

# BPI INVEST PHILIPPINE DOLLAR BOND INDEX FUND

KEY INFORMATION AND INVESTMENT DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

As of March 31, 2021

USD 249.45

USD 51.64

**FUND FACTS** 

Classification: Index Tracker Bond Fund Launch Date: December 31, 2006

**Minimum Investment:** USD 500.00

**Dealing Day:** Daily up to 2:30 PM **Redemption Settlement:** Additional Investment: USD 200.00 T+3 End-of-Day

**Net Asset Value per Unit (NAVPU):** 

**Total Fund NAV (Mn):** 

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

Trustee Fees: 0.25% Custodianship Fees: 0.0047% External Auditor Fees: 0.0051% Other Fees: 0.00%

**BPI** Asset Management **HSBC** Isla Lipana None

•As a percentage of ave. daily NAV \*Monthly rate: Billings received \*Billings for 2018 divided by

for the guarter valued at USD 51.85 for November 2020 divided by average daily NAV

million average daily NAV

## **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND STRATEGY**

The Fund aims to achieve investment returns that closely track the total return of a U.S. dollar-denominated index, the JP Morgan Asia Credit Philippines Total Return Index, before fees and taxes, by investing in a diversified portfolio of Philippine sovereign and corporate fixed income instruments.

### **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 Invest Philippine Dollar Bond Index Fund is suitable only for investors who:

- Are at least classified as aggressive based on their risk profile
- Have an investment horizon of more than five (5) years

## **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.

Interest	Rate
Interest Risk:	

The fund invests in a portfolio of Philippine Sovereign and corporate securities comprising the JP Morgan Asia Credit Philippines Total Return Index, 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 and global 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.

## Related Party Risk:

Investors are exposed to actual or potential conflicts of interest in the handling of related party transactions by the Trustee, specifically, the execution of trade transactions with related counterparties.

Risk:

Credit/Default 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 and global political and economic conditions.

## Index Tracking Risk:

Investors are exposed to the risk of not being able to achieve a level of return that matches the index being tracked by the fund due primarily to operating and fund management expenses.

- THE UIT FUND IS NOT A DEPOSIT AND IS NOT INSURED BY THE PHILIPPINE DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORP.
- 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.

### **FUND PERFORMANCE AND STATISTICS AS OF MARCH 31, 2021**

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



*Benchmark is the JP Morgan Asia Credit Philippines Total Return
Index

CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE (%) 1						
	1 mo	3 mo	6 mo	1YR	3YRS	S.I. <sup>2</sup>
Fund	-0.34	-2.55	-0.73	8.35	19.57	149.45
Benchmark	-0.40	-2.59	-0.54	8.91	21.02	163.92
ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE (%) 1						
	1YR	2YRS	3YRS	4YRS	5YRS	S.I.
Fund	8.35	5.84	6.14	4.87	3.96	6.62
Benchmark	8.91	6.30	6.57	5.22	4.35	7.04
CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE (%) 1						
	YTD	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Fund	-2.55	6.87	13.27	-0.73	5.85	41.36
Benchmark	-2.59	7.30	13.95	-0.61	6.36	45.61

NAVPU over the past 12 months				
Highest	256.77			
Lowest	230.47			
STATISTICS				
Weighted Ave Duration (Yrs)	7.395			
Volatility, Past 1 Year (%) <sup>3</sup>	5.86			
Port. Weighted Yield to Maturity (%)	2.661			
Current Number of Holdings	69			
Tracking Error (3-Yr)4 (%)	0.49			

<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>Measure of deviation between the Fund's return and benchmark returns. A lower number means the Fund's return is closely aligned with the benchmark.

<sup>5</sup>Includes accrued income, investment securities purchased, accrued expenses, etc.

