PRINCIPAL DALI ASIA PACIFIC EQUITY GROWTH FUND

UNAUDITED SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE SIX MONTHS FINANCIAL PERIOD ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

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#### **INVESTORS' LETTER**

Dear Valued Investor,

Greetings from Principal Asset Management Berhad ("Principal Malaysia") and thank you for investing with us!

We are pleased to bring you a copy of the unaudited Semi-Annual Fund Report of the Principal DALI Asia Pacific Equity Growth Fund for the financial period ended 30 April 2024. You may also download this report from our website at <a href="https://www.principal.com.my">www.principal.com.my</a>.

We are happy to share that Principal Malaysia won two honours at the Asia Asset Management 2024 Best of the Best Awards. The awards were for Best of the Best Performance Awards: China A-Share Equity (3 years) for the Principal China Direct Opportunities Fund (Class MYR) and Best of the Best Country Awards: Best Institutional House – Malaysia. We also won another two awards at the 2024 Global Banking & Finance Awards® for Asset Management CEO of the Year Malaysia 2024 - Munirah Khairuddin and Asset Management Company of the Year Malaysia 2024. The World Business Oulook magazine also awarded us with the Best Investment Management and Solutions Provider Malaysia 2024, Best Institutional House Malaysia 2024, and Asset Management CEO (Munirah Khairuddin) of the Year Malaysia 2024 awards at its 2024 Annual Awards. We also won three awards at iFast Awards 2024 and another 7 awards at the LSEG Lipper Fund Awards 2024.

Digital innovation is central to our strategy, as we use data and technology to develop the right solutions for you. We will continue to advance our digital capabilities to provide easy access to your investment portfolio and enable you to carry out transactions seamlessly. Please continue to check out our website, like our Facebook page (@PrincipalAssetMY), follow us on our Instagram account (@principalassetmanagement\_my), and LinkedIn page (Principal Asset Management Berhad) for the latest updates, market insights and investment articles.

We appreciate your continuous support and the trust you place in us.

Yours faithfully, for **Principal Asset Management Berhad** 

#### **Munirah Khairuddin**

Country Head and Chief Executive Officer, Malaysia Non-Independent Executive Director

#### MANAGER'S REPORT

#### **FUND OBJECTIVE AND POLICY**

#### What is the investment objective of the Fund?

The Fund aims to provide investors with long-term capital growth by investing principally in equities. The Fund also seeks to outperform the benchmark.

#### Has the Fund achieved its objective?

The fund has met the above objective, especially in the last five years and period since inception.

## What are the Fund investment policy and principal investment strategy?

The Fund will invest a minimum of 70% and up to a maximum of 98% of its Net Asset Value ("NAV") in Shariah-compliant equities in order to gain long-term capital growth and up to 28% of its NAV in other permissible Shariah-compliant investments. The Fund may opt to invest in foreign Shariahcompliant equities up to a maximum of 70% of its NAV. Such foreign Shariah-compliant equities must be securities of companies domiciled in, listed in, and/or have significant operations in countries in Asia Pacific ex Japan. 'Significant operations' means major businesses of the company. For example, the Fund can invest in a company with significant business and/or operations in Thailand but listed on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"). The threshold for 'significant operations' would be if more than 25% of total group revenue derives from countries in Asia Pacific ex Japan. The calculation would be based on the most recent financial reports released by the companies (e.g. interim and annual reports). Notwithstanding, up to 20% of the Fund's investment in foreign Shariahcompliant equities may be from companies that are listed globally with some operations or businesses within the Asia Pacific ex Japan region to capture growth opportunities with effect from 16 August 2021. The Fund may also opt to seek investment exposure via Islamic collective investment scheme that is in line with the Fund's objective, subject to the requirements of the Guidelines of Unit Trust Funds ("GUTF") issued by Securities Commission Malaysia. In addition, Islamic liquid assets may be strategically used if the Manager feel that the market downside risk is high in the short-term.

The asset allocation strategy for this Fund is as follows:

- between 70% to 98% (both inclusive) of the Fund's NAV will be invested in Shariah-compliant equities;
- up to 28% of the Fund's NAV in other permissible Shariah-compliant investments; and
- at least 2% of the Fund's NAV in Islamic liquid assets.

## **Base Currency**

Malaysian Ringgit ("MYR")

#### Fund category/ type

Equity (Shariah-compliant)/ Growth

# When was the Fund launched?

8 October 2004

# What was the size of the Fund as at 30 April 2024?

RM1,373.56 million (2,219.31 million units)

# What is the Fund's benchmark?

30% FTSE Bursa Malaysia ("FBM") EMAS Shariah ("FBMS") Index + 70% MSCI All Country ("MSCI AC") Asia ex Japan Islamic Index.

Note: The benchmark is for performance comparison purpose only. The benchmark is customised as such to align it closer to the structure of the portfolio and to reflect the composition of the portfolio in line with the markets they operate in and its objectives. Investors are cautioned that the risk profile of the Fund is higher than the benchmark.

# **FUND OBJECTIVE AND POLICY (CONTINUED)**

# What is the Fund distribution policy?

The Manager has the discretion to distribute a part or all of the Fund's distributable income. The distribution (if any) may vary from period to period depending on the investment objective and the performance of the Fund.

What was the net income distribution for the six months financial period ended 30 April 2024? There was no income distribution for the six months financial period ended 30 April 2024.

#### PERFORMANCE DATA

Details of portfolio composition of the Fund for the last three unaudited financial periods were as follows:

	30.04.2024	30.04.2023	30.04.2022
	%	%	%
Shariah-compliant collective investment			
schemes	2.21	2.42	2.02
Shariah-compliant quoted securities			
- Communication Services	2.94	5.35	8.33
- Consumer Discretionary	11.10	10.09	8.86
- Consumer Staples	7.54	6.37	8.66
- Energy	8.95	9.06	7.00
- Financials	-	0.79	1.20
- Health Care	4.67	4.88	8.79
- Industrials	5.44	9.97	8.58
- Information Technology	37.05	30.93	28.91
- Materials	3.66	10.37	12.35
- Real Estate	8.07	4.81	2.03
- Utilities	3.48	0.51	-
Cash and other assets	5.35	5.41	3.61
Liabilities	(0.46)	(0.96)	(0.34)
	100.00	100.00	100.00

Performance details of the Fund for the last three unaudited financial periods were as follows:

	30.04.2024	30.04.2023	30.04.2022
NAV (RM Million)	1,373.56	1,291.50	1,494.40
Units in circulation (Million)	2,219.31	2,455.04	2,449.08
NAV per unit (RM)	0.6189	0.5260	0.6101
	01.11.2023 to 30.04.2024	01.11.2022 to 30.04.2023	01.11.2021 to 30.04.2022
Highest NAV per unit (RM)	0.6308	0.5389	0.6624
Lowest NAV per unit (RM)	0.5327	0.5102	0.5769
Total return (%)	16.54	2.75	(6.85)
- Capital growth (%)	16.54	2.75	(6.85)
- Income distribution (%)	-	-	-
Total Expense Ratio ("TER") (%)	0.78	0.77	0.78
Portfolio Turnover Ratio ("PTR") (times) #	0.41	0.34	0.41

<sup>^</sup> The Fund's TER increased from 0.77% to 0.78% was mainly due to increase in expenses during the financial period under review.

#### PERFORMANCE DATA (CONTINUED)

Performance details of the Fund for the last three unaudited financial periods were as follows: (continued):

# The Fund's PTR increased due to increased trading but has maintained largely in line with prior period.

	30.04.2024	30.04.2023	30.04.2022	30.04.2021	30.04.2020
	%	%	%	%	%
Annual total return	17.65	(10.99)	(8.41)	40.70	(0.70)

(Launch date: 8 October 2004)

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance and that unit prices and investment returns may go down, as well as up. All performance figures for the financial period have been extracted from Lipper.

#### MARKET REVIEW (1 NOVEMBER 2023 TO 30 APRIL 2024)

#### Asia Pacific ex-Japan

At the start of the period, in October 2023 to November 2023, with inflation now showing consecutive months of sustained decline, the Federal Reserve (the "Fed") went from raising rates and tackling inflation in 2023 to calibrating how many rate cuts to implement from 2024 onwards to avoid being overly restrictive on the economy. This was supportive for equities in terms of multiple expansion, provided earnings do not get marked down significantly. The magnitude of rate cuts would highly depend on the inflation and economic growth trajectory, whereby a soft landing is currently expected.

Although we were seeing incrementally more stimulative measures being taken in China, e.g. expectations of Chinese Yuan ("CNY") 1tr (~0.8% of Gross Domestic Product ("GDP")) sovereign debt issuance to fund water conservancy and flood prevention projects, it remains to be seen whether private sector and consumer confidence can improve meaningfully.

Towards the end of the period, We are starting to see more forceful measures in China as witnessed by several moves including a 25bps cut in the five-year loan prime rate which affects mortgages, sovereign entities buying more exchange traded funds (ETFs) and some green shoots in the economy with better tourism spending during the Spring Festival. While we have turned incrementally more positive on China, we are mindful that its policies are a work-in-progress and efficacies remain to be seen. Meanwhile, in South Korea, the government's efforts to promote shareholder returns known as 'Corporate Value-up Program" akin to what happened in Japan could result in a re-rating in the stock market in the longer run. In Asia, we are positive on the recovery of the technology hardware cycle and broad-based growth in India.

#### **Malaysia**

The FBMS Index rose 9.80% in Malaysian Ringgit ("MYR/RM") terms during the financial year under review.

The FBMS Index gained 88 points to 10,929 points or 0.8% in November 2023. Overall sentiment was lifted by expectations that the Fed may be done with rate hikes given the cooling inflation and recent economic data out of the United States ("US"). The pullback in U.S Treasury ("UST") yields and the weaker United States Dollar ("USD") lifted interest in Emerging Market ("EM") markets.

