

# PHILLIP WHOLESALE ISLAMIC INCOME FUND

UNAUDITED QUARTERLY REPORT

FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD ENDED 31 JULY 2022

Manager:

PHILLIP CAPITAL MANAGEMENT SDN BHD

(199501004372)(333567-D)

Trustee:

**PB TRUSTEE SERVICES BERHAD** 

(196801000374)(7968-T)

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# **FUND INFORMATION** As At 31 July 2022

Name Of Fund : Phillip Wholesale Islamic Income Fund

Manager Of Fund : Phillip Capital Management Sdn Bhd

199501004372 (333567-D)

Launch Date : 3 May 2021

Category Of Fund : Fixed Income (Wholesale Islamic)

Type Of Fund : Income

Investment Objective : The Fund aims to provide regular income by investing in Shariah-

compliant investments.

Performance Benchmark : Maybank's 1-Month General Investment Account-i (GIA-i) Rate

(Tier 1-Month Rate)

Distribution Policy : To distribute income on a monthly basis or at least quarterly,

subject to availability of income.

Fund Size : 341.72 million units

Breakdown : Of Unitholdings	Size Of Holdings	No. Of Unitholders	% Of Unitholders	No. Of Units (million)
	5,000 units & below	-	-	-
	5,001-10,000 units	-	-	-
	10,001-50,000 units	-	-	-
	50,001-500,000 units	-	-	-
	500,001 units & above	1	100.00	341.72
	Total	1	100.00	341.72

# **FUND PERFORMANCE**

# **Financial Highlights**

Category	3 Months to 31.07.2022	Financial Year Ended 30.04.2022
	%	%
Shariah-Based Fixed Income Instruments, Deposits, and		
Money Market Instruments	99.99	99.99
Cash	0.01	0.01
Total	100.00	100.00
Net Asset Value (RM'000)	341,719	363,082
Number Of Units In Circulation (Units '000)	341,719	363,082
Net Asset Value Per Unit (RM)*	1.0000	1.0000
Total Expense Ratio ("TER")	0.08%	0.27%
Portfolio Turnover Ratio (times)	9.16	38.98

<sup>\*</sup> Price quoted is ex-distribution

# **Performance Data**

	Phillip Wholesale Islamic Income Fund Average		-	s 1-Month Rate Average
3 Months' Period Ended 31.07.2022 Since Inception (03.05.2021) to 30.04.2022	<b>Total Return</b> 0.48% 1.79%	Annual Return - -	<b>Total Return</b> 0.31% 1.00%	Annual Return - -
	01.05.2022 to	Since Inception 03.05.2021 to		
	31.07.2022	30.04.2022		
Phillip Wholesale Islamic Income Fund - Capital Return - Income Return - Total Return	0.00% 0.48% 0.48%	0.00% 1.79% 1.79%		
Maybank's 1-Month GIA-i Rate	0.45%	1.00%		
	01.05.2022 to 31.07.2022	Since Inception 03.05.2021 to 30.04.2022		
Unit Prices Highest NAV (RM) Lowest NAV (RM)	1.0000 1.0000	1.0000 1.0000		
Distributions  Cross (Not Distribution For Unit (9/ n.s.)	2022	2021		
Gross/Net Distribution Per Unit (% p.a.) - 31 May - 30 June - 31 July - 31 August - 30 September - 31 October - 30 November - 31 December	1.86% 1.90% 1.98%	1.74% 1.79% 1.82% 1.82% 1.80% 1.80% 1.80%		
- 31 January - 28 February - 31 March - 30 April		<b>2022</b> 1.78% 1.77% 1.76% 1.80%		
Unit Splits	-	-		

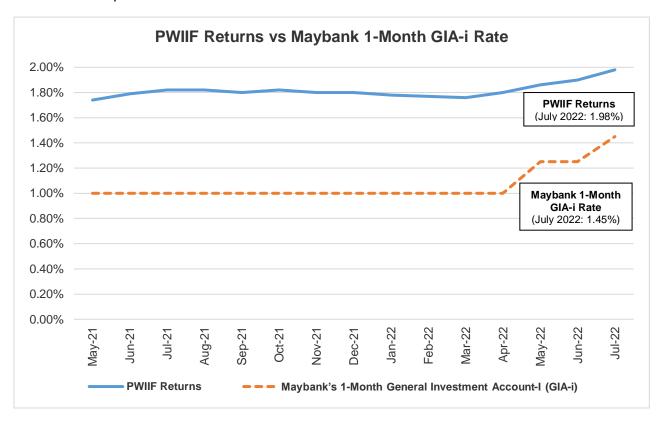
Source: All figures pertaining to the Fund's return were extracted from Lipper.

