

# **BPI INVEST PREMIUM BOND FUND**

**KEY INFORMATION AND INVESTMENT DISCLOSURE STATEMENT** 

As of September 30, 2021

Other Fees: 0%

none

**FUND FACTS** 

Classification: Intermediate Bond Fund

**Launch Date:** April 4, 2005 Php 10,000.00 Minimum Investment:

Php 1,000.00 **Additional Investment:** 

**Minimum Holding Period:** None NAVPU: Php 200.12

Php 7,147.97 Total Fund NAV (Mn):

**Dealing Day:** Daily up to 2:30 PM

**Redemption Settlement:** T+0 End-of-Day

**Early Redemption Charge:** None

FEES\*

Trustee Fees: 1.500% Custodianship Fees: 0.0004%

**BPI** Asset Management **HSBC** 

\*As a percentage of average daily NAV for the quarter

April 2021 divided by the average

valued at Php7,109.00 Million daily NAV

\*Monthly rate: Billings received for \*Billings for 2018 divided by the

External Auditor Fees: 0.0049%

average daily NAV

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## **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 Invest 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.

Interest Rate Risk:

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, issuerspecific factors/ events and/ or negative developments in domestic political and economic conditions.

Investors are exposed to the risk of loss due to the Fund's inability to convert security holdings to cash Liquidity Risk: 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.

Risk:

Investors are exposed to the risk of loss due to the failure of the borrower/ debt issuer to make timely interest Credit/Default 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.

Related Party Risk:

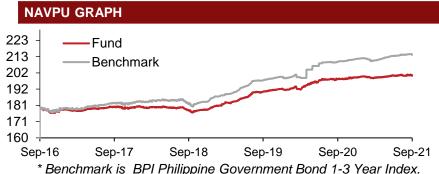
Investors are exposed to actual or potential conflicts of interest in the handling of related party transactions by the Trustee, specifically, time deposit placements with the Trustee's own bank and/ or its subsidiary, purchase of debt securities issued by related parties, as well as the execution of trade transactions with related

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.**

## FUND PERFORMANCE AND STATISTICS AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

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



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CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE (%) 1						
	1 mo	3 mos	6 mos	1 YR	3 YRS	S.I. <sup>2</sup>
Fund	-0.15	-0.11	0.66	1.06	12.70	100.12
Benchmark	-0.02	0.35	1.75	2.17	17.53	64.62
ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE (%) 1						
	1 YR	2 YRS	3 YRS	4 YRS	5 YRS	S.I. <sup>2</sup>
Fund	1.06	2.67	4.07	2.69	2.23	4.29
Benchmark	2.17	4.12	5.53	4.02	3.58	3.07
CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE (%) 1						
	YTD	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Fund	0.58	3.93	7.42	-0.80	1.27	1.12
Benchmark	1.30	5.81	8.79	0.25	2.61	2.14

PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION				
Allocation	% of Fund			
Government	33.67			
Corporates	56.47			
Cash	0.29			
Time Deposits and Money Market	9.25			
Other Receivables – Net of Liabilities <sup>6</sup>	0.32			
Maturity Profile				
Cash and less than 1 year	35.19			
Between 1 and 3 years	45.52			
Between 3 and 5 years	19.29			
Between 5 and 7 years	-			
Between 7 and 10 years	-			
More than 10 years	-			
Portfolio Weightings				
Philippine Corporate Bonds	56.47			
Philippine Sovereign Bonds	33.67			

NAVPU over the past 12 months	
Highest	200.93
Lowest	197.83

STATISTICS	
Weighted Ave Duration (Yrs)	1.64
Volatility, Past 1 Year (%) 3	0.88
Sharpe Ratio <sup>4</sup>	0.14
Information Ratio 5	-1.74
Portfolio Weighted Yield to Maturity (%)	2.20
Current Number of Holdings	51

<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	03/12/2024	11.00
Retail Treasury Bond	08/12/2025	7.65
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	03/08/2023	5.66
Retail Treasury Bond	02/11/2023	4.38
SM Investment Corporation	12/09/2023	4.24
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SMC Global Power Holdings	04/24/2022	3.94
BPI Family Savings Bank	06/16/2022	3.70
SM Prime Holdings, Inc.	03/25/2025	3.62
Petron Corp.	10/27/2021	3.53

## **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

The Fund has investments and trade transactions with BPI Asset Management and Trust Corporation (BPI AMTC), its subsidiaries and related parties:

Ayala Corp.- Php114.24 Million, Ayala Land Inc.- Php128.36 Million, Bank of the Philippine Islands- Php142.34 Million, BPI Family Savings Bank- Php264.63 Million, Globe Telecom, Inc - Php30.24 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 BPI Government Bond Index returned -0.82% in September, with benchmark government yields rising 25.99 basis points (bps) on average. The yield curve steepened once more, with rates on the long-end of the curve rising more than those of the belly or the short-end. Average daily trading volume dropped to PHP18.615bn from August's PHP22.20bn with trades mostly seen on the short-end and belly (1- to 7-year papers) of the curve.

The Bureau of the Treasury (BTr) held five FXTN auctions (5-, two 7-, and two 10-year tenors) and four Treasury Bill auctions in September. Demand was quite healthy across all the auctions with bids amounting to nearly double the original offered volumes, but market players were clearly seeking higher yields. Average rates on the first and second 7-year auctions were at 3.789% and 3.826% respectively, while average rates on the first and second 10-year auctions were at 4.246% and 4.689%, respectively. High volumes tendered led the BTr to open tap issuances across all the auctions, though only some were successful. Towards month-end, the BTr released its October auction schedule, announcing four weekly FXTN issuances (5-, 6- and two 7-year tenors) and four weekly T-bill auctions.

In the local economic space, August inflation increased to 4.9% year-on-year, the fastest rise in over two years. The uptick was driven by higher food and utility prices following the government's move into stricter lockdowns once more. The figure marks yet another month that inflation has been higher than the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas' (BSP) target band of 2-4% for the year. During its Monetary Board meeting for the month, the BSP left policy rates unchanged, but hiked its inflation forecasts. For 2021, it now expects inflation to average at 4.4% from 4.1%, while for 2022 it now projects inflation to average at 3.3% from 3.1% earlier. Nevertheless, the BSP continued to reiterate that prevailing monetary policy settings were still appropriate, given the manageable inflation environment and tempered growth outlook.

Fund Performance. The Fund returned -0.15% for the month, below its benchmark by 13 basis points.

**Fund Strategy**. The Fund looks to maintain a neutral duration position given expectations of accelerating local inflation amid recovering oil prices and dwindling base effects. 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 investments 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.

BPI Asset Management and Trust Corporation (BPI AMTC) is a subsidiary of the Bank of the Philippine Islands. For inquiries and comments, please send an email to bpi\_asset\_management@bpi.com.ph or call us at (02) 8580-AMTC (2682).

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