4.01	93,116	4.34
36,511,709	3.93	87,351	4.07
35,957,827	3.88	89,895	4.19
290,947,834	31.35	687,258	32.05
928,238,195	100.00	2,144,961	100.00
	of trade RM 124,113,970 112,622,200 109,829,063 59,392,781 41,935,809 40,293,610 39,386,816 37,246,576 36,511,709 35,957,827 290,947,834	Value of total of trade trade RM % 124,113,970 13.37 112,622,200 12.13 109,829,063 11.83 59,392,781 6.40 41,935,809 4.52 40,293,610 4.34 39,386,816 4.24 37,246,576 4.01 36,511,709 3.93 35,957,827 3.88 290,947,834 31.35	Value of trade RMof total trade %Brokerage fees RM124,113,970 112,622,200 112,622,200 109,829,063 109,829,063 11.83 11.83 273,547 59,392,781 59,392,781 6.40 4.52 41,935,809 4.52 101,444 40,293,610 4.34 100,734Brokerage fees RM39,386,816 36,511,709 3,93 6,511,709 3,93 87,351 35,957,827 290,947,83440,203,610 31.3513,35 687,258

(b) Details of transactions with the top 10 brokers for the financial year ended 31 July 2023 are as follows:

Name of brokers	Value <u>of trade</u> RM	Percentage of total <u>trade</u> %	Brokerage <u>fees</u> RM	Percentage of total <u>brokerage</u> %
CLSA Securities Malaysia Sdn Bhd	60,083,743	7.68	127,647	7.29
Affin Hwang Investment Bank Bhd#	56,808,865	7.26	131,847	7.53
Macquarie Capital Securities				
Malaysia Sdn Bhd	54,970,578	7.02	109,784	6.27
UOB Kay Hian Securities (M) Sdn				
Bhd	46,685,381	5.97	116,713	6.67
JP Morgan Securities (M) Sdn Bhd	44,210,980	5.65	110,527	6.31
RHB Investment Bank Bhd	41,660,058	5.32	104,150	5.95
Sanford C.Bernstein and Co LLC	35,488,058	4.54	38,270	2.19
Maybank Investment Bank Bhd	34,925,041	4.46	77,896	4.45
Credit Suisse Securities (M) Sdn Bhd	30,278,698	3.87	75,697	4.32
Public Investment Bank Bhd	28,256,432	3.61	70,641	4.04
Others	349,223,500	44.62	787,412	44.98
	782,591,334	100.00	1,750,584	100.00

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

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

The related parties of and their relationships with the Fund are as follows:

Related parties	Relationship
CVC Capital Partners Asia V L.P. ("CVC Asia V")	Ultimate holding company of the Manager
Lembaga Tabung Angkatan Tentera ("LTAT")	Former ultimate holding corporate body of the Manager and substantial shareholder of the Manager
Starlight TopCo Limited	Penultimate holding company of the Manager
Starlight Universe Limited	Intermediate holding company of the Manager
Starlight Asset Sdn Bhd	Immediate holding company of the Manager
Nikko Asset Management International Limited ("NAMI")	Former substantial shareholder of the Manager
Nikko Asset Management Co., Ltd ("NAM")	Substantial shareholder of the Manager
AHAM Asset Management Berhad	The Manager
Subsidiaries and associated companies of CVC Asia V as disclosed in their financial statements	Subsidiaries and associated companies of the ultimate holding company of the Manager
Directors of AHAM Asset Management Berhad	Directors of the Manager

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

13 UNITS HELD BY THE MANAGER AND PARTIES RELATED TO THE MANAGER (CONTINUED)

The units held by the Manager and party related to the Manager as at the end of the financial year are as follows:

		2024		2023
The Manager:	No. of units	RM	No. of units	RM
AHAM Asset Management Berhad (The unit are held legally for booking purposes)	386,787	495,513	7,766	7,642
Party related to the Manager				
Director of AHAM Asset Management Berhad (The units are held beneficially)	997,220	1,277,538		

Other than the above, there were no units held by the Directors or parties related to the Manager.

