Sun Life Malaysia Asia Pacific Equity Fund March 2019

FUND OBJECTIVE

Aims to achieve long-term capital appreciation and income while complying with Shariah investment criteria, through investments in the emerging and developed markets of Asia Pacific ex Japan region.

FUND DETAILS				
Launch Date	13 February 2015	Domicile	Malaysia	
Currency	Ringgit Malaysia	Launch Price	RM1.0000	
Units in Circulation	2.976 million units (29 March 2019)	Fund Size	RM3.537 million (29 March 2019)	
Unit NAV	RM1.1883 (29 March 2019)	Dealing	Daily (as per Bursa Malaysia trading day)	
Fund Manager	CIMB-Principal Asset Management Bhd	Target Fund	CIMB Islamic Asia Pacific Equity Fund	
Benchmark	Dow Jones Islamic Market Asia Pacific ex Japan Index	Taxation	8% of annual investment income	
Risk Profile	 Suitable for investors: Have a long-term investment horizon Want a portfolio of investments that adhere to Shariah principles Want a well-diversified portfolio of Asia Pacific ex Japan regional equities Seek capital appreciation over long-term 	Fees	 Sun Life Malaysia does not impose any fund management charge on Sun Life Malaysia Asia Pacific Dynamic Income Fund. 1.8% of pa fund management charge is applied on the target fund's NAV by CIMB-Principal. 	

ASSET ALLOCATION OF THE TARGET FUND					
Shariah-compliant Equities (Foreign)	Shariah-compliant Equities (Local)	Mutual Fund	Cash		
89.97%	0.87%	0.25%	8.91%		



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SECTOR ALLOCATION OF THE TARGET FUND			
Information Technology	18.27%		
Consumer Discretionary	15.15%		
Real Estate	14.37%		
Energy	10.79%		
Communication Services	7.89%		
Industrials	7.89%		
Materials	6.89%		
Consumer Staples	5.10%		
Health Care	2.51%		
Utilities	1.97%		
Mutual Fund	0.25%		
Cash	8.91%		
Total	99.99%		

TOP HOLDINGS OF THE TARGET FUND			
Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd (South Korea)	7.52%		
Alibaba Group Holding Ltd (Cayman Islands)	7.38%		
Reliance Industries Ltd (India)	5.28%		
Link REIT (Hong Kong)	4.96%		
CNOOC Ltd (Hong Kong)	4.18%		
Samsung Electronics-PFD (South Korea)	3.96%		
China Mobile Ltd (Hong Kong)	3.64%		
CapitaLand Mall Trust (Singapore)	3.26%		
Cleanaway Waste Management Ltd (Australia)	2.87%		
Tencent Hldg Ltd (Hong Kong)	2.46%		
Total	45.51%		



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PERFORMANCE RECORD

This fund feeds into CIMB Islamic Asia Pacific Equity Fund ("target fund") with the objective to achieve long-term capital appreciation and income while complying with Shariah investment criteria, through investments in the emerging and developed markets of Asia Pacific ex Japan region.

Table below shows the investment returns of Sun Life Malaysia Asia Pacific Equity Fund versus its benchmark as at 29 March 2019:

%	YTD	1M	3M	6 M	1-Year	3-Year	Since Inception
Fund*	10.06%	1.90%	10.06%	-2.32%	-3.57%	25.06%	18.83%
Benchmark	12.10%	1.80%	12.10%	-1.34%	-3.70%	38.02%	34.94%

*Notice: Past performance of the fund is not an indication of its future performance which may differ. The fund performance is not guaranteed.

FUND MANAGER'S COMMENTS

In March, the Fund rose by +1.90%, outperforming the Benchmark by 10 basis points (bps). Technology and Oil & Gas sectors contributed to the outperformance while Consumer Services was a detractor. Year-to-date the Fund rose +10.06%, underperforming the Benchmark by 204 bps.

During the month, equities in India, China and Philippines outperformed while Malaysia and Korea posted negative returns . The US 10-year bond yield declined by a hefty 31 basis points with FED further indicating that they are unlikely to raise interest rates this year and fears of deepening economic slowdown with the German manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) tumbling to contraction territory. China has begun to find a bottom in economic growth with the manufacturing sector PMI returning to above 50 in March. This is a validation of the effectiveness of the fiscal and monetary stimulus implemented by the government and central bank which included Reserve Requirement Ratio and VAT tax cuts.

The Fund is fully invested with a barbell approach by owning defensives with yield together with stocks with mid to long run growth potential. We prefer Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) with high quality assets, technology stocks which are dominant in their respective fields and have the capability and willingness to innovate and domestic oriented Industrials with stable operations and cash flows.

Source: CIMB-Principal Asset Management Bhd

Date : 29 March 2019

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