The FBMS Index gained 59 points to 10,989 points or 0.5% in December 2023. Investors rejoiced at Fed's decision to hold rates and signaling the end of hikes given the cooling inflation data and recent economic data out of the US, coupled with the weaker USD and falling treasury yields. Utilities, Healthcare and select Telcos saw gains, while select commodities and Consumer-related names were sold off. Within the broader market, Technology and Gloves did well, the latter spurred by recent surge in Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19") cases.

#### MARKET REVIEW (1 NOVEMBER 2023 TO 30 APRIL 2024) (CONTINUED)

FBMS was up 2.6% or 289.4 points in January 2024, closing the month at 11,278.09 points. Sentiment was lifted by Fed's communication on interest rates given the recent cooling inflation and economic data out of the US. The weaker Dollar and lower treasury yield that ensued favored EM. Utilities, Commodities, and Telcos topped the gainers list. Within the broader market, Energy, Construction and Property did well, while Technology languished despite the sentiment on Federal Reserve (the "Fed") rates.

FBMS's rally extended into February 2024, up 2.2% to close the month at 11,527.99 points. This marked the 4th consecutive month of gains, with Malaysia outperforming most the Association of Southeast Asian Nations ("ASEAN") markets. This was also despite the stronger USD following stronger-than-expected inflation and economic data out of the US, and bets on rate cuts by the Fed pushed back. Utilities, Commodities and Telcos topped the gainers list. Within the broader market, Energy did well, and Technology rebounded strongly.

FBMS's rally extended into March, up 1.0% to close the month at 11,643.52 pts. This marked the 4th consecutive month of gains, with Malaysia outperforming most ASEAN markets. Bets on rate cuts by the Fed were pushed back given the persistent strong data out of the US, and there was an absence of fresh catalysts domestically. During the month, there were also distortions caused by FTSE rebalancing (as well as MSCI rebalancing in Feb 2024) and many index stocks going exdividends. Transport, Utilities and Commodities topped the gainers list while Telcos languished. Within the broader market, Property, Construction, Technology, Healthcare and Energy did well.

FBMS's rally extended into April 2024, up 3.9% to close the month at 11,085.94 pts. This marked the 5th consecutive month of gains, with Malaysia outperforming most ASEAN markets. Bets on rate cuts by the Fed were pushed back given the persistent strong data out of the US. The rally was broad-based but Utilities, Industrial, Healthcare and Transport led gains while Energy eased. Within the broader market, Property and Consumer did well.

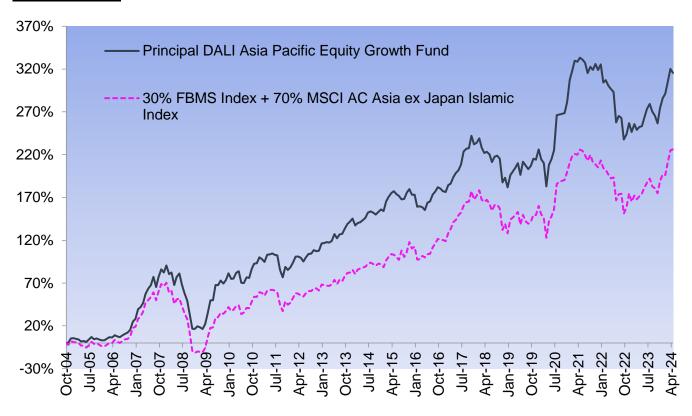
#### **FUND PERFORMANCE**

6 months to 30.04.2024 %	1 year to 30.04.2024 %	3 years to 30.04.2024 %	5 years to 30.04.2024 %	ince inception to 30.04.2024
-	-	6.78	9.95	75.16
16.54	17.65	(10.19)	21.87	137.20
16.54	17.65	(4.10)	33.99	315.48
18.68	18.90	0.10	29.00	226.28
35.95	17.65	(1.38)	6.02	7.55
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In the last six months, the Fund returned 16.54% versus the benchmark of 18.68%.

# **FUND PERFORMANCE (CONTINUED)**

# **Since Inception**



### **Changes in NAV**

	30.04.2024	31.10.2023 Audited	Changes
			%
NAV (RM Million)	1,373.56	1,259.28	9.08
NAV/Unit (RM)	0.6189	0.5309	16.58

NAV has increased by 9.08% in the last six months due to Fund performance.

Performance data represents the combined income and capital return as a result of holding units in the Fund for the specified length of time, based on NAV to NAV price. The performance data assumes that all earnings from the Fund are reinvested and are net of management and trustee fees. Past performance is not reflective of future performance and income distributions are not guaranteed. Unit prices and income distributions, if any, may fall and rise. All performance figures for the financial period have been extracted from Lipper.

#### **PORTFOLIO STRUCTURE**

#### **Asset allocation**

(% of NAV)	30.04.2024	31.10.2023 Audited
Shariah-compliant collective investment schemes	2.21	2.46
Shariah-compliant quoted securities - local	28.64	28.16
Shariah-compliant quoted securities - foreign	64.26	64.73
Cash and other assets	5.35	5.42
Liabilities	(0.46)	(0.77)
TOTAL	100.00	100.00

Our asset allocation has largely been maintained compared to the prior period.

#### MARKET OUTLOOK\*

#### Asia Pacific ex-Japan

While the US economy has kept defying pessimists, there are incremental signs such as a weaker consumer confidence index and corporate commentaries regarding softer consumer spend. This could lead to a resumption of the disinflation narrative that we had seen previously. Nonetheless, the reality is that the near-term policy path is highly uncertain. The market now expects 1-2 rate cuts by Year end, from 6 cuts forecasted at the beginning of the year.

In China, we continue to see green shoots emerging (second consecutive month of Purchasing Manager's Index ("PMI") above 50) and expectations of potential intervention in the housing market. While premature to conclude, we also see some stabilization in policy making and thus stabilization in private sector confidence. In Asia, we are positive on the recovery of the technology hardware cycle in South Korea and Taiwan and broad-based growth in India. Risks: a) Global economic and interest rate trajectory b) Geopolitics: US-China tensions which can range from various sanctions, financial markets and military conflicts

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## **Malaysia**

Malaysia's manufacturing sector improved in April 2024 with the Purchasing Manager's Index ("PMI") reading at 49.0 points ("pts") vs 48.4pts in March 2024. Standard & Poor's ("S&P") Global saw evidence of demand conditions moving on an upward trajectory given the softer moderations in production, new business and purchasing, coupled with renewed expansion in new export sales to the strongest level in 3 years. That said, business confidence waned and are growingly unsure regarding the timing and speed of demand recovery citing concerns on the global economy. Higher raw material prices and currency weakness added to firms' input costs and output charges. The latest PMI data still supports a modest improvement official statistic. To recap, Bank Negara Malaysia ("BNM") projects Gross Domestic Product ("GDP") to grow 4-5% in 2024, from an estimate of 3.8% in 2023.

We expect BNM to maintain Overnights Policy Rate ("OPR") at 3.00% in the upcoming Monetary Policy Committee ("MPC") meeting, and we expect it to remain unchanged for the rest of the year given muted inflation and modest economic growth. Inflation stayed at 1.8% in March 2024, similar to February 2024. There appears to be sufficient headroom to central bank's latest 2.0-3.5% Consumer Price Index ("CPI") forecast for 2024 with the impending subsidy rationalization plans.

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#### **INVESTMENT STRATEGY**

# Asia Pacific ex-Japan

We remain fully invested and well positioned in the areas of a) bottoming of the tech hardware cycle b) strong private sector confidence in India c) select global names with resilient demand in the areas of consumption and technology.

#### **INVESTMENT STRATEGY (CONTINUED)**

#### **Malaysia**

We remain positive on the market. We remain constructive on sectors that stand to gain from the National Energy Transition Roadmap ("NETR"), including Utilities, Construction, and Property. Additionally, we remain optimistic on selective Technology due to the ongoing structural growth trends in the sector.

Key risks are the derailment of Malaysia's macroeconomic recovery and corporate earnings growth due to the larger-than-expected impact of rising inflation, slower global economic growth, and heightened geopolitical risks.

### **SOFT COMMISSIONS AND REBATES**

Principal Malaysia (the "Manager"), the Sub-Manager and the Trustee will not retain any form of rebate from, or otherwise share in any commission with, any broker or dealer in consideration for directing dealings in the investments of the Principal Malaysia Funds ("Funds"). Accordingly, any rebate or shared commission will be directed to the account of the Fund. We may retain goods and services (soft commission) provided by any broker or dealer if the following conditions are met:

- (a) the soft commission brings direct benefit or advantage to the management of the Fund and may include research and advisory related services;
- (b) any dealings with the broker or dealer is executed on terms which are the most favourable for the Fund; and
- (c) the availability of soft commission is not the sole or primary purpose to perform or arrange transactions with such broker or dealer, and we and the fund the manager will not enter into unnecessary trades in order to achieve a sufficient volume of transactions to qualify for soft commission.

During the financial period review, the Manager, the Sub-Manager and Trustee did not receive any rebates from the brokers or dealers but the Manager has retained soft commission in the form of goods and services for the benefit of the fund such as financial wire services and stock quotations system incidental to investment management of the Funds and there was no churning of trades.

#### SECURITIES FINANCING TRANSACTIONS

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

#### STATE OF AFFAIR OF THE FUND

There were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the Fund during the financial period and up to the date of Manager's report, not otherwise disclosed in the financial statements.

#### 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.

#### **CROSS TRADE**

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

#### **UNIT SPLIT**

No unit split exercise has been carried out during the financial period.

# STATEMENT BY MANAGER TO THE UNIT HOLDERS OF PRINCIPAL DALI ASIA PACIFIC EQUITY GROWTH FUND

We, being the Directors of Principal Asset Management Berhad, do hereby state that, in the opinion of the Manager, the accompanying unaudited financial statements set out on pages 5 to 40 are drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Deeds 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 assets attributable to unit holders and cash flows for the financial period then ended in accordance with the provisions of the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ("MFRS") 134 - Interim Financial Reporting and International Accounting Standards ("IAS") 34 - Interim Financial Reporting.

