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Nomura i-Income Fund 2

Semi-Annual Report and Unaudited Financial Statements for the
Period Ended 30 April 2024

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1. FUND PROFILE

1.1 Fund Name

Nomura i-Income Fund 2 (“Fund”)

1.2 Type and Category of Fund

Income – Fixed Income (Islamic)

1.3 Duration of the Fund

The Fund is an open-ended fund.

1.4 Investment Objectives

The Fund seeks to provide investors with recurring income on its investments.

1.5 Distribution Policy

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

1.6 Performance Benchmark

Maybank 3-month Islamic Fixed Deposit Rate (“Benchmark”).

2. FUND PERFORMANCE

2.1 Key Fund Performance Data

Asset Allocation / Portfolio Composition	30 Apr 2024	31 Oct 2023	31 Oct 2022
Unquoted sukuk – Government of Malaysia	54.71%	63.31%	62.47%
Cash and Others [#]	45.29%	36.69%	37.53%
Total (%)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

[#] Included in ‘Cash and Others’ are cash on hand and Islamic deposits and other net current assets/liabilities.

Fund – Class S

Category	1 Nov 2023 to 30 Apr 2024	1 Nov 2022 to 30 Apr 2023	Since Commencement, 21 Jul 2021 to 31 Oct 2022
Highest NAV per Unit (RM) ¹	1.0060	1.0045	1.0034
Lowest NAV per Unit (RM) ¹	0.9930	0.9722	0.9165
Total Return (%) ²			
- Capital growth (%)	0.51	1.83	(1.72)
- Income (%)	3.19	3.10	1.70
Gross/Net Distribution per unit (RM sen)	1.60	1.70	1.67
Total NAV (RM) ¹	40,113,653	40,237,111	39,502,084
NAV per Unit (RM)	0.9980	1.0011	0.9828
Unit in Circulation	40,193,994	40,193,960	40,193,943

Fund – Class I

Category	1 Nov 2023 to 30 Apr 2024	1 Nov 2022 to 30 Apr 2023	Since Commencement, 21 Jul 2021 to 31 Oct 2022
Highest NAV per Unit (RM) ¹	1.0026	1.0023	1.0030
Lowest NAV per Unit (RM) ¹	0.9901	0.9703	0.9165
Total Return (%) ²			
- Capital growth (%)	0.45	1.77	(1.90)
- Income (%)	3.20	3.10	1.70
Gross/Net Distribution per unit (RM sen)	1.60	1.70	1.67
Total NAV (RM) ¹	30,856,441	30,985,278	29,915,884
NAV per Unit (RM)	0.9945	0.9987	0.9810
Unit in Circulation	31,026,196	31,026,163	30,496,526

Fund – Class R

Category	1 Nov 2023 to 30 Apr 2024	1 Nov 2022 to 30 Apr 2023	Since Commencement, 21 Jul 2021 to 31 Oct 2022
Highest NAV per Unit (RM) ¹	0.9987	1.0000	1.0030
Lowest NAV per Unit (RM) ¹	0.9869	0.9686	0.9164
Total Return (%) ²			
- Capital growth (%)	0.37	1.71	(2.07)
- Income (%)	3.21	3.11	1.71
Gross/Net Distribution per unit (RM sen)	1.60	1.70	1.67
Total NAV (RM) ¹	3,083,134	6,093,717	5,710,910
NAV per Unit (RM)	0.9905	0.9962	0.9793
Unit in Circulation	3,112,828	6,116,916	5,831,775

Fund – Class H (Hedged)

Category	1 Nov 2023 to 30 Apr 2024	1 Nov 2022 to 30 Apr 2023	Since Commencement, 21 Jul 2021 to 31 Oct 2022
Highest NAV per Unit (USD) ¹	1.0806	1.0371	1.0258
Lowest NAV per Unit (USD) ¹	1.0526	0.9914	0.9191
Total Return (%) ²			
- Capital growth (%)	2.53	4.15	(0.45)
- Income (%)	0.63	0.64	0.37
Gross/Net Distribution per unit (USD sen)	0.34	0.36	0.364
Total NAV (RM) ¹	940,364	5,333,147	5,877,373
NAV per Unit (USD)	1.0786	1.0371	0.9955
Unit in Circulation	182,718	1,153,531	1,249,243

Category	1 Nov 2023 to 30 Apr 2024	1 Nov 2022 to 30 Apr 2023	Since Commencement, 21 Jul 2021 to 31 Oct 2022
Total Expense Ratio (%) ³	0.14	0.15	0.37
Portfolio Turnover Ratio (time) ⁴	0.19	1.24	0.59

Notes:

(1) *Figures shown as ex-distribution.*

(2) *Total Return of the Fund and its Benchmark for a period are calculated based on the absolute return of the Fund for that period. The calculation of the Total Return of the Fund is based on NAV-to-NAV basis, and is sourced from Refinitiv Lipper. Fund performances include reinvestment of income distributions into the Fund. The performance figures are a comparison of the growth/decline in NAV for the stipulated period taking into account all the distributions payable (if any) during the stipulated period:*

- **Capital Return**= {NAV per Unit End / NAV per Unit Beginning – 1} x 100
- **Income Return**= {Income Distribution per Unit / NAV per Unit Ex-Distribution} x 100

(3) *Total Expense Ratio (“TER”) is calculated based on the total fees and expenses incurred by the Fund divided by the average net asset value of the Fund for the financial period calculated on daily basis.*

(4) *Portfolio Turnover Ratio (“PTR”) is calculated based on the total acquisitions and total disposals of investment securities of the Fund for the financial period divided by the average net asset value of the Fund for the financial period calculated on daily basis.*

2.2 Average Total Return of the Fund

Fund – Class S

	1 Year to 30 Apr 2024	Since Commencement, 21 Jul 2021 to 30 Apr 2024
Average Total Return (%)	2.94	2.33

Source: Refinitiv Lipper

Fund – Class I

	1 Year to 30 Apr 2024	Since Commencement, 21 Jul 2021 to 30 Apr 2024
Average Total Return (%)	2.84	2.22

Source: Refinitiv Lipper

Fund – Class R

	1 Year to 30 Apr 2024	Since Commencement, 21 Jul 2021 to 30 Apr 2024
Average Total Return (%)	2.68	2.06

Source: Refinitiv Lipper

Fund – Class H (Hedged)

	1 Year to 30 Apr 2024	Since Commencement, 21 Jul 2021 to 30 Apr 2024
Average Total Return (%)	4.73	3.27

Source: Refinitiv Lipper

2.3 Annual Total Return of the Fund
Fund – Class S

	FY2023	Since Commencement, 21 Jul 2021 to 31 Oct 2022
Total Return (%)¹	4.42	(0.04)
Benchmark (%)	2.84	2.43

Source: Refinitiv Lipper

Fund – Class I

	FY2023	Since Commencement, 21 Jul 2021 to 31 Oct 2022
Total Return (%)¹	4.31	(0.22)
Benchmark (%)	2.84	2.43

Source: Refinitiv Lipper

Fund – Class R

	FY2023	Since Commencement, 21 Jul 2021 to 31 Oct 2022
Total Return (%)¹	4.16	(0.39)
Benchmark (%)	2.84	2.43

Source: Refinitiv Lipper

Fund – Class H (Hedged)

	FY2023	Since Commencement, 21 Jul 2021 to 31 Oct 2022
Total Return (%)¹	6.43	(0.08)
Benchmark (%)	2.06	(8.47)

Source: Refinitiv Lipper

Notes:

- (1) Annual Total Return of the Fund and its Benchmark for a period are calculated based on the absolute return of the Fund for that period. The calculation of the Annual Total Return of the Fund is based on NAV-to-NAV basis, and is sourced from Refinitiv Lipper. Fund performances include reinvestment of income distributions into the Fund. Further details on basis of calculation and assumption made in calculating returns is as follows:

The performance figures are a comparison of the growth/decline in NAV for the stipulated period taking into account all the distributions payable (if any) during the stipulated period:

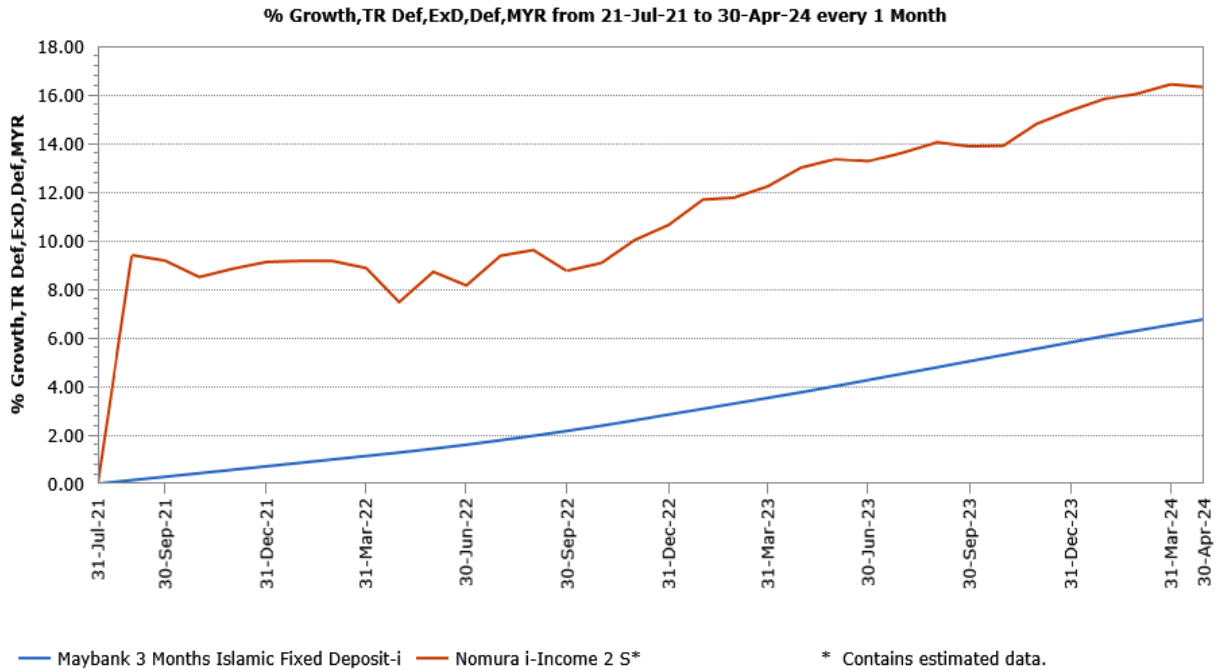
- **Capital Return**= {NAV per Unit End / NAV per Unit Beginning – 1} x 100
- **Income Return**= {Income Distribution per Unit / NAV per Unit Ex-Distribution} x 100
- **Total Return** = $(1 + \text{Percentage Growth})^{1/n} - 1$

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance and that unit prices and investment returns may go down, as well as up.

