

## **FUND OVERVIEW FUND FACTS** Medium Term Bond Fund The Fund aims to achieve a steady stream of income by Classification: investing in a diversified portfolio of Philippine Peso Launch Date: July 18, 1997 denominated high-grade fixed income instruments, such as, but Daily up to 2:00 PM **Dealing Day:** not limited to, government securities, corporate notes and Minimum Investment:<sup>1</sup> PHP 1,000.00 bonds, and fixed income funds. Min. Subsequent Order:1 Equivalent amount of 1 share\* **Minimum Holding Period:** 90 calendar days T+0 End-of-Day The fund is suitable for investors who: **Redemption Settlement:** Are at least classified as moderately conservative based on **Early Redemption Charge:** 1.00% Total Management Fee:2 1.25% per annum their risk profile. Total Fund NAV (Mn): PHP 34,743.25 have an investment horizon of up at least three (3) years. FUND PERFORMANCE AND STATISTICS (Purely for reference purposes and is not a guarantee of future results) **NAVPS GRAPH CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE (%)** 3 1 mo S.I. 4 6 mos 1 YR 3 YRS 5 YRS Fund 430 0.30 1.82 3.98 12.63 309.76 **Fund** 10.05 Benchmark\* 0.38 2.30 12.66 14.73 238.54 4.89 420 **Benchmark** ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE (%) 3 410 1 YR 2 YRS 3 YRS 4 YRS 5 YRS S.I. 4 400 **Fund** 3.98 3.37 3.24 2.50 2.41 5.19 390 4.89 4.60 4.05 2.79 4.47 **Benchmark** 3.13 380 CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE(%) 3 370 2024 2023 2021 2020 YTD 2022 360 1.70 3.18 3.38 0.91 0.88 3.71 **Fund** 350 **Benchmark** 2.02 4.52 4.65 0.94 0.75 2.90 May-21 May-22 May-23 May-24 May-25 **BENCHMARK** 75% of the 91-day Philippine Treasury Bill (net of tax) + 25% of the **NAVPS** 409.75 BPI Philippine Government 1-5 Year Index **STATISTICS TOP HOLDINGS** Weighted Ave Duration (Yrs) 3.61 Volatility, Past 1 Year (%) 5 Name **Maturity** % 0.52 Retail Treasury Bond 2029 8.16 Sharpe Ratio 6 -0.86Retail Treasury Bond 2028 6.08 -2.21 Information Ratio 7 2032 4.32 Fixed Rate Treasury Note Port. Weighted Yield to Maturity (%) 4.62 Fixed Rate Treasury Note 2025 3.76 Number of Holdings 88 Aboitiz Equity Ventures, Inc. 2027 3.45 Contribution rounded down/redemption rounded off to the nearest whole share. **PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION** Mutual Fund shares do not issue fractional shares. **Allocation** % of Fund <sup>2</sup>Management, Distribution & Transfer Agency Fees 50.01 Government 3Returns are net of fees. Corporates 44.51 Cash & Cash Equivalents<sup>8</sup> 4.71 <sup>4</sup>Since Inception. Preferreds 0.77 <sup>5</sup>Measures the degree to which the Fund fluctuates vis-à-vis its average return over a period of time. **Asset Valuation** <sup>6</sup>Used to characterize how well the return of a Fund compensates the investor for Marked-to-Market 35.97 the level of risk taken. **Amortized Cost** 64.03 <sup>7</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. **Maturity Profile** <sup>8</sup>Includes time deposits, other receivables (accrued income, investment securities Less than 1 year 15.63 purchased, accrued expenses, etc.) Net of Liabilities8 1 - 3 years 24.77 Fund prospectus is available upon request through authorized distributors and sales 3-5 years 27.51 32.09 More than 5 years

- THE MUTUAL FUND IS NOT A DEPOSIT AND IS NOT INSURED BY THE PHILIPPINE DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORP. (PDIC).
- RETURNS CANNOT BE GUARANTEED AND HISTORICAL NAVPS IS FOR ILLUSTRATION OF NAVPS MOVEMENTS/FLÚCTUATIONS ONLY.
- WHEN REDEEMING, THE PROCEEDS MAY BE WORTH LESS THAN THE ORIGINAL INVESTMENT AND ANY LOSSES WILL BE SOLELY FOR THE ACCOUNT OF THE CLIENT.
- THE FUND MANAGER IS NOT LIABLE FOR ANY LOSS UNLESS UPON WILLFUL DEFAULT, BAD FAITH OR GROSS NEGLIGENCE.

## **OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY**

**Market Review**. May 2025 saw a stable demand for Philippine local fixed income bonds. There was a steepening of the yield curve characterized by a quicker decline in the yields for the 1-5 year papers while the long-end remained high. As such, the BPI Philippine Government Bond Index returned 0.298% month-on-month, while the BPI Philippine Government Bond 1-5 Year Index returned higher at 0.457%.

Demand for the short-end Tbill and the 1-5 year can be attributed to the declining CPI where actual print for the month of April, released in May, came out at 1.4% -- lower then market expectations of 1.8%. This fueled the positive expectations that the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) has room to cut policy rates at the next meeting in June with Governor Remolona stating two rate cuts are still on the table for the year. The long-end of the curve remained elevated as The Bureau of Treasury (BTr) chose to award the target issuance size of 25B fully for the 20-year FXTN auction last May 15. The highest awarded bid was at 6.618%.

We continue to expect demand for local government securities to remain strong especially for the short to medium-term bonds. The BSP's current benchmark rate is at 5.5%. The market is currently pricing in a rate cut at the upcoming June 19 meeting as the BSP projected inflation to settle within the 0.9% to 1.7% in May – as significant decline compared to the inflation print the same time last year. Rate cuts will also be supportive of local growth amidst fear of growth slowdown caused by uncertainties in US tariff policy.

**Fund Performance.** The Fund returned 0.30% for the month, underperforming its benchmark by 8 basis points. Year-to-date, return amounted to 1.70%, underperforming its benchmark by 32 basis points.

**Fund Strategy.** The Fund looks to gradually increase its duration position as interest rates are expected to fall over the next few months. Local inflation has settled within the BSP's target in the past months and is expected to be manageable. After easing its policy rates by 75 basis points in 2024, the BSP remains vigilant in monitoring inflation figures before easing rates further. Volatility may persist in the near term driven by global factors, and the portfolio will be actively managed to take advantage of this. Investors in the bond fund must be prepared to withstand volatility as higher investment value is normally achieved over the medium- to long-term horizon.