

Prospectus 18 June 2019

# Principal Total Return Bond\* Fund 10

 

 Manager
 : Principal Asset Management Berhad (304078-K) (formerly known as CIMB-Principal Asset Management Berhad,

 Trustee
 : HSBC (Malaysia) Trustee Berhad (1281-T)

As this Fund is a close-ended fund, the Offer Period for this Fund is 18 June 2019 to 1 August 2019, (both dates inclusive). No units will be offered for sale after the Offer Period. The Offer Period may be shortened if the Manager deems appropriate to enter the market in order to capitalise on the prevailing yields or when a desired fund size as determined by the Manager has been reached. The offer is closed for subscription after the Offer Period.

This Prospectus Issue No. 1 for the Principal Total Return Bond\* Fund 10 is dated 18 June 2019 and expires on 1 August 2019.

This Fund is constituted on 7 May 2019.

INVESTORS ARE ADVISED TO READ AND UNDERSTAND THE CONTENTS OF THE PROSPECTUS. IF IN DOUBT, PLEASE CONSULT A PROFESSIONAL ADVISER.

FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING CERTAIN RISK FACTORS WHICH SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BY PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS, SEE "RISK FACTORS" COMMENCING ON PAGE 4.

\*In the context of this Fund, refers to debt instruments which include bonds (such as investment grade bonds, Investment Grade Securities, Non-Investment Grade Securities and Unrated Securities), fixed rate debt instruments, floating rate debt instruments, certificates of deposit, commercial papers and notes.



## ABOUT THIS DOCUMENT

This is a Prospectus which introduces you to Principal Asset Management Berhad ("Principal Malaysia") (formerly known as CIMB-Principal Asset Management Berhad) and the Principal Total Return Bond Fund 10 ("Fund"). This Prospectus outlines in general the information you need to know to make an informed decision as to whether the Fund best suits your financial needs.

If you have any questions about the information in this Prospectus or would like to know more about investing in the Principal family of unit trust funds, please call our Customer Care Centre at (603) 7718 3000 between 8:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m. (Malaysian time) on Mondays to Thursdays and between 8:45 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. (Malaysian time) on Fridays (except on Selangor public holidays).

This Prospectus is dated 18 June 2019. Units will be offered for sale on any Business Day from 18 June 2019 to 1 August 2019 ("Offer Period"). However, the Offer Period may be shortened at our discretion if we deem that it is appropriate to enter the market in order to capitalise on the prevailing yields or when a desired fund size as determined by us has been reached.

Unless otherwise indicated, any reference in this Prospectus to any rules, regulations, guidelines, standards, directives, notices, legislations or statutes or statutory provision is a reference to those rules, regulations, guidelines, standards, directives, notices, legislations or statute for the time being in force, as may be amended, varied, modified, updated, superseded and/or re-enacted from time to time.

Any reference to a time or day in this Prospectus shall be a reference to that time or day in Malaysia, unless otherwise stated. Reference to "days" in this Prospectus will be taken to mean calendar days unless otherwise stated.

Please note that all references to currency amounts and unit prices in this Prospectus are in Malaysian Ringgit unless otherwise indicated.

## **PROSPECTUS DETAILS**

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Prospectus Date	18 June 2019
Expiry Date	1 August 2019

## **RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENTS**

This Prospectus has been reviewed and approved by the directors of Principal Malaysia and they collectively and individually accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information. Having made all reasonable enquiries, they confirm to the best of their knowledge and belief, that there are no false or misleading statements, or omission of other facts which would make any statement in this Prospectus false or misleading.

## STATEMENTS OF DISCLAIMER

The Securities Commission Malaysia has authorised the Fund and a copy of this Prospectus has been registered with the Securities Commission Malaysia.

The authorisation of the Fund, and the registration of this Prospectus, should not be taken to indicate that Securities Commission Malaysia recommends the Fund or assumes responsibility for the correctness of any statement made, opinion expressed or report contained in this Prospectus.

The Securities Commission Malaysia is not liable for any non-disclosure on the part of the Manager who is responsible for the Fund and takes no responsibility for the contents in this Prospectus. The Securities Commission Malaysia makes no representation on the accuracy or completeness of this Prospectus, and expressly disclaims any liability whatsoever arising from, or in reliance upon, the whole or any part of its contents.

## INVESTORS SHOULD RELY ON THEIR OWN EVALUATION TO ASSESS THE MERITS AND RISKS OF THE INVESTMENT. IF INVESTORS ARE UNABLE TO MAKE THEIR OWN EVALUATION, THEY ARE ADVISED TO CONSULT PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS.

## ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

No units will be issued or sold based on this Prospectus after the Offer Period.

Investors should note that they may seek recourse under the *Capital Markets and Services Act 2007* for breaches of securities laws including any statement in the Prospectus that is false, misleading, or from which there is a material omission; or for any misleading or deceptive act in relation to the Prospectus or the conduct of any other person in relation to the Fund.