For and on behalf of the Manager

Principal Asset Management Berhad (Company No.: 199401018399 (304078-K))

#### **MUNIRAH KHAIRUDDIN**

Country Head and Chief Executive Officer, Malaysia Non-Independent Executive Director

#### **UDAY JAYARAM**

Executive Managing Director, Head of Southeast Asia Non-Independent Executive Director

Kuala Lumpur 13 June 2024

#### TRUSTEE'S REPORT

To the unit holders of PRINCIPAL DALI ASIA PACIFIC EQUITY GROWTH FUND ("Fund"),

We have acted as Trustee of the fund for the financial period ended 1 November 2023 and we hereby confirm to the best of our knowledge, after having made all reasonable enquiries, PRINCIPAL ASSET MANAGEMENT BERHAD has operated and managed the Fund during the period covered by these financial statements in accordance with the following:

- a) Limitations imposed on the Investment powers of the management company under the deed, securities laws and the Guidelines on Unit Trust Fund;
- b) Valuation and pricing is carried out in accordance with the deed; and
- c) Any creation and cancellation of units are carried out in accordance with the deed and any regulatory requirement.

#### For AMANAHRAYA TRUSTEES BERHAD

#### **ZAINUDIN BIN SUHAIMI**

Chief Executive Officer

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia 13 June 2024

#### TRUSTEE'S REPORT

# TO THE UNIT HOLDERS OF PRINCIPAL DALI ASIA PACIFIC EQUITY GROWTH FUND ("Fund")

We have acted as Trustee of the Fund for the financial period from 2 November 2023 to 30 April 2024 and we hereby confirm to the best of our knowledge, after having made all reasonable enquires, Principal Asset Management Berhad 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 Deeds, securities laws and the Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds;
- 2. Valuation and pricing is carried out in accordance with the Deeds; and
- 3. Any creation and cancellation of units are carried out in accordance with the Deeds and any regulatory requirement.

For HSBC (Malaysia) Trustee Berhad

Yap Lay Guat Manager, Investment Compliance Monitoring

Kuala Lumpur 13 June 2024

#### SHARIAH ADVISER'S REPORT

To the Unit Holders of Principal DALI Asia Pacific Equity Growth Fund ("Fund")

For the Six Months Financial Period ended 30 April 2024

We hereby confirm the following:

- 1. To the best of our knowledge, after having made all reasonable enquiries, Principal Asset Management Berhad has operated and managed the Fund during the period covered by these financial statements in accordance with the Shariah principles and complied with the applicable guidelines, rulings or decisions issued by the Securities Commission Malaysia ("SC") pertaining to Shariah matters; and
- 2. The asset of the Fund comprises of instruments that have been classified as Shariah compliant.

For Amanie Advisors Sdn Bhd

Tan Sri Dr Mohd Daud Bakar Executive Chairman

Kuala Lumpur 13 June 2024

# UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE SIX MONTHS FINANCIAL PERIOD ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

	Note	01.11.2023 to 30.04.2024 RM	01.11.2022 to 30.04.2023 RM
INCOME/(LOSS)	note	KIVI	KIVI
Dividend income Profit income from Shariah-compliant deposits with licensed Islamic financial institutions and		11,728,674	13,625,878
Hibah Net gain on financial assets at fair value		106,152	176,883
through profit or loss	7	213,273,788	42,071,225
Net foreign exchange loss		(1,505,874)	(5,626,155)
		223,602,740	50,247,831
EXPENSES			
Management fee	4	10,082,313	9,713,316
Trustee and custodian fees	5	577,164	567,671
Audit fee		3,906	4,661
Tax agent's fee		58,715	2,500
Transaction costs		2,434,069	1,908,253
Other expenses	_	1,300,238	943,951
	_	14,456,405	13,140,352
PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION		209,146,335	37,107,479
Taxation	6 _	(4,724,203)	(1,321,158)
PROFIT AFTER TAXATION, REPRESENTING TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR			
THE FINANCIAL PERIOD	_	204,422,132	35,786,321
Profit after taxation is made up as follows:			
Realised amount		(17,312,469)	(211,255,255)
Unrealised amount		221,734,601	247,041,576
		204,422,132	35,786,321
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# UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 APRIL 2024

		30.04.2024	31.10.2023 Audited
	Note	RM	RM
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	8	44,105,835	65,154,699
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	7	1,306,175,268	1,200,725,127
Amount due from stockbrokers		24,921,693	-
Amount due from Manager		2,363,416	1,736,717
Amount due from Manager of Shariah-compliant collective investment schemes			
- management fee rebate		362,060	377,012
Dividends receivable		838,028	501,888
Tax recoverable		912,420	515,025
TOTAL ASSETS		1,379,678,720	1,269,010,468
LIABILITIES			
Amount due to stockbrokers		-	4,471,215
Amount due to Manager		4,228,140	3,427,364
Accrued management fee		1,683,590	1,623,293
Amount due to Trustee		51,045	65,646
Other payables and accruals		49,716	52,172
Deferred tax liabilities		107,938	91,480
TOTAL LIABILITIES		6,120,429	9,731,170
NET ASSET VALUE OF THE FUND		1,373,558,291	1,259,279,298
NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT			
HOLDERS	10	1,373,558,291	1,259,279,298
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NUMBER OF UNITS IN CIRCULATION (UNITS)	9	2,219,313,762	2,371,958,154
NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT (RM)		0.6189	0.5309

# UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDERS FOR THE SIX MONTHS FINANCIAL PERIOD ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

		01.11.2023 to 30.04.2024	01.11.2022 to 30.04.2023
NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDERS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE	Note	RM	RM
FINANCIAL PERIOD		1,259,279,298	1,281,483,051
Movement due to units created and cancelled during the financial period: - Creation of units from applications and unit			
split		73,827,515	50,753,173
- Cancellation of units		(163,970,654)	(76,526,901)
		(90,143,139)	(25,773,728)
Total comprehensive income for the financial period		204,422,132	35,786,321
political			
NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDERS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL			
PERIOD	10	1,373,558,291	1,291,495,644

# UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE SIX MONTHS FINANCIAL PERIOD ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

	01.11.2023 to 30.04.2024 RM	01.11.2022 to 30.04.2023 RM
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Proceeds from disposal of Shariah-compliant		
quoted securities	577,079,916	437,967,222
Purchase of Shariah-compliant quoted securities	(500,960,593)	(452,000,395)
Dividend income received Profit income received from Shariah-compliant deposits with licensed Islamic financial	9,850,119	11,936,299
institutions and Hibah earned	106,152	176,883
Management fee paid	(10,022,016)	(9,731,966)
Management fee rebates received	205,296	76,569
Trustee and custodian fees paid	(591,765)	(568,505)
Payments for other fees and expenses	(84,921)	(16,571)
Tax paid	(5,105,140)	(2,132,759)
Net realised foreign exchange loss	(1,223,793)	(188,906,385)
Net cash generated from/(used in) operating activities	69,253,255	(203,199,608)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Cash proceeds from units created	73,200,817	51,904,369
Payments for cancellation of units	(163,169,878)	(77,266,823)
Net cash used in financing activities	(89,969,061)	(25,362,454)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(20,715,806)	(228,562,062)
Effects of foreign exchange differences  Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the	(333,058)	184,489,555
financial period	65,154,699	112,090,168
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial period	44,105,835	68,017,661
Cash and cash equivalents comprised of: Shariah-compliant deposits with licensed Islamic		
financial institutions	12,115,997	42,766,955
Bank balances	31,989,838	25,250,706
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial period	44,105,835	68,017,661

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS FINANCIAL PERIOD ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

#### 1. THE FUND, THE MANAGER, AND ITS PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

Principal DALI Asia Pacific Equity Growth (the "Fund") is governed pursuant to a Master Deed dated 15 May 2008, a Fourth Supplemental Master Deed dated 25 June 2008, a Fifth Supplemental Master Deed dated 25 June 2008, a Sixth Supplemental Master Deed dated 14 July 2008, a Seventh Supplemental Master Deed dated 19 November 2008, a Fourteenth Supplemental Master Deed dated 26 June 2012, a Seventeenth Supplemental Master Deed dated 29 April 2015, a Nineteenth Supplemental Master Deed dated 29 April 2015, a Nineteenth Supplemental Master Deed dated 18 June 2019, a Twentythird Supplemental Master Deed dated 27 June 2022, a Twentyfourth Supplemental Master Deed dated 20 September 2022 (collectively referred to as the "Deeds") made between Principal Asset Management Berhad (the "Manager") and AmanahRaya Trustees Berhad (the "Previous Trustee") and a Twentyfifth Supplemental Master Deed dated 26 May 2023 (collectively referred to as the "Deeds") made between Principal Asset Management Berhad (the "Manager") and HSBC (Malaysia) Trustee Berhad (the "Trustee").

The Fund will invest a minimum of 70% and up to a maximum of 98% of its NAV in Shariahcompliant equities in order to gain long-term capital growth and up to 28% of its NAV in other permissible Shariah-compliant investments. The Fund may opt to invest in foreign Shariahcompliant equities up to a maximum of 70% of its NAV. Such foreign Shariah-compliant equities must be securities of companies domiciled in, listed in, and/or have significant operations in countries in Asia Pacific ex Japan. 'Significant operations' means major businesses of the company. For example, the Fund can invest in a company with significant business and/or operations in Thailand but listed on the NYSE. The threshold for 'significant operations' would be if more than 25% of total group revenue derives from countries in Asia Pacific ex Japan. The calculation would be based on the most recent financial reports released by the companies (e.g. interim and annual reports). Notwithstanding, up to 20% of the Fund's investment in foreign Shariah-compliant equities may be from companies that are listed globally with some operations or businesses within the Asia Pacific ex Japan region to capture growth opportunities with effect from 16 August 2021. The Fund may also opt to seek investment exposure via Islamic collective investment scheme that is in line with the Fund's objective, subject to the requirements of the GUTF issued by Securities Commission Malaysia. In addition, Islamic liquid assets may be strategically used if the Manager feel that the market downside risk is high in the short-term.

