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#### **FUND OBJECTIVE**

The fund aims to provide regular income by investing primarily in the Asia Pacific ex Japan region and at the same time aims to achieve capital appreciation over the medium to long-term.

#### **INVESTMENT STRATEGY & APPROACH**

Please refer to the Master Fund Fact Sheets at <a href="https://www.sunlifemalaysia.com/insurance-and-takaful/investment-linked-fund/yearly-fund-fact-sheet/">https://www.sunlifemalaysia.com/insurance-and-takaful/investment-linked-fund/yearly-fund-fact-sheet/</a> for more information on the Investment Strategy and Approach for the target fund.

FUND DETAILS					
Launch Date	13 February 2015	Domicile	Malaysia		
Currency	Ringgit Malaysia	Launch Price	RM1.0000		
Units in Circulation	194.04 million units (29 August 2025)	Fund Size	RM343.45 million (29 August 2025)		
Unit NAV	RM1.7700 (29 August 2025)	Target Fund	Principal Asia Pacific Dynamic Income Fund - Class MYR		
Fund Manager	Principal Asset Management Bhd		8% of annual investment income		
Performance Benchmark	8% p.a	Frequency and Basis of Unit Valuation	The unit price is determined daily based on value of the holdings in the target fund, net of expenses, divided by the total number of units in that fund		
Target Market	<ul> <li>Suitable for investors:</li> <li>Have a medium to long-term investment horizon</li> <li>Want a well-diversified portfolio of Asia Pacific ex Japan region</li> <li>Seek regular income</li> <li>Can accept that returns may fluctuate over the investment period</li> </ul>	Fund Management Charge	Sun Life Malaysia does not impose any fund management charge on Sun Life Malaysia Asia Pacific Dynamic Income Fund		

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Equities		Collective Investment Schemes (CIS)	Liquid assets				
	Minimum 60% and up to 98% of Net Asset Value (NAV)	Maximum 20% of NAV	Minimum 2% of NAV				





SECTOR ALLOCATION OF THE TARGET FUND			
Information Technology	19.66%		
Financials	19.17%		
Communication Services	12.54%		
Industrials	10.87%		
Consumer Discretionary	8.86%		
Others	8.25%		
Real Estate	7.86%		
Mutual Fund	4.91%		
Health Care	3.87%		
Cash	4.01%		
Total	100.00%		

TOP HOLDINGS OF THE TARGET FUND			
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing (Taiwan)	9.62%		
Tencent Holdings Ltd (China)	7.75%		
Hong Kong Exchanges And Clearing Ltd (Hong Kong)	4.65%		
Samsung Electronics Co Ltd (Korea)	2.88%		
Ping An Insurance (Group) Company of China Ltd (China)	2.63%		
Singapore Technologies Engineering Ltd (Singapore)	2.43%		
Galaxy Entertainment Group Ltd (Macao)	2.28%		
HDFC Bank Ltd ADR (India)	2.27%		
Van Eck Vectors Gold Miners ETF (United Stated)	2.21%		
Hong Kong Land Holdings Ltd (Hong Kong)	2.09%		
Total	38.81%		

#### **PERFORMANCE RECORD**

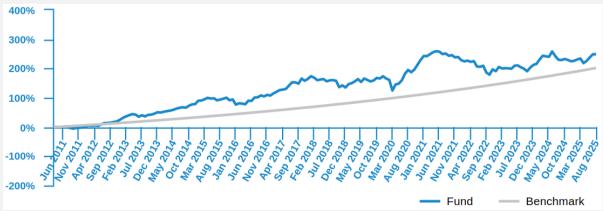
This fund feeds into Principal Asia Pacific Dynamic Income Fund - Class MYR ("target fund") with the objective to provide regular income by investing primarily in the Asia Pacific ex Japan region and at the same time aims to achieve capital appreciation over the medium to long-term.

Table below shows the investment returns of Sun Life Malaysia Asia Pacific Dynamic Income Fund versus its benchmark as at 29 August 2025:

%	YTD	1M	1-Year	3-Years	5-Years	10-Years	Since Inception
Fund*	6.94	0.05	5.45	11.87	17.80	75.51	77.00
Benchmark	5.26	0.66	7.99	25.97	46.92	115.82	125.73

<sup>\*</sup> Calculation of past performance is based on NAV-to-NAV

Graph below shows the historical performance of the underlying collective investment schemes (CIS) for calendar year returns:



Source: Lipper



#### **FUND MANAGER'S COMMENTS**

The Fund was up 0.05% in MYR terms in August, underperforming the benchmark by 61 bps. YTD, the Fund is up 6.94%, outperforming the benchmark by 168 bps.

The MSCI AC Asia Pacific ex Japan Index rose by 1.38% in August in USD terms. The USD depreciated by 2.23% and the US 10 year bond yields declined by 15bps to end the month at 4.23% on dovish speech by Fed Chair. Monthly headline inflation in the US which rose 0.2% in July was as expected. The tariff impact is still modest and we can expect the rolling impact of tariffs on prices to be increasingly felt going forward. The US GDP growth thus far has been resilient with signs of cooling job market. At the Jackson Hole meeting, Fed Chair Powell has all but confirmed a Fed rate cut in September. In China, Caixin Manufacturing PMI went above 50 in August, and CPI for the month of July is flat YoY. Property market in China has weakened further into 2H25 and we have seen some policy relaxation in Beijing and Shanghai. With economic momentum in China showing clear signs of deceleration, policy easing and stimulus measure will be put in place to shore up domestic demand. India was hit by higher-than-expected US tariffs of 50%. But Modi has just announced a long-overdue reform of the goods-and-services tax to be implemented by late October, which meant that taxes from everything from shoes to cars will likely fall. This could help mitigate some of the tariff impact. Hence in Asia, tariff pressures may accelerate reforms and domestic demand-led growth, while easier financial conditions and capital inflows could offset concerns over slower export momentum in 2H. We maintain our positive view on Asian equities, as valuation is still reasonable. We prefer being appropriately diversified, across companies with strong free cashflows, improving business prospects and high dividend yielders especially in sectors such as technology, financials, industrials and communication services. Risks would be (1) sticky inflation, (2) global recession, and (3) rising geopolitical risks.

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#### **RISKS**

All investment carries some form of risks. The potential key risks include but are not limited to the following:

#### Stock specific risk

Prices of a particular stock may fluctuate in response to the circumstances affecting individual companies such as adverse financial performance, news of a possible merger or loss of key personnel of a company. Any adverse price movements of such stock will adversely affect the target fund's NAV.

#### **Country risk**

Investments of the target fund in any country may be affected by changes in the economic and political climate, restriction on currency repatriation or other developments in the law or regulations of the countries in which the target fund invests. For example, the deteriorating economic condition of such countries may adversely affect the value of the investments undertaken by the target fund in those affected countries. This in turn may cause the NAV of the target fund or price of units to fall.

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk refers to the ease of liquidating an asset depending on the asset's volume traded in the market. If the target fund holds assets that are illiquid, or are difficult to dispose of, the value of the target fund will be negatively affected when it has to sell such assets at unfavourable prices.

#### Currency risk

As the investments of the target fund may be denominated in currencies other than the base currency of the target fund, any fluctuation in the exchange rate between the base currency of the target fund and the currencies in which the investments are denominated may have an impact on the value of these investments. You should be aware that if the currencies in which the investments are denominated depreciate against the base currency of the target fund, this will have an adverse effect on the NAV of the target fund and vice versa. You should note that any gains or losses arising from the fluctuation in the exchange rate may further increase or decrease the returns of the investment.

### Credit and default

The target fund will be exposed to a certain degree of credit and default risk of issuers or counterparties when the target fund invests in debt securities, money market instruments and/or place deposits. Credit risk relates to the creditworthiness of the securities issuers or counterparties and their expected ability to make timely payment of interest and/or principal. Any adverse situations faced by the issuers or counterparties may impact the value as well as liquidity of the investments. In the case of rated debt securities, this may lead to a credit downgrade. Default risk relates to the risk that a securities issuer or counterparty either defaulting on payments or failing to make payments in a timely manner which will in turn adversely affect the value of the investments. This could adversely affect the value of the target fund. Principal (S) aims to mitigate this risk by performing bottom-up and top-down credit research and analysis to determine the creditworthiness of its issuers or counterparties, and impose investment limits on exposures for issuers or counterparties with different credit profiles as a precautionary step to limit any loss that may arise directly or indirectly as a result of a defaulted transaction.

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#### **RISKS (CONTINUED)**

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk refers to the impact of interest rate changes on the valuation of debt securities. When interest rates rise, debt securities prices generally decline and this may lower the market value of the target fund's investment in debt securities. In managing the debt portfolio, Principal (S) takes into account the coupon rate and time to maturity of the debt securities with an aim to mitigate the interest rate risk.

### Risk associated with investing in CIS

Since the target fund may invest entirely into CIS, there is a risk of concentration into CIS, in which the CIS's management company has absolute discretion over the CIS's investment technique and knowledge, operational controls and management. In the event of mismanagement of the CIS and/or the management company, the NAV of the target fund, which invests into those CIS would be affected negatively. Should the situation arise, Principal (S) will seek for another CIS that is consistent with the objective of the target fund.

### Risk of investing in emerging markets

In comparison with investments in the developed markets, investment in emerging markets may involve a higher degree of risk due to the greater possibility of political or economic instability and societal tensions. Emerging markets are markets that are, by definition, "in a state of transition" and are therefore exposed to rapid political change and economic declines. The securities in the emerging markets may face a higher risk of price drop while the exchange rates in these emerging markets are generally more volatile than those of developed markets. As such, you should be aware that investments in emerging markets may be subject to higher price volatility and therefore will tend to have a higher investment risk that will affect the target fund's growth. Principal (S) will attempt to mitigate these risks through active asset allocation management and diversification, in addition to their continuous bottom-up and top-down research and analysis.

Source : Principal Asset Management Bhd

Date : 29 August 2025

#### Disclaimer:

This is strictly the performance of the investment fund, and not the returns earned on the actual premiums paid of the investment-linked product. Past performance of the fund is not an indication of its future performance. The performance of the fund is not guaranteed. The value of the fund will fluctuate and may fall below the amount of premiums paid and the fund value depends on the actual performance of the underlying investment. This material is for information purposes only and is subject to change at any time without notice. Sun Life Malaysia does not guarantee its accuracy, completeness, correctness or timeliness for any purpose or reason. This information should not be considered as advice or recommendation in relation to your account or particular investment objectives, financial situation or needs. You may not revise, transform, or build upon this material without prior written consent of Sun Life Malaysia. Before acting on any information you should seek independent financial advice. Sun Life Malaysia may suspend the unit pricing and defer the payment of benefits, other than death and total and permanent disability benefits, subscription or redemption of units, switching of funds, under this contract for a reasonable period in exceptional circumstances, such as and including intervening events resulting in temporary closure of any stock exchange.