

Sun Life Malaysia

Select Asia (ex Japan) Quantum Fund

February 2026



FUND OBJECTIVE

To achieve capital appreciation over the medium to long-term by investing in Asia (ex Japan) equities.

INVESTMENT STRATEGY & APPROACH

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

FUND DETAILS

Launch Date	20 May 2014	Domicile	Malaysia
Currency	Ringgit Malaysia	Launch Price	RM1.0000
Units in Circulation	13.90 million units	Fund Size	RM21.84 million
Unit NAV	RM1.5716	Target Fund	AHAM Select Asia (ex Japan) Quantum Fund (Quantum Fund)
Fund Manager	AHAM Asset Management Berhad	Taxation	8% of annual investment income
Performance Benchmark	MSCI AC Asia (ex-Japan) Small Cap Index	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	<p>Suitable for investors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have a medium to long term investment horizon Are risk tolerance Are seeking higher returns for their investments compared to the performance benchmark 	Fund Management Charge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sun Life Malaysia does not impose any fund management charge on Sun Life Malaysia Select Asia (ex Japan) Quantum Fund.

ASSET ALLOCATION OF THE TARGET FUND

Equities	Cash
Minimum 70% of Net Asset Value (NAV)	Balance of fund

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SECTOR ALLOCATION OF THE TARGET FUND

Industrials	28.80%
Consumer Discretionary	16.60%
Health Care	14.60%
Technology	11.00%
Consumer Staples	8.80%
Real Estate	5.50%
Energy	4.20%
Financial	4.00%
Basic Materials	2.20%
Cash & Cash Equivalents	4.30%
Total	100.00%

TOP HOLDINGS OF THE TARGET FUND (EQUITIES)

Kinik Company	5.60%
ComfortDelGro Corporation Ltd	4.50%
Hume Cement Industries Bhd	4.40%
JNBY Design Ltd	4.30%
Aeon Credit Service M Bhd	4.00%
Capitaland India Trust	3.80%
AirAsia X Bhd	3.80%
Kelington Group Bhd	3.70%
Southern Score Builders Bhd	3.60%
Gold Circuit Electronics Ltd	3.60%
Total	41.30%

PERFORMANCE RECORD

The Fund feeds into AHAM Select Asia (ex Japan) Quantum Fund (“target fund”) with the objective of achieving capital appreciation over the medium to long-term by investing in Asia (ex Japan) equities with market capitalization of not more than USD1.5 billion at the time of investment. However, the target fund would also have an option to invest into companies with a market capitalization of not more than USD3.0 billion at the time of investment, which will be capped at no more than 30% of the Net Asset Value (NAV) of the target fund.

Table below shows the investment returns of Sun Life Malaysia Select Asia (ex Japan) Quantum Fund versus its benchmark:

%	YTD	1M	1-Year	3-Years	5-Years	10-Years	Since Inception
Fund*	-2.17	1.50	2.92	-9.54	-17.39	52.82	57.16
Benchmark	7.21	3.25	21.02	35.43	31.85	94.49	107.47

* Calculation of past performance is based on NAV-to-NAV

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



Source: www.morningstar.com

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FUND MANAGER'S COMMENTS

- US equities were muted in February, with the S&P 500 slipping 0.90% for the month. Trade policy uncertainty resurfaced after the US Supreme Court ruled against the use of the International Economic Emergency Powers Act (IEEPA) to justify the April 2025 reciprocal tariffs.
- While markets initially welcomed the decision, policy direction quickly became murky again. President Trump subsequently announced a new 10% global tariff under Section 122 of the 1974 Trade Act, later raising it to 15%, effectively resetting the tariff framework.
- Net-net, the Supreme Court ruling carries only modest impact. China may be the marginal beneficiary, as tariffs previously imposed under the IEEPA framework stood at around 20%, versus the new 15% global rate, implying a 5% reduction. However, any relief is likely short-lived, as future investigations could once again single China out for higher tariffs.
- In contrast, Asian equities rallied strongly. The MSCI Asia ex-Japan index gained 5.60%, led decisively by North Asia. Korea's KOSPI surged 19.5%, while Taiwan's benchmark index climbed 10.5%, driven by renewed strength in technology and AI heavyweights.
- While concerns persist over whether US hyperscalers can maintain aggressive capital expenditure plans, markets appear willing to look through these risks for now. Hyperscalers remain committed to large-scale AI investment, even as semiconductor costs rise sharply. This dynamic reinforces the narrative of a significant wealth transfer from US hyperscalers to Asian semiconductor players in the tech supply chain, particularly in Korea and Taiwan.
- Back home, the benchmark KLCI declined 1.40% as investors assessed the latest earnings releases. The 1Q 2026 reporting season showed improving breadth, with approximately 48% of companies delivering results in line with expectations, 28% exceeding forecasts, and 24% missing. This marks a modest improvement from the previous quarter, when roughly 29% of companies disappointed.
- Overall, corporate earnings remain reasonably resilient despite pockets of weakness. Healthcare and cement were notable outperformers, reflecting stable demand and firm pricing dynamics. In contrast, earnings softness was more evident in gaming, telecommunications, petrochemicals, and parts of the electronics manufacturing services segment, where margin pressures and uneven demand conditions weighed on performance.