The asset allocation strategy for this Fund is as follows:

- between 70% to 98% (both inclusive) of the Fund's NAV will be invested in Shariahcompliant equities;
- up to 28% of the Fund's NAV in other permissible Shariah-compliant investments; and
- at least 2% of the Fund's NAV in Islamic liquid assets.

All investments are subject to the GUTF, SC requirements, the Deeds, except where exemptions or variations have been approved by the SC, internal policies and procedures and the Fund's objective.

The Manager is a joint venture between Principal Financial Group®, a member of the FORTUNE 500® and a Nasdaq-listed global financial services and CIMB Group Holdings Berhad, one of Southeast Asia's leading universal banking groups. The principal activities of the Manager are the establishment and management of unit trust funds and fund management activities.

#### 2. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

# (a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the MFRS as issued by the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board ("MASB") and International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB").

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with 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 period.

It also requires the Manager to exercise their judgement in the process of applying the Fund's accounting policies. Although these estimates and assumptions 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 2(I).

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

None of the standards, amendments to standards or interpretations that are effective for the financial period beginning on/after 1 May 2024 are applicable to the Fund.

#### (b) Financial assets and financial liabilities

#### 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 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 Fund has not taken the option to irrevocably designate any equity securities as fair value through other comprehensive income ("OCI").

#### (b) Financial assets and financial liabilities (continued)

#### Classification (continued)

The contractual cash flows of the Fund's debt securities are solely principal and interest<sup>1</sup> ("SPPI"). However, these 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 investments are measured at fair value through profit or loss.

The Fund classifies cash and cash equivalents, amount due from stockbrokers, amount due from Manager, amount due from Manager of Shariah-compliant collective investment schemes - management fee rebate and dividends receivable as financial assets at amortised cost as these financial assets are held to collect contractual cash flows consisting of the amount outstanding.

All of the Fund's financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost.

### 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. Shariah-compliant investments are initially recognised at fair value. Transaction costs are expensed in the statement of comprehensive income.

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

Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the Shariah-compliant 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 are presented in the statement of comprehensive income within net gain or loss on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss in the financial period which they arise.

Dividend income from financial assets at fair value through profit or loss is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income as part of gross dividend income when the Fund's right to receive payments is established.

Shariah-compliant collective investment schemes are valued based on the most recent published NAV per unit or share of such Shariah-compliant collective investment scheme or, if unavailable, the last published price of such unit or share (excluding any sales charge included in such selling price).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For the purposes of this Fund, interest refers to profits earned from Shariah-compliant investments.

#### (b) Financial assets and financial liabilities (continued)

#### Recognition and measurement (continued)

Shariah-compliant quoted securities in Malaysia are valued at the last traded market price quoted on Bursa Malaysia Securities Bhd ("Bursa Securities") at the date of the statement of financial position.

Foreign Shariah-compliant quoted securities are valued at the last traded market price quoted on the respective foreign stock exchanges at the close of the business day of the respective foreign stock exchanges.

If a valuation based on the market price does not represent the fair value of the Shariah-compliant quoted securities, for example during abnormal market conditions or when no market price is available, including in the event of a suspension in the quotation of the Shariah-compliant quoted securities for a period exceeding 14 days, or such shorter period as agreed by the Trustee, then the Shariah-compliant quoted securities are valued as determined in good faith by the Manager, based on the methods or bases approved by the Trustee after appropriate technical consultation.

Shariah-compliant deposits with licensed Islamic 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 deposits.

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

#### Impairment for assets carried at amortised costs

The Fund measures credit risk and expected credit losses ("ECL") using probability of default, exposure at default and loss given default. The Manager considers both historical analysis and forward looking information in determining any ECL. The Manager considers the probability of default to be close to zero as these 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 ECL as any such impairment would be wholly insignificant to the Fund.

# Significant increase in credit risk

A significant increase in credit risk is defined by the Manager 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.

#### (b) Financial assets and financial liabilities (continued)

#### 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.

## (c) Income recognition

Dividend income is recognised on the ex-dividend date when the right to receive payment is established.

Profit income from Shariah-compliant deposits with licensed Islamic financial institutions is recognised on a time proportionate basis using the effective profit rate method on an accrual basis.

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 or loss on disposal of Shariah-compliant collective investment schemes and Shariah-compliant quoted securities are accounted for as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of Shariah-compliant collective investment schemes and Shariah-compliant quoted securities, determined on a weighted average cost basis.

#### (d) Foreign currency

#### Functional and presentation 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 Malaysian Ringgit ("MYR"), which is the Fund's functional and presentation currency.

Due to mixed factors in determining the functional currency of the Fund, the Manager has used its judgement to determine the functional currency that most faithfully represents the economic effects of the underlying transactions, events and conditions and have determined the functional currency to be in MYR primarily due to the following factors:

- i) The Fund's units are denominated in MYR.
- ii) Significant portion of the Fund's expenses are denominated in MYR.

#### (d) Foreign currency (continued)

#### Transactions and balances

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 remeasured. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at financial period-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in statement of comprehensive income.

# (e) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise bank balance and Shariah-compliant deposits held in highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amount of cash and which are subjected to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

#### (f) Taxation

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

Tax on investment income from foreign Shariah-compliant quoted securities is based on the tax regime of the respective countries that the Fund invests in.

Withholding taxes on investment income from investment are based on tax regime of the respective countries that the Fund invests in. Such withholding taxed are not "income tax" in nature and are recognised and measured based on the requirements of MFRS 137. They are presented within other expenses line in the statement of comprehensive income.

#### (g) Transaction costs

Transaction costs are costs incurred to acquire or dispose financial assets or liabilities at fair value through profit or loss. They include fees and commissions paid to agents, advisors, brokers, and dealers. Transaction costs, when incurred, are immediately recognised in the statement of comprehensive income as expenses.

#### (h) Management fee rebate

Management fee rebate is derived from the Manager and Manager of the Shariahcompliant collective investment schemes on an accrual basis to ensure no double charging of management fee. It is accrued daily based on the fair value of Shariahcompliant collective investment schemes held.

#### (i) Amount due from/to stockbrokers

Amounts due from/to stockbrokers represent receivables for Shariah-compliant investments sold and payables for Shariah-compliant investments purchased that have been contracted for but not yet settled or delivered on the statement of financial position date respectively.

# (j) Unit holders' contributions

The unit holders' contributions to the Fund meet the criteria to be classified as equity instruments under MFRS 132 "Financial Instruments: Presentation". Those criteria include:

- the units entitle the holder to a proportionate share of the Fund's NAV;
- the units are the most subordinated class and class features are identical;
- there are no contractual obligations to deliver cash or another financial asset other than the obligation on the Fund to repurchase; and
- the total expected cash flows from the units over its life are based substantially on the profit or loss of the Fund.

The outstanding units are carried at the redemption amount that is payable at each financial period if unit holder exercises the right to put the unit back to the Fund.

Units are created and cancelled at prices based on the Fund's NAV per unit at the time of creation or cancellation. The Fund's NAV per unit is calculated by dividing the net assets attributable to unit holders with the total number of outstanding units.

# (k) Realised and unrealised portions of profit or loss after tax

The analysis of realised and unrealised portions of profit or loss after tax as presented on the statement of comprehensive income is prepared in accordance with GUTF.

# (I) 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.

In undertaking any of the Fund's Shariah-compliant investments, 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 GUTF.

However, the Manager is of the opinion that there are no accounting policies which require significant judgement to be exercised.

#### 3. RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Fund aims to provide investors with long-term capital growth by investing principally in equities. The Fund also seeks to outperform the benchmark.

The Fund is exposed to a variety of risks which include market risk (inclusive of price risk, interest rate risk and currency risk), credit risk and liquidity risk.

Financial risk management is carried out through internal control process adopted by the Manager and adherence to the investment restrictions as stipulated in the Deeds and GUTF.

# (a) Market risk

# (i) Price risk

This is the risk that the fair value of investment in Shariah-compliant collective investment schemes and Shariah-compliant quoted securities will fluctuate because of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate risk and currency risk). The value of Shariah-compliant investments may fluctuate according to the activities of individual companies, sector and overall political and economic conditions. Such fluctuation may cause the Fund's NAV and prices of units to fall as well as rise, and income produced by the Fund may also fluctuate.

The price risk is managed through diversification and selection of Shariah-compliant collective investment schemes, Shariah-compliant quoted securities, and other financial instruments within specified limits according to the Deeds.

#### (ii) Interest rate risk

Interest rate is a general economic indicator that will have an impact on the management of the Fund. It does not in any way suggest that this Fund will invest in conventional financial instruments. All investment carried out for the Fund including placements and deposits are in accordance with Shariah.

Fair value interest rate risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market profit rates.

The Fund's exposure to fair value interest rate risk arises from Shariah-compliant investments in money market instruments. The interest rate risk is expected to be minimal as the Fund's investments comprise mainly Shariah-compliant short-term deposits with approved licensed Islamic financial institutions.

Cash flow interest rate risk is the risk that the future cash flow of a financial statement will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates.

The Fund is not exposed to cash flow interest rate risk as the Fund does not hold any financial instruments at variable profit rate.

As at the end of each financial period, the Fund is not exposed to a material level of interest rate risk.

# (iii) Currency risk

Currency risk of the Fund is associated with Shariah-compliant investments that are quoted and/or priced in foreign currency denomination. Foreign currency risk is the risk that the value of financial instruments will fluctuate due to changes in foreign exchange rates. The Manager will evaluate the likely directions of a foreign currency versus MYR based on considerations of economic fundamentals such as profit rate differentials, balance of payments position, debt levels, and technical chart considerations.

#### (b) Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that counterparty will default on its contractual obligation resulting in financial loss to the Fund.