## MANAGER'S REPORT

## **Performance Review**

For the purpose of benchmark comparison, we have used Maybank's 1-Month General Investment Account-i (GIA-i) Rate as both provide similar liquidity.

Performance of Phillip Wholesale Islamic Income Fund vs. Maybank's 1-Month GIA-i Rate since the Fund's inception:



Date of inception of PWIIF: 3rd May 2021

Source: Phillip Capital Management Sdn Bhd, Maybank2u Website

Since its inception, the Fund has distributed income monthly. During the financial period under review, the Fund's returns were better than the return offered by Maybank's 1-Month General Investment Account-i (GIA-i) Rate. Beneath is the comparison table.

PWIIF vs Maybank's 1-Month General Investment Account-i (GIA-i) Rate

PWIIF *	Maybank **	Difference
(% p.a.)	(% p.a.)	(% p.a.)
1.91	1.32	0.59

Source: \* PWIIF's annualised return for the period from May 2022 to July 2022

During the financial period under review, the average monthly return of the Fund was at 1.91% p.a. The Fund has out-performed the benchmark, as illustrated in the comparison table above. As such, the Fund has achieved its objective to provide regular income to investors higher than the performance benchmark.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Maybank2u website (annualised return for the period from May 2022 to July 2022)

# Volatility Of The Fund

The volatility of the Fund is negligible. The Net Asset Value of the Fund traded at RM1.00 per unit during the financial period under review.

# **Securities Financing Transactions**

For the financial period under review, the Fund has not undertaken any securities lending or repurchase transactions (collectively referred to as "securities financing transactions").

## **Income Distribution**

# Phillip Wholesale Islamic Income Fund

**Gross/Net distribution per unit** 31.05.2022: 1.86% p.a. 30.06.2022: 1.90% p.a.

31.07.2022: 1.98% p.a.

NAV per unit before distribution RM1.0000

(as at 31 July 2022)

NAV per unit after distribution RM1.0000

(as at 31 July 2022)

# Unit Split Nil

#### Market Review

The Malaysian economy registered a positive growth of 5.0% in the first quarter of 2022 (4Q 2021: 3.6%). As economic activity continued to normalise as containment measures were loosened, this was primarily supported by improving domestic demand. The improvement also reflects ongoing policy support as well as the job market recovery, as evidenced by the further decline in the unemployment rate to 4.1% (4Q 2021: 4.3%). Growth was further boosted by strong external demand and the ongoing upswing in the global technology sector. Export growth remained strong in February 2022, growing by 16.8% (Jan: 23.9%), reflecting continued strength across Malaysia's export products. In addition, high commodity prices will provide support to export growth. On the supply side, services and manufacturing sectors continued to drive economic growth, expanding by 6.5% and 6.6% respectively.

During the first quarter, the headline inflation moderated to 2.2% (4Q 2021: 3.2%). This is primarily due to a smaller contribution from the dissipating base effect of lower domestic retail fuel prices last year, as well as the absence of the base effect from 2020 electricity tariff rebates. Core inflation rose to 1.7% in the third quarter (4Q 2021: 0.8%). This reflects price adjustments as costs rise and demand improves, with price increases being more noticeable for food items due to supply-related factors such as higher global commodity prices. According to the central bank, several key factors, including Malaysia's existing price control measures and the nation's economy's continued spare capacity, are expected to limit price increases.

In the second quarter of 2022, the Malaysian economy grew by a stronger 8.9%. The low base from the Full Movement Control Order (FMCO) in June 2021 helped the gross domestic product (GDP) to some extent, but the growth in April and May 2022 was especially strong. Because of the steady improvement in labour market conditions and ongoing policy support, domestic demand has kept growing. As the nation moved closer to endemicity and reopened its international borders, the economy began to operate normally, which was reflected in the higher growth. The robust demand for electrical and electronic (E&E) products continues to support exports. By industry, growth was still being driven by the manufacturing and services industries.

