

### **Key Information and Investment Disclosure Statement** As of September 30, 2024



## **FUND FACTS**

Classification: Money Market Fund<sup>1</sup> NAVPU: Php 170.82 April 4, 2005 Total Fund NAV (Mn): Php 62,529.67 Launch Date: Php 1,000.00 Minimum Investment: **Dealing Day:** Daily up to 2:00PM No minimum **Redemption Settlement:** T+0 End-of-Day Additional Investment:

**Minimum Holding Period:** None Early Redemption Charge: None

Trustee Fees: 0.0410%\* Custodianship Fees: 0.0000%\*\* External Auditor Fees: 0.0000%\*\*\* Other Fees: 0.0000%

0.50% per annum

**BPI** Wealth HSBC. DB AG Manila Branch\*\*\*\* None Isla Lipana

\*Monthly rate: billings received for September 2024 divided by the average daily NAV for the same month valued at PHP 62,732.99 Mn

# **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND STRATEGY**

The Fund aims to generate liquidity and stable income by investing in a diversified portfolio of primarily short-term fixed income instruments. The Fund aims to provide excess return over the return of the 91-day Philippine Treasury Bill, net of tax.

### **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 Short Term 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.

# Risk:

The fund invests in short term domestic fixed income securities, exposing investors to the risk of loss arising from a Interest Rate rise in interest rates, which generally causes fixed income security prices to decline. Factors/events that may lead to a rise in interest rates include adverse market conditions, issuer-specific factors/events and/or negative developments in domestic political and economic conditions.

# Liquidity Risk:

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.

# Credit/

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 Default Risk: 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.

# **Related Party** Risk:

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.

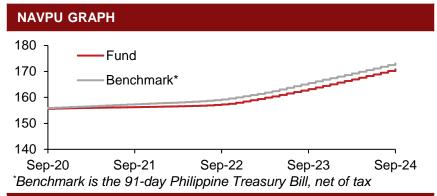
<sup>\*\*</sup>Monthly rate: billings received for August 2024 divided by the average daily NAV for the same month valued at PHP 63,469.26 Mn

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Billing is received at the last quarter of the year

<sup>\*\*\*\*</sup>Change in custodian to DB as of August 2024

# **FUND PERFORMANCE AND STATISTICS AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2024**

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



CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE (%) <sup>1</sup>								
	1 mo.	3 mos.	6 mos.	1YR	3YRS	S.I. <sup>2</sup>		
Fund	0.38	1.18	2.35	4.68	9.32	70.82		
Benchmark	0.38	1.17	2.34	4.59	10.00	63.70		
ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE (%) 1								
	1 YR	2 YRS	3 YRS	4 YRS	5 YRS	S.I. <sup>2</sup>		
Fund	4.68	4.21	3.01	2.36	2.26	2.78		
Benchmark	4.59	4.28	3.23	2.65	2.53	2.56		
CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE(%) <sup>1</sup>								
	YTD	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019		
Fund	3.51	4.19	1.27	0.37	1.41	3.80		
Benchmark	3.43	4.34	1.68	0.95	1.68	3.55		
PORTFOLIO CO	MPOSIT	TION						
Allocation	Allocation				% of Fund			
Government				51.40				
Corporates						-		
Cash and Cash Equivalents					54.86			
Other Receivables - Net of Liabilities					-6.26			
Maturity Profile								
Cash and less than 1 year					100.00			
Between 1 and 3 years -					-			
Between 3 and 5 years					-			
Between 5 and 7 years						-		
Between 7 and 10 years -					-			
More than 10 years					-			
Portfolio Weightings								
Philippine Corporate Bonds					-			
Philippine Sovereign Bonds					51	.40		
DELATED DAD								