The credit risk arising from placements of Shariah-compliant deposits in licensed Islamic financial institutions is managed by ensuring that the Fund will only place Shariah-compliant deposits in reputable licensed Islamic financial institutions.

For amount due from stockbrokers, the settlement terms are governed by the relevant rules and regulations as prescribed by respective stock exchanges. The credit risk is minimal as all transactions in Shariah-compliant quoted securities are settled/paid upon delivery using approved stockbrokers.

For amount due from Manager, the settlement terms of the proceeds from the creation of units receivable from the Manager are governed by the GUTF.

For amount due from Manager of collective investment schemes - management fee rebate, the Fund will invest with an investment management company of the collective investment schemes which is authorised or approved by the relevant regulatory authority in its home jurisdiction.

# (c) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Fund will encounter difficulty in meeting its financial obligations.

The Manager manages this risk by maintaining sufficient level of liquid assets to meet anticipated payments and cancellations of the units by unit holders. Liquid assets comprise bank balances, Shariah-compliant deposits with licensed Islamic financial institutions and other instruments, which are capable of being converted into cash within 7 business days. The Fund's investments in Shariah-compliant collective investment schemes are realisable which are capable of being converted into cash within 10 business days. Generally, all investments are subject to a certain degree of liquidity risk depending on the nature of the investment instruments, market, sector, and other factors. For the purpose of the Fund, the Manager will attempt to balance the entire portfolio by investing in a mix of assets with satisfactory trading volume and those that occasionally could encounter poor liquidity. This is expected to reduce the risks for the entire portfolio without limiting the Fund's growth potentials.

# (d) Capital risk management

The capital of the Fund is represented by net assets attributable to unit holders. The amount of capital can change significantly on a daily basis as the Fund is subject to daily subscriptions and redemptions at the discretion of unit holders. 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 to unit holders and benefits for other stakeholders and to maintain a strong capital base to support the development of the investment activities of the Fund.

#### (e) 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 traded in active markets (such as trading securities) is based on quoted market prices at the close of trading on the financial period end date. The Fund utilises the last traded market price for financial assets where the last traded price falls within the bid-ask spread. In circumstances where the last traded market price is not within the bid-ask spread, the Manager will determine the point within the bid-ask spread that is most representative of the fair value.

An active market is a market in which transactions for the asset or liability take place with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

The fair value of financial assets that are not traded in an active market is determined by using valuation techniques.

# (i) Fair value hierarchy

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

- Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active market for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1)
- 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 2)
- Inputs for the asset and liability that are not based on observable market data (that is, unobservable inputs) (Level 3)

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.

# (e) Fair value estimation (continued)

# (i) Fair value hierarchy (continued)

	Level 1 RM	Level 2 RM	Level 3 RM	Total RM
30.04.2024				
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss: - Shariah-compliant collective investment schemes	20 242 455			20 212 455
<ul> <li>Shariah-compliant quoted securities -</li> </ul>	30,312,455	-	-	30,312,455
local - Shariah-compliant quoted securities -	393,410,175	-	-	393,410,175
foreign	882,452,638	-	-	882,452,638
	1,306,175,268			1,306,175,268
31.10.2023 Audited Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss: - Shariah-compliant				
collective investment schemes - Shariah-compliant quoted securities -	30,970,434	-	-	30,970,434
local - Shariah-compliant quoted securities -	354,672,479	-	-	354,672,479
foreign	815,082,214			815,082,214
	1,200,725,127			1,200,725,127

Shariah-compliant investments which values are based on quoted market prices in active markets, and are therefore classified within Level 1, include active listed Shariah-compliant equities and Shariah-compliant collective investment schemes. The Fund does not adjust the quoted prices for these instruments. The Fund's policies on valuation of these financial assets are stated in Note 2(b).

(ii) The carrying values of cash and cash equivalents, amount due from stockbrokers, amount due from Manager, amount due from Manager of collective investment schemes - management fee rebate, dividends receivable and all current liabilities are a reasonable approximation of their fair values due to their short term nature.

#### 4. MANAGEMENT FEE

In accordance with the Deeds, the Manager is entitled to a maximum management fee of 3.00% per annum, calculated daily based on the NAV of the Fund.

For the six months financial period ended 30 April 2024, the management fee was recognised at a rate of 1.50% per annum (30.04.2023: 1.50% per annum).

There was no further liability to the Manager in respect of management fee other than the amount recognised above.

#### 5. TRUSTEE AND CUSTODIAN FEES

In accordance with the Deeds, the Trustee is entitled to a maximum fee of 0.06% per annum calculated daily based on the NAV of the Fund. The foreign sub-custodian fee is dependent on the country invested and is charged monthly in areas.

For the financial period 1 November 2023, the Trustee fee is recognised at the rate of 0.06%. Effective 2 November 2023, the Trustee fee is recognised at the rate of 0.045% per annum (2023: 0.06% per annum).

There was no further liability to the Trustee and custodian in respect of Trustee and custodian fees other than the amount recognised above.

#### 6. TAXATION

	01.11.2023 to 30.04.2024 RM	01.11.2022 to 30.04.2023 RM
Tax charged for the financial period:	LIVI	KIVI
- Capital gain tax	3,199,757	1,508
- Tax on foreign source income	1,529,392	1,319,650
<ul> <li>Over provision of prior period taxation</li> </ul>	(4,946)	<u> </u>
Current taxation	4,724,203	1,321,158

A numerical reconciliation between the profit before taxation multiplied by the Malaysian statutory income tax rate and tax expense of the Fund was as follows:

	01.11.2023 to 30.04.2024	01.11.2022 to 30.04.2023
	RM	RM
Profit before taxation	209,146,335	37,107,479
Taxation at Malaysian statutory rate of 24% (30.04.2023: 24%)	50,195,120	8,905,795
Tax effects of:	, ,	, ,
- Investment income not subject to tax	(53,664,658)	(12,059,479)
<ul> <li>Expenses not deductible for tax purposes</li> <li>Restriction on tax deductible expenses for Unit</li> </ul>	1,047,998	820,276
Trust Funds	2,421,540	2,333,408
Capital gains tax	3,199,757	1,508
Tax on foreign source income	1,529,392	1,319,650
Over provision of prior period taxation	(4,946)	
Taxation	4,724,203	1,321,158

30.04.2024	31.10.2023 Audited
RM	RM
30,312,455	30,970,434
393,410,175	354,672,479
882,452,638	815,082,214
1,306,175,268	1,200,725,127
01.11.2023	01.11.2022
to 30.04.2024	to 30.04.2023
RM	RM
(8,969,647)	(20,691,628)
222,053,091	62,547,372
190,344	215,481
213,273,788	42,071,225
	30,312,455 393,410,175 882,452,638 1,306,175,268  01.11.2023 to 30.04.2024 RM  (8,969,647) 222,053,091 190,344

<sup>#</sup> Management fee rebate represents the Fund's entitlement to management fee rebate from the Manager and the Manager of Shariah-compliant collective investment schemes the Fund invests in.

For the six months financial period ended 30 April 2024, the rebate is recognised at a rate of 1.50% for RD Principal Islamic Equity Growth Syariah, 0.50% for Principal Islamic Asia Pacific Dynamic Income & Growth Fund, 0.60% for Principal Islam Global Responsible Equity Fund and 1.00% for RD Principal Islamic ASEAN Equity Syariah calculated and accrued daily based on the NAV of the Shariah-compliant collective investment scheme.

Name of counter	Quantity	Aggregate cost	Market value	Percentage of NAV
ramo er coamer	Units	RM	RM	%
	Office	17141	17141	70
30.04.2024 SHARIAH-COMPLIANT COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES				
INDONESIA				
RD Principal Islamic				
ASEAN Equity Syariah - USD	590,000	2,599,835	2,503,376	0.18
RD Principal Islamic Equity	390,000	2,399,033	2,303,370	0.10
Growth Syariah	10,803,963	5,004,452	3,611,642	0.26
TOTAL INDONESIA	11,393,963	7,604,287	6,115,018	0.45
IRELAND				
Principal Islamic Asia				
Pacific Dynamic Income & Growth Fund	346,900	14,363,395	16,249,282	1.18
Principal Islamic Global	0.0,000	,000,000	10,210,202	0
Responsible Equity Fund	154,000	6,498,030	7,948,155	0.58
TOTAL IRELAND	500,900	20,861,425	24,197,437	1.76

Name of counter	Quantity Units	Aggregate cost RM	Market value RM	Percentage of NAV %
30.04.2024 (CONTINUED) SHARIAH-COMPLIANT COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES				
TOTAL SHARIAH- COMPLIANT COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES	11,894,863	28,465,712	30,312,455	2.21
ACCUMULATED UNREALISED GAIN ON SHARIAH-COMPLIANT COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES		1,846,743		
TOTAL SHARIAH- COMPLIANT COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS		30,312,455		
SHARIAH-COMPLIANT QUOTED SECURITIES - LOCAL				
<b>Communication Services</b> Telekom Malaysia Bhd	2,000,000	10,325,291	12,380,000	0.90
Consumer Discretionary Mr D.I.Y. Group (M) Bhd	8,500,050	14,210,914	13,260,078	0.97
Consumer Staples Genting Plantations Bhd Kuala Lumpur Kepong Bhd Sime Darby Plantation Bhd	1,455,900 651,000 3,700,000 5,806,900	11,626,836 15,572,874 16,893,347 44,093,057	8,822,754 15,064,140 16,539,000 40,425,894	0.64 1.10 1.20 2.94
Energy Dayang Enterprise Holdings Bhd Dialog Group Bhd Uzma Bhd	7,954,200 9,000,000 966,800 17,921,000	11,771,894 19,435,386 1,158,707 32,365,987	20,760,462 21,690,000 1,169,828 43,620,290	1.51 1.58 0.09 3.18
Health Care Hartalega Holdings Bhd	8,000,000	12,522,674	22,400,000	1.63