Seasonally adjusted from quarter to quarter, the economy grew by 3.5% (1Q 2022: 3.8%). According to Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) data, four sectors contracted in first half of 2022 (1H2022), namely construction (-7%), mining (-5.1%), agriculture (-2.9%), and food and beverages and accommodation (-2.8%).

Meanwhile, inflation rates for both the headline and core measures rose to 2.8% and 2.5% in second quarter of 2022, respectively. Price increases were primarily caused by food consumed outside of the home and other food items, reflecting an improvement in demand conditions despite the high-cost environment. Malaysia's economic growth remains vulnerable to slower-than-expected global growth, escalation of geopolitical conflicts, and worsening supply chain disruptions. Despite the country's accelerating inflation, BNM Governor Tan Sri Nor Shamsiah said any adjustments to the central bank's monetary policy will be done in a "measured and gradual" manner to support sustainable economic growth in an environment of price stability.

For the 1H2022, Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM) said that total trade, exports and imports remained double-digit growth momentums. Total trade expanded 28.2%, supported by the increases in exports (+26.1%) and imports (+30.9%). Meanwhile, trade surplus rose by 6.7%. The country registered record high total trade, export and import value figures in the second quarter of 2022 (2Q2022). Total trade for 2Q22 increased by 32.7% to RM730.4 billion compared to second quarter of 2021. Exports surged by 30% to RM394.2 billion from RM303.3 billion in the preceding year, and imports, with a value of RM336.1 billion, expanded by 36.1%. Malaysia's import value grew 49.3% in June 2022 to a new record high of RM124.2 billion from RM83.2 billion a year earlier partly due to more imports of processed food and beverages, mainly for household consumption. Top contributors to the increase in Malaysia's imports included Singapore, China, Taiwan and the United States. Malaysia's June 2022 export value expansion from a year earlier was driven by higher sales value of products including electrical and electronic items besides petroleum and palm oil-based products. As of July 29, 2022, the international reserves of Bank Negara Malaysia amounted to USD109.2 billion, sufficient to cover 5.8 months of imports of goods and services and 1.1 times the short-term external debts. Meanwhile, the yields on the 3-year, 5-year, 7-year and 10-year Malaysia Government Securities (MGS) benchmarks closed at 3.50%, 3.71%, 3.84% and 3.88%, respectively.

Elsewhere, Bank Negara Malaysia's monetary policy committee (MPC) has raised the overnight policy rate (OPR) by 50 basis points since May 2022, reaching 2.50% in July 2022. This is the second successive rate hike in 2022. BNM noted that in Malaysia, economic activity has strengthened in recent months as reflected in the growth momentum in exports and retail spending as the nation makes the transition into endemicity. The unemployment rate also declined with higher labour participation and improving income prospects. On the back of the positive growth prospects for the Malaysian economy, the MPC decided to further adjust the degree of monetary accommodation. At the current OPR level, the stance of the monetary policy would remain accommodative and supportive of economic growth. The majority believed the rate hikes would continue for the remainder of the year amid rising inflation and BNM would continue its policy tightening further in the upcoming MPC meetings.

# **Market Outlook**

Following the reopening of international borders and the easing of Covid-19 limitations, BNM's policy stance is progressively shifting toward tightening in an effort to boost domestic demand, which is causing a demand-driven inflationary trend to develop. The Malaysian economy is expected to improve further in 2022, underpinned by continued expansion in external demand, and further improvement in the labour market. Moreover, in an environment of high input costs and improving demand, headline inflation is projected to average between 2.2% and 3.2%. Several key factors are expected to partly contain upward pressure on prices, namely the existing price control measures and the continued spare capacity in the economy. Nonetheless, the inflation outlook remains subject to commodity price developments, arising mainly from the

military conflict in Ukraine and prolonged supply-related disruptions. The central bank stated that exports and retail spending indicators affirm the positive growth momentum, supported by the transition to endemicity.

# **Strategy Going Forward**

During the period under review, the Fund invested 100% in Islamic short-term deposits, Islamic money market instruments and fixed income instruments with maturity of not more than one year. In accordance with the Fund's mandate, the Fund has invested in Government Investment Issue (GII) and Islamic commercial papers (ICP) and will continue to seek opportunities and achieve its goal by investing primarily in Islamic fixed income instruments.

