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# Nomura Ringgit Bond Fund 2

### Fund Manager's Commentary

In April-2023, the domestic government bond market rallied amidst a bull flattening of the yield curve as the global economic outlook continued to moderate. Markets began to price-in the end of global central banks' rate hike cycles. In particular, front-end of the Malaysian Government Securities ("**MGS**") yield curve fell by 6-8 bps MoM while belly to longend of the curve plunged 16-26 bps MoM. Meanwhile, corporate bonds continued its strong outperformance, leading to narrower credit spreads as domestic real money investors reached for yield especially on the longer end of the curves.

Strategy-wise, we see value in the present steepness of the belly of the credit curve, particularly as the 3-7 year portion remains fairly steep, making for an attractive rolldown play.

## April 2023

#### **Investment Objective**

The Fund seeks to generate regular income by investing in fixed income securities whilst carefully considering capital preservation on behalf of its investors.

### Benchmark

12-month Malayan Banking Berhad Fixed Deposit Account Rate

## **Distribution Policy**

Subject to availability of income, distribution will be on monthly basis.

## **Key Facts**

Launch Date	28-Jul-20
Fund Type	Wholesale – Fixed Income
Year End	31 March
Fund Size	MYR 266.18 million
Units in Circulation	272.01 million
NAV per Unit	MYR 0.9786
Transaction cut-off time	Daily; 4:00 pm
Redemption Period	T + 3 business days

Sales charge Nil

## Management fee

Up to 0.25% per annum of the NAV of the Fund.

#### **Trustee fee**

Up to 0.03% per annum of the NAV of the Fund with a minimum of RM12,000.00 per annum.

## **Cumulative Fund Returns (%)**

	YTD 31/12/2022 To 30/4/2023	1 Month 31/3/2023 To 30/4/2023	3 Months 31/1/2023 To 30/4/2023	6 Months 31/10/2022 To 30/4/2023
Fund	2.73	0.60	1.35	4.34
Benchmark	0.94	0.23	0.69	1.41

## Cumulative Fund Returns (%)

	1 Year	Since Commenceme
	30/4/2022 To 30/4/2023	nt 29/07/2020 To 30/4/2023
Fund	6.49	4.27
Benchmark	2.57	5.94

#### Source: Refinitiv Lipper

Notes:

Performance data is calculated based on the changes in the Fund's NAV price per unit for the specified length of time and on the assumption that any dividends declared are reinvested into the Fund. Performance figures are presented in cumulative basis, unless indicated otherwise.

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Calendar Year Returns (%)			
	2022	2021	2020
Fund	1.83	-1.02	0.71

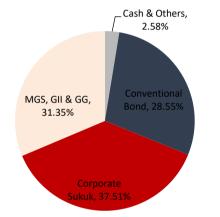
Fund	1.83	-1.02	0.71
Benchmark	2.24	1.85	0.79

Source: Refinitiv Lipper

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## **Asset Allocation\***



\*Presented as a % of NAV as at 28 Apr 2023

Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding. Included in 'Cash & Others' are cash on hand and other net current assets/liabilities.

## **Distribution By Financial Year**

	2022
Distribution (RM)	0.0326
Distribution Yield (%)	3.39

## Top Holdings\*

Government of Malaysia	22.24%
GENM Capital Berhad	13.40%
Malayan Banking Berhad	9.21%

## **Rating Profile\***

NR (MGS, GII & GG)	31.35%
AAA	7.09%
AA1	43.75%
AA2	5.75%
AA3	9.47%

## Sector Breakdown\*

Public Administration	29.34%
Financial	24.28%
Consumer Discretionary	17.15%
Transportation and Storage	15.18%
Real Estate	7.56%
Energy and Utilities	3.92%

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