Name of counter	Quantity Units	Aggregate cost RM	Market value RM	Percentage of NAV %
30.04.2024 (CONTINUED) SHARIAH-COMPLIANT QUOTED SECURITIES - LOCAL (CONTINUED)				
Health Care (continued)				
Kossan Rubber Industries	4,705,700	5,810,375	10,352,540	0.75
	12,705,700	18,333,049	32,752,540	2.38
Industrials Frontken Corporation Bhd Gamuda Bhd	2,635,300 4,000,070	9,796,398 18,689,195	10,383,082 21,240,372	0.76 1.55
Iskandar Waterfront City	0.000.000	4 000 740	4.500.000	0.22
Bhd	6,000,000 12,635,370	4,930,710 33,416,303	4,500,000 36,123,454	<u>0.33</u> 2.63
	12,033,370	33,410,303	30,123,434	2.03
Information Technology Genetec Technology Bhd Inari Amertron Bhd Infomina Bhd MI Technovation Bhd	7,417,900 2,500,000 2,334,000 1,800,000	18,442,706 7,732,938 3,304,175 7,020,000	14,242,368 7,725,000 3,501,000 3,384,000	1.04 0.56 0.25 0.25
Nationgate Holdings Bhd	14,000,000	19,875,970	24,360,000	1.77
V.S. Industry Bhd	15,046,100	15,868,200	13,691,951	1.00
	43,098,000	72,243,989	66,904,319	4.87
Materials Ancom Nylex Bhd Press Metal Aluminium Holdings Bhd	1,000,030	939,905 5,506,631	1,030,031 5,370,000	0.07 0.39
•	2,000,030	6,446,536	6,400,031	0.47
Real Estate				
Eastern and Oriental Bhd	16,856,700	10,000,626	17,193,834	1.25
Sime Darby Property Bhd	3,421,800	2,537,949	3,353,364	0.24
Skyworld Development Bho SP Setia Bhd	3 8,202,200 12,708,900	6,561,760 14,239,593	5,044,353 18,554,994	0.37 1.35
Sunway Bhd	14,078,700	28,039,616	49,557,024	3.61
Curiway Bria	55,268,300	61,379,544	93,703,569	6.82
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<b>Utilities</b> Tenaga Nasional Bhd	4,000,000	39,185,859	47,840,000	3.48
TOTAL SHARIAH- COMPLIANT QUOTED				
SECURITIES - LOCAL	163,935,350	332,000,529	393,410,175	28.64

Name of counter	Quantity Units	Aggregate cost RM	Market value RM	Percentage of NAV %
30.04.2024 (CONTINUED) SHARIAH-COMPLIANT QUOTED SECURITIES - FOREIGN				
AUSTRALIA				
Materials James Hardie Industries SE	55,139	10,036,069	9,312,196	0.68
TOTAL AUSTRALIA	55,139	10,036,069	9,312,196	0.68
CHINA				
Industry				
NARI Technology Development Ltd Co	918,111	14,181,672	14,231,289	1.04
TOTAL CHINA	918,111	14,181,672	14,231,289	1.04
FRANCE				
Consumer Discretionary Hermes International	1,762	15,788,180	20,294,569	1.48
Consumer Staples L'Oreal	9,852	20,524,818	22,163,070	1.61
TOTAL FRANCE	11,614	36,312,998	42,457,639	3.09
HONG KONG, CHINA				
Communication Services Tencent Holding Ltd	132,100	32,817,731	27,973,137	2.04
Consumer Discretionary Meituan New Oriental Education &	13,320	1,862,059	889,564	0.06
Technology	170,600 183,920	7,805,860 9,667,919	6,508,261 7,397,825	0.47
TOTAL HONG KONG,			.,00.,020	
CHINA	316,020	42,485,650	35,370,962	2.58

Name of counter	Quantity Units	Aggregate cost RM	Market value RM	Percentage of NAV %
30.04.2024 (CONTINUED) SHARIAH-COMPLIANT QUOTED SECURITIES - FOREIGN				
INDIA				
Consumer Discretionary Bajaj Auto Ltd Maruti Suzuki India Ltd Titan Co Ltd	60,361 28,670 92,075 181,106	28,835,461 17,052,061 7,118,720 53,006,242	30,741,180 21,019,726 18,903,467 70,664,373	2.24 1.53 1.38 5.14
Consumer Staples Varun Beverages Ltd	259,360	11,935,379	21,948,221	1.60
Energy Reliance Industries Ltd	416,280	40,919,044	69,862,108	5.09
<b>Health Care</b> Sun Pharma Industries Ltd	130,792	7,065,321	11,237,664	0.82
Industrials Container Corporation of India Ltd	168,591	9,824,616	9,913,421	0.72
Information Technology Tata Consultancy Services Ltd	43,459	8,337,174	9,497,581	0.69
Materials Ultra Tech Cement Ltd	12,767	5,170,983	7,282,167	0.53
Real Estate Macrotech Developers Ltd	241,983	9,807,801	17,143,992	1.25
TOTAL INDIA	1,454,338	146,066,560	217,549,527	15.84
JAPAN				
Consumer Discretionary Fast Retailing Co Ltd	11,000	12,362,851	13,861,413	1.01
Consumer Staples Ajinomoto Co Inc	107,000	20,285,803	19,064,939	1.39
TOTAL JAPAN	118,000	32,648,654	32,926,352	2.40

Name of counter	Quantity Units	Aggregate cost RM	Market value RM	Percentage of NAV %
30.04.2024 (CONTINUED) SHARIAH-COMPLIANT QUOTED SECURITIES - FOREIGN				
NETHERLANDS				
Information Technology ASM International NV ASML Holding N.V.	10,060 10,154 20,214	29,709,538 37,951,237 67,660,775	30,637,925 42,257,718 72,895,643	2.23 3.08 5.31
TOTAL NETHERLANDS	20,214	67,660,775	72,895,643	5.31
SOUTH KOREA				
Consumer Discretionary KIA Corporation	65,855	19,880,874	26,815,010	1.95
Information Technology Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd Samsung Electronics Pfd	365,366 160,352 525,718	90,193,636 32,802,702 122,996,338	97,709,555 36,076,897 133,786,452	7.11 2.63 9.74
TOTAL SOUTH KOREA	591,573	142,877,212	160,601,462	11.69
SWITZERLAND				
Health Care Lonza Group AG	7,545	21,678,025	20,154,811	1.47
TOTAL SWITZERLAND	7,545	21,678,025	20,154,811	1.47
TAIWAN				
Industrials AirTac International Group	85,000	14,406,324	14,425,180	1.05
Information Technology E Ink Holding Inc Taiwan Semiconducter	632,000	9,711,586	19,416,936	1.41
Manufacturing	1,159,000 1,791,000	94,836,279 104,547,865	133,953,743 153,370,679	9.75 11.17
TOTAL TAIWAN	1,876,000	118,954,189	167,795,859	12.22

Name of counter	Quantity Units	Aggregate cost RM	Market value RM	Percentage of NAV %
30.04.2024 (CONTINUED) SHARIAH-COMPLIANT QUOTED SECURITIES - FOREIGN				
UNITED STATES				
Energy ConocoPhillips	15,742	9,184,959	9,432,723	0.69
Information Technology Apple Inc. Microsoft Corporation Synopsys Inc	11,929 9,700 17,698 39,327	9,733,606 17,997,683 47,379,970 75,111,259	9,692,004 18,013,910 44,792,121 72,498,035	0.71 1.31 3.26 5.28
<b>Materials</b> Linde PLC	12,944	16,821,577	27,226,140	1.98
TOTAL UNITED STATES	68,013	101,117,795	109,156,898	7.95
TOTAL SHARIAH- COMPLIANT QUOTED SECURITIES - FOREIGN	5,436,567	734,019,599	882,452,638	64.26
TOTAL SHARIAH- COMPLIANT QUOTED SECURITIES	169,371,917	1,066,020,128	1,275,862,813	92.90
ACCUMULATED UNREALISED GAIN ON FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS		209,842,685		
TOTAL FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS		1,275,862,813		

Name of counter	Quantity Units	Aggregate cost RM	Market value RM	Percentage of NAV %
31.10.2023 (Audited) SHARIAH-COMPLIANT COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES				
INDONESIA RD Principal Islamic ASEAN Equity Syariah - USD RD Principal Islamic Equity Growth Syariah	590,000 21,712,831	2,599,835 10,057,496	2,421,930 7,670,717	0.19 0.61
Grown Gyanan	22,302,831	12,657,331	10,092,647	0.80
TOTAL INDONESIA	22,302,831	12,657,331	10,092,647	0.80
IRELAND Principal Islamic Asia Pacific Dynamic Income				
& Growth Fund Principal Islamic Global	346,900	14,363,395	14,073,032	1.12
Responsible Equity Fund	154,000	6,498,030	6,804,755	0.54
TOTAL IRELAND	500,900	20,861,425	20,877,787	1.66
TOTAL SHARIAH- COMPLIANT COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES	22,803,731	33,518,756	30,970,434	2.46
ACCUMULATED UNREALISED LOSS ON FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS		(2,548,322)		
TOTAL FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS		30,970,434		
31.10.2023 SHARIAH-COMPLIANT QUOTED SECURITIES - LOCAL				
Communication Services				
Telekom Malaysia Bhd	1,561,400	7,877,655	7,916,298	0.63
Consumer Discretionary				
Mr D.I.Y. Group (M) Bhd	14,732,350	24,652,484	21,803,878	1.73