## DEFINITIONS

Except where the context otherwise requires, the following definitions shall apply throughout this Prospectus:

Application Fee	-	Preliminary charge on each investment.
BNM	-	Bank Negara Malaysia.
Business Day	-	Mondays to Fridays when Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad is open for trading, and banks in Kuala Lumpur and/or Selangor are open for business. <b>Note:</b> We may declare certain Business Days to be a non-Business Day if the Fund's investment in foreign markets which are closed for business is at least 50% of the Fund's NAV. This information will be communicated to you via our website at <b>http://www.principal.com.my</b> . Alternatively, you may contact our Customer Care Centre at (03) 7718 3000.
CIMB Group	-	CIMB Group Sdn. Bhd.
CMSA	-	Capital Markets and Services Act 2007.
Commencement Date	-	The next Business Day immediately following the end of the Offer Period.
Deed	-	The principal and all supplemental deed in respect of the Fund made between us and the Trustee, in which Unit holders agree to be bound by the provisions of the Deed.
Deposits	-	As per the definition of "deposit" in the Financial Services Act 2013 and "Islamic deposit" in the Islamic Financial Services Act 2013. <i>Note: To exclude structured deposits.</i>
Distributor	-	Any relevant persons and bodies appointed by us from time to time, who are responsible for selling units of the Fund including Principal Distributors and IUTAs.
Eligible Market	-	A market which is regulated by a regulatory authority, operates regularly, is open to the public and has adequate liquidity for the purposes of the Fund.
Fund or TRBF10	-	Principal Total Return Bond* Fund 10. *In the context of this Fund, refers to debt instruments which include bonds (such as investment grade bonds, Investment Grade Securities, Non-Investment Grade Securities and Unrated Securities), fixed rate debt instruments, floating rate debt instruments, certificates of deposit, commercial papers and notes.
IDC	-	Interactive Data Corporation.
IMS	-	Investment Management Standards issued by the Federation of Investment Managers Malaysia.
Initial Offer Price	-	Issue price per unit during the Offer Period.
Investment Grade Securities	-	Securities that are rated investment grade by local or international rating agencies. In this context, local rating agencies refer to the rating agencies in the countries where the securities are issued, such as Rating Agency Malaysia and Malaysian Rating Corporation in Malaysia, Thailand Rating and Information Services in Thailand and PT Pemeringkat Efek Indonesia in Indonesia. International rating agencies refer to Standard & Poor's, Fitch Ratings and Moody's Investors Service.
IOSCO	-	International Organization of Securities Commissions. For further details, please refer to <b>http://www.iosco.org</b> .
IUTAs	-	Institutional Unit Trust Scheme Advisers.
LPD	-	Latest Practicable Date i.e. 31 March 2019, in which all information provided herein, shall remain current and relevant as at such date.
Management Fee	-	A percentage of the NAV of the Fund that is paid to us for managing the portfolio of the Fund.
Maturity Date	-	The Maturity Date is on the day immediately preceding the third (3rd) anniversary of the Commencement Date. If the Maturity Date falls on a weekend or a public holiday, it should be the following Business Day. If the Fund is terminated earlier in accordance with the provisions of the Deed, Maturity Date shall mean the date of such early termination.
NAV	-	Net Asset Value.
NAV of the Fund	-	The NAV of the Fund is the value of all the Fund's assets less the value of all the Fund's liabilities, at the point of valuation. For the purpose of computing the annual Management Fee (if any) and annual Trustee Fee (if any), the NAV of the Fund should be inclusive of the Management Fee and Trustee Fee for the relevant day.

NAV per unit	-	The NAV of the Fund divided by the number of units in circulation, at the valuation point.
Non-Investment Grade Securities	-	Securities that are rated below investment grade by local or international rating agencies. As these bonds are riskier than investment grade bonds, these bonds pay higher coupon than investment grade bonds.
Offer Period	-	Up to 45 calendar days from the launch date. No unit will be offered for sale after the Offer Period. The Offer Period may be shortened at the discretion of the Manager if the Manager deems appropriate to enter the market in order to capitalize on the prevailing yields as notified in writing to the Trustee and Unit holder or when a desired fund size as determined by the Manager has been reached. The offer is closed for subscription after the Offer Period.
OTC	-	Over-the-counter.
PIA	-	Principal International (Asia) Ltd.
PFG	-	Principal Financial Group and its affiliates.
Principal Malaysia or the Manager	-	Principal Asset Management Berhad. (formerly known as CIMB-Principal Asset Management Berhad).
Principal Distributors	-	Refers to the unit trust scheme consultants of Principal Malaysia (authorized Principal Malaysia distributors).
Prospectus	-	Refers to the disclosure document issued by the Manager describing the details of the Fund.
RM or MYR	-	Malaysian Ringgit.
SC	-	Securities Commission Malaysia.
SC Guidelines	-	SC Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds issued by the SC
Special Resolution	-	A resolution passed by a majority of not less than 3/4 of Unit holders voting at a meeting of Unit holders. For the purpose of terminating or winding up a fund, a Special Resolution is passed by a majority in number representing at least 3/4 of the value of the units held by Unit holders voting at the meeting.
Switching Fee	-	A charge that may be levied when switching is done from one (1) fund to another.
Transfer Fee	-	A nominal fee levied for each transfer of units from one (1) Unit holder to another.
Trustee	-	HSBC (Malaysia) Trustee Berhad.
Trustee Fee	-	A fee that is paid to the Trustee for its services rendered as trustee of the Fund.
UK	-	United Kingdom.
Unit holder	-	The registered holder for the time being of a unit of the Fund including persons jointly so registered.
Unrated Securities	-	Unrated Securities refers to debt instruments which are not rated by any rating agencies, including but not limited to treasury bills, bonds issued by government, government agency, statutory board or corporate. <b>Note</b> : In this context, Unrated Securities are not junk bonds. The Fund will only invest in Unrated Securities that fulfil the selection criteria of the credit evaluation process, as pre-determined in its investment policy and strategy of the Manager.
US or USA	-	United States of America.
Withdrawal Penalty	-	A charge levied upon withdrawal under certain terms and conditions (if applicable).