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

PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION				
Allocation	% of Fund			
Government	57.18			
Corporates	40.88			
Cash	0.44			
Time deposits and money market	0.67			
Other receivables – net of liabilities <sup>5</sup>	0.83			
Maturity Profile				
Cash and Less than 1 Year	2.44			
Between 1 and 3 Years	15.83			
Between 3 and 5 Years	28.20			
Between 5 and 7 Years	4.72			
Between 7 and 10 Years	19.72			
More than 10 Years	29.10			

TOP TEN HOLDINGS		
Name	Maturity	% of Fund
RoP Bonds	2/2/2030	5.53
RoP Bonds	1/14/2031	4.76
RoP Bonds	1/20/2040	4.37
RoP Bonds	10/23/2034	4.27
RoP Bonds	3/16/2025	4.22
RoP Bonds	2/2/2042	3.95
RoP Bonds	2/1/2028	3.90
RoP Bonds	3/1/2041	3.56
RoP Bonds	1/13/2037	2.86
RoP Bonds	1/14/2029	2.79

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

The Fund has investments and trade transactions with BPI Asset Management and Trust Corporation (BPI AMTC):

Ayala Corporation – USD 0.97 million, AC Energy – USD 1.15 million, Globe Telecom – USD 0.56 million, Manila Water Company, Inc. – USD 0.42 million

Investments in the said outlets were approved by the BPI AMTC'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 AMTC's internal policy.

### **OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY**

Market Review. The JP Morgan Asia Credit Index (JACI) Philippines fell 0.40% in March as Philippine dollar-denominated bond vields tracked the sell-off in US Treasuries.

Global bond prices fell amid expectations of a swifter economic recovery and higher inflation as vaccines continued to be rolled out worldwide. US stimulus in the form of a US\$1.9 trillion fiscal package boosted investor sentiment which drove demand for risk assets. Recent Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) data likewise revealed expanding manufacturing activity in many parts of the world. In the US, the services sector saw a significant increase in activity as the services PMI registered at 58.9, well above expectations. Meanwhile, China's economy slowed slightly in February as PMIs decreased, though this could be due to lengthy business closures during the Lunar New Year holiday. Various data released throughout the month painted a rosier picture of the global economic recovery overall. Consequently, the 10-year US Treasury benchmark yield rose 34 basis points to close at the 1.74% level.

In the local economic space, February inflation accelerated to 4.7% year-on-year, quickening from January's 4.2% figure and marking the 5th straight monthly increase. The rise was mainly attributed to food and non-alcoholic beverage prices, as the cost of meat spiked by 20%. Transport prices also contributed, as global oil prices saw an 18% increase. Meanwhile, local coronavirus (COVID) infections spiked to as much as 10,000 new cases per day, which prompted President Duterte to announce yet another lockdown ahead of the Holy Week long weekend. With uncertainty regarding growth and inflation likely to persist, the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) kept its policy rates steady once more. BSP Governor Benjamin Diokno assured the public by reiterating that they were ready to address rising inflation pressures should any spillover effect begin to manifest.

Fund Performance. The fund returned -0.34% for the month, ahead of its benchmark index by 0.06%.

**Fund Strategy**. The Fund will continue to closely track the JPMorgan Asia Credit Total Return Index. 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 long term 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) The principal investments of the Fund will be in fixed-income instruments denominated in, but are not limited to, the following major currencies: U.S. Dollar, Euro, British Pound, Canadian Dollar, Australian Dollar, Swiss Franc, Danish Kroner, and Japanese Yen.
- (d) Bank deposits and such other investments allowed under regulations issued by the BSP.

BPI Asset Management and Trust Corporation (BPI AMTC) is a subsidiary of the Bank of the Philippine Islands. For any inquiries and complaints relating to our services and products you may call our hotline: 889-10000, or send an email at bpi\_asset\_management@bpi.com.ph or write a letter addressed to BPI Asset Management and Trust Corporation - Consumer Assistance Office, 7/F, BPI Buendia Center, Sen. Gil J. Puyat Avenue, Makati City 1209.

BPI AMTC as Trustee / Investment Manager is regulated by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) with e-mail address: consumeraffairs@bsp.gov.ph.