Name of counter	Quantity Units	Aggregate cost RM	Market value RM	Percentage of NAV %
31.10.2023 (Audited) (CONTINUED) SHARIAH-COMPLIANT QUOTED SECURITIES – LOCAL (CONTINUED)				
Consumer Staples				
Genting Plantations Bhd	1,297,800	10,920,592	7,034,076	0.56
Karex Bhd	2,745,100	1,980,729	1,578,433	0.13
Kuala Lumpur Kepong	620, 200	45 070 440	42 022 044	1.10
Bhd Sime Darby Plantation	629,300	15,079,416	13,832,014	1.10
Bhd	4,517,100	20,640,871	19,604,214	1.56
	9,189,300	48,621,608	42,048,737	3.35
Energy				
Dayang Enterprise	0.404.000	0.400.740	44.040.000	2.25
Holding Bhd	6,421,000	8,420,748	11,943,060	0.95
Health Care				
Hartalega Holdings Bhd	9,050,400	14,166,901	18,734,328	1.49
Kossan Rubber Industries	9,030,400	14,100,901	10,734,320	1.49
Bhd	4,705,700	5,810,375	6,352,695	0.50
	13,756,100	19,977,276	25,087,023	1.99
Industrials				
Frontken Corporation Bhd	4,524,200	16,818,148	14,386,956	1.14
Gamuda Bhd	1,431,570	5,306,888	6,642,485	0.53
Mst Golf Group Bhd	1,567,000	1,106,948	752,160	0.06
	7,522,770	23,231,984	21,781,601	1.73
Information Technology Eca Integrated Solution				
Bhd	9,000,300	8,119,106	6,300,210	0.50
Genetec Technology Bhd	7,417,900	18,442,706	17,506,244	1.39
Inari Amertron Bhd	13,748,500	42,526,519	39,183,225	3.11
Infomina Bhd	4,620,000	6,540,399	7,068,600	0.56
MI Technovation Bhd	2,282,000	8,899,800	3,902,220	0.31
My E.G Services Bhd	28,156,917	28,098,870	21,962,395	1.74
Nationgate Holdings Bhd	14,003,200	19,967,499	16,103,680	1.28
V.S. Industry Bhd	17,627,700	18,590,855	15,688,652	1.24
·	96,856,517	151,185,754	127,715,226	10.13
Materials		_ <del></del>		
Ancom Nylex Bhd Press Metal Aluminum	10,293,000	9,660,755	12,351,600	0.98
Holding Bhd	2,066,200	11,377,800	10,165,704	0.81
-	12,359,200	21,038,555	22,517,304	1.79

Name of counter	Quantity Units	Aggregate cost RM	Market value RM	Percentage of NAV %
31.10.2023 (Audited) (CONTINUED) SHARIAH-COMPLIANT QUOTED SECURITIES – LOCAL (CONTINUED)				
Real Estate				
Eastern and Oriental Bhd Sime Darby Property Bhd Skyworld Development	16,856,700 3,421,800	10,000,626 2,537,949	9,355,469 2,104,407	0.74 0.17
Bhd	8,202,200	6,561,760	4,593,232	0.36
SP Setia Bhd	7,492,100	6,706,725	6,293,364	0.50
Sunway Bhd	13,806,600	25,911,481	25,542,210	2.03
-	49,779,400	51,718,541	47,888,682	3.80
Utilities				
Tenaga Nasional Bhd	2,623,300	24,595,714	25,970,670	2.06
SHARIAH-COMPLIANT QUOTED SECURITIES – FOREIGN				
AUSTRALIA				
Materials				
BHP Group Ltd	143,331	17,670,013	19,342,619	1.54
TOTAL AUSTRALIA	143,331	17,670,013	19,342,619	1.54
CAYMAN ISLANDS				
Consumer Discretionary				
Alibaba Group Holding Ltd	292,800	28,879,949	14,262,412	1.13
TOTAL CAYMAN ISLANDS	292,800	28,879,949	14,262,412	1.13
CHINA				
Consumer Discretionary				
BYD Company LTD	74,500	10,463,935	10,762,114	0.85
Midea Group Co Ltd	254,986	9,244,577	8,780,049	0.70
	329,486	19,708,512	19,542,163	1.55
Industrials				
NARI Tech Dev Co Ltd A	918,111	14,181,672	13,471,083	1.07
TOTAL CHINA	1,247,597	33,890,184	33,013,246	2.62

Name of counter	Quantity Units	Aggregate cost RM	Market value RM	Percentage of NAV %
31.10.2023 (Audited) (CONTINUED) SHARIAH-COMPLIANT QUOTED SECURITIES – FOREIGN (CONTINUED)				
CHINA (CONTINUED)				
TOTAL CHINA	1,247,597	33,890,184	33,013,246	2.62
FRANCE				
Consumer Discretionary Hermes International	1,510	13,457,446	13,496,477	1.07
Consumer Staples L'Oreal	9,852	20,524,818	19,825,017	1.57
TOTAL FRANCE	11,362	33,982,264	33,321,494	2.64
HONG KONG, CHINA				
Communication Services				
Tencent Holdings Ltd	133,200	35,638,630	23,440,296	1.86
Consumer Discretionary Meituan	13,320	1,862,059	896,437	0.07
Real Estate China Overseas Land & Investment Ltd	954,000	11,355,944	8,579,923	0.68
China Resources Land Ltd	724,000	14,052,566	12,908,232	1.03
	1,678,000	25,408,510	21,488,155	1.71
TOTAL HONG KONG, CHINA	1,824,520	62,909,199	45,824,888	3.64
INDIA				
Consumer Discretionary Devyani International Ltd Maruti Suzuki India Ltd Titan Co Ltd	882,302 21,243 130,001 1,033,546	10,285,220 9,982,024 10,050,944 30,318,188	9,074,088 12,627,680 23,718,421 45,420,189	0.72 1.00 1.88 3.60

Name of counter	Quantity Units	Aggregate cost RM	Market value RM	Percentage of NAV %
31.10.2023 (Audited) (CONTINUED) SHARIAH-COMPLIANT QUOTED SECURITIES – FOREIGN (CONTINUED)				
INDIA (CONTINUED)				
Consumer Staples				
Hindustan Unilever Ltd	108,477	15,763,318	15,412,933	1.22
Varun Beverages Ltd	297,373	13,684,683	15,458,449	1.24
-	405,850	29,448,001	30,871,382	2.46
Energy				
Reliance Industries Ltd	563,606	55,400,737	73,757,922	5.86
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Health Care				
Sun Pharma Industries Ltd	249,076	13,454,966	15,509,444	1.23
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Information Technology				
Tata Consultancy Services				
Ltd	48,489	9,302,129	9,343,467	0.74
Materials	407.400	00 000 100	00 500 000	4.07
Asian Paints Ltd Ultra Tech Cement Ltd	137,160 58,656	23,866,109 23,757,279	23,502,920 28,257,687	1.87 2.24
Ollia Tech Cement Liu	195,816	47,623,388	51,760,607	4.11
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Real Estate				
Macrotech Developers Ltd	241,983	9,807,801	10,902,893	0.87
TOTAL INDIA	2,738,366	195,355,210	237,565,904	18.87
JAPAN				
Consumer Discretionary				
Fast Retailing Co Ltd	4,200	4,403,280	4,365,911	0.35
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<b>Consumer Staples</b>				
Ajinomoto Co Inc	107,000	20,285,803	18,459,199	1.47
TOTAL JAPAN	111,200	24,689,083	22,825,110	1.82

Name of counter	Quantity	Aggregate cost	Market value	Percentage of NAV
31.10.2023 (Audited) (CONTINUED) SHARIAH-COMPLIANT QUOTED SECURITIES – FOREIGN (CONTINUED)	Units	RM	RM	%
NETHERLANDS				
Information Technology ASML Holding N.V.	2,934	8,557,740	8,365,520	0.66
TOTAL NETHERLANDS	2,934	8,557,740	8,365,520	0.66
SOUTH KOREA				
Consumer Discretionary KIA Corporation	38,456	9,410,425	10,422,885	0.83
Industrials LG Energy Solution	6,195	12,103,837	8,417,114	0.67
Information Technology Samsung Electro- mechanics Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd Samsung Electronics-PFD Samsung SDI Co Ltd SK Hynix Inc	38,924 491,334 286,141 3,660 76,710 896,769	18,314,084 121,289,885 58,534,961 9,125,878 32,320,796 239,585,604	17,052,423 115,851,177 54,055,812 5,488,810 31,443,379 223,891,601	1.35 9.20 4.29 0.44 2.50 17.78
Materials LG Chem Ltd POSCO Holdings Inc	4,748 10,327 15,075	10,657,155 10,094,025 20,751,180	7,363,103 14,977,576 22,340,679	0.58 1.19 1.77
TOTAL SOUTH KOREA	956,495	281,851,046`	265,072,279	21.05
TAIWAN				
Information Technology E Ink Holding Incorporation Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd	632,000 274,000	9,711,586 13,517,642	15,597,254 21,292,567	1.24 1.69
- -	906,000	23,229,228	36,889,821	2.93

Name of counter	Quantity Units	Aggregate cost RM	Market value RM	Percentage of NAV %
31.10.2023 (Audited) (CONTINUED) SHARIAH-COMPLIANT QUOTED SECURITIES - FOREIGN (CONTINUED)				
TAIWAN (CONTINUED)				
TOTAL TAIWAN	906,000	23,229,228	36,889,821	2.93
THAILAND				
Communication Services Advanced Info Service	000 400	47.044.540	40.000.400	
PCL - NVDR <sup>1</sup>	630,100	17,641,519	18,320,422	1.45
Industrials				
Airports Of Thailand	980,700	8,337,380	8,651,487	0.69
TOTAL THAILAND	1,610,800	25,978,899	26,971,909	2.14
UNITED KINGDOM				
Energy Shell PLC	170,053	20,159,892	26,123,777	2.07
TOTAL UNITED KINGDOM	170,053	20,159,892	26,123,777	2.07
UNITED STATES				
Energy ConocoPhillips	15 740	0 194 050	9 004 717	0.71
Conocornilips	15,742	9,184,959	8,904,717	0.71
Information Technology Apple Inc.	16,043	13,090,472	13,044,906	1.04
Materials Linde PLC	12,944	16,821,577	23,553,612	1.87
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Name of counter	Quantity Units	Aggregate cost RM	Market value RM	Percentage of NAV %
31.10.2023 (Audited) (CONTINUED) SHARIAH-COMPLIANT QUOTED SECURITIES - FOREIGN (CONTINUED)				
TOTAL UNITED STATES	44,729	39,097,008	45,503,235	3.62
TOTAL SHARIAH- COMPLIANT QUOTED SECURITIES	224,861,524	1,177,570,034	1,169,754,693	92.89
ACCUMULATED UNREALISED LOSS ON FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS		(7,815,341)		
TOTAL FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS		1,169,754,693		