Meanwhile, the economy is on track for a strong recovery, giving the central bank enough leeway to normalise monetary policy. Nonetheless, the developments surrounding the crisis in Ukraine, Covid-19, global supply chain circumstances, commodity price shocks, and financial market instability will continue to have an impact on the global growth outlook. We are keeping the fund's term between three and six months since we foresee another 25 bps rate hike this year, most likely at the end of 2022. We maintain our forecast that BNM will gradually raise the OPR by 25 bps at the September 2022 and November 2022 MPC meetings, with the final increase in the first quarter of 2023.

We will continue to position defensively as we look to capture opportunities in selected quality bonds with better yields; and stay invested in Islamic short-term money market instruments, with the maturity not exceeding 365 days to generate higher returns for the Fund. For risk management measures, the Fund will allocate a portion to Islamic short-term deposits of one month or less to meet regular redemptions by unit holders to manage liquidity risks.

# **Asset Allocation Of The Fund**

The asset allocation of the Fund is as follows:



# Portfolio composition table

Sector	July 2022 %
Islamic Fixed Income Instruments, Islamic Deposits and Money Market	
Instruments	99.99
Cash	0.01
Total	100.00

The portfolio composition was maintained at shorter duration (less than 1 year) and more liquid instruments to meet regular redemptions and to avoid liquidity risk.

# **Gearing And Credit Risk**

The Fund is not allowed to borrow money and thus is not exposed to volatility of profit rate charged for borrowing.

# **Key Investment Team**

There was no change in the key investment team during the financial period under review.

# **Key Risk Factors**

The potential risks associated with investing in the Fund are including but not limited to the followings:

- Market risk
- Inflation risk
- Manager risk
- Non-Compliance risk
- Financing risk
- Liquidity risk
- Interest rate risk
- Credit and default risk
- Counterparty risk

# Significant Changes In The State Of Affairs Of The Fund

For the financial period under review, there were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the Fund not otherwise disclosed in the financial statements.

# **Circumstances That Materially Affect Interest Of Unitholders**

For the financial period under review, there were no circumstances that materially affect any interest of the unitholders.

# **Cross Trade**

No cross trade transactions have been carried out during the financial period.

# **Soft Commissions**

During the financial period under review, we neither received soft commission nor rebates from any brokers by virtue of transaction conducted by the Fund.

# SHARIAH ADVISER'S REPORT

To the Unitholder of Phillip Wholesale Islamic Income Fund For the financial period from 1 May 2022 to 31 July 2022

We hereby confirm the following:

- 1. We have acted as the Shariah Adviser of **Phillip Wholesale Islamic Income Fund** ("the Fund"). Our responsibility is to ensure that the procedures and processes employed by Phillip Capital Management Sdn. Bhd. and that the provisions of the Deed dated 20 April 2021 are in accordance with Shariah principles.
- 2. In our opinion, Phillip Capital Management Sdn. Bhd. has managed and administered the Fund in accordance with Shariah principles and complied with applicable guidelines, rulings and decisions issued by the **Securities Commission Malaysia** ("SC") pertaining to Shariah matters for the financial period from 1 May 2022 to 31 July 2022. We also confirm that the investment portfolio of the Fund comprises of securities which have been classified as Shariah-compliant by the **Shariah Advisory Council** ("SAC") of the SC. For securities not certified by the SAC of the SC, we have determined that such securities are in accordance with Shariah principle and have complied with the applicable Shariah guidelines.

For Amanie Advisors Sdn. Bhd. (Registration No: 200501007003)(684050-H)

TAN SRI DR MOHD DAUD BAKAR

**Executive Chairman** 

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia 28 September 2022

# STATEMENT BY MANAGER

We, **Datin Hajjah Nona Binti Salleh** and **Loke Ka Wai**, being two of the directors of **Phillip Capital Management Sdn Bhd**, do hereby declare that, in the opinion of the Manager, the accompanying financial statements set out on pages 12 to 15 are prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Deeds, Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards, International Financial Reporting Standards and the relevant Securities Commission Malaysia guidelines so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of **Phillip Wholesale Islamic Income Fund** as at 31 July 2022 and of its financial performance, changes in net asset value and cash flows for the quarter period then ended.

