

# BPI PERA GOVERNMENT BOND FUND

Key Information and Investment Disclosure Statement  
As of August 31, 2023

 BPI Wealth

## FUND FACTS

<b>Classification:</b>	PERA Long Term Bond Fund	<b>Net Asset Value per Unit (NAVPU):</b>	PHP 1.30
<b>Launch Date:</b>	December 19, 2016	<b>Total Fund NAV (Mn):</b>	PHP 23.66
<b>Minimum Investment:</b>	PHP 1,000	<b>Dealing Day:</b>	Daily up to 2:00 PM
<b>Additional Investment:</b>	No minimum	<b>Redemption Settlement:</b>	T+1 End-of-Day
<b>Minimum Holding Period:</b>	None	<b>Early Redemption Charge:</b>	None

## FEES\*

<b>Trustee Fees:</b> 0.0849%*	<b>Custodianship Fees:</b> 0.00%	<b>External Auditor Fees:</b> 0.00%**	<b>Other Fees:</b> 0%
BPI Wealth	None	Isla Lipana	None

\*Monthly rate: billings received for August 2023 divided by the average daily NAV for the same month valued at PHP23.36 Mn.

\*\*Billing is received at the last quarter of the year.

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND STRATEGY

The Fund intends to achieve for its participants capital appreciation and income derived from a diversified portfolio of primarily long-term fixed income securities issued by the Republic of the Philippines. The Fund aims to provide returns in excess of the return of the BPI Philippine Government Bond 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 PERA Government Bond Fund is suitable only for investors who:

- Are classified as moderate based on their risk profile
- Have an investment horizon of at least three (3) 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 Risk:** Investors are exposed to adverse changes in the prices of domestic fixed income securities due to a 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:** Possibility to experience losses due to the fund's inability to convert assets into cash immediately or in instances where conversion to cash is possible but at a highly disadvantageous price.

**Related Party Risk:** Risk of any actual or potential conflicts of interest in handling of related party transactions.

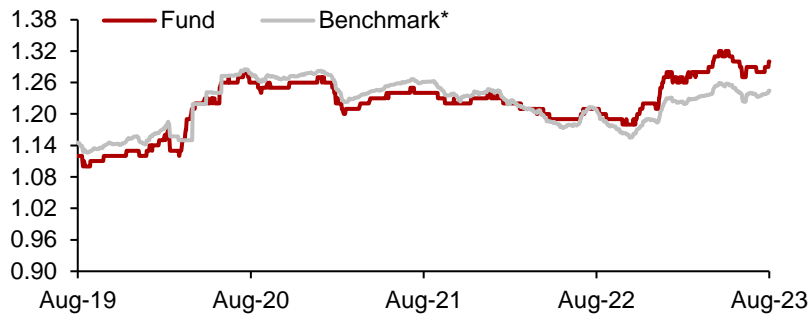
**Credit/Default Risk:** Investors are exposed to the risk of loss due to the failure of the borrower/ debt issuer to make timely interest and/ or principal payments on its deposit liabilities, loans, bonds or other debt instruments due to a deterioration in the borrower's/ issuer's financial condition or external factors and events that may affect its ability to repay financial obligations such as negative developments in domestic political and economic conditions.

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 31, 2023**

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

**NAVPU GRAPH**

\*Benchmark is BPI Philippine Government Bond Index

**NAVPU over the past 12 months**

Highest	1.32
Lowest	1.18

**STATISTICS**

Weighted Ave Duration (Yrs)	5.53
Volatility, Past 1 Year (%) <sup>3</sup>	5.89
Sharpe Ratio <sup>4</sup>	0.62
Information Ratio <sup>5</sup>	0.90
Portfolio Weighted Yield to Maturity (%)	6.80
Current Number of Holdings	27

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

	1 mo	3 mo	6 mo	1 YR	3 YRS	S.I. <sup>2</sup>
<b>Fund</b>	<b>0.78</b>	<b>-1.52</b>	<b>2.36</b>	<b>7.44</b>	<b>3.17</b>	<b>30.00</b>
<b>Benchmark</b>	0.50	-0.99	1.71	3.04	-2.61	24.44

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

	1 YR	2 YRS	3 YRS	4 YRS	5 YRS	S.I. <sup>2</sup>
<b>Fund</b>	<b>7.44</b>	<b>2.39</b>	<b>1.05</b>	<b>3.80</b>	<b>5.60</b>	<b>3.99</b>
<b>Benchmark</b>	3.04	-0.68	-0.88	2.10	4.79	3.32

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

	YTD	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
<b>Fund</b>	<b>6.56</b>	<b>-0.81</b>	<b>-2.38</b>	<b>11.50</b>	<b>16.49</b>	<b>-6.73</b>
<b>Benchmark</b>	4.78	-4.22	-2.96	10.52	19.23	-4.40

<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 investment securities purchased, accrued expenses, etc.