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#### 8. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	30.04.2024	31.10.2023 Audited
	RM	RM
Shariah-compliant deposits with licensed Islamic		
financial institutions	12,115,997	11,171,919
Bank balances	31,989,838	53,982,780
	44,105,835	65,154,699

## 9. NUMBER OF UNITS IN CIRCULATION (UNITS)

	01.11.2023 to 30.04.2024	31.10.2023 Audited
	No of units	No of units
At the beginning of the financial period/year	2,371,958,154	2,504,207,467
Add: Creation of units from applications	125,530,786	222,924,431
Less : Cancellation of units	(278,175,178)	(355,173,744)
At the end of the financial period/year	2,219,313,762	2,371,958,154

### 10. NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDERS

Net assets attributable to unit holders as at the reporting date comprised:

	30.04.2024	31.10.2023 Audited
	RM	RM
Unit holders' contributions	1,070,788,391	1,160,931,530
Retained earnings	302,769,900	98,347,768
	1,373,558,291	1,259,279,298

The movement in the components of net assets attributable to unit holders for the financial periods were as follows:

	Unit holders' contributions RM	Retained earnings RM	Total RM
Balance as at 1 November 2023 Movement in unit holders' contributions: - Creation of units from	1,160,931,530	98,347,768	1,259,279,298
applications	73,827,515	-	73,827,515
- Cancellation of units  Total comprehensive income for	(163,970,654)	-	(163,970,654)
the financial period	<u>-</u>	204,422,132	204,422,132
Balance as at 30 April 2024	1,070,788,391	302,769,900	1,373,558,291
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	Unit holders' contributions	Retained earnings	Total
			Total RM
Balance as at 1 November 2022 Movement in unit holders' contributions: - Creation of units from	contributions	earnings	
Movement in unit holders'	contributions RM	earnings RM	RM
Movement in unit holders' contributions: - Creation of units from applications - Cancellation of units	contributions RM 1,232,426,805	earnings RM	<b>RM</b> 1,281,483,051
Movement in unit holders' contributions: - Creation of units from applications	contributions RM 1,232,426,805	earnings RM	RM 1,281,483,051 50,753,173

#### 11. **TOTAL EXPENSE RATIO ("TER")**

01.11.2023 01.11.2022 to 30.04.2024 to 30.04.2023 % 0.78 0.77

TER is derived based on the following calculation (continued):

(A + B + C + D + E) x 100 F TER

Management fee (exclude rebates) Α

Trustee and custodian fees В

С Audit fee

**TER** 

D Tax agent's fee

Ε Other expenses excluding withholding tax and CDS transfer fee

Average NAV of the Fund calculated on a daily basis

The average NAV of the Fund for the financial period calculated on a daily basis was RM1,349,046,857 (30.04.2023: RM1,306,167,126).

#### 12. PORTFOLIO TURNOVER RATIO ("PTR")

01.11.2023 01.11.2022 to 30.04.2024 to 30.04.2023 PTR (times) 0.41 0.34

PTR is derived from the following calculation:

(Total acquisition for the financial period + total disposal for the financial period) ÷ 2 Average NAV of the Fund for the financial period calculated on a daily basis

#### where:

total acquisition for the financial period = RM495,846,659 (30.04.2023:RM459,409,453) total disposal for the financial period = RM601,818,851 (30.04.2023: RM438,426,387)

#### 13. UNITS HELD BY THE MANAGER AND PARTIES RELATED TO THE MANAGER, AND SIGNIFICANT RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND BALANCES

The related parties and their relationship with the Fund are as follows:

Related parties Relationship

Principal Asset Management Berhad The Manager

Principal Financial Group, Inc. Ultimate holding company of shareholder

of the Manager

Principal International (Asia) Ltd Shareholder of the Manager

Subsidiaries and associates of Principal Financial Group Inc., other than above, as disclosed in its financial statements

Fellow subsidiary and associated companies of the ultimate holding company of shareholder of the Manager

# 13. UNITS HELD BY THE MANAGER AND PARTIES RELATED TO THE MANAGER, AND SIGNIFICANT RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND BALANCES (CONTINUED)

The related parties and their relationship with the Fund are as follows (continued):

Related parties	Relationship
CIMB Group Holdings Bhd	Ultimate holding company of shareholder of the Manager
CIMB Group Sdn Bhd	Shareholder of the Manager
Subsidiaries and associates of CIMB Group Holdings Bhd, other than above, as disclosed in its financial statements	Fellow subsidiary and associated companies of the ultimate holding company of the shareholder of the Manager
PT Principal Asset Management	Fellow related party to the Manager
CIMB Islamic Bank Bhd	Fellow related party to the Manager
CGS-CIMB Securities Sdn Bhd	Fellow related party to the Manager

### Units held by the Manager and parties related to the Manager

	30.04.2024		31.10.2023 Audited	
Manager	No. of units	RM	No. of units	RM
Principal Asset Management Berhad	40,717	25,192	344,281	182,779

In the opinion of the Manager, the above units were transacted at the prevailing market price.

The units are held beneficially by the Manager for booking purposes. Other than the above, there were no units held by the Directors or parties related to the Manager.

In addition to related party disclosures mentioned elsewhere in the financial statements, set out below are other significant related party transactions and balances. The Manager is of the opinion that all transactions with the related companies have been entered into in the normal course of business at agreed terms between the related parties.

	01.11.2023 to 30.04.2024 RM	01.11.2022 to 30.04.2023 RM
Significant related party transactions Profit income from Shariah-compliant deposits with licensed Islamic financial institution:		
- CIMB Islamic Bank Bhd	1,790	9,836
Management fee rebate: - PT Principal Asset Management - Principal Islamic Asset Management (Ireland) PLC	106,643 83,701 190,344	60,246 83,068 143,314

# 13. UNITS HELD BY THE MANAGER AND PARTIES RELATED TO THE MANAGER, AND SIGNIFICANT RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND BALANCES (CONTINUED)

	30.04.2024	31.10.2023 Audited
	RM	RM
Significant related party balances		
Shariah-compliant collective investment schemes:		
- RD Principal Islamic Equity Growth Syariah	3,611,642	7,670,717
<ul> <li>RD Principal Islamic ASEAN Equity Syariah</li> <li>Principal Islamic Asia Pacific Dynamic Income &amp;</li> </ul>	2,503,376	2,421,930
Growth Fund	16,249,282	14,073,032
- Principal Islamic Global Responsible Equity Fund	7,948,155	6,804,755
	30,312,455	30,970,434

#### 14. TRANSACTIONS WITH BROKERS

Details of transactions with the top 10 brokers for the six months financial period ended 30 April 2024 were as follows:

Brokers	Value of trades	Percentage of total trades	Brokerage fees	Percentage of total brokerage fees
Citigroup Global Markets	RM	%	RM	%
Ltd J.P. Morgan Securities	308,744,311	28.10	266,647	17.11
LLC	161,232,150	14.68	48,370	3.10
CLSA Ltd	74,014,897	6.74	202,023	12.96
JP Morgan Securities	, ,		,	
(Asia Pacific)	62,931,156	5.73	156,708	10.06
Macquarie Securities AU				
Ltd	61,901,844	5.63	69,002	4.43
Sanford C Bernstein Hong	00 400 550	<b>5.54</b>	440.047	7.04
Kong Ltd	60,489,552	5.51	113,847	7.31
UBS Securities Asia Ltd	46,745,972	4.25	65,361	4.19
RHB Investment Bank				
Bhd	43,675,139	3.98	90,272	5.79
Jefferies International Ltd	41,434,339	3.77	82,869	5.32
Nomura Securities				
Malaysia Sdn Bhd	40,639,871	3.70	84,995	5.45
Others #	196,864,859	17.91	378,141	24.28
	1,098,674,090	100.00	1,558,235	100.00

#### 14. TRANSACTIONS WITH BROKERS (CONTINUED)

Details of transactions with the top 10 brokers for the six months financial period ended 30 April 2023 were as follows:

Brokers	Value of trades RM	Percentage of total trades %	Brokerage fees RM	Percentage of total brokerage fees %
Citigroup Global Markets				
Ltd J.P. Morgan Securities	165,581,875	20.56	163,650	12.45
LLC	95,153,751	11.61	37,648	2.86
Macquarie Securities				
Australia Ltd	73,411,050	8.95	123,957	9.43
Jefferies International Ltd	50,375,855	6.14	73,604	5.60
Macquarie Capital Sec				
(M) SB	49,266,023	6.01	101,880	7.75
Credit Suisse (Hong	10 107 110	4.00	00.004	0.00
Kong) Ltd	40,437,442	4.93	89,604	6.82
Sanford C Bernstein & Co	33,670,510	4.11	36,010	2.74
DBS Vickers Securities				
(Singapore) Pte Ltd	29,081,690	3.56	48,124	3.66
Maybank Investment				
Bank Bhd	27,579,526	3.36	63,747	4.85
CLSA Securities (M) Sdn				
Bhd	27,188,177	3.32	80,766	6.14
Others #	225,076,279	27.45	495,615	37.70
	819,822,178	100.00	1,314,605	100.00

<sup>#</sup> Included in the transactions were trades conducted with CGS-CIMB Securities Sdn Bhd RM3,532,807 (30.04.2023: RM13,952,270), CGS-CIMB Securities (Singapore) Pte Ltd RM13,391,613 (30.04.2023: Nil) and Principal Islamic Asset Management PLC, fellow related party to the Manager amounting to RM3,599,389 (30.04.2023: RM2,605,440). The Manager is of the opinion that all transactions with the related companies have been entered into in the normal course of business at agreed terms between the related parties.

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