

Allianz Life Amanah Dana Ikhlas



Investment Objective

The Allianz Life Amanah Dana Ikhlas (the "Fund") feeds into Maybank Malaysia Balanced-I Fund ("CIS") and aims to seek a mix of regular income stream and possible capital growth over the medium to long term by investing in listed equities, Islamic debt instruments and other assets that are permissible under the Shariah Principles.

Investor Profile

The Fund is suitable for investors who are looking for fund that invests in Shariah-compliant securities, seek regular income and moderate capital appreciation, have moderate risk tolerance and medium to long term investment horizon.

Performance Indicator

	1 month	6 months	1 year	3 years	5 years	YTD	Since Inception (Annualised)
Allianz Life Amanah Dana Ikhlas	-0.73%	-1.45%	1.50%	-1.27%	-1.45%	-1.63%	1.86%
Benchmark: 50% FBM Emas Shariah Index + 50% GIA rate*	-1.73%	-2.52%	-0.82%	-0.01%	0.60%	-3.22%	1.86%
Maybank Malaysia Balanced-I Fund	-0.64%	-1.29%	2.01%	0.08%	1.13%	-1.58%	2.76%

* Source: Bursa and Bank Negara Malaysia.

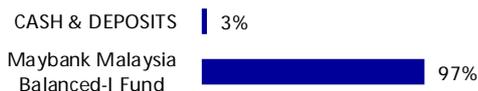
The above performance of the Fund is calculated in Ringgit Malaysia on a NAV-to-NAV basis with gross dividends reinvested. It is strictly the performance of the investment fund and not the returns earned on the actual premiums paid of the investment-linked product. Past performance is not an indication of future performance.

Facts on CIS

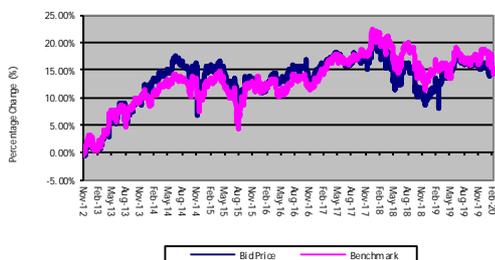
Name	Maybank Malaysia Balanced-I Fund [^]
Type	Managed Fund
Fund Manager	Maybank Asset Management
Fund Currency	MYR

[^]Maybank Malaysia Balanced-I Fund (previously known as MAYBANK Dana Ikhlas) is managed by Maybank Asset Management Sdn. Bhd. Please refer to <https://www.maybank-am.com.my> for more information.

Portfolio Composition by Asset



Performance Since Inception



Key Fund Facts

Fund Size	RM11.56 million
Risk Profile	Moderate Investor
Launch Date	26 November 2012
Fund Currency	Ringgit Malaysia
Investment Manager	Allianz Life Insurance Malaysia Berhad
Pricing Frequency	Daily
Price per Unit ¹ (as at 29th February 2020) - Bid	0.543
Management Fee	1.19% p.a
Other Charges ²	Include but not limited to government tax, auditor fee, custodian fee, & transaction charge

- The price per unit of the Fund is the total market value of assets in the Fund divided by the total number of units of the Fund. To ensure fair treatment to all unit holders, transaction costs of acquiring and disposing of assets of the Fund are recouped by making a dilution or transaction cost adjustment to the NAV per unit of the Fund. Allianz Life Insurance Malaysia Berhad retains the right to suspend issuance or redemption of units of the Fund under exceptional circumstances, e.g. temporary closure of any stock exchange, as disclosed in the fund brochure.
- Expenses directly related to and necessary in operating the Fund.

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Manager's Comment

Market Commentary

The Malaysian bond market continued its rally in February, despite the short sell-off in the final week of the month due to the domestic political drama that saw the resignation of the PM and the dissolution of the cabinet. Yields quickly recovered on strong local support and expectations of another OPR cut in March, as well as global risk-off mode amidst Covid-19 fears. Sovereign bond yields declined 17-34bps month-on-month, while corporate bonds followed suit. Meanwhile, foreigners sold out of local debt securities with outflow of RM8.1 bln in February, due to profit taking activities following the rally post-GDP growth announcement, as well as the domestic political turmoil. Foreign share of MGS fell to 39.6% (Jan: 41.7%) and MGS + GII fell to 23.9% (Jan:25.3%). Despite this outflow, sovereign yields remained at/near record low levels with strong support from the local players.