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

**PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION**

Allocation	% of Fund
Government	97.50
Corporates	-
Cash	0.04
Time deposits and money market	0.07
Other receivables – net of liabilities <sup>6</sup>	2.38
<b>Maturity Profile</b>	
Cash and less than 1 year	19.73
Between 1 and 3 years	6.69
Between 3 and 5 years	4.80
Between 5 and 7 years	5.57
Between 7 and 10 years	9.18
More than 10 years	54.02

**TOP HOLDINGS**

Name	Maturity	% of Fund
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	11/05/2034	21.74
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	09/30/2035	18.45
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	10/23/2023	10.37
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	07/19/2031	6.46
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	06/03/2024	6.19
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	01/24/2039	5.75
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	11/24/2042	4.98
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	09/06/2027	4.36
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	01/10/2029	2.82
Fixed Rate Treasury Note	11/11/2024	2.49

**RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

The Fund has transactions and outstanding investments including deposits, investment in the share/s of stocks, and/or debt issuances of the following companies related to BPI Wealth - A Trust Corporation ("BPI Wealth"):

No related party holdings

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

## OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY

**Market Review:** The BPI Government Bond Index returned 0.50% in August as the belly of the curve dropped while the short end of the curve went up. The average daily trading volume for the month amounted to PHP16.82 billion similar to July's PHP16.94 billion with trades mostly seen on the short end of the curve.

The Bureau of the Treasury (BTr) held five FXTN auctions in August. A new 10-year paper issuance, FXTN 10-71, was fully awarded at a coupon rate of 6.625%. The 5-year FXTN 10-63 and 6-year FXTN 7-68 re-issuances were partially awarded at average yields of 6.337% and 6.468% while the 5-year FXTN 10-64 re-issuance was fully awarded at an average yield of 6.220%. The 15-year FXTN 20-23 re-issuance was the first auction rejected for the year. Had the BTr fully awarded the paper, average yields would have risen to 6.927%. Towards the end of the month, the BTr released the September auction schedule with four Treasury Bill auctions and four PHP30 billion FXTN issuances (3-, 7-, 10-, and 3-year tenors).

In the local space, July headline inflation eased further to 4.7% year-on-year, from last month's 5.4%. The food, utilities, and transport prices drove the inflation lower marking six straight months of deceleration. The Philippine economy grew weaker than expected at 4.3% in the second quarter of the year, compared to the market expectation of 6%. Growth momentum was at its slowest pace since 2011 due to above-target inflation, elevated borrowing costs, and government underspending. The Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) kept its policy rate at 6.25% for the third time. BSP Governor Eli Remolona reiterated that they remain data-dependent but ready to hike policy rates if necessary. The BSP revised its inflation forecast upward, settling at 5.6% (from 5.4%) for 2023 and 3.3% (from 2.9%) for 2024 due to developments in global energy and food prices.

**Fund Performance:** The Fund returned 0.78% during the month of August, outperforming its benchmark by 28 basis points.

**Fund Strategy:** The Fund looks to gradually add to its duration position as interest rates are expected to stabilize in the near term. Inflation remains above the government's target range, and the BSP will be vigilant in monitoring supply side pressures moving forward. 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 tradable fixed-income instruments issued or guaranteed by the Philippine government or the BSP; investment outlets/ categories the BSP allow. Provided, that, a financial instrument is regarded as tradable if quoted two-way prices are readily available and 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) Bank deposits or tradable debt instruments issued by the BSP.
- c) Such other investments allowed under regulations issued by the BSP.

BPI Wealth - A Trust Corporation ("BPI Wealth") is a subsidiary of the Bank of the Philippine Islands. For inquiries and comments, please send an email to [bpiwealth@bpi.com.ph](mailto:bpiwealth@bpi.com.ph) or call us at (02) 8580-2682.

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