14 TOTAL EXPENSE RATIO ("TER")

	<u>2024</u> %	<u>2023</u> %
TER	1.60	1.59

TER is derived from the following calculation:

TER =
$$(A + B + C + D + E + F) \times 100$$

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- A = Management fee, excluding management fee rebate
- B = Trustee fees
- C = Auditors' remuneration
- D = Tax agent's fee
- E = Fund accounting fee
- F = Other expenses, excluding sales and service tax on transaction costs and withholding tax
- G = Average NAV of Fund calculated on a daily basis

The average NAV of the Fund for the financial year calculated on a daily basis is RM586,930,692 (2023: RM431,606,656).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

15 PORTFOLIO TURNOVER RATIO ("PTR")

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
PTR (times)	0.75	0.91

PTR is derived from the following calculation:

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

where: total acquisition for the financial year = RM586,255,093 (2023: RM434,579,754) total disposal for the financial year = RM294,186,826 (2023: RM354,967,371)

STATEMENT BY THE MANAGER

I, Dato' Teng Chee Wai, for and on behalf of the board of directors of the Manager, **AHAM Asset Management Berhad**, do hereby state that in the opinion of the Manager, the financial statements set out on pages 1 to 40 are drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Deeds and give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 31 July 2024 and of its financial performance, changes in equity and cash flows for the financial year ended 31 July 2024 in accordance with the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards and International Financial Reporting Standards.

For and on behalf of the Manager, **AHAM ASSET MANAGEMENT BERHAD**

DATO' TENG CHEE WAI EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/MANAGING DIRECTOR

Kuala Lumpur 24 September 2024

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE UNIT HOLDERS OF AHAM SELECT OPPORTUNITY FUND

REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Our opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements of AHAM Select Opportunity Fund ("the Fund") give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 31 July 2024, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the financial year then ended in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards and International Financial Reporting Standards.

What we have audited

We have audited the financial statements of the Fund, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 July 2024, and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the financial year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information, as set out on pages 1 to 40.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with approved standards on auditing in Malaysia and International Standards on Auditing. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the "Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements" section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independence and other ethical responsibilities

We are independent of the Fund in accordance with the By-Laws (on Professional Ethics, Conduct and Practice) of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants ("By-Laws") and the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) ("IESBA Code"), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the By-Laws and the IESBA Code.

Information other than the financial statements and auditors' report thereon

The Manager of the Fund is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Manager's Report, but does not include the financial statements of the Fund and our auditors' report thereon.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE UNIT HOLDERS OF AHAM SELECT OPPORTUNITY FUND (CONTINUED)

REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Our opinion on the financial statements of the Fund does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements of the Fund, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements of the Fund or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of the Manager for the financial statements

The Manager of the Fund is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements of the Fund that give a true and fair view in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards and International Financial Reporting Standards. The Manager is also responsible for such internal control as the Manager determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements of the Fund that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements of the Fund, the Manager is responsible for assessing the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Manager either intends to liquidate the Fund or to terminate the Fund, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements of the Fund as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with approved standards on auditing in Malaysia and International Standards on Auditing will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE UNIT HOLDERS OF AHAM SELECT OPPORTUNITY FUND (CONTINUED)

REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

As part of an audit in accordance with approved standards on auditing in Malaysia and International Standards on Auditing, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- (a) Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements of the Fund, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- (b) Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control.
- (c) Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Manager.
- (d) Conclude on the appropriateness of the Manager's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements of the Fund or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Fund to cease to continue as a going concern.
- (e) Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements of the Fund, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements of the Fund represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Manager regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE UNIT HOLDERS OF AHAM SELECT OPPORTUNITY FUND (CONTINUED)

OTHER MATTERS

This report is made solely to the unit holders of the Fund, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility to any other person for the content of this report.

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