

March 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 (31 March 2025) : RM 0.5202
Fund Size (31 March 2025) : RM 53.5 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)

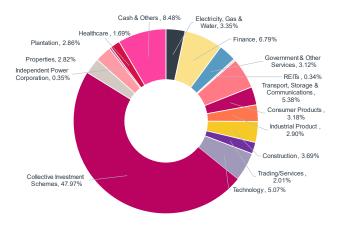
Frequency of Unit Valuation : Daily

Benchmark : Target return of 6% per annum

Top Five Holding

1.	ISHARES MSCI EM ISLAMIC	16.54%
2.	TEMPLETON SHARIAH GLOBAL EQUITY	14.72%
	FUND	
3.	ISHARES MSCI WORLD ISLAMIC	8.70%
4.	ISHARES MSCI USA ISLAMIC	8.01%
5.	GAMUDA BHD	1.67%

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



Accumulative Return

%	1 Mth	1-Year	^5-Year	^10-Year	^Since Inception
Fund	-0.82%	-7.29%	N/A	N/A	4.04%
Benchmark	0.49%	6.00%	N/A	N/A	26.57%

Annualised Return

%	1-Year	5-Year	10-Year	Since Inception
Fund	-7.29%	N/A	N/A	0.97%
Renchmark	6.00%	N/A	N/A	5.92%

Calendar Year Return

%	Year to Date	2024	2023	2022
Fund	-4.52%	3.65%	10.77%	-8.84%
Benchmark	1.47%	6.00%	6.00%	6.00%

Source: AIA Pension and Asset Management Sdn. Bhd., Bloomberg as of 31 March 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 bull-steepened in March 2025. During the month, the US Federal Open Market Committee ("FOMC") voted to keep the federal funds target range unchanged at 4.25% to 4.50%, as broadly expected. Similarly, BNM also kept the overnight policy rate ("OPR") unchanged at 3.00% at the Monetary Policy Committee ("MPC") meeting. The language of the latest monetary policy statement by BNM was rather neutral and balanced in its views as the outlook for global growth, inflation and trade are subject to considerable uncertainties surrounding tariff and other policies from major economies and geopolitical developments.

Globally, S&P 500 was down by 5.75% in March 2025, bringing its Year-to-date ("YTD") return to -4.59%. President Trump's rapid executive orders and policy changes, as tariffs, inflation, employment and consumer spending became the main concerns of the market. In the ASEAN equity space, India was the best performing market with a Month-on-Month ("MoM") increase of 6.3%, as bargain hunting emerged from more palatable valuations, supported by increasing chances of RBI rate cuts as inflation has recently fallen below the 4% target.

The FBMS ("Index") fell 2.52% Month-on-Month ("MoM") to close at 11,124.41 pts in March 2025. The Index underperformed the MSCI Asia ex Japan Index, which fell 0.76% MoM in Malaysian Ringgit ("MYR") terms over the same period. Foreign investors remained net sellers of Malaysian equities with net sell flows rising 110.5% MoM to MYR4.6 billion while local institutions remained net buyers amounting to MYR4.3 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 stronger tourism recovery, resilient domestic government initiatives. consumption and political stability.



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