

February 2025

AIA PAM – Global Islamic Growth Fund

Investment Objective

The Fund seeks to provide returns through capital growth by investing in Shariah-compliant securities predominantly in the global markets.

Investment Strategy

The Fund will invest at least 60% to 90% of its NAV in Shariah-compliant equities including Islamic collective investment schemes. The Fund will also invest at least 10% of its NAV in Sukuk, Islamic deposit and/or Islamic money market instruments.

The Fund will invest in local and foreign markets.

Fund Details

Unit NAV (28 February 2025) : RM 0.5245
Fund Size (28 February 2025) : RM 53.6 million
Fund Currency : Ringgit Malaysia
Fund Launch : February 23, 2021
Fund Inception : March 16, 2021
Fund Management Charge : up to 1.50% p.a

Investment Manager : AIA Pension and Asset Management

Sdn. Bhd.

Basis of Unit Valuation : Net Asset Value (NAV)

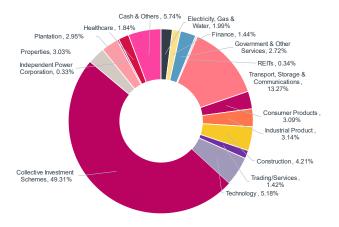
Frequency of Unit Valuation : Daily

Benchmark : Target return of 6% per annum

Top Five Holding

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1.	ISHARES MSCI EM ISLAMIC	15.76%				
2.	TEMPLETON SHARIAH GLOBAL EQUITY	45.000/				
	FUND	15.08%				
3.	ISHARES MSCI WORLD ISLAMIC	9.45%				
4.	ISHARES MSCI USA ISLAMIC	9.02%				
5.	GAMUDA BHD	2.08%				

Sector Allocation



Risk

General investment risks involve market risk, fund manager risk, inflation risk and liquidity risk. Specific risks of the Fund involve credit/default risk, interest rate risk, particular security risk, country risk, currency risk and shariah status reclassification risk.

Risk Management

Investment Manager aims to reduce investment risks through structured and disciplined investment process, rigorous and disciplined credit research and analysis, portfolio diversification and strict and frequent stock evaluation to minimize company specific risk.

Historical Performance



%	1 Mth	1-Year	^5-Year	^10-Year	^Since Inception
Fund	-1.91%	-3.96%	=	-	4.90%
Benchmark	0.49%	6.00%	-	-	25.96%
Excess	-2.39%	-9.96%	-	-	-21.06%

Source: AIA Pension and Asset Management Sdn. Bhd., Bloomberg as of 28 February 2025.

^ Cumulative returns. The performance is calculated on NAV-to-NAV basis. Past performance is not an indicative of future performance.

Market Review

The Government Investment Issues ("GII") yield curve mildly bull-steepened in February 2025. MGS yields traded in a relatively tight range despite the strong rally in US treasuries ("UST") where yields tumbled aggressively amidst safe-haven demand and heightened concerns on the impact of President Trump's trade policy on US economic growth. Domestically, ample liquidity from domestic investors continued to support the market at current levels. Foreign inflows spurred buying activity towards the end of the month but was quickly met with profit taking pressure which capped any meaningful movements in terms of yields.

Globally, US equities took a breather in February as economic jitters resurfaced. The S&P 500 fell 1.40% amid uncertainty over the economic impact of the US administration's tax and tariff policies. The Nasdaq plunged 4.00% on concerns about reduced capital expenditure in the artificial intelligence (AI) and semiconductor sectors. Asian equities rose 1.00% in February, driven by strong gains in China. The MSCI China Index surged 11.50%, fuelled by renewed optimism in the country's AI and tech sectors. Indonesia was the region's worst-performing market, with Jakarta Composite Index dropped by 11.8% in February, nearing technical bear market territory.

The FBMS ("Index") fell -2.8% Month-on-Month ("MoM") to close at 11,411.79 in February 2025. The Index underperformed the MSCI Asia ex Japan Index which rose 1.07% MoM in Malaysian Ringgit ("MYR") terms over the same period. Foreign investors remained net sellers of Malaysian equities amounting to MYR2.2 billion while local institutions remained net buyers amounting to MYR1.2 billion during the month.

Market Outlook

With recent US economic data releases coming in mixed, the trend for a moderation in inflation and a softening in the labour market has somewhat slowed. At the most recent US Federal Open Market Committee meeting, the US Fed kept the interest rate unchanged, citing concerns on the progress of inflation and potential risks from fiscal and trade policies by President Trump's administration. We are cautiously optimistic on the equity and fixed income market in the near term. With these uncertainties ahead, we maintain our view that market volatility would persist as the US Fed and the market would remain reactive to data releases and developments in key geopolitical events, central banks' monetary policy decisions as well as implications from President Trump's trade policies. Locally, while our optimism on equities has moderated, the market is likely to remain supported by stable corporate earnings, various ongoing government initiatives, stronger tourism recovery, resilient domestic consumption and political stability.



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