Note: Unless the context otherwise requires, words importing the singular number should include the plural number and vice versa.

## **CORPORATE DIRECTORY**

## The Manager

Principal Asset Management Berhad (formerly known as CIMB-Principal Asset Management Berhad)

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Note: You may contact our Customer Care Centre at (03) 7718 3000 for more information.

## The Trustee

HSBC (Malaysia) Trustee Berhad

## Business/Registered address

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## **1. FUND INFORMATION**

## 1.1. PRINCIPAL TOTAL RETURN BOND FUND 10

Fund Category/Type	:	Debenture (close-ended) / Growth
Investment Objective	:	The Fund aims to provide investors with total return through investments in a portfolio of primarily debt instruments.
		We will require your approval if there is any material change to the Fund's investment objective.
Benchmark	:	The benchmark for the Fund is the 3-year CIMB Bank fixed deposit rate at the Commencement Date.
		<b>Note:</b> The Fund shall benchmark itself against the fixed deposit rate for performance comparison purpose only. Since the Fund may invests across various debt instruments of different ratings, investors are cautioned that the risk profile of the Fund is higher than investing in fixed deposits; hence, you should expect the Fund to outperform the benchmark. <b>Note:</b> Information on the benchmark is available in our monthly fund fact sheets and can be obtained from <b>http://www.principal.com.my.</b>
Distribution Policy	:	We have the discretion to make income distribution on an ad-hoc basis, taking into consideration the level of its realised income and/or realised gains, as well as the performance of the Fund. We also have the right to make provisions for reserves in respect of distribution of the Fund. You may also refer to page 13 for information on the distribution payment.

## Offer Period and Initial Offer Price

Launch Date	Offer Period	Initial offer price per unit
18 June 2019	Up to 45 days	RM 1.0000

### **Investment Policy and Principal Investment Strategy**

The Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing up to 100% of its NAV in a diversified portfolio consisting of debt instruments, money market instruments and/or Deposits.

The Fund will invest at least 70% of its NAV in debt instruments issued by governments, government agencies, supranational organizations and corporate issuers, which include but not limited to bonds and other fixed or floating rate debt instruments, certificates of deposit, commercial papers and notes. The Fund will also invest in liquid assets for liquidity purposes.

In order to maximize the total return, the Fund may invest up to 99% of its NAV in Investment Grade Securities. Up to 40% of the Fund's NAV may be invested in Non-Investment Grade Securities and Unrated Securities for yield enhancement, of which only up to 20% of the Fund's NAV in Unrated Securities. The Fund may also invest up to 10% of its NAV in structured products which are linked or reference to debt instruments, including credit linked notes, subject to prevailing SC Guidelines. When deemed necessary, the Fund may utilize derivative instruments such as forward contracts, options, futures contracts and/or swap agreements for hedging purpose. In the event of a downgrade of a counter-party of an OTC derivative below the minimum long-term rating as per the SC Guidelines, we reserve the right to deal with the OTC derivative in the best interest of the Unit holders.

Investment universe of the Fund will be in countries globally, where the regulatory authority is an ordinary or associate member of the IOSCO. Where necessary, we will apply for licenses/permits to invest in these countries, and if the licenses/permits are revoked or not renewed (as the case may be), we will seek to invest in other accessible markets. Also, we formulate an interest rate outlook through examining factors such as local and foreign interest rate, inflation rate, monetary policies and economic growth of the respective countries. Foreign exchange rate movements will also play an important part of our decision in allocating the Fund's asset.

As this is a close-ended fund, we will purchase the debt instruments and/or structured products with the intention of holding through the tenure of the Fund or until the debt instruments mature. However, we reserve the right to deal with the debt instruments in the best interest of the Unit holders, such as (i) in the event of a credit rating downgrade or during market upheavals where we are of the opinion that trading of the debt instruments and/or structured products is required to protect the investment return of the Fund (nevertheless we can continue to hold the debt instruments despite a credit rating downgrade if the immediate disposal of the debt instruments and/or structured products would not be in the best interest of the Unit holders), and (ii) where we deem that the trading of debt instruments is necessary to provide the investment return in order to achieve the objective of the Fund.

In addition, for debt instruments that mature during the three (3) months period to the Maturity Date, we will seek to reinvest into other debt instruments for the remaining period to the Maturity Date. However, in the event that we are not able to find suitable replacement debt instruments, we will invest in Deposits and/or money market instruments. As such, Unit holders should note that during this period of time, the Fund's investment may deviate from the stipulated investment strategy.

#### **Debt Instruments Selection Process**

As pre-determined in our investment guidelines, there are three (3) main screening processes for debt instruments selection, i.e. management review, business and financial risk assessment and debt instruments valuation; the primary consideration for debt instruments is the credit strength of the company and the relative value in comparison with the similar rated debt instruments.

The fund manager utilizes the database maintained by the in-house credit research team and the recommendation of our inhouse credit committee as a guide in their debt instruments selection for the Fund. The in-house credit research provides an independent view of each debt instruments. Each debt instruments is thoroughly analyzed by the respective credit analyst for their quantitative and qualitative elements.

All debt instruments will have to go through an internal credit evaluation process, which covers three (3) aspects of the analysis, i.e. quantitative, qualitative and security of the issue. The debt instruments will then be assigned credit ratings, and that the credit ratings assigned may or may not be identical to that of the external and/or independent rating agencies. Below please find the details of the analysis mentioned.

