

**FUND FACTS**

<b>Classification:</b>	Fixed Income Fund	<b>NAVPU:</b>	Php 208.87
<b>Launch Date:</b>	April 4, 2005	<b>Total Fund NAV (Mn):</b>	Php 4,138.54
<b>Minimum Investment:</b>	Php 1,000.00	<b>Dealing Day:</b>	Daily up to 2:00 PM
<b>Additional Investment:</b>	No minimum	<b>Redemption Settlement:</b>	T+0 End-of-Day
<b>Minimum Holding Period:</b>	None	<b>Early Redemption Charge:</b>	None

**FEES\***

<b>Trustee Fees:</b> 0.1271%* <i>1.50% per annum</i>	<b>Custodianship Fees:</b> 0.0007%**	<b>External Auditor Fees:</b> 0.00%***	<b>Other Fees:</b> 0%
BPI Wealth	DB AG Manila Branch****	Isla Lipana	None
*Monthly rate: billings received for August 2024 divided by the average daily NAV for the same month valued at Php 4,135.66 Mn	**Monthly rate: received for July 2024 divided by the average daily NAV for the same month valued at Php 4,131.58 Mn	***Billing is received at the last quarter of the year.	****Change in custodian to DB as of August 2024

**INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND STRATEGY**

The Fund intends to achieve for its Participants capital appreciation and income derived from a diversified portfolio of primarily medium-term fixed income instruments. The Fund aims to provide absolute returns in excess of the return of the BPI Philippine Government Bond 1-3 Year Index.

**CLIENT SUITABILITY**

A client profiling process shall be performed prior to participating in the Fund to guide the prospective investor if the Fund is suited to his/her investment objectives and risk tolerance. Clients are advised to read the Declaration of Trust/Plan Rules of the Fund, which may be obtained from the Trustee, before deciding to invest.

The BPI Premium Bond Fund is suitable only for investors who:

- Are at least classified as moderately conservative based on their risk profile
- Have an investment horizon of at least one (1) year

**KEY RISKS AND RISK MANAGEMENT**

You should not invest in this Fund if you do not understand or are not comfortable with the accompanying risks.

<b>Interest Rate Risk:</b>	The Fund invests in an intermediate term portfolio of domestic government and corporate securities, exposing investors to the risk of loss arising from a rise in interest rates, which generally causes fixed income security prices to decline. Factors/ events that may lead to a rise interest rates include adverse market conditions, issuer-specific factors/ events and/ or negative developments in domestic political and economic conditions.
<b>Liquidity Risk:</b>	Investors are exposed to the risk of loss due to the Fund's inability to convert security holdings to cash immediately or in instances where conversion to cash is possible but at a highly disadvantageous price due to limited buyers/ sellers in the market, low trading volumes or market disruptions, among other reasons/ factors.
<b>Credit/Default Risk:</b>	Investors are exposed to the risk of loss due to the failure of the borrower/ debt issuer to make timely interest and/ or principal payments on its deposit liabilities, loans, bonds or other debt instruments due to a deterioration in the borrower's/ issuer's financial condition or external factors and events that may affect its ability to repay financial obligations such as negative developments in domestic political and economic conditions.
<b>Related Party Risk:</b>	Investors are exposed to actual or potential conflicts of interest in the handling of related party transactions by the Trustee, specifically, time deposit placements with the Trustee's own bank and/ or its subsidiary, purchase of debt securities issued by related parties, as well as the execution of trade transactions with related counterparties.

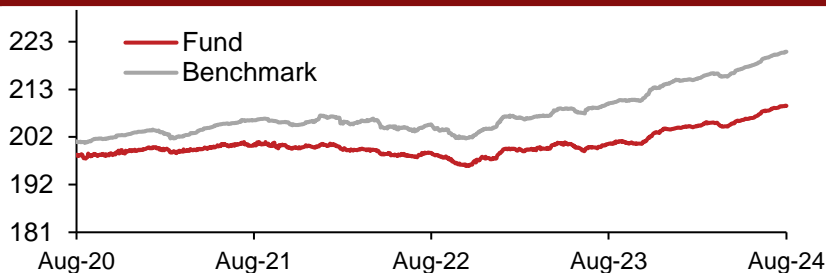
In accordance with the provisions in the Declaration of Trust, the Fund employs a risk management policy based on duration. The Fund may also use financial derivatives to hedge the portfolio against market and credit risks.