3. MANAGER'S REPORT

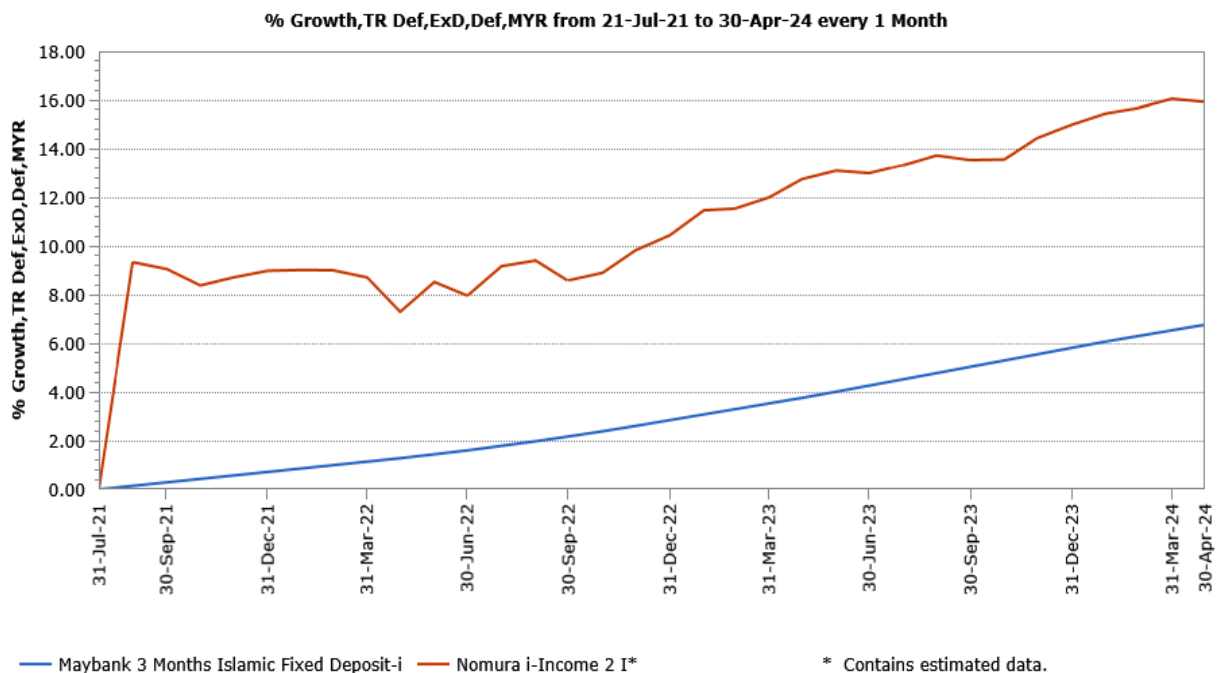
Performance of Nomura i-Income Fund 2 from 21 July 2021 to 30 April 2024

Fund – Class S



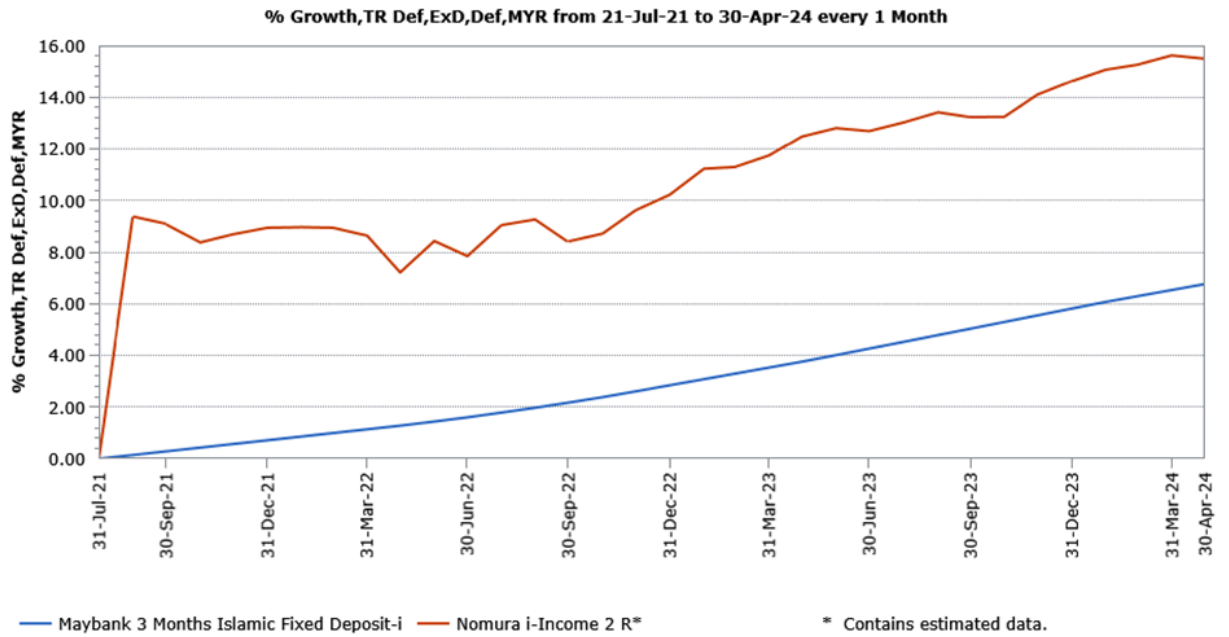
Source Lipper

Fund – Class I



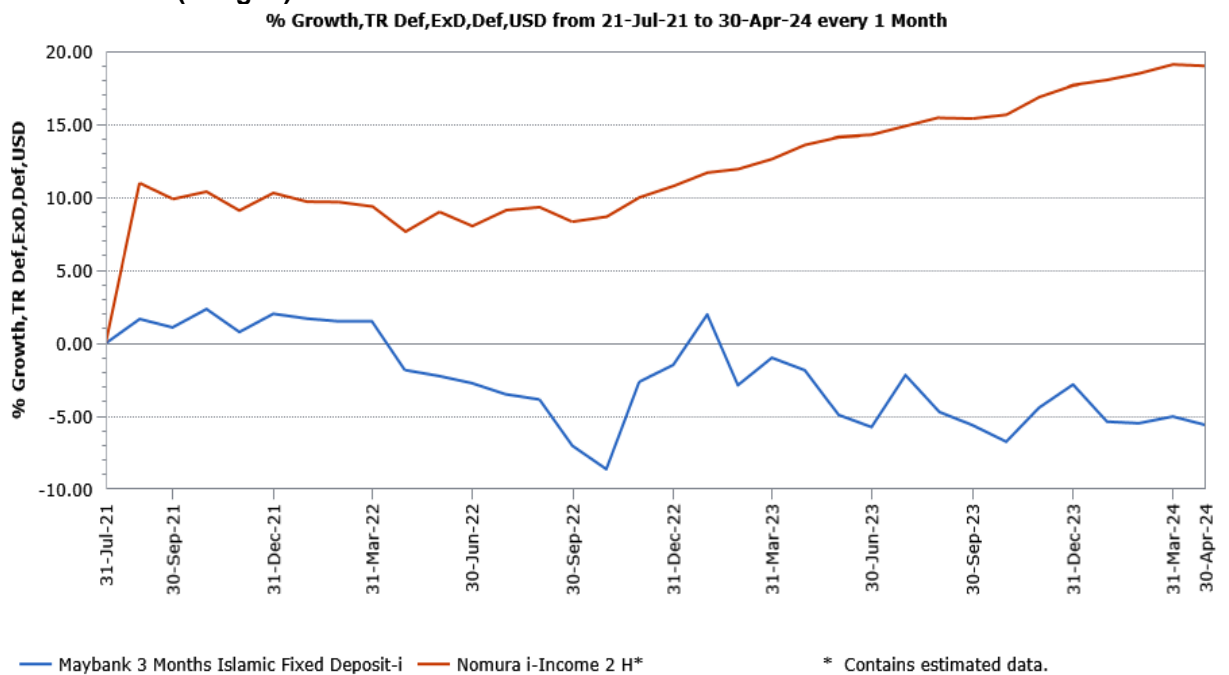
Source Lipper

Fund – Class R



Source Lipper

Fund – Class H (Hedged)



Source Lipper

Benchmark: Maybank 3-month Islamic Fixed Deposit Rate

Source: The calculation of the Annual Total Return of the Fund is based on NAV-to-NAV basis, and is sourced from Refinitiv Lipper. Fund performances include reinvestment of income distributions into the Fund.

3.1 Performance for the period from 1 November 2023 to 30 April 2024

Fund – Class S

For the period under review from 1 November 2023 to 30 April 2024, Class S has registered 2.13% return. Compared to the Benchmark return of 1.39%, Class S has outperformed the Benchmark by 0.74%. The Net Asset Value (NAV) per unit of Class S as at 31 October 2023 was RM 0.9929 compared to the NAV per unit as at 30 April 2024 of RM 0.9980. On the total NAV basis, Class S's NAV stood at RM 40.11 million as at 30 April 2024. During the period under review, Class S has declared a total income distribution of RM 0.0160 per unit.

Fund – Class I

For the period under review from 1 November 2023 to 30 April 2024, Class I has registered 2.08% return. Compared to the Benchmark return of 1.39%, Class I has outperformed the Benchmark by 0.69%. The Net Asset Value (NAV) per unit of Class I as at 31 October 2023 was RM 0.9900 compared to the NAV per unit as at 30 April 2024 of RM 0.9945. On the total NAV basis, Class I's NAV stood at RM 30.86 million as at 30 April 2024. During the period under review, Class I has declared a total income distribution of RM 0.0160 per unit.

Fund – Class R

For the period under review from 1 November 2023 to 30 April 2024, Class R has registered 2.00% return. Compared to the Benchmark return of 1.39%, Class R has outperformed the Benchmark by 0.61%. The Net Asset Value (NAV) per unit of Class R as at 31 October 2023 was RM 0.9868 compared to the NAV per unit as at 30 April 2024 of RM 0.9905. On the total NAV basis, Class R's NAV stood at RM 3.08 million as at 30 April 2024. During the period under review, Class R has declared a total income distribution of RM 0.0160 per unit.