Asian equity markets (which had already seen a correction in late January on the back of the COVID-19 outbreak) saw a short-lived recovery in early February before selling off again towards month end as the number of cases outside China began increasing steadily. Meanwhile regionally, the COVID-19 shockwaves reverberated across markets globally with the S&P500 Index registering one of its sharpest corrections (-11.5% in the last week of February) seen in years and 10-year US Treasury yields falling to fresh lows of 1.14%. Fears of a global growth slowdown also weighed on Asian currencies (vis-à-vis a stronger USD) and commodities such as oil (with Brent falling c.11% mom to touch US\$50/bbl). For Malaysia, the market fell 3.16% in February, plunging to its lowest level since 2011. As the month drew to a close Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin was appointed Prime Minister after following a week of political tumult with surprising twists and turns. Materials, Industrials and Consumer Discretionary sectors were the worst performing sectors. The MYR (-2.9%) was amongst the weakest Asian currencies in the month of February. Gold prices were flat for the month with investors purportedly selling gold to meet margin calls.

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Market Outlook and Strategy

Malaysia is now facing triple whammy as the country faces changes in the government in the midst of a crash in crude oil prices due to price war between major oil producers as well as the COVID-19 disease pandemic. The COVID-19 outbreak has introduced fresh uncertainty in markets, and the situation remains fluid and unpredictable. While the outbreak may have already peaked in China, it has just begun to spread more rapidly to the rest of the world thus it may be some time before we are able to ascertain the economic impact of the outbreak. If the outbreak is successfully contained, combined with meaningful policy stimulus, we could see a rapid recovery in markets. Conversely, should the situation blow out of control, the economic impact and market correction may be more severe.

For fixed income, although some market participants are expecting another rate cut following the second OPR cut on 3rd March, we think that the MGS yield curve looks flat and hence are neutral in terms of duration. However, if the current coronavirus pandemic prolong into 2Q 2020, BNM could introduce another 25 bps cut to support domestic economic growth to counter global economic activities slowdown from the pandemic. Hence, we expect yields to stay low for longer. Meanwhile, domestic political developments have heightened uncertainty (especially on policy continuity) and volatility in both equity and fixed income market, hence providing opportunistic trading. Beyond the short term volatility, we should expect market to come to senses and back to normal growth trajectory. Nevertheless, we continue to believe that the local bond market will remain supported by demand from local institutional investors such as pension funds, banks and asset managers.

For equities, with the recent sharp sell-down, valuation has emerged for Malaysia as the FBM KLCI has been sold off to the lowest levels seen since 2010. In addition, foreign shareholding is already close to all-time low as current foreign shareholding stood at 22.4% compared to the low of 21.7%. Meanwhile the market forward P/E has gone down to -3 standard deviation from its long term mean, indicating that the market may have bottomed out. However, the COVID-19 pandemic will continue to create volatility for the market hence we believe it is crucial to remain nimble.

For Malaysian sukuk, given our expectation that yields will stay low for longer and the short term volatility due to the domestic political drama, we will trade opportunistically and take profit. We continue to overweight corporate bonds over sovereign bonds to anchor the Fund's income in corporate bonds' coupons as they are less volatile and provide higher yields to buffer against potential mark-to-market losses in the event of a turnaround in sovereign bond yields. We maintain our neutral to slightly underweight duration view given the flat yield curve. We will also look into new primary issuances that offer higher yields to deliver the required performance.

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In equities, we reduced our equity exposure at 85%, but widened the trading band to +-10% from +-5% previously for better flexibility to position portfolios in these volatile times. While we raise cash from defensives to reposition into bashed down stocks, we will still maintain some portion of our portfolios in these stocks to help anchor the portfolio. High cash level and higher dividend should cushion the portfolios against volatile market movements. We continue to believe that Malaysia is well positioned to face volatility as market liquidity is ample, represented by the large pension funds, life insurance and other institutional investor.

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