- **THE UIT FUND IS NOT A DEPOSIT AND IS NOT INSURED BY THE PHILIPPINE DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORP. (PDIC).**
- **RETURNS CANNOT BE GUARANTEED AND HISTORICAL NAVPU IS FOR ILLUSTRATION OF NAVPU MOVEMENTS/ FLUCTUATIONS ONLY.**
- **WHEN REDEEMING, THE PROCEEDS MAY BE WORTH LESS THAN THE ORIGINAL INVESTMENT AND ANY LOSSES SHALL BE SOLELY FOR THE ACCOUNT OF THE CLIENT.**
- **THE TRUSTEE IS NOT LIABLE FOR ANY LOSS UNLESS UPON WILLFUL DEFAULT, BAD FAITH OR GROSS NEGLIGENCE.**
- **THIS PRODUCT CANNOT BE SOLD TO YOU UNLESS ITS BENEFITS AND RISKS HAVE BEEN THOROUGHLY EXPLAINED. IF YOU DO NOT FULLY UNDERSTAND THIS PRODUCT, DO NOT PURCHASE OR INVEST IN IT.**

## FUND PERFORMANCE AND STATISTICS AS OF AUGUST 30, 2024

(Purely for reference purposes and is not a guarantee of future results)

### NAVPU GRAPH



\*Benchmark is BPI Philippine Government Bond 1-3 Year Index.

### CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE (%)<sup>1</sup>

	1 mo.	3 mos.	6 mos.	1 YR	3 YRS	S.I. <sup>2</sup>
<b>Fund</b>	<b>0.31</b>	<b>1.52</b>	<b>2.15</b>	<b>4.15</b>	<b>4.21</b>	<b>108.87</b>
<b>Benchmark</b>	0.39	1.72	2.74	5.43	7.34	30.14

### ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE (%)<sup>1</sup>

	1 YR	2 YRS	3 YRS	4 YRS	5 YRS	S.I. <sup>2</sup>
<b>Fund</b>	<b>4.15</b>	<b>2.60</b>	<b>1.38</b>	<b>1.33</b>	<b>1.96</b>	<b>3.87</b>
<b>Benchmark</b>	5.43	3.89	2.39	2.37	3.10	1.37

### CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE (%)<sup>1</sup>

	YTD	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Fund</b>	<b>2.54</b>	<b>3.34</b>	<b>-1.29</b>	<b>0.37</b>	<b>3.93</b>	<b>7.42</b>
<b>Benchmark</b>	3.31	4.89	-0.75	1.13	5.81	8.79

### PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION

	Allocation	% of Fund
Government		57.91
Corporates		27.68
Cash and Cash Equivalents		13.79
Other Receivables – Net of Liabilities <sup>6</sup>		0.62
<b>Maturity Profile</b>		
Cash and less than 1 year		35.27
Between 1 and 3 years		21.08
Between 3 and 5 years		32.55
Between 5 and 7 years		11.09
Between 7 and 10 years		-
More than 10 years		-
<b>Portfolio Weightings</b>		
Philippine Corporate Bonds		27.68
Philippine Sovereign Bonds		57.91

### NAVPU over the past 12 months

Highest	208.93
Lowest	200.45

### STATISTICS

Weighted Ave Duration (Yrs.)	2.23
Volatility, Past 1 Year (%) <sup>3</sup>	0.82
Sharpe Ratio <sup>4</sup>	-0.49
Information Ratio <sup>5</sup>	-1.68
Portfolio Weighted Yield to Maturity (%)	4.91
Current Number of Holdings	30

<sup>1</sup>Returns are net of fees.

<sup>2</sup>Since inception.

<sup>3</sup>Measures the degree to which the Fund fluctuates vis-à-vis its average return over a period of time.

<sup>4</sup>Used to characterize how well the return of a Fund compensates the investor for the level of risk taken. The higher the number, the better.

<sup>5</sup>Measures reward-to-risk efficiency of the portfolio relative to the benchmark. The higher the number, the higher the reward per unit of risk.

<sup>6</sup>Includes accrued income, investment securities purchased, accrued expenses, etc.

\*Declaration of Trust is available upon request through branch of account.