NAVPU over the past 12 months	
Lowest	163.18
Highest	170.82
STATISTICS	
Weighted Ave Duration (Yrs.)	0.21
Volatility, Past 1 Year (%) <sup>3</sup>	0.13
Sharpe Ratio <sup>4</sup>	0.74
Information Ratio <sup>5</sup>	0.67
Portfolio Weighted Yield to Maturity (%)	4.40
Current Number of Holdings	78

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

TOP TEN HOLDINGS		
Name	Maturity	% of Fund
BSP Bills	10/01/2024	9.60
BSP Bills	10/08/2024	7.19
BSP Bills	11/05/2024	6.37
BSP Bills	11/12/2024	6.36
BSP Bills	11/19/2024	6.35
BSP Bills	10/15/2024	5.99
BSP Bills	10/29/2024	3.19
BSP Bills	10/29/2024	3.19
BSP Bills	11/26/2024	2.78
Time Deposit		1.60

### **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS\***

The Fund has transactions and outstanding investments with entities related to BPI Wealth - A Trust Corporation ("BPI Wealth"):

Bank of the Philippine Islands - PHP 5.3 billion BPI Direct Banko, Inc. – PHP1.5 billion

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 Money Market Index returned 0.68% in September, as short-term government bond yields saw limited movement. Average daily trading volume for the month reached Php 50.2 billion, up from Php41.3 billion in August, with most trades concentrated in 5 and 10-year securities. The Bureau of the Treasury (BTr) held four Treasury Bill auctions in September, all of which were fully awarded. The final Treasury bill auction concluded with average yields of 5.196%, 5.005%, and 5.487% for the 91-day, 182-day, and 364-day bills, respectively. Additionally, the BSP held four BSP Bill auctions in August, all of which were fully awarded as well. The last BSP bill auction saw average yields of 6.4695% and 6.5006% for the 28-day and 56-day bills, respectively.

On the domestic front, we saw headline inflation return to its downward trend as it decelerated to 3.3% in August from 4.4% in July, exceeding economists' median estimate of 3.6%. The lower-than-expected inflation was driven mainly by decreases in food inflation after lower rice tariffs brought rice prices down to 14% from 21% a month earlier. Another driver for the decline in yields was the BSP's announcement to reduce the reserve requirement ratios (RRRs) by 250 basis points for universal banks down to 7%. Every 1% cut in RRR is estimated to release 130 to 150 billion pesos worth of liquidity into the system. This new RRR will take effect on October 25, 2024.

Internationally, US inflation decelerated from 2.9% in July to 2.5% in August, in line with median estimates. US Federal Reserve officials highlighted the ongoing moderation in inflation and slowing economic data, supporting the case for a possible rate cut in September.

Fund Performance. The Fund returned 0.38% during the month, at par with the benchmark.

**Fund Strategy.** The Fund favors the safety of shorter-dated securities and time deposits. Expectations of interest rates staying elevated may help maintain current portfolio yield.

## 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) Tradable fixed-income instruments issued or guaranteed by the Philippine government or the BSP; tradable fixed-income instruments issued by 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.
- (b) Tradable fixed-income securities 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.
- (c) Collective investment vehicles managed by reputable fund managers the investment objectives and policies of which are generally consistent with those of the Fund, subject to then existing BSP regulations.
- (d) Bank deposits and such other investments allowed under regulations issued by the BSP.

The Fund may invest in allowed Bangko Sentral Securities Facilities (BSP-SF) as one of its approved investment outlets. Pursuant to Section 601-Q of the Manual of Regulations for Non-Bank Financial Institutions, as amended, participations to UITFs with exposure to BSP-SF shall be limited to **Philippine individual and corporate residents only**.

Where it is deemed that the identified non-Philippine resident participants' investments violate applicable regulations, BPI Wealth shall immediately redeem the investment.

BPI Wealth is a subsidiary of the Bank of the Philippine Islands. For inquiries and comments, please send us a message through https://www.bpi.com.ph/contactus or call our 24-hour BPI Contact Center at (+632) 889 10000.

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