Analysis	Areas of assessment	
Quantitative Analysis	<ul> <li>Quality of cash flows and forecasts;</li> <li>Balance sheet structure;</li> <li>Debt repayment schedule;</li> <li>Profitability, and sustainability of profit margins;</li> <li>Interest rate sensitivity;</li> <li>Ratio analysis; and</li> <li>Future capital expenditure and funding requirements.</li> </ul>	
Qualitative Analysis	<ul> <li>Business risk and market positioning;</li> <li>Management strategy and risk appetite;</li> <li>Corporate governance and market reputation; and</li> <li>Industry risk assessment.</li> </ul>	
Security of the Issue	<ul> <li>Guarantee and quality of guarantors (government, banks or corporations);</li> <li>Security and quality of secured assets;</li> <li>Sinking fund;</li> <li>Terms &amp; conditions of the issue;</li> <li>Definition of event of default, cross-default clauses, negative pledged clauses;</li> <li>Seniority of the issue; and</li> <li>Availability and quality of underwriters.</li> </ul>	

The credit research team supplements the in-house financial and business analysis with meetings with corporate management, rating agency opinions, brokers' research and up-to-date market information with the objective of obtaining a comprehensive and well-rounded view of an issuer's fundamental credit strength and debt-repayment ability.

### Asset Allocation

Up to 100% in debt instruments, money market instruments and/or Deposits, of which:

- At least 70% of the Fund's NAV in debt instruments issued by governments, government agencies, supranational organizations and corporate issuers, which include but not limited to bonds and other fixed rate or floating rate debt instruments, certificates of deposit, commercial papers and notes;
- Up to 99% of the Fund's NAV in Investment Grade Securities;
- Up to 40% of the Fund's NAV in Non-Investment Grade Securities and Unrated Securities, of which up to 20% of the Fund's NAV in Unrated Securities;
- Up to 10% of the Fund's NAV in structured products; and
- At least 1% of the Fund's NAV in liquid assets.

#### Risk management strategy

Risk management, with an emphasis on portfolio diversification, will form an integral part of the investment process. The Fund is constructed and managed within pre-determined guidelines. The risk management strategies and techniques employed include diversifying the Fund's asset within its portfolio in terms of its exposure to various countries, sectors, industries and companies.

Essentially, we monitor the debt instruments portfolio according to three (3) parameters: tenure, credit ratings and sector. The duration of the debt instruments portfolio (i.e. the sensitivity of the portfolio to interest rate changes) is also monitored according to our interest rate outlook.

We may, within the context of its investment strategies and within the limits set forth in the investment restrictions and limits, engage in certain transactions involving the use of derivatives instruments, including but not limited to options, futures, OTC derivatives instruments (including forward contracts and swaps) for currency risk management purposes and/or as a hedge against any adverse movement in the value of debt instruments invested.

#### **Temporary defensive positions**

We may take a temporary defensive position when it believes the markets, or the economies are experiencing excessive volatility, a prolonged general decline or when other adverse conditions may exist. Under these circumstances, the Fund may be unable to pursue its investment goal.

In case of severe adversities such as global credit crunch, the Fund may need to dispose debt instruments in favour of Deposits and/or money market instruments to safeguard the investment portfolio of the Fund. In the unlikely event of a credit rating downgrade, we reserve the right to deal with the debt instruments in the best interest of the investors.

## **1.2. PERMITTED INVESTMENTS**

Subject to the Deed, the investment policy for the Fund and the requirements of the SC and any other regulatory body, we have the absolute discretion as to how the assets of the Fund are to be invested. Under the Deed and provided always that there are no inconsistencies with the objective of the Fund, the Fund can invest in a wider range of securities, including but not limited to the following:

- Debentures and money market instruments traded in or under the rules of an Eligible Market;
- Deposits;
- Derivative instruments, including but not limited to options, futures, OTC derivatives instruments (including forward contracts and swaps);
- Structured products;
- Securities listed or traded on foreign markets where the regulatory authority is a member of the IOSCO; and
- Any other form of investments as may be permitted by the SC from time to time that is in line with the Fund's objectives.

The formulation of the investment policies and strategies of the Fund is based on the objective of the Fund after taking into consideration the regulatory requirements outlined in the SC Guidelines, with such exemptions/variations (if any) as approved by the SC.

## **1.3. INVESTMENT RESTRICTIONS AND LIMITS**

The Fund is subject to the following investment restrictions/limits:

- the value of the Fund's investments in debentures issued by any single issuer must not exceed 20% of the Fund's NAV. This
  single issuer limit may be increased to 30% if the debentures are rated by any domestic or global rating agency to be of the
  best quality and offer highest safety for timely payment of interest and principal;
- the value of the Fund's placement in Deposits with any single institution must not exceed 20% of the Fund's NAV;
- for investments in derivatives instruments (including for hedging purpose):
- the exposure of the underlying assets must not exceed the investment spread limits stipulated in the SC Guidelines;
- o the value of the Fund's OTC derivative instruments transaction with any single counter-party must not exceed 10% of the Fund's NAV;
- $\circ$  the Fund's exposure from derivatives instruments position should not exceed the Fund's NAV at all times; and
- the counter-party of an OTC derivative instrument is a financial institution with a minimum long-term rating provided by any domestic or global rating agency that indicates strong capacity for timely payment of financial obligations.
- the value of the Fund's investments in structured products issued by a single counter party must not exceed 15% of the Fund's NAV; This single issuer limit may be waived if the counter-party has a minimum long-term rating by any domestic or global rating agency that indicates very strong capacity for timely payment of financial obligations provided; and the structured product has a capital protection feature;
- the aggregate value of the Fund's investments in transferable securities (debentures), money market instruments, Deposits, OTC derivatives instruments, and structured products issued by or placed with (as the case may be) any single issuer/institution must not exceed 25% of the Fund's NAV. Where the value of the Fund's investment in debentures issued by a single issuer is increased to 30%, the aggregate value of the Fund's investment must not exceed 30%; Where the single issuer limit for structured product is waived, the calculation of the aggregate value of the Fund's investment should exclude the value of investments in structured products;
- the value of the Fund's investments in debentures issued by any one group of companies must not exceed 30% of the Fund's NAV;
- the Fund's investments in transferable securities (other than debentures) must not exceed 10% of the securities issued by a single issuer;
- the Fund's investments in debentures must not exceed 20% of the debentures issued by any single issuer;
- the Fund's investments in money market instruments must not exceed 10% of the instruments issued by any single issuer. This limit does not apply to money market instruments that do not have a pre-determined issue size;
- the value of the Fund's investment in unlisted securities must not exceed 10% of the Fund's NAV. This exposure limit does not apply to:
  - o debentures traded on an organized OTC market; and
  - o structured products.