Fund – Class H (Hedged)

For the period under review from 1 November 2023 to 30 April 2024, Class H (Hedged) has registered 2.85% return. Compared to the Benchmark return of 1.23%, Class H (Hedged) has outperformed the Benchmark by 1.62%. The Net Asset Value (NAV) per unit of Class H (Hedged) as at 31 October 2023 was USD 1.0523 compared to the NAV per unit as at 30 April 2024 of USD 1.0786. On the total NAV basis, Class H (Hedged)'s NAV stood at RM 0.94 million as at 30 April 2024. During the period under review, Class H (Hedged) has declared a total income distribution of USD 0.0034 per unit.

3.2 Review of Market for the period from 1 November 2023 to 30 April 2024

Volatility remained a mainstay over the review period. Tracking global yield movements, Government Investment Issues (“**GII**”) yields rallied strongly over the first half of the review period amid increased geopolitical tensions and expectations that global central banks are very close to the end of their hiking cycle. Going into 2024, however, GII yields surged in tandem with rising US Treasuries' yields as markets trimmed back US rate cut bets on the back of stubborn US inflation and still-resilient employment data.

On the local front, Bank Negara Malaysia (“**BNM**”) kept its Overnight Policy Rate (“**OPR**”) unchanged at 3.00% as widely expected during the review period. In its latest Monetary Policy Committee meeting that was held in Mar-24, BNM maintained its neutral tone with risks assessed to be balanced. Global growth outlook remains subject to downside risks while BNM expects domestic growth to improve in 2024 with moderate inflationary environment. Nevertheless, domestic inflation outlook continues to be susceptible to the implementation of subsidy rationalisation measures.

3.3 Investment Outlook

We anticipate 2H2024 to remain favourable with the stable interest rate outlook, with a subdued inflation priced in by BNM though cognisant of fuel price increases in the horizon. We anticipate gradually increasing duration, though it will be done on an opportunistic basis. Should yields rise to levels that we deem to offer value, we will deploy our cash into short to medium dated GII to better position the portfolio for the coming few periods.

3.4 Strategies Employed for the period from 1 November 2023 to 30 April 2024

Strategy-wise, we remain cautious of the yield curve, as despite the weakness of the yield curve, this has quickly saw a rally, led by volatile global yields. We see strong support in the domestic yield curve leading to our cautious optimism on the current yield curve. We think it is opportunistic to slowly increase duration when the curve begins to show value in the belly to the long-end of the curve. In the interim we see better rolldown benefit in the short-end of the curve.

3.5 Asset Allocation

Asset Allocation / Portfolio Composition	30 Apr 2024	31 Oct 2023	31 Oct 2022
Unquoted sukuk - Government of Malaysia	54.71%	63.31%	62.47%
Cash and Others [#]	45.29%	36.69%	37.53%
Total (%)	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

[#] Included in 'Cash and Others' are cash on hand and Islamic deposits and other net current assets/liabilities.

There were no significant changes on the Fund's asset allocation during the financial period under review.

3.6 Securities Lending or Repurchase Transactions

The Fund has not undertaken any securities lending or repurchase transactions during the financial period under review.

3.7 Income Distribution

The Manager has distributed a total of gross/net distribution of RM0.0160 per unit for unit holders of each Class S, Class I and Class R, and USD0.0034 per unit for unit holders of Class H (Hedged) over the financial period ended 30 April 2024.

The Net Asset Value per Unit prior and subsequent to the distributions were as follows:

Fund – Class S

Cum-Distribution Date	Cum-Distribution (RM)	Ex-Distribution Date	Ex-Distribution (RM)	Distribution per Unit (RM)
19-Dec-23	1.0046	20-Dec-23	0.9969	0.0080
15-Mar-24	1.0055	18-Mar-24	0.9977	0.0080

Fund – Class I

Cum-Distribution Date	Cum-Distribution (RM)	Ex-Distribution Date	Ex-Distribution (RM)	Distribution per Unit (RM)
19-Dec-23	1.0015	20-Dec-23	0.9938	0.0080
15-Mar-24	1.0022	18-Mar-24	0.9943	0.0080

Fund – Class R

Cum-Distribution Date	Cum-Distribution (RM)	Ex-Distribution Date	Ex-Distribution (RM)	Distribution per Unit (RM)
19-Dec-23	0.9980	20-Dec-23	0.9903	0.0080
15-Mar-24	0.9983	18-Mar-24	0.9905	0.0080

Fund – Class H (Hedged)

Cum-Distribution Date	Cum-Distribution (USD)	Ex-Distribution Date	Ex-Distribution (USD)	Distribution per Unit (USD)
19-Dec-23	1.0682	20-Dec-23	1.0671	0.0017
15-Mar-24	1.0790	18-Mar-24	1.0775	0.0017

3.8 Details of Any Unit Split Exercise

There was no unit split exercise during the financial period under review.

3.9 Significant Changes in the State of Affairs of the Fund

There were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the Fund during the financial period under review.

However, a second supplementary prospectus of the Fund dated 25 March 2024 has been issued to reflect the changes made to the Fund.

In addition, please find the latest changes to the Manager's board of directors as follows:

Mr. Leslie Yap Kim Loong
 Mr. Atsushi Ichii
 Ms. Chooi Su May
 Mr. Tomoya Kawagishi
 Dato' Mona Suraya Binti Kamaruddin*
 Ms. Julia Binti Hashim*

* *Independent director*

Tabulated in **Appendix 1** for full list of changes made to the Fund.

3.10 Circumstances that Materially Affect Any Interest of Unit Holders

There were no circumstances that had materially affected the interest of the unit holders during the financial period under review.

3.11 Cross Trades Transactions

There were no cross trades conducted during the financial period under review.

3.12 Soft Commissions Received From Brokers

The Manager did not receive any soft commission during the financial period under review.

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NOMURA i-INCOME FUND 2 (“FUND”)

LIST HIGHLIGHTING THE AMENDMENTS FROM PROSPECTUS DATED 1 DECEMBER 2022 (AS AMENDED BY THE FIRST SUPPLEMENTARY PROSPECTUS DATED 1 MAY 2023) (“PRINCIPAL PROSPECTUS”) AND THE SECOND SUPPLEMENTARY PROSPECTUS (“SECOND SUPPLEMENTARY PROSPECTUS”) IN RELATION TO THE FUND

NO.	PRINCIPAL PROSPECTUS	SECOND SUPPLEMENTARY PROSPECTUS	REASON FOR AMENDMENT AND COMPLIANCE WITH PARAGRAPHS 9.70 – 9.72 OF THE GUIDELINES ON UNIT TRUST FUNDS (“GUTF”)
<p>General:</p> <p>We are of the view that all of the proposed amendments to the Principal Prospectus as set out in the Second Supplementary Prospectus are not significant changes that will affect unit holders’ decision to stay invested in the Fund as there is no change in investment strategy, distribution policy or minimum balance of the Fund as provided under the guidance to paragraph 9.71(a) of the GUTF.</p> <p>As the proposed amendments are not a significant change that will affect unit holders’ decision to stay invested in the Fund, we will inform unit holders of the amendment via a written notice at least 14 days before the date of the Second Supplementary Prospectus.</p>			
1.	<p>Section 2 – Glossary, Eligible Market</p> <p>An exchange, government securities market or an over-the-counter market –</p> <p>(a) that is regulated by a regulatory authority of that jurisdiction;</p> <p>(b) that is open to the public or to a substantial number of market participants; and</p> <p>(c) on which financial instruments are regularly traded.</p>	<p>Section 2 – Glossary, Eligible Market</p> <p>An exchange, government securities market or an OTC market –</p> <p>(a) that is regulated by a regulatory authority of that jurisdiction;</p> <p>(b) that is open to the public or to a substantial number of market participants; and</p> <p>(c) on which financial instruments are regularly traded.</p>	<p>Amended as “OTC” has been defined in the Principal Prospectus.</p>
2.	<p>Section 4 - Understanding the Risks of the Fund, Specific Risks of the Fund, Reinvestment Risk</p> <p>This is a risk that future proceeds (profit and/or capital) are reinvested at a lower potential profit rate for Islamic deposits which are placed with financial institutions. Reinvestment risk is especially evident during periods of falling interest rates</p>	<p>Section 4 - Understanding the Risks of the Fund, Specific Risks of the Fund, Reinvestment Risk</p> <p>This is a risk that future proceeds (profit and/or capital) are reinvested at a lower potential profit rate for Islamic deposits which are placed with financial institutions. Reinvestment risk is especially evident during periods of falling profit rates</p>	<p>Amended as we would like to standardise the disclosure with our other funds’ prospectus.</p>

	where the profit payments are reinvested at a lower profit rate compared to the initial profit rate. For investments in sukuk, the reinvestment risk will be apparent during periods of falling profit rates as the Fund will be reinvesting at higher prices (there is an inverse relationship between interest rates and prices of sukuk).	where the profit payments are reinvested at a lower profit rate compared to the initial profit rate. For investments in sukuk, the reinvestment risk will be apparent during periods of falling profit rates as the Fund will be reinvesting at higher prices (there is an inverse relationship between interest rates and prices of sukuk).	
3.	<p>6 Section 6.8 - Temporary Suspension, 2nd paragraph</p> <p>To avoid suspension of the Fund, the Fund will hold adequate Islamic liquid assets (50% of the Fund's NAV) and if the Islamic liquid assets are insufficient to meet redemption requests, we will either liquidate the investments of the Fund or seek temporary financing, considering which is in the best interests of Unit Holders. If we have exhausted all possible avenues to avoid a suspension of the Fund, we may as a last resort, in consultation with the Trustee and having considered the interests of the Unit Holders, suspend the sale (if applicable) and repurchase of Units where it is impractical for us to calculate the NAV of the Fund due to but not limited to the following:</p> <p>(i) the closure of a securities exchange or trading restrictions on a securities exchange where the Fund has substantial investment in such securities exchange; or</p> <p>(ii) an emergency or other state of affairs; or</p> <p>(iii) the realisation of the material portion of the assets of the Fund not being able to be effected at prices which would be realised if such material portion of the assets of the Fund were realised in an orderly fashion over a reasonable period in a stable market.</p>	<p>Section 6.8 - Temporary Suspension, 2nd paragraph</p> <p>To avoid suspension of the Fund, the Fund will hold adequate Islamic liquid assets (50% of the Fund's NAV) and if the Islamic liquid assets are insufficient to meet redemption requests, we will either liquidate the investments of the Fund or seek temporary financing, considering which is in the best interests of Unit Holders. If we have exhausted all possible avenues to avoid a suspension of the Fund, we may as a last resort, in consultation with the Trustee and having considered the interests of the Unit Holders, suspend the sale (if applicable) and repurchase of Units where it is impractical for us to calculate the NAV of the Fund due to but not limited to the following:</p> <p>(i) the closure of a securities exchange or trading restrictions on a securities exchange where the Fund has substantial investment in such securities exchange; or</p> <p>(ii) an emergency or other state of affairs; or</p> <p>(iii) the realisation of the material portion of the assets of the Fund not being able to be effected at prices which would be realised if such material portion of the assets of the Fund were realised in an orderly fashion over a reasonable period in a stable market.</p>	Amended to correct an unintentional typographical error.
4.	<p>Section 8.4 - Investment Team</p> <p>Mr Joel Lim Soo Min – Designated Fund Manager</p>	<p>Section 8.4 - Investment Team</p> <p>Mr Eugene Ray Martin – Designated Fund Manager</p>	Amended as Mr Eugene Ray Martin has replaced Mr Joel