Signed on behalf of the Manager in accordance with a resolution of the directors.

DATIN HAJJAH NONA BINTI SALLEH

Executive Chairperson

LOKE KA WAI
Executive Director

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia 28 September 2022

# **UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION As at 31 July 2022**

	31.07.2022 RM	31.07.2021 RM
Assets		
Investments	6,545,477	-
Shariah-based deposits with licensed financial		
institutions	338,258,408	320,620,471
Profit receivables	1,558,718	873,381
Cash and cash equivalents	46,771	14,072
Total assets	346,409,374	321,507,924
Liabilities		
Amount due to brokers/dealers	4,589,258	-
Amount due to Manager	81,248	65,433
Amount due to Trustee	4,417	3,979
Distributions payable	<u>-</u>	482,716
Other payables	15,876	2,962
Total liabilities	4,690,799	555,090
Total Equity/Net Asset Value ("NAV") attributable		
to unitholders	341,718,575	320,952,834
Total equity and liabilities	346,409,374	321,507,924
Number of units in circulation (units)	341,718,575	320,952,834
NAV per unit (ex-distribution)	1.0000	1.0000

# UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME For the financial period from 1 May 2022 to 31 July 2022

	01.05.2022 to 31.07.2022 RM	03.05.2021 to 31.07.2021 RM
Investment Income	4 054 040	000 010
Profit from financial assets measured at amortised cost	1,951,019	998,613
Expenses Manager's fee	247,249	109,948
Trustee's fee	13,224	7,311
Audit fee	2,092	1,917
Tax agent's fee	958	877
Administration expenses	1,088	634
	264,611	120,687
Net income before taxation Taxation	1,686,408	877,926 -
Net income after taxation and total comprehensive income for the financial period	1,686,408	877,926
Total comprehensive income comprises the following:		
Realised income	1,686,408	877,926
Distributions for the period Gross/Net distribution (RM)	1,686,408	877,926
Gross/Net distribution per unit (sen)	0.48	0.41

# UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSET VALUE For the financial period from 1 May 2022 to 31 July 2022

	Unitholders' capital RM	Retained earnings RM	Total RM
As at 3 May 2021 (date of launch) Total comprehensive income for the	-	-	-
period	-	877,926	877,926
Creation of units from applications	343,657,643	-	343,657,643
Creation of units from distributions	395,210	-	395,210
Cancellation of units	(23,100,019)	-	(23,100,019)
Distributions		(877,926)	(877,926)
As at 31 July 2021	320,952,834	-	320,952,834
As at 1 May 2022 Total comprehensive income for the	363,082,167	-	363,082,167
period	-	1,686,408	1,686,408
Creation of units from applications	63,700,000	-	63,700,000
Creation of units from distributions	1,686,408	-	1,686,408
Cancellation of units	(86,750,000)	-	(86,750,000)
Distributions	- -	(1,686,408)	(1,686,408)
As at 31 July 2022	341,718,575		341,718,575

# **UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**For the financial period from 1 May 2022 to 31 July 2022

	01.05.2022 to 31.07.2022 RM	03.05.2021 to 31.07.2021 RM
Cash flows from/(used in) operating activities Purchase of financial assets at amortised cost Placements of Shariah-based deposits with licensed financial institutions, net of withdrawals Profit received from financial assets measured at amortised cost Manager's fee paid Trustee's fee paid Payment for other fees and expenses Net cash from/(used in) operating activities	(1,986,499)  22,567,115 2,741,137 (252,457) (13,384) (1,088) 23,054,824	(320,620,471) 125,232 (44,514) (3,332) (467) (320,543,552)
Cash flows from/(used in) financing activities		
Proceeds from creation of units	63,700,000	343,657,643
Payments for cancellation of units	(86,750,000)	(23,100,019)
Net cash (used in)/from financing activities	(23,050,000)	320,557,624
Net increase/decrease in cash and cash equivalents	4,824	14,072
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the financial period/ date of launch	41,947	-
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of financial period	46,771	14,072
Cash and cash equivalents comprise: Cash at banks	46,771	14,072

# **CORPORATE INFORMATION**

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