Please note that the above restrictions and limits do not apply to securities or instruments issued or guaranteed by the Malaysian government or BNM. In respect of the above restrictions and limits, the SC Guidelines provides for an allowance of 5% from the restrictions and limits due to appreciation or depreciation of the NAV of the Fund (whether as a result of an appreciation or depreciation in value of the Fund's investments or as a result of repurchase of units or payment made out of the Fund). If the Fund is not within the investment restrictions and limits, we should not make any further acquisition in relation to the relevant restrictions and limits and we must rectify as soon as practicable (maximum three (3) months from the date of occurrence).

## 1.4. APPROVALS AND CONDITIONS

We have obtained an approval from the SC for an exemption to comply with Schedule C: Valuation of other unlisted bonds of the SC Guidelines which allow Principal to obtain the price of non-RM denominated unlisted bonds from IDC for valuation purpose on 10 June 2019, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. We are to keep abreast of the development of IDC's pricing methodology; and
- 2. We are to continuously keep track on the acceptability of IDC's prices in the market place.

## 1.5. BORROWINGS/FINANCING

The Fund may not borrow cash or obtain cash financing or other assets in connection with its activities. However, the Fund may borrow cash for the purpose of meeting withdrawal requests for units and for short-term bridging requirements.

## **1.6. SECURITIES LENDING**

The Fund may participate in the lending of securities within the meaning of the Guidelines on Securities Borrowing and Lending issued by the SC when we find it appropriate to do so with a view of generating additional income for the Fund with an acceptable degree of risk.

The lending of securities is permitted under the Deeds and must comply with the above mentioned as well as with the relevant rules and directives issued by Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad, Bursa Malaysia Depository Sdn. Bhd. and Bursa Malaysia Securities Clearing Sdn. Bhd.

## 1.7. RISK FACTORS

## 1.7.1. GENERAL RISKS OF INVESTING IN A UNIT TRUST FUND

Any investment carries with it an element of risk. Therefore, prior to making an investment, you should consider the following risk factors in addition to the other information set out in this Prospectus.

#### Returns not guaranteed

The investment of the fund is subject to market fluctuations and its inherent risk. There is **NO GUARANTEE** on the investment returns, nor any assurance that the fund's investment objective will be achieved.

### General market environment risk

Market risk refers to the possibility that an investment will lose value because of a general decline in financial markets, due to economic, political and/or other factors, which will result in a decline in the fund's NAV

### Inflation risk

This is the risk that investors' investment in the unit trust fund may not grow or generate income at a rate that keeps pace with inflation. This would reduce investors' purchasing power even though the value of the investment in monetary terms has increased.

### Manager's risk

This risk refers to the day-to-day management of the fund by the manager which will impact the performance of the fund. For example, investment decisions undertaken by the manager, as a result of an incorrect view of the market or any non-compliance with internal policies, investment mandate, the deed, relevant law or guidelines due to factors such as human error or weaknesses in operational process and systems, may adversely affect the performance of the fund.

### Loan financing risk

This risk occurs when investors take a loan/financing to finance their investment. The inherent risk of investing with borrowed money includes you being unable to service the loan repayments. In the event units are used as collateral, you may be required to top-up your existing instalment if the prices of units fall below a certain level due to market conditions. Failing which, the units may be sold at a lower NAV per unit as compared to the NAV per unit at the point of purchase towards settling the loan.

Note: Unit Trust Loan Financing Risk Disclosure Statement Form annexed as Appendix 1 hereto sets out the risks in detail.

### 1.7.2. SPECIFIC RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO OF THE FUND

There are specific risks associated with the investment portfolio of the Fund. The key ones include but are not limited to the following:

### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk refers to the impact of interest rate changes on the valuation of debt instruments. When interest rates rise, debt instruments prices generally decline and this may lower the market value of the fund's investment in debt instruments. In managing the debt, we take into account the coupon rate and time to maturity of the debt instruments with an aim to mitigate the interest rate risk.

#### Mismatch risk

This risk refers to the non-matching of the Maturity Date of the Fund and that of the debt instruments it holds. The Fund may invest in some debt instruments with maturity exceeding or shorter than the maturity date of the Fund. The difference in debt instruments maturity relative to the maturity date of the Fund may result in the Fund being unable to meet its projected rate of return. If a debt instruments with maturity longer than the maturity date of the Fund cannot be liquidated close to the theoretical value (a value projected by us at which it should be liquidated to meet the portfolio's projected rate of return) or if proceeds from a debt instruments maturing earlier than the Fund's maturity date cannot be reinvested at equal or higher rates offered by the matured debt instruments, the Fund may not meet its projected returns. However, we seek to mitigate this risk by investing in debt instruments which closely match the maturity of the Fund.