	<p>Joel joined NAMM’s Fixed Income team in August 2013. He has been involved in credit analysis, macroeconomic research and portfolio management. Prior to joining NAMM, he was an equity analyst with a local asset management firm for 2 years.</p> <p>He earned a Bachelor of Actuarial Studies from the Australian National University, Australia. He holds a Capital Markets Services Representative’s Licence for fund management under the CMSA.</p>	<p>Eugene joined NAMM in August 2019 as Portfolio Manager attached to the Malaysian Fixed Income and Global Sukuk team. Prior to joining NAMM, Eugene was a strategist for Fixed Income Currency and Commodities of CIMB Investment Bank. He was also Fund Manager and Senior Credit Analyst for AmFunds Management.</p> <p>As Portfolio Manager at NAMM, Eugene is a contributing member of the Emerging Bond Investment meetings held regularly and jointly with other Emerging Bond market specialists from Nomura Asset Management offices in New York, Singapore, Tokyo, London and Frankfurt.</p> <p>Eugene holds a Masters of Applied Economics from the Australian National University and a Bachelor in Health Sciences (Hons) Biomedicine from Universiti Sains Malaysia.</p>	<p>Lim Soo Min as the designated fund manager effective 2 November 2023.</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>Section 9.4.1 - Shariah Investment Guidelines, Islamic derivatives</p> <p>We may use Islamic derivatives approved by the Shariah Adviser, such as Islamic foreign exchange forward contracts, for hedging purposes. If Islamic derivatives are not available or are not commercially viable, we may use conventional derivatives subject to prior approval from the Shariah Adviser being obtained.</p>	<p>Section 9.4.1 - Shariah Investment Guidelines, Islamic derivatives</p> <p>The Fund may use Islamic derivatives approved by the Shariah Adviser, such as Islamic foreign exchange forward contracts, for hedging purposes. If Islamic derivatives are not available or are not commercially viable, the Fund may use conventional derivatives subject to prior approval from the Shariah Adviser being obtained.</p>	<p>Amended as we would like to standardise the disclosure with our other funds’ prospectus.</p>

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	Note	Financial period from 1.11.2023 to 30.04.2024 RM	Financial period from 1.11.2022 to 30.04.2023 RM
INVESTMENT INCOME			
Profit income from unquoted sukuk at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL")		779,076	821,389
Profit income from Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions at amortised cost		570,883	662,621
Net gain/(loss) on Islamic forward foreign currency contracts at fair value through profit or loss	8	11,412	(280,463)
Net gain on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL")	6	336,456	1,691,691
Net (loss)/gain on foreign currency exchange		(1,184)	906
		<u>1,696,643</u>	<u>2,896,144</u>
EXPENSES			
Management fee	3	(77,101)	(100,149)
Trustee's fee	4	(11,261)	(12,922)
Shariah Adviser's fee		(3,163)	(3,153)
Audit fee		(7,195)	(6,833)
Tax agent's fee		(2,424)	(2,050)
Other expenses		(1,551)	(1,433)
		<u>(102,695)</u>	<u>(126,540)</u>
NET INCOME BEFORE FINANCE COST AND TAXATION		1,593,948	2,769,604
FINANCE COST			
Distributions	10	(1,192,450)	(1,324,252)
NET INCOME AFTER FINANCE COST AND BEFORE TAXATION		401,498	1,445,352
TAXATION	5	-	-
INCREASE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS		<u>401,498</u>	<u>1,445,352</u>
Increase in net assets attributable to unitholders is made of the following:			
Realised amount		90,291	126,150
Unrealised amount		311,207	1,319,202
		<u>401,498</u>	<u>1,445,352</u>

The accompanying material accounting policy information and notes to the financial statements form an integral part of these unaudited financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 30 APRIL 2024 (UNAUDITED)

	<u>Note</u>	As at <u>30.04.2024</u> RM	As at <u>30.04.2023</u> RM
ASSETS			
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL")	6	41,031,919	31,644,229
Islamic forward foreign currency contract	8	78	1,363
Cash and cash equivalents	7	33,965,924	51,097,325
Amount due from Manager		24,243	-
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>75,022,164</u>	<u>82,742,917</u>
LIABILITIES			
Islamic forward foreign currency contract	8	-	61,611
Accrued management fee	3	12,568	15,019
Amount due to Trustee	4	1,844	2,030
Amount due to Shariah Adviser		1,043	2,623
Other payables and accruals		13,117	12,381
TOTAL LIABILITIES (EXCLUDING NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS)		<u>28,572</u>	<u>93,664</u>
NET ASSET ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS		<u>74,993,592</u>	<u>82,649,253</u>

The accompanying material accounting policy information and notes to the financial statements form an integral part of these unaudited financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 30 APRIL 2024 (UNAUDITED) (CONTINUED)

	<u>Note</u>	As at <u>30.04.2024</u> RM	As at <u>30.04.2023</u> RM
REPRESENTED BY			
FAIR VALUE OF OUTSTANDING UNITS (RM)			
Class S		40,113,653	40,237,111
Class I		30,856,441	30,985,278
Class R		3,083,134	6,093,717
Class H (Hedged)		<u>940,364</u>	<u>5,333,147</u>
NUMBER OF UNIT IN CIRCULATION (UNITS)			
Class S	9	40,193,994	40,193,960
Class I	9	31,026,196	31,026,163
Class R	9	3,112,828	6,116,916
Class H (Hedged)	9	<u>182,718</u>	<u>1,153,531</u>
NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT (RM)			
Class S		0.9980	1.0011
Class I		0.9945	0.9987
Class R		0.9905	0.9962
Class H (Hedged)		<u>5.1465</u>	<u>4.6233</u>
NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT IN RESPECTIVE CURRENCIES			
Class S		0.9980	1.0011
Class I		0.9945	0.9987
Class R		0.9905	0.9962
Class H (Hedged)		<u>1.0789</u>	<u>1.0371</u>

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSET VALUE
FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 01 NOVEMBER 2023 TO 30 APRIL 2024
(UNAUDITED)

	Financial period from 1.11.2023 to <u>30.04.2024</u> RM	Financial period from 1.11.2022 to <u>30.04.2023</u> RM
Net assets attributable to unitholders at the beginning of financial period	77,376,603	81,006,251
Movement due to units created and cancelled during the financial period:		
Creation of units from applications		
Class R	1,255,216	22,435,716
Class H (Hedged)	<u>172,835</u>	<u>59,261</u>
	<u>1,428,051</u>	<u>22,494,977</u>
Creation of units from distribution		
Class S	17	17
Class I	17	520,617
Class R	49,890	100,777
Class H (Hedged)	<u>3,037</u>	<u>19,562</u>
	<u>52,961</u>	<u>640,973</u>
Cancellation of units		
Class R	(4,079,808)	(22,432,159)
Class H (Hedged)	<u>(185,713)</u>	<u>(506,141)</u>
	<u>(4,265,521)</u>	<u>(22,938,300)</u>
Increase in net assets attributable to unitholders during the financial period	<u>401,498</u>	<u>1,445,352</u>
Net assets attributable to unitholders at the end of financial period	<u>74,993,592</u>	<u>82,649,253</u>

The accompanying material accounting policy information and notes to the financial statements form an integral part of these unaudited financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 01 NOVEMBER 2023 TO 30 APRIL 2024
(UNAUDITED)

	Financial period from 1.11.2023 to <u>30.04.2024</u> RM	Financial period from 1.11.2022 to <u>30.04.2023</u> RM
	<u>Note</u>	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from sale of Shariah-compliant investments	18,516,114	117,135,700
Purchase of Shariah-compliant investments	(10,223,000)	(96,290,600)
Profit income from unquoted sukuk	841,567	627,274
Profit income from Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions	570,883	662,621
Management fee paid	(78,442)	(100,274)
Trustee's fee paid	(11,388)	(12,940)
Tax agent's fee paid	-	-
Shariah Adviser's fee paid	(3,180)	(3,180)
Payment for other fees and expenses	(15,331)	(15,213)
Net realised (loss)/gain on Islamic forward foreign currency contracts	(33,541)	283,317
Net realised foreign exchange gain	1,184	1,007
Net cash generated from operating activities	<u>9,564,866</u>	<u>22,287,712</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Cash proceeds from units created	1,403,808	22,632,360
Payment of release of units	(4,265,521)	(22,938,300)
Distributions paid	(1,139,489)	(683,280)
Net cash used in financing activities	<u>(4,001,202)</u>	<u>(989,220)</u>
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	5,563,664	21,298,492
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD	<u>28,402,260</u>	<u>29,798,833</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD	7 <u><u>33,965,924</u></u>	<u><u>51,097,325</u></u>

The accompanying material accounting policy information and notes to the financial statements form an integral part of these unaudited financial statements.

NOMURA i-INCOME FUND 2

MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 01 NOVEMBER 2023 TO 30 APRIL 2024 (UNAUDITED)

The following accounting policies have been used in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the financial statements.

A BASIS OF PREPARATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements of Nomura i-Income Fund (“the Fund”) have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by financial assets and financial liabilities (including Islamic derivative instruments) at fair value through profit or loss, in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards (“MFRS”) and International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”).

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the MFRS and IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reported financial period. It also requires the Manager to exercise their judgement in the process of applying the Fund’s accounting policies. Although these estimates and judgement are based on the Manager’s best knowledge of current events and actions, actual results may differ.

The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in Note K.

(i) Standards and amendments to existing standards effective 1 January 2023

There are no standards, amendments to standards or interpretations that are effective for annual periods beginning on 1 May 2023 that have a material effect on the financial statements of the Fund.

(ii) New standards, amendments and interpretations effective after 1 January 2023 and have not been early adopted

A number of new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations are effective for annual periods beginning after 1 May 2023, and have not been early adopted in preparing these financial statements. None of these are expected to have a material effect on the financial statements of the Fund.