### TOP TEN HOLDINGS

Name	Maturity	% of Fund
Retail Treasury Bond	02/28/2029	12.16
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	07/19/2031	9.22
Time Deposit		8.46
SM Prime Holdings, Inc.	03/25/2025	8.42
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	02/14/2026	7.65
Retail Treasury Bond	03/07/2028	7.64
Retail Treasury Bond	03/04/2027	5.66
Time Deposit		4.83
Aboitiz Equity Ventures, Inc.	08/09/2025	4.04
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	09/06/2027	3.75

### RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS\*

The Fund has investments and trade transactions with BPI Wealth – A Trust Corporation (BPI Wealth), its subsidiaries and related parties:

Ayala Corp.– Php 52.02 Million, Ayala Land Inc.– Php 110.67 Million, Bank of the Philippine Islands – Php 75.69 Million, ACEN Corporation– Php 24.51 Million

Investments in the said outlets were approved by the BPI Wealth's Board of Directors. Likewise, all related party transactions are conducted on an arm's length and best execution basis and within established limits.

\*Related party in accordance with BPI Wealth's internal policy.

## OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY

**Market Review.** The BPI Government Bond Index rose by 0.72% in August as Philippine government bond yields decreased by an average of seven basis points (bps). Average daily trading volume for the month reached Php41.3 billion, up from Php34.5 billion in July, with most trades concentrated in 5- to 10-year securities. The Bureau of the Treasury (BTr) held four FXTN auctions in August, fully awarding the 5-, 7-, 15-, and 20-year tenors. Auction highs generally aligned with, or came in slightly below, secondary market bids at the time, with the BTr awarding at 6.128%, 6.14%, 6.125%, and 6.22%, respectively.

On the domestic front, July headline inflation accelerated to 4.4% from 3.7% in June, exceeding economists' median estimate of 4.0%. The higher-than-expected inflation was driven mainly by increases in housing & utilities (2.3% vs 0.1% in June), education (5.8% vs 3.8%), transport (3.6% vs 3.1%), and food & non-alcoholic beverages (6.4% vs 6.1%). Despite the inflationary pressure, the BSP cut rates by 25 bps in August, marking the first reduction in four years. Economists forecast that inflation may have cooled to 3.7% in August.

Internationally, US inflation decelerated from 3.0% in June to 2.9% in July, slightly below the 3.0% expectation. US Federal Reserve officials highlighted the ongoing moderation in inflation and slowing economic data, supporting the case for eventual policy rate cuts.

**Fund Performance.** The Fund rose by 0.31% for the month, 8 basis points below its benchmark.

**Fund Strategy.** The Fund looks to gradually increase its duration position as interest rates are expected to fall towards year-end. While inflation has settled within the BSP's target in the past months, upside risks are still present. The BSP has already decreased its policy rates by 25 basis points to 6.25%. The central bank remains vigilant in monitoring inflation figures before easing rates further. Volatility may persist in the global space, and the portfolio will be actively managed to take advantage of this. Investors in a bond fund must be prepared to withstand volatility as higher investment value is typically achieved over the medium to long term.

## LIST OF PROSPECTIVE INVESTMENTS

The following are among the Fund's approved investment outlets, wherein the Trustee intends to invest depending on strategy, availability, or other market-driven circumstances:

- a) Primarily medium-term tradable fixed-income instruments issued or guaranteed by the Philippine government or the BSP; tradable fixed-income securities issued by the government of a foreign country, any political subdivision/agency of a foreign country or any supranational entity; tradable fixed-income instruments issued by foreign or local financial institutions or private corporations; exchange-listed securities; marketable instruments that are traded in an organized exchange; loans traded in an organized market; and, such other tradable investment outlets/ categories as the BSP may allow. Provided, that, a financial instrument is regarded as tradable if two-way prices are quoted, readily available or regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arm's length basis.
- b) Primarily medium-term tradable fixed-income instruments issued, underwritten, or otherwise dealt by BPI and/or any of its subsidiaries, affiliates, their successors-in-interest or assignees, their directors, officers, stockholders, and related interest, and any of their trust and fund managed accounts, under such terms and conditions as the Trustee may deem to be in the best interest of the Fund; and, any such other instruments as may be allowed under BSP regulations. Investment with related interests shall be in accordance with Subsection X 410.12 (a) of the Manual of Regulations for Banks.
- c) Bank deposits, BSP special deposit account or tradable debt instruments issued by the BSP.
- d) Such other investments allowed under regulations issued by the BSP.

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