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk refers to the ease of liquidating an asset depending on the asset's volume traded in the market. If the Fund holds assets that are illiquid, or are difficult to dispose of, the value of the Fund will be negatively affected when it has to sell such assets at unfavourable prices.

#### Credit and default risk

The Fund will be exposed to a certain degree of credit and default risk of issuers or counterparties when the Fund invests in debt instruments, money market instruments and/or place Deposits. Credit risk relates to the creditworthiness of the securities issuers or counterparties and their expected ability to make timely payment of interest and/or principal. Any adverse situations faced by the issuer or counterparties may impact the value as well as liquidity of the investments. In the case of rated debt instruments, this may lead to a credit downgrade. Default risk relates to the risk that a securities issuer or counterparties either defaulting on payments or failing to make payments in a timely manner which will in turn adversely affect the value of the investments. Should the Fund invest in non-investment grade debt instruments, the Fund is subject to a higher default risk as compared to a fund that invests investment grade debt instruments only. This could adversely affect the value of the Fund. We aim to mitigate this risk by performing bottom-up and top-down credit research and analysis to determine the creditworthiness of its issuers or counterparties and impose investment limits on exposures for issuers or counterparties with different credit profiles as a precautionary step to limit any loss that may arise directly or indirectly as a result of a defaulted transaction.

#### **Redemption risk**

In the event of large redemptions, including withdrawal of your units by us to ensure that we comply with any relevant laws, regulations and guidelines, the Fund may need to dispose some of the debt instruments to fulfil redemption obligations. If the debt instruments are sold when interest rates rise or are expected to rise, the price of the debt instruments will fall. This in turn would depress the NAV of the Fund. The Fund discourages redemptions by imposing a Withdrawal Penalty which is ploughed back to the Fund. We will also manage the relationship with large investors to reduce the risk of unplanned redemptions. You are advised to be prepared to commit your investments up till the Maturity Date.

#### Country risk

Investments of the Fund in any countries may be affected by changes in the economic and political climate, restriction on currency repatriation or other developments in the law or regulations of the countries in which the Fund invests in. For example, the deteriorating economic condition of such countries may adversely affect the value of the investments undertaken by the Fund in those affected countries. This in turn may cause the NAV of the Fund or prices of units to fall.

#### Currency risk

As the investments of the Fund may be denominated in currencies other than the base currency of the Fund, any fluctuation in the exchange rate between the base currency of the Fund and the currencies in which the investments are denominated may have an impact on the value of these investments. You should be aware that if the currencies in which the investments are denominated depreciate against the base currency of the Fund, this will have an adverse effect on the NAV of the Fund in the base currency and vice versa. You should note that any gains or losses arising from the fluctuation in the exchange rate may further increase or decrease the returns of the investment.

#### Risk associated with investment in structured products

Investments in structured product are linked to the performance of specific underlying assets and are not equivalent to investment directly into those underlying assets. Generally, structured product has specified investment tenure. In the event the structure product unwinds before its maturity, the Fund may not be able to recoup the full principal amount. Investments in structured product are also subject to credit and default risk of the issuer of the structured product. Where the issuer of the structured product is unable to meet its financial obligations towards the Fund, the value of the Fund will be adversely affected.

We aim to mitigate this risk by having a stringent credit selection process for the issuer. If we are of the opinion that there is a material adverse change to an issuer, we may consider unwinding that particular structured product.

#### Early termination risk

During the Offer Period, we reserve the right, with the consent of Trustee, to terminate the Fund earlier than the Maturity Date and return to Unit holders the Initial Offer Price per unit and the Application Fee paid in the event that the sales proceeds/amount collected of the Fund at the expiry of the Offer Period is below RM50 million or when the expected return of the Fund does not or may not match or exceed the Fund's benchmark. In accordance with the provisions of the Deed, early termination may also take place after the Offer Period if we are of the opinion that by doing so is in the best interest of the Unit holders. In the event that these circumstances arise, you may have to reinvest the monies returned to you into other investment vehicles which may not be able to match the returns that would have been provided by the Fund if it has not been terminated early.

The above summary of risks does not purport to be an exhaustive list of all the risk factors relating to investments in the Fund and are not set out in any particular order of priority. You should be aware that an investment in a unit trust fund may be exposed to other risks from time to time. If in doubt, you should consult professional advisers for a better understanding of the risks.

## 2. FEES, CHARGES AND EXPENSES

## 2.1. CHARGES

The following describes the charges that you may directly incur when you buy or withdraw units of the Fund.

## 2.1.1. Application Fee

When applying for units of the Fund, you may be charged an Application Fee based on the Initial Offer Price per unit of the Fund, which may differ between distribution channels. An Application Fee of up to 3.00% is charged on the Initial Offer Price per unit\*.

\* Notwithstanding the Application Fee disclosed above, you may negotiate with the Distributors for lower charges.

**Note:** Please refer to "Calculation of investment amount and units entitlement" section under "Transaction Information" chapter for an illustration on how the Application Fee is calculated. The Application Fee imposed will be rounded to two (2) decimal places.

### 2.1.2. Withdrawal Penalty

A Withdrawal Penalty of up to 2.00% of the NAV per unit is chargeable on any withdrawal made prior to the Maturity Date. The Withdrawal Penalty borne by you will be retained by the Fund.