B PRESENTATION AND FUNCTIONAL CURRENCY

Items included in the financial statements of the Fund are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Fund operates (the “functional currency”). The financial statements are presented in Ringgit Malaysia, which is the Fund’s presentation and functional currency.

C FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions or valuation where items are re-measured. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at period-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in statement of comprehensive income, except when deferred in other comprehensive income as qualifying cash flow hedges.

D INCOME RECOGNITION

Profit income from unquoted sukuk and Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions are recognised on an accrual basis using the effective profit method.

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MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 01 NOVEMBER 2023 TO 30 APRIL 2024 (UNAUDITED) (CONTINUED)

D INCOME RECOGNITION (CONTINUED)

Profit income is calculated by applying the effective profit rate to the gross carrying amount of a financial asset except for financial assets that subsequently become credit-impaired. For credit-impaired financial assets the effective profit rate is applied to the net carrying amount of the financial asset (after deduction of the loss allowance).

Realised gain and loss on sale of unquoted sukuk is measured by the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amounts of the Shariah-compliant investments (adjusted for accretion of discount or amortisation of premium).

Realised gain or loss on Islamic forward foreign currency contracts are measured by the net settlement amount as per the Islamic forward foreign currency contract.

E TAXATION

Current tax expense is determined according to the Malaysian tax laws at the current rate based upon the taxable income earned during the financial period.

F FINANCIAL ASSETS AND FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

(i) Classification

The Fund classifies its financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- those to be measured subsequently at fair value through profit or loss, and
- those to be measured at amortised cost.

The Fund classifies its Shariah-compliant investments based on both the Fund's business model for managing those financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets. The portfolio of financial assets is managed and performance is evaluated on a fair value basis. The Fund is primarily focused on fair value information and uses that information to assess the assets' performance and to make decisions. The contractual cash flows of the Fund's sukuk are solely principal and profit, however, these Shariah-compliant securities are neither held for the purpose of collecting contractual cash flows nor held both for collecting contractual cash flows and for sale. The collection of contractual cash flows is only incidental to achieving the Fund's business model's objective. Consequently, all Shariah-compliant investments are measured at fair value through profit or loss.

Investments in Islamic collective investment scheme have contractual cash flows that do not represent SPPI, and therefore are classified as fair value through profit or loss.

The Fund classifies amount due from Manager and cash and cash equivalents as financial assets at amortised cost as these financial assets are held to collect contractual cash flows consisting of the amount outstanding.

The Fund classifies accrued management fee, amount due to Trustee, amount due to Shariah Adviser, and other payables and accruals as financial liabilities measured at amortised cost.

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MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 01 NOVEMBER 2023 TO 30 APRIL 2024 (UNAUDITED) (CONTINUED)

F FINANCIAL ASSETS AND FINANCIAL LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)

(ii) Recognition and measurement

Regular purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on the trade date, the date on which the Fund commits to purchase or sell the asset. Investments are initially recognised at fair value. Subsequent to initial recognition, financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value.

Financial liabilities are recognised in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the Fund becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the Shariah-compliant financial instrument.

Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the investments have expired or have been transferred and the Fund has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership.

Financial liabilities are derecognised when it is extinguished, i.e. when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged or cancelled or expired.

Unrealised gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of the 'financial assets at fair value through profit or loss' category are presented in the statement of comprehensive income in the financial period in which they arise.

Investments in Islamic collective investment schemes are valued at the last published net asset value ("NAV") per unit at the date of the statement of financial position.

Unquoted sukuk denominated in Ringgit Malaysia are revalued on a daily basis based on fair value prices quoted by a bond pricing agency ("BPA") registered with the Securities Commission of Malaysia ("SC") as per the SC's Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds. Where such quotations are not available or where the Manager is of the view that the price quoted by the BPA for a specific unquoted sukuk differs from the market price by more than 20 basis points, the Manager may use the market price, provided that the Manager:

- (a) Records its basis for using a non-BPA price;
- (b) Obtains necessary internal approvals to use the non-BPA price; and
- (c) Keeps an audit trail of all decisions and basis for adopting the market price.

Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions are stated at cost plus accrued profit calculated on the effective profit method over the period from the date of placement to the date of maturity of the respective Islamic deposits, which is a reasonable estimate of fair value due to the short-term nature of the Islamic deposits.

Financial assets at amortised cost and other financial liabilities are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective profit method.

(iii) Impairment

The Fund measures credit risk and expected credit losses using probability of default, exposure at default and loss given default. Management considers both historical analysis and forward looking information in determining any expected credit loss. Management considers the probability of default to be close to zero as these Shariah-compliant instruments have a low risk of default and the counterparties have a strong capacity to meet their contractual obligations in the near term. As a result, no loss allowance has been recognised based on 12 month expected credit losses as any such impairment would be wholly insignificant to the Fund.

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MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 01 NOVEMBER 2023 TO 30 APRIL 2024 (UNAUDITED) (CONTINUED)

F FINANCIAL ASSETS AND FINANCIAL LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)

(iii) Impairment (continued)

Significant increase in credit risk

A significant increase in credit risk is defined by management as any contractual payment which is more than 30 days past due.

Definition of default and credit-impaired financial assets

Any contractual payment which is more than 90 days past due is considered credit impaired.

Write-off

The Fund writes off financial assets, in whole or in part, when it has exhausted all practical recovery efforts and has concluded there is no reasonable expectation of recovery. The assessment of no reasonable expectation of recovery is based on unavailability of debtor's sources of income or assets to generate sufficient future cash flows to repay the amount. The Fund may write-off financial assets that are still subject to enforcement activity. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off will result in impairment gains. There are no write-offs/recoveries during the financial period.

G CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

For the purpose of statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash and bank balance and Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions that is readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

H CREATION AND CANCELLATION OF UNITS

The unitholders' contributions to the Fund meet the criteria of the definition of puttable instruments to be classified as equity instruments under MFRS 132 'Financial Instruments: Presentation'.

The Fund issues cancellable units, in two classes of units, known respectively as the Class S, Class I, Class R and Class H (Hedged), which are cancelled at the unitholders' option and do not have identical features subject to restrictions as stipulated in the Prospectus and Securities Commission's ("SC") Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds. The units are classified as financial liabilities.

Cancellable units can be put back to the Fund at any time for cash equal to a proportionate share of the Fund's NAV of respective classes. The outstanding units are carried at the redemption amount that is payable at each financial period if the unitholder exercises the right to put the unit back to the Fund.

Units are created and cancelled at the unitholder's option at prices based on the Fund's NAV per unit of respective classes at the close of business on the relevant dealing day. The Fund's NAV per unit of respective classes is calculated by dividing the net asset attributable to unitholders of respective classes with the total number of outstanding units of respective classes.

I DISTRIBUTIONS

Distributions are at the discretion of the Fund. A distribution to the Fund's unitholders is accounted for as a deduction from realised reserves. A proposed distribution is recognised as a liability in the period in which it is approved by the Trustee.

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MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 01 NOVEMBER 2023 TO 30 APRIL 2024 (UNAUDITED) (CONTINUED)

J ISLAMIC DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

A derivative financial instrument is any contract that gives rise to both a financial asset of one enterprise and a financial liability or equity instrument of another enterprise.

The Fund's derivative financial instruments comprise Islamic forward foreign currency contracts. Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured at their fair value. Financial derivative positions will be "marked to market" at the close of each valuation day. Foreign exchange gains and losses on the derivative financial instrument are recognised in profit or loss when settled or at the date of the statement of financial position at which time they are included in the measurement of the derivative financial instrument. Derivative instruments that have a negative fair value are presented as liabilities as fair value through profit or loss.

The fair value of Islamic forward foreign currency contracts is determined using forward exchange rates on the date of the statement of financial position, with the resulting value discounted back to present value.

The method of recognising the resulting gain or loss depends on whether the derivative is designated as a hedging instrument, and the nature of the item being hedged. Derivatives that do not qualify for hedge accounting are classified as financial assets/liabilities at fair value through profit or loss.

K CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS IN APPLYING ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Fund makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, rarely equal the related actual results. To enhance the information content of the estimates, certain key variables that are anticipated to have material impact to the Funds' results and financial position are tested for sensitivity to changes in the underlying parameters.

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated by the Manager and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Estimate of fair value of unquoted sukuk

In undertaking any of the Fund's investment, the Manager will ensure that all assets of the Fund under management will be valued appropriately, that is at fair value and in compliance with the SC's Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds.

Ringgit-denominated unquoted sukuk are valued using fair value prices quoted by a bond pricing agency ("BPA"). Where the Manager is of the view that the price quoted by BPA for a specific unquoted sukuk differs from the market price by more than 20 basis points, the Manager may use market price, provided that the Manager records its basis for using a non-BPA price, obtains necessary internal approvals to use the non-BPA price. Refer to Note F for further explanation.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 01 NOVEMBER 2023 TO 30 APRIL 2024 (UNAUDITED)

1 INFORMATION ON THE FUND

Nomura i-Income Fund 2 (the “Fund”) was constituted pursuant to the execution of a Master Deed dated 3 May 2021, a First Supplemental Deed dated 2 September 2022 and a Second Supplemental Deed dated 7 March 2023 (collectively referred to as the “Deed”) entered into between Nomura Asset Management Malaysia Sdn Bhd (the “Manager”) and Deutsche Trustees Malaysia Berhad (the “Trustee”).

The Fund was launched on 30 June 2021 and will continue its operations until being terminated by the Manager or the Trustee as provided under Clause 12 of the Deed.

The Fund will invest in RM-denominated Islamic fixed income instruments which are liquid and carries minimal risk of default. The Fund primarily invests in Islamic fixed income instruments including sukuk issued or guaranteed by the Malaysia government, Islamic deposits and/or placement of money at call with financial institutions.

The Fund seeks to provide investors with recurring income on its investments.

The Manager is a company incorporated in Malaysia. The principal activities of the Manager are establishment and management of unit trust funds and asset management including providing fund management services to private clients.

2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

Financial instruments are as follows:

	<u>Note</u>	Financial assets at fair value through <u>profit or loss</u> RM	Financial assets at <u>amortised cost</u> RM	<u>Total</u> RM
<u>30.04.2024</u>				
<u>Financial assets</u>				
Cash and cash equivalents	7	-	33,965,924	33,965,924
Amount due from Manager		-	24,243	24,243
Unquoted sukuk	6	41,031,919	-	41,031,919
Islamic forward foreign currency contracts		78	-	78
Total		<u>41,031,997</u>	<u>33,990,167</u>	<u>75,022,164</u>
<u>Financial liabilities</u>				
Accrued management fee		-	12,568	12,568
Amount due to Trustee		-	1,844	1,844
Amount due to Shariah Adviser		-	1,043	1,043
Auditor's remuneration		-	7,195	7,195
Tax agent's fee		-	5,922	5,922
Total		<u>-</u>	<u>28,572</u>	<u>28,572</u>

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2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Financial instruments are as follows (continued):

	<u>Note</u>	Financial assets at fair value through <u>profit or loss</u> RM	Financial assets at <u>amortised cost</u> RM	<u>Total</u> RM
<u>30.04.2023</u>				
<u>Financial assets</u>				
Cash and cash equivalents	7	-	51,097,325	51,097,325
Unquoted sukuk	6	31,644,229	-	31,644,229
Islamic forward foreign currency contracts		1,363	-	1,363
Total		<u>31,645,592</u>	<u>51,097,325</u>	<u>82,742,917</u>
<u>Financial liabilities</u>				
Islamic forward foreign currency contracts		61,611	-	61,611
Accrued management fee		-	15,019	15,019
Amount due to Trustee		-	2,030	2,030
Amount due to Shariah Adviser		-	2,623	2,623
Auditor's remuneration		-	6,833	6,833
Tax agent's fee		-	5,548	5,548
Total		<u>61,611</u>	<u>32,053</u>	<u>93,664</u>

The Fund is exposed to a variety of risks which include market risk (inclusive of price risk, profit rate risk and currency risk), liquidity risk, credit/default risk, capital risk and fund management risk.

Financial risk management is carried out through internal control processes adopted by the Manager and adherence to the investment restrictions as stipulated in the Deed and SC's Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds.

Price risk

Price risk is the risk that the fair value of an investment of the Fund will fluctuate because of changes in market prices (other than those arising from profit rate risk).

The Fund's overall exposure to price risk are as follows:

	As at <u>30.04.2024</u> RM	As at <u>30.04.2023</u> RM
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss*	<u>41,031,919</u>	<u>31,644,229</u>

* Includes profit receivable of RM212,669 (30.04.2023: RM475,229).

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 01 NOVEMBER 2023 TO 30 APRIL 2024 (UNAUDITED) (CONTINUED)

2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Price risk (continued)

The table below summarises the sensitivity of the Fund's net asset value and profit after tax to movements in prices of Shariah-compliant investments. The analysis is based on the assumptions that the price of the investments fluctuates by 5% with all other variables held constant.

<u>% Change in price</u>	<u>Market value</u> RM	<u>Impact on profit</u> <u>after tax/NAV</u> RM
<u>30.04.2024</u>		
+5	42,860,213	2,040,963
-5	38,778,287	(2,040,963)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
<u>% Change in price</u>	<u>Market value</u> RM	<u>Impact on profit</u> <u>after tax/NAV</u> RM
<u>30.04.2023</u>		
+5	32,727,450	1,558,450
-5	29,610,550	(1,558,450)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Profit rate risk

In general, when profit rates rise, valuation for unquoted sukuk will tend to fall and vice versa. Therefore, the net asset value of the Fund may also tend to fall when profit rates rise or are expected to rise when profit rates fall. However, investors should be aware that should the Fund hold an unquoted sukuk till maturity, such fluctuations would dissipate as it approaches maturity, and thus the growth of the net asset value shall not be affected at maturity. In order to mitigate profit rates exposure of the Fund, the Manager will manage the duration of the portfolio via shorter or longer tenured assets depending on the view of the future profit rate trend of the Manager, which is based on its continuous fundamental research and analysis.

This risk is crucial since sukuk portfolio management depends on forecasting profit rate movements. Sukuk with longer maturity and lower profit rates are more susceptible to profit rate movements.

Investors should note that sukuk is subject to profit rate fluctuations. Such investments may be subject to unanticipated rise in profit rates which may impair the ability of the issuers to make payments of profit and principal, especially if the issuers are highly leveraged. An increase in profit rates may therefore increase the potential for default by an issuer.

The above profit rate is a general economic indicator that will have an impact on the management of the Fund regardless whether it is an Islamic fund or otherwise. It does not in any way suggest that the Fund will invest in conventional financial instruments. All the investments carried out for the Fund are in accordance with Shariah requirements.

The table below summarises the sensitivity of the Fund's net asset value and profit after tax to movements in prices of sukuk held by the Fund as a result of movement in profit rates. The analysis is based on the assumptions that the profit rates increased and decreased by 1% with all other variables held constant.

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2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Profit rate risk (continued)

	<u>Impact on profit after tax/NAV</u>	
	<u>30.04.2024</u>	<u>30.04.2023</u>
	RM	RM
<u>% Change in profit rate</u>		
+ 1%	(70,102)	(60,187)
- 1%	70,245	60,326
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

The Fund's Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions are short term in nature. Therefore, exposure to profit rate fluctuations is minimal.

Currency risk

Currency risk is associated with cash holding denominated in United States Dollar. When the foreign currency fluctuates in an unfavorable movement against Ringgit Malaysia, the cash holding will face currency losses. The Manager will evaluate the likely directions of a foreign currency versus Ringgit Malaysia based on considerations of economic fundamentals such as interest differentials, balance of payments position, debt levels, and technical chart of considerations.

The following tables set out the foreign currency risk concentrations and counterparties of the Fund:

	<u>Cash and</u> <u>cash</u> <u>equivalents</u>	<u>Islamic forward</u> <u>foreign</u> <u>currency</u> <u>contracts</u>	<u>Total</u>
	RM	RM	RM
<u>As at 30.04.2024</u>			
USD	-	78	78
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
<u>As at 30.04.2023</u>			
USD	-	(60,248)	(60,248)
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2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Liquidity risk

The Fund maintains sufficient level of Islamic liquid assets, after consultation with the Trustee, to meet anticipated payments and cancellation of units by unitholders. Islamic liquid assets comprise cash, Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions, and unquoted sukuk which are capable of being converted into cash within 7 days. The Fund aims to reduce its liquidity risk by maintaining a prudent level of Islamic liquid assets.

The table below summarises the Fund's financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining year as at the statement of financial position date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

	<u>Less than 1 month</u> RM	<u>Between 1 month to 1 year</u> RM	<u>Total</u> RM
<u>30.04.2024</u>			
Accrued management fee	12,568	-	12,568
Amount due to Trustee	1,844	-	1,844
Amount due to Shariah Adviser	-	1,043	1,043
Auditors' remuneration	-	7,195	7,195
Tax agent's fee	-	5,922	5,922
	<u>14,412</u>	<u>14,160</u>	<u>28,572</u>
<u>30.04.2023</u>			
Islamic forward foreign currency contract	-	61,611	61,611
Accrued management fee	15,019	-	15,019
Amount due to Trustee	2,030	-	2,030
Amount due to Shariah Adviser	-	2,623	2,623
Auditors' remuneration	-	6,833	6,833
Tax agent's fee	-	5,548	5,548
	<u>17,049</u>	<u>76,615</u>	<u>93,664</u>

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2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Credit/default risk

Credit risk refers to the ability of an issuer or a counterparty to make timely payments of profit or principals payment on the maturity date. This may lead to a default in the payment of principal and profit and ultimately a reduction in the value of the Fund. In the case of the Fund, the Manager will endeavor to minimise the risk by selecting only issues with prescribed and acceptable credit ratings.

Credit risk arising from placements of Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions is managed by ensuring that the Fund will only place Islamic deposits in reputable licensed financial institutions.

The settlement terms of the proceeds from the creation of units' receivable from the Manager are governed by the SC's Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds.

For unquoted sukuk, the Manager regularly reviews the rating assigned by the issuer so that necessary steps can be taken if the rating falls below those described by the Deed and SC's Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds.

The following table sets out the credit risk concentration of the Fund:

	Financial assets at FVTPL RM	Cash and cash equivalents RM	Other assets* RM	Total RM
<u>30.04.2024</u>				
Financial services				
- AAA	-	15,066,167	-	15,066,167
- AA1	-	487,555	-	487,555
- AA2	-	5,699,551	-	5,699,551
- AA+	-	12,712,651	-	12,712,651
Public Administration				
- Not Rated	41,031,919	-	-	41,031,919
Others				
- AAA	-	-	78	78
- Not Rated	-	-	24,243	24,243
	<u>41,031,919</u>	<u>33,965,924</u>	<u>24,321</u>	<u>75,022,164</u>
<u>30.04.2023</u>				
Financial services				
- AAA	-	30,027,124	-	30,027,124
- AA1	-	500,216	-	500,216
- AA3	-	10,293,601	-	10,293,601
- AA+	-	10,276,384	-	10,276,384
Public Administration				
- Not Rated	31,644,229	-	-	31,644,229
Others				
- AAA	-	-	1,363	1,363
	<u>31,644,229</u>	<u>51,097,325</u>	<u>1,363</u>	<u>82,742,917</u>

*Other assets consist of amount due from Manager and Islamic forward foreign currency contract

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2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Capital risk

The capital of the Fund is represented by net assets attributable to unitholders of RM74,993,592 (30.04.2023: RM82,649,253). The amount of net assets attributable to unitholders can change significantly on a daily basis as the Fund is subject to daily subscriptions and redemptions at the discretion of unitholders. The Fund's objective when managing capital is to safeguard the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern in order to provide returns for unitholders and benefits for other stakeholders and to maintain a strong capital base to support the development of the Shariah-compliant investment activities of the Fund.

Fund management risk

There is the risk that the management company may not adhere to the investment mandate of the respective Fund. With close monitoring by the investment committee, back office system being incorporated with limits and controls, and regular reporting to the senior management team, the management company is able to manage such risk. The Trustee has an oversight function over management of the Fund by the management company to safeguard the interests of unitholders.

Fair value estimation

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (i.e. an exit price).

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities traded in an active market (such as publicly traded Islamic derivatives and Shariah-compliant securities) are based on quoted market prices at the close of trading on the period end date.

A financial instrument is regarded as quoted in an active market if quoted prices are readily 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.

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities that are not traded in an active market is determined by using valuation techniques. The Fund uses a variety of methods and makes assumptions that are based on market conditions existing at each period end date. Valuation techniques used for non-standardised Shariah-compliant financial instruments such as Islamic options, Islamic currency swaps and other over-the-counter Islamic derivatives, include the use of comparable recent arm's length transactions, reference to other Shariah-compliant instruments that are substantially the same, discounted cash flow analysis, option pricing models and other valuation techniques commonly used by market participants making the maximum use of market inputs and relying as little as possible on entity-specific inputs.

For instruments for which there is no active market, the Fund may use internally developed models, which are usually based on valuation methods and techniques generally recognised as standard within the industry. Valuation models are used primarily to value unlisted sukuk, for which market were or have been inactive during the financial period. Some of the inputs to these models may not be market observable and are therefore estimated based on assumptions.

The output of a model is always an estimate or approximation of a value that cannot be determined with certainty, and valuation techniques employed may not fully reflect all factors relevant to the positions the Fund holds.

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2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Fair value estimation (continued)

The fair values are based on the following methodology and assumptions:

- (i) The carrying value is a reasonable estimate of fair value for cash and cash equivalent.
- (ii) Ringgit-denominated unquoted sukuk are valued using fair value prices quoted by a bond pricing agency ("BPA"). Where the Manager is of the view that the price quoted by BPA for a specific unquoted sukuk differs from the market price by more than 20 basis points, the Manager may use market price, provided that the Manager records its basis for using a non-BPA price, and obtains necessary internal approvals to use the non-BPA price.

Valuations are therefore adjusted, where appropriate, to allow for additional factors including model risk, liquidity risk and counterparty risk.

Fair value hierarchy

The table below analyses financial instruments carried at fair value by valuation method. The different levels have been defined as follows:

- Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active market for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices).
- Level 3: Inputs for the asset and liability that are not based on observable market data (that is, unobservable inputs).

The level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement is categorised in its entirety is determined on the basis of the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. For this purpose, the significance of an input is assessed against the fair value measurement in its entirety. If a fair value measurement uses observable inputs that require significant adjustment based on unobservable inputs, that measurement is a Level 3 measurement.

Assessing the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgement, considering factors specific to the asset or liability.

The determination of what constitutes 'observable' requires significant judgement by the Fund. The Fund considers observable data to be that market data that is readily available, regularly distributed or updated, reliable and verifiable, not proprietary, and provided by independent sources that are actively involved in the relevant market.

The following table analyses within the fair value hierarchy the Fund's financial assets (by class) measured at fair value:

	<u>Level 1</u> RM	<u>Level 2</u> RM	<u>Level 3</u> RM	<u>Total</u> RM
<u>As at 30 April 2024</u>				
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:				
- Unquoted sukuk	-	41,031,919	-	41,031,919
- Islamic forward foreign currency contracts	-	78	-	78
	<u>-</u>	<u>41,031,997</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>41,031,997</u>

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2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Fair value hierarchy (continued)

The following table analyses within the fair value hierarchy the Fund's financial assets (by class) measured at fair value: (continued)

	<u>Level 1</u> RM	<u>Level 2</u> RM	<u>Level 3</u> RM	<u>Total</u> RM
<u>As at 30 April 2023</u>				
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:				
- Unquoted sukuk	-	31,644,229	-	31,644,229
- Islamic forward foreign currency contracts	-	1,363	-	1,363
	<u>-</u>	<u>31,645,592</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>31,645,592</u>
<u>As at 30 April 2023</u>				
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss:				
- Islamic forward foreign currency contracts	-	61,611	-	61,611
	<u>-</u>	<u>61,611</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>61,611</u>

Investments whose values are based on quoted market prices in active markets, and are therefore classified within Level 1, including collective investment schemes. The Fund does not adjust the quoted prices for these instruments.

Financial instruments that trade in markets that are considered to be active but are valued based on quoted market prices, dealer quotations or alternative pricing sources supported by observable inputs are classified within Level 2. Level 2 instruments include unquoted sukuk.

As Level 2 instruments include positions that are not traded in active markets and/or are subject to transfer restrictions, valuations may be adjusted to reflect illiquidity and/or non-transferability, which are generally based on available market information. The Fund's policies on valuation of these financial assets are stated in Note F.

The carrying value of amount due from Manager, cash and cash equivalent and all current liabilities are reasonable approximation of the fair value due to their short-term nature.

3 MANAGEMENT FEE

In accordance with the Deed, the Manager is entitled to a management fee at a rate not exceeding 5.00% per annum of the Net Asset Value (NAV) of the Fund calculated and accrued on a daily basis.

For the financial period from 01 November 2023 to 30 April 2024, the management fee is recognised at a rate of 0.15% (01.11.2023 - 30.04.2023: 0.15%) per annum of the NAV of Class S, at the rate of 0.25% (01.11.2023 - 30.04.2023: 0.25%) per annum of the NAV of Class I and at the rate of 0.40% (01.11.2023 - 30.04.2023: 0.40%) per annum of the NAV of Class R and Class H (Hedged) respectively, calculated on a daily basis for the financial period.

There will be no further liability to the Manager in respect of the management fee other than the amounts recognised above.

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4 TRUSTEE FEE

In accordance with the Deed, the Trustee is entitled to an annual fee at a rate not exceeding 0.10% per annum of the NAV of the Fund (including local custodian fees and expenses but excluding foreign custodian fees and charges), subject to a minimum fee of RM12,000 per annum.

For the financial period from 01 November 2023 to 30 April 2024, the trustee fee is recognised at a rate of 0.03% (01.11.2023 - 30.04.2023: 0.03%) per annum on the NAV of the Fund, calculated on a daily basis for the financial period (including local custodian fees and expenses but excluding foreign custodian fees and charges), subject to a minimum fee of RM12,000 per annum.

There will be no further liability to the Trustee in respect of the trustee fee other than the amounts recognised above.

5 TAXATION

	Financial period from 1.11.2023 to 30.04.2024 RM	Financial period from 1.11.2022 to 30.04.2023 RM
Current taxation - local	-	-

The numerical reconciliation between net income after finance cost and before taxation multiplied by the Malaysian statutory tax rate and tax expense of the Fund is as follows:

	Financial period from 1.11.2023 to 30.4.2024 RM	Financial period from 1.11.2022 to 30.4.2023 RM
Net income after finance cost and before taxation	401,498	1,445,352
Tax at applicable rate of 24% (30.04.2023: 24%)	96,360	346,884
Tax effect of:		
Shariah-compliant Investment income exempt from tax	(412,505)	(876,340)
Profit not deductible for tax purposes	5,311	181,266
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	292,451	325,082
Restriction on tax deductible expenses for unit trust Funds	18,383	23,108
Taxation	-	-

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6 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

	As at <u>30.04.2024</u> RM	As at <u>30.04.2023</u> RM
Financial assets at FVTPL:		
- Unquoted sukuk	<u>41,031,919</u>	<u>31,644,229</u>
Net gain/(loss) on financial assets at FVTPL comprised:		
- Net realised gain/(loss) on sale of financial assets at FVTPL	3,121	(191,392)
- Net unrealised gain/(loss) on changes in fair values	<u>333,335</u>	<u>1,883,083</u>
	<u>336,456</u>	<u>1,691,691</u>

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss as at 30 April 2024 are as follows:

Unquoted Sukuk

Nominal value RM	Name of Counter	Rating	Cost RM	Fair value as at 30.04.2024 RM	Percentage of net assets value 30.04.2024 %
5,000,000	Government of Malaysia	Not Rated	5,146,357	5,125,727	6.83
15,000,000	Government of Malaysia	Not Rated	15,506,329	15,423,017	20.57
20,000,000	Government of Malaysia	Not Rated	20,758,883	20,483,175	27.31
TOTAL UNQUOTED SUKUK			<u>41,411,569</u>	<u>41,031,919</u>	<u>54.71</u>
UNREALISED LOSS ON CHANGES IN FAIR VALUE			<u>(379,650)</u>		
TOTAL FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS			<u>41,031,919</u>		

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6 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS (CONTINUED)

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss as at 30 April 2023 are as follows:

Unquoted Sukuk

<u>Nominal value</u> RM	<u>Name of Counter</u>	<u>Rating</u>	<u>Cost</u> RM	<u>Fair value as at 30.04.2023</u> RM	<u>Percentage of net assets value 30.04.2023</u> %
10,000,000	Government of Malaysia	Not Rated	10,327,473	10,380,955	12.56
20,000,000	Government of Malaysia	Not Rated	21,348,641	21,263,274	25.73
TOTAL UNQUOTED SUKUK			<u>31,676,114</u>	<u>31,644,229</u>	<u>38.29</u>
UNREALISED LOSS ON CHANGES IN FAIR VALUE			<u>(31,885)</u>		
TOTAL FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS			<u>31,644,229</u>		

7 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	<u>As at 30.04.2024</u> RM	<u>As at 30.04.2023</u> RM
Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions	33,478,369	50,597,109
Bank balances in a licensed bank	487,555	500,216
	<u>33,965,924</u>	<u>51,097,325</u>

Weighted average effective profit rates per annum is as follows:

	<u>As at 30.04.2024</u> %	<u>As at 30.04.2023</u> %
Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions	<u>3.74</u>	<u>3.47</u>

Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions have an average maturity of 132 days (01.11.2023 - 30.04.2023: 85 days).

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8 ISLAMIC FORWARD FOREIGN CURRENCY CONTRACTS

	As at <u>30.04.2024</u> RM	As at <u>30.04.2023</u> RM
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:		
- Islamic forward foreign currency contracts	78	1,363
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss:		
- Islamic forward foreign currency contracts	-	(61,611)
	Financial period from 1.11.2023 to <u>30.04.2024</u> RM	Financial period from 1.11.2022 to <u>30.04.2023</u> RM
Net gain/(loss) on Islamic forward foreign currency contracts at fair value through profit or loss:		
- realised gain on Islamic forward foreign currency contracts	33,541	283,317
- unrealised loss on Islamic forward foreign currency contracts	(22,129)	(563,780)
	<u>11,412</u>	<u>(280,463)</u>

Islamic forward foreign currency contracts as at 30 April 2024 is as follows:

<u>Name of issuer</u>	<u>Receivables</u> RM	<u>Payables</u> RM	<u>Fair value</u> RM	<u>Percentage of net asset value of the Fund</u> %
Standard Chartered Saadiq Bank Malaysia Berhad	930,620	930,542	78	-

Islamic forward foreign currency contracts as at 30 April 2023 is as follows:

<u>Name of issuer</u>	<u>Receivables</u> RM	<u>Payables</u> RM	<u>Fair value</u> RM	<u>Percentage of net asset value of the Fund</u> %
CIMB Islamic Bank Berhad	5,197,493	5,259,104	(61,611)	0.07
CIMB Islamic Bank Berhad	103,455	102,092	1,363	-
	<u>5,300,948</u>	<u>5,361,196</u>	<u>(60,248)</u>	<u>0.07</u>

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8 ISLAMIC FORWARD FOREIGN CURRENCY CONTRACTS (CONTINUED)

The Islamic forward foreign currency contracts are transacted with Standard Chartered Saadiq Berhad and CIMB Islamic Bank Berhad. The Islamic foreign currency forward agreement entered into during the financial period to minimise the risk of foreign exchange exposure between the USD and MYR for the Fund.

As at 30 April 2024, the notional principal amount for Islamic forward foreign currency contract is RM930,620 (30.04.2023: RM5,300,948).

As the Fund has not adopted hedge accounting, the change in the fair value of the Islamic foreign currency forward contracts are recognised immediately in the statement of income and expenses.

9 NUMBER OF UNITS IN CIRCULATION

	As at <u>30.04.2024</u> No. of units	As at <u>30.04.2023</u> No. of units
<u>Class S</u>		
At beginning of the financial period	40,193,977	40,193,943
Creation of units during the financial period:		
Arising from creation	-	-
Arising from distributions	17	17
	<u>40,193,994</u>	<u>40,193,960</u>
<u>Class I</u>		
At beginning of the financial period	31,026,179	30,496,526
Creation of units during the financial period:		
Arising from creation	-	-
Arising from distributions	17	529,637
	<u>31,026,196</u>	<u>31,026,163</u>
<u>Class R</u>		
At beginning of the financial period	5,904,643	5,831,775
Creation of units during the financial period:		
Arising from creations	1,265,085	22,742,145
Arising from distributions	50,374	102,733
Cancellation of units	(4,107,274)	(22,559,737)
	<u>3,112,828</u>	<u>6,116,916</u>
<u>Class H (Hedged)</u>		
At beginning of the financial period	184,386	1,249,243
Creation of units during the financial period:		
Arising from creations	34,638	13,074
Arising from distributions	605	4,202
Cancellation of units	(36,911)	(112,988)
	<u>182,718</u>	<u>1,153,531</u>

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10 DISTRIBUTIONS

	As at <u>30.04.2024</u> RM	As at <u>30.04.2023</u> RM
Distributions to unitholders are from the following sources:		
Profit income from unquoted sukuk at FVTPL	779,076	821,389
Profit income from Islamic deposits with licensed Financial institutions at amortised cost	516,069	629,403
	<u>1,295,145</u>	<u>1,450,792</u>
Less: Expenses	(102,695)	(126,540)
	<u><u>1,192,450</u></u>	<u><u>1,324,252</u></u>

During the financial period, distributions per unit were made as follows:

	<u>Gross/net distribution</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	<u>RM/unit</u>	<u>RM/unit</u>
<u>Class S, I and R</u>		
November 2022	-	0.0068
March 2023	-	0.0102
December 2023	0.0240	-
March 2024	0.0240	-

	<u>Gross/net distribution</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	<u>USD/unit</u>	<u>USD/unit</u>
<u>Class H (Hedged)</u>		
November 2022	-	0.0014
March 2023	-	0.0022
December 2023	0.0017	-
March 2024	0.0017	-

Gross distribution is derived using total income less total expenses.

Gross distribution per unit is derived from gross realised income less expenses divided by the number of units in circulation, while net distribution for unit is derived from gross realised income less expenses and taxation divided by the number of units in circulation.

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11 TRANSACTIONS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Details of transactions with the top 10 financial institutions are as follows:

	<u>Value of trade</u> RM	<u>Percentage of total trade</u> %
<u>30.04.2024</u>		
Maybank Islamic Berhad	248,371,000	50.22
CIMB Islamic Bank Berhad	126,466,400	25.57
Public Islamic Bank Berhad	28,840,000	5.83
AmBank Islamic Berhad	27,773,000	5.62
RHB Islamic Bank Berhad	20,070,000	4.06
Kuwait Finance House (Malaysia) Berhad	17,550,000	3.55
AmBank (M) Berhad	15,305,000	3.09
CIMB Bank Berhad	10,163,000	2.06
	<u>494,538,400</u>	<u>100.00</u>
<u>30.04.2023</u>		
CIMB Islamic Bank Berhad	161,494,200	27.95
AmBank Islamic Berhad	155,284,000	26.88
Maybank Islamic Berhad	81,612,000	14.13
RHB Islamic Bank Berhad	55,050,000	9.53
Citibank (M) Berhad	45,840,500	7.93
Bank Islam Malaysia Berhad	25,116,000	4.35
Kuwait Finance House (Malaysia) Berhad	10,263,000	1.78
AmBank (M) Berhad	10,037,600	1.74
Public Islamic Bank Berhad	9,919,000	1.72
Hong Leong Islamic Bank Berhad	8,000,000	1.38
Others	15,109,000	2.61
	<u>577,725,300</u>	<u>100.00</u>

All financial institutions above are not related to the Manager.

The above transactions were in respect of money market placements and fixed income transactions. Transactions in these Shariah-compliant investments do not involve any commission or brokerage.

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12 TOTAL EXPENSE RATIO (“TER”)

	<u>2024</u> %	<u>2023</u> %
TER	<u>0.14</u>	<u>0.15</u>

TER is derived from the following calculation:

$$\text{TER} = \frac{(A + B + C + D + E + F)}{G} \times 100$$

A	=	Management fee
B	=	Trustee’s fee
C	=	Shariah Adviser’s fee
D	=	Audit fee
E	=	Tax agent’s fee
F	=	Other expenses
G	=	Average net asset value of Fund calculated on daily basis

The average net asset value of the Fund for the financial period calculated on daily basis is RM75,487,092 (01.11.2023 - 30.04.2023: RM86,858,050).

13 PORTFOLIO TURNOVER RATIO (“PTR”)

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
PTR (times)	<u>0.19</u>	<u>1.24</u>

PTR is derived from the following calculation:

(Total acquisition for the financial period + total disposal for the financial period) ÷ 2

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Average net asset value of the Fund for the financial period calculated on daily basis

Where: total acquisition for the financial period = RM10,226,404 (01.11.2023 - 30.04.2023: RM97,232,198)
total disposal for the financial period = RM18,650,096 (01.11.2023 - 30.04.2023: RM118,389,972)

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14 UNITS HELD BY THE MANAGER AND PARTIES RELATED TO THE MANAGER

The related party of and its relationship with the Fund are as follows:

<u>Related party</u>	<u>Relationship</u>
Nomura Asset Management Malaysia Sdn Bhd	The Manager
Deutsche Trustees Malaysia Berhad for Nomura Global Shariah Strategic Growth Fund	Fund Managed by the Manager
The Nomura Trust and Banking Co., Ltd.	Associate Company

	<u>30.04.2024</u>		<u>30.04.2023</u>	
	No. of units	RM	No. of units	RM
Nomura Asset Management Malaysia Sdn Bhd				
- Class S	1,068	1,066	1,035	1,036
- Class I	1,068	1,062	1,035	1,034
- Class R	1,068	1,058	1,035	1,031
- Class H (Hedged)	1,014	5,219	1,007	4,656
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Deutsche Trustees Malaysia Berhad for . Nomura Global Shariah Strategic Growth Fund				
- Class R	-	-	3,854,613	3,839,965
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
The Nomura Trust and Banking Co., Ltd.				
- Class H (Hedged)	-	-	1,003,084	4,637,558
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

In the opinion of the Manager, the above units were transacted at the prevailing market price. Save and except for units held by the Manager, the above units are held legally and beneficially by the related party(ies). The units held by the Manager are held legally for booking purposes.

In addition to the related party disclosure mentioned elsewhere in the financial statements, there were no other significant related party transactions and balances.

Other than the above, there were no units held by parties related to the Manager.

15 SHARIAH INFORMATION OF THE FUND

The Shariah Adviser has confirmed that the investment portfolio of the Fund is Shariah-compliant, which comprises:

- i) cash placement and liquid assets that are placed in investments and/or instruments in the local market that have been classified as Shariah-compliant by the Shariah Advisory Council ("SAC") of Bank Negara Malaysia; and
- ii) investments of Government Investment Issues and any other Islamic fixed income instruments which have been classified as Shariah-compliant by the SAC of the Securities Commission Malaysia or Bank Negara Malaysia.

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16 APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements have been approved for issue by the Manager on 20 June 2024.

NOMURA i-INCOME FUND 2**STATEMENT BY THE MANAGER**

We, Leslie Yap Kim Loong and Atsushi Ichii, being two of the Directors of Nomura Asset Management Malaysia Sdn Bhd (the "Manager"), do hereby state that, in the opinion of the Manager, the accompanying financial statements set out on pages 1 to 29 are drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Deed and give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 30 April 2024 and of its financial performance, changes in net asset value and cash flows for the financial period from 01 November 2023 to 30 April 2024 in accordance with the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards and International Financial Reporting Standards.

For and on behalf of the Manager,
NOMURA ASSET MANAGEMENT MALAYSIA SDN BHD



LESLIE YAP KIM LOONG
Managing Director



ATSUSHI ICHII
Director

Kuala Lumpur
20 June 2024



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TRUSTEE'S REPORT

TO THE UNIT HOLDERS OF NOMURA i-INCOME FUND 2 ("Fund")


We have acted as Trustee of the Fund for the financial period ended 30 April 2024 and we hereby confirm to the best of our knowledge, after having made all reasonable enquiries, Nomura Asset Management Malaysia Sdn Bhd has operated and managed the Fund during the period covered by these financial statements in accordance with the following:-

1. Limitations imposed on the investment powers of the management company under the deed, securities laws and the Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds;
2. Valuation and pricing is carried out in accordance with the deed; and
3. Any creation and cancellation of units are carried out in accordance with the deed and any regulatory requirement.

We are of the opinion that the distribution of income by the Fund is appropriate and reflects the investment objective of the Fund.

For Deutsche Trustees Malaysia Berhad


Ng Hon Leong
Head, Fund Operations


Sylvia Beh
Chief Executive Officer

Kuala Lumpur
20 June 2024

SHARIAH ADVISER'S REPORT


TO THE UNIT HOLDERS OF
NOMURA i-INCOME FUND 2

We hereby confirm:

To the best of our knowledge, after having made all reasonable enquiries, Nomura Asset Management Malaysia Sdn Bhd has operated and managed the Fund during the financial period covered by these financial statements in accordance with the Shariah principles and requirements and complied with the applicable guidelines, rulings or decisions issued by the Securities Commission Malaysia or Bank Negara Malaysia pertaining to Shariah matters; and

The assets of the Fund comprise instruments that have been classified as Shariah-compliant by the Shariah Advisory Council ("SAC") of the Securities Commission Malaysia or Bank Negara Malaysia. As for the instruments which are not classified as Shariah-compliant by the SAC of the Securities Commission Malaysia or Bank Negara Malaysia, we have reviewed the said instruments and confirmed that these instruments are Shariah-compliant.

For ZICO Shariah Advisory Services Sdn Bhd

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Aida Othman", with a horizontal line underneath the name.

DR. AIDA OTHMAN
Designated Person Responsible for Shariah Matters Relating to the Fund

Kuala Lumpur

20 JUN 2024