STRATEGY:

- The fund delivered returns of +1.6% (MYR) in Feb; underperforming its benchmark, the MSCI AC Asia ex Japan Small Cap index, which gained 3.3% in MYR terms over the same period.
- The funds' relative underperformance was mostly due to our OW in Malaysia positions; particularly in the Tech sector. Contributors for the month mostly came from our TW positions which continue to benefit from AI supply chain tightness & TSMC capex plays. Our HK & Indian positions also contributed positively as foreign investors continue to rotate out of DM in favour of EM.
- Detractors mainly came from our Malaysia Tech & Korean pharma positions. We continue to see rotation out of the Healthcare sector in Korea in favour of memory capex plays due to persistently high supply tightness for the memory sector which will lead to capacity expansion for Samsung & Hynix.
- On a country basis, the fund remained anchored in Malaysia with 45% exposure; followed by Korea & Taiwan at 11% each, China & Singapore at 8% each & India at 5%.
- The fund has raised cash levels to 10% as a temporary defensive measure in light of recent events in the Middle East.

RISKS

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

Market risk	Market risk refers to the possibility that an investment will lose value because of a general decline in financial markets, due to economic, political and/or other factors, which will result in a decline in the target fund's NAV.
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.
Credit and default risk	Credit risk relates to the creditworthiness of the issuers of the debentures or money market instruments (hereinafter referred to as "investment") and their expected ability to make timely payment of interest and/or principal. Any adverse situations faced by the issuers may impact the value as well as liquidity of the investment. In the case of rated investment, this may lead to a credit downgrade. Default risk relates to the risk of an issuer of the investment either defaulting on payments or failing to make payments in a timely manner which will in turn adversely affect the value of the investment. This could adversely affect the value of the target fund.
Interest rate risk	This risk refers to the impact of interest rate changes on the valuation of debentures or money market instruments (hereinafter referred to as "investment"). When interest rates rise, the investment prices generally decline and this may lower the market value of the investment. The reverse may apply when interest rates fall.
Warrants investment risk	The value of the warrants will depend on the pricing of the underlying security, whereby the growth and performance prospect of the underlying security would consequentially affect the value of the warrants. In addition, the value of the warrants may decrease exponentially as the warrants approach its maturity date and the potential gains from a favourable price movement of the underlying security may be offset by aggressive time decay. We may consider unwinding these warrants if there are material adverse changes to its value with the aim to mitigate the risk.
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 prices of units to fall.

RISKS (CONTINUED)

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Currency risk

As the investments of the target fund may be denominated in currencies other than the base currency, any fluctuation in the exchange rate between the base currency and the currencies in which the investments are denominated may have an impact on the value of these investments. 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.

Currency risk at the target fund level

The impact of the exchange rate movement between the base currency of the target fund and the currency of the underlying investments (other than in MYR) may result in a depreciation of the value of the investments as expressed in the base currency of the target fund.

Regulatory risk

The investments of the target fund would be exposed to changes in the laws and regulations in the countries the target fund is invested in. These regulatory changes pose a risk to the target fund as it may materially impact the investments of the target fund. In an effort to manage and mitigate such risk, the fund manager seeks to continuously keep abreast of regulatory developments (for example, by closely monitoring announcements on regulators' website and mainstream media) in that country. The fund manager may dispose its investments in that particular country should the regulatory changes adversely impact the policy owners' interest or diminish returns of the target fund.

Source : AHAM Asset Management Berhad

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Disclaimer:

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