The Withdrawal Penalty is displayed below:

Withdrawal during	Withdrawal Penalty chargeable (% of NAV per unit)
≤ 1 year after Commencement Date of the Fund	Up to 2.00%
> 1 to < 3 years after Commencement Date of the Fund	Up to 1.00%
At Maturity	Nil

Notwithstanding the above, no Withdrawal Penalty will be levied:

- If the withdrawal is made during the Offer Period (and including the cooling-off period from the end of the Offer Period) in which case the withdrawal price will be the Initial Offer Price per unit during the Offer Period, i.e. RM1.0000; or
- If the withdrawal is due to termination of the Fund.

**Note:** Please refer to "Calculation of investment amount and units entitlement" section under "Transaction Information" chapter for an illustration on how the Withdrawal Penalty is calculated. The Withdrawal Penalty imposed will be rounded to two (2) decimal places.

### 2.1.3. Switching Fee

Currently, switching facility is not available for this Fund; hence, Switching Fee is not applicable.

### 2.1.4. Transfer Fee

A Transfer Fee of not more than RM50.00 may be charged for each transfer.

All fees and charges payable by you are subject to any applicable taxes and/or duties as may be imposed by the government or other authorities (if any) from time to time. As a result of changes in any rule, regulation, directive, notice and/or law issued by the government or relevant authority, there may be additional cost to the fees, expenses, charges and/or taxes payable to and/or by you as disclosed or illustrated above.

## 2.2. FEES AND EXPENSES

The following describes the fees that you may **indirectly** incur when you invest in the Fund.

### 2.2.1. Management Fee

Nil.

### 2.2.2. Trustee Fee

The Trustee is entitled to a fee of up to 0.04% per annum (including local custodian fee but excluding foreign sub-custodian fee and charges) of the Fund's NAV. The Trustee Fee shall be accrued daily and paid monthly to the Trustee.

Below is an illustration on how the Trustee Fee is calculated:

Trustee Fee for the day

NAV of the Fund x Trustee Fee rate for the Fund (%) / 365 days

If the NAV of the Fund is RM100 million, then Trustee Fee for the day = RM100

RM100 million x 0.04% / 365 RM109.59

Note: In the event of a leap year, the computation will be based on 366 calendar days.

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All fees and charges payable by the Fund are subject to any applicable taxes and/or duties as may be imposed by the government or other authorities (if any) from time to time. As a result of changes in any rule, regulation, directive, notice and/or law issued by the government or relevant authority, there may be additional cost to the fees, expenses, charges and/or taxes payable to and/or by the Fund as disclosed or illustrated above.

#### 2.2.3. Other expenses

The Deed also provides for payment of other expenses. The major expenses recoverable directly from the Fund include:

- expenses incurred in the sale, purchase, insurance, custody and any other dealings of investments including commissions/fees paid to brokers and costs involved with external specialists approved by the Trustee in investigating and evaluating any proposed investment;
- (where the foreign custodial function is delegated by the Trustee), all costs associated with the custody of investment and charges/fees paid to the sub-custodian;
- preparation and audit of the taxation returns and accounts of the Fund;
- expenses incurred in the printing of, purchasing of stationery and postage of the annual and interim (if any) reports;
- remuneration and out of pocket expenses of the independent members of the investment committee unless we decide to bear the same;
- tax and other duties imposed by the government and other authorities, and bank fees;
- tax agent's and auditor's fees and expenses in relation to the Fund;
- valuation fees paid to independent valuers for the benefit of the Fund;
- costs incurred in modifying the Deed other than for the benefit of the Manager and the Trustee;
- costs of convening and holding meetings of Unit holders (other than those meetings convened for our benefit or the Trustee); and
- all costs, bank charges and expenses related to income distribution of the Fund; for example, postage and printing of all cheques, statements and notices to Unit holder of the Fund.

Expenses not authorised by the Deed must be paid by us or the Trustee out of our own funds, if incurred for our own benefit.

**2.2.4.** We and the Trustee are required to ensure that any fees or charges payable are reasonable and in accordance with the Deed which stipulates the maximum rate in percentage terms that can be charged.

You should note that we may alter the fees and charges (other than the Trustee Fee) within such limits, and subject to such provisions, as set out in the Deed and the SC Guidelines.

You should note that we may, for any reason at any time, where applicable, waive or reduce the amount of any fees (except the Trustee Fee) or other charges payable by you in respect of the Fund, either generally (for all investors) or specifically (for any particular investor or a group of investors) and for any period or periods of time at our absolute discretion.

## 2.3. REBATES AND SOFT COMMISSIONS

We and the Trustee will not retain any form of rebate or soft commission from, or otherwise share in any commission with, any broker in consideration for directing dealings in the investments of the Fund unless the soft commission received is retained in the form of goods and services such as research and advisory services that assist in the decision making process relating to the Fund's investments. All dealings with brokers are executed on most favourable terms available for the Fund.

There are fees and charges involved and you are advised to consider them before investing in the Fund.

All fees and charges payable by you and/or the Fund are subject to any applicable taxes and/or duties as may be imposed by the government or other authorities (if any) from time to time. As a result of changes in any rule, regulation, directive, notice and/or law issued by the government or relevant authority, there may be additional cost to the fees, expenses, charges and/or taxes payable to and/or by the Fund or you as disclosed or illustrated in the Prospectus.

We have the discretion to amend the amount, rate and/or terms and conditions for the above-mentioned fees, charges and expenses from time to time, subject to the requirements stipulated in the Deed. Where necessary, we will notify the Trustee and communicate to you or seek your approval on the amendments to the fees and charges.

## **3. TRANSACTION INFORMATION**

## 3.1. VALUATION OF INVESTMENTS PERMITTED BY THE FUND

We will carry out the valuation of the Fund in a fair manner in accordance with the applicable laws and guidelines. The valuation bases for the investments permitted by the Fund are as below:

## Debt instruments

The value of any unlisted RM-denominated bonds shall be calculated on a weekly basis using prices quoted by a Bond Pricing Agency (BPA) registered with the SC. Where such prices are not available or where we are of the view that the price quoted by the BPA for a specific bond differs from the market price by more than 20 basis points, we may use the market price by reference to the last available quote provided such quote was obtained within the previous thirty (30) days and we record its basis for using a non-BPA price, obtained necessary internal approvals to use the non-BPA price and keeps an audit trail of all decisions and basis for adopting the market yield.

The value of any unlisted non-RM denominated bonds shall be calculated weekly using prices quoted by IDC using its proprietary methodology. The bond prices are calculated using prices contributed by financial institutions and other market inputs listed in approximate order of priority, include: benchmark yields, reported trades, broker/dealer quotes, issuer spreads, two-sided markets, benchmark securities, bids, offers and reference data (e.g. corporate action announcements and ratings). Where the prices from IDC are not available on any business day, these bonds will be valued by reference to the average indicative yield quoted by three (3) independent and reputable financial institutions. However, where quotations are still not available, such unlisted non-RM denominated debt securities will be valued at least weekly at fair price determined in good faith by us, based on the methods or bases which have been verified by the auditor of the Fund and approved by the Trustee.

## Money market instruments

Valuation of money market instruments shall be determined weekly by reference to the principal value of such permitted investments and the accrued income for the relevant period.

### Deposits

The value of Deposits shall be determined weekly by reference to the principal value of such permitted investments and the interest/profit accrued thereon for the relevant period.

### Derivatives

For unlisted derivative instruments, the value will be determined by the financial institution that issued the instrument. In any event, we shall ensure that the valuation of the investment is valued at fair value as determined in good faith by us, on methods and bases which have been verified by the auditor of the Fund and approved by the Trustee. For listed derivative instruments, the valuation will be in the same manner as other listed securities described below.

### Structured products

The valuation is based on marked to market prices as provided by the counterparty that issued the instrument. We shall ensure that the marked to market prices are fair values as determined in good faith by us. The methods or bases of valuation will have to be verified by the auditor of the Fund and approved by the Trustee.

### Listed securities

The value of listed securities, which are quoted on an approved exchange, shall be calculated by reference to the market price. However, if a valuation based on market price does not represent the fair value of the securities or no market price is available including in the event of a suspension in the quotation of the securities for a period exceeding fourteen (14) days or such shorter period as agreed by the Trustee, then the securities should be valued at fair value, as determined in good faith by us or our delegate based on the methods or bases approved by the Trustee after appropriate technical consultation.

As the value of the Fund's assets is denominated in a foreign currency, the assets are translated on a weekly basis to RM based on the bid foreign exchange rate quoted by either Reuters or Bloomberg, at UK time 4:00 p.m. on the same day (Malaysian time 11:00 p.m. or 12:00 a.m.) or such other time as stipulated in the IMS.

## 3.2. UNIT PRICING

We adopt a single pricing method for any transactions (i.e. applications and withdrawals) based on forward prices. This means that we will process your transactions request based on the NAV per unit\* at the next valuation point after we receive the completed relevant transaction forms from you. The Application Fee or Withdrawal Penalty (if any) will be computed and charged separately based on your application or withdrawal amount. After the Offer Period (or such shortened period as determined by us), no units will be available for sale. The pricing for the withdrawal of units shall be the NAV per unit at the next valuation point after we receive the completed relevant transaction form.

\* As this is close-ended fund, the NAV per unit refers to Initial Offer Price during Offer Period.

We will value the Fund on a weekly basis; i.e. every Monday. The Fund's valuation point for Monday will be by 4:00 p.m. on the next Business Day as the Fund has exposure to investments outside Malaysia. This is to cater for the currency translation of the foreign securities or instruments to the Funds' base currency. Currently, the currency translation is based on the bid exchange rate quoted by Bloomberg or Reuters at UK time 4:00 p.m. (Malaysian time 11:00 p.m. or 12:00 a.m.) on the same day, or such other time as stipulated in the IMS. The NAV per unit for Monday is available on our website at http://www.principal.com.my after 5:30 p.m. on the following Business Day (T+1).

For any withdrawal by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, the price for these transactions will be the NAV per unit for that Monday, which will only be known on the following Business Day (T+1). Transactions after 4:00 p.m. will be processed using the NAV per unit for the following Monday. If a Monday is a non-Business Day, you can withdraw on the immediate next Business Day. In such cases, the request must be received by us no later than 4:00 p.m. on the immediate next Business Day and we will process the request using the NAV per unit for that immediate next Business Day.

#### Illustration:

#### For transaction request received by us by 4:00 p.m. on Monday

At the end of the Business Day on 3 June 2019, your units will be based on the NAV per unit on that Monday i.e. 3 June 2019, which will be calculated on the next Business Day, that is, 4 June 2019. The NAV per unit will be made known on our website after 5:30 p.m. on 4 June 2019.

#### For transaction request received by us after 4:00 p.m. on Monday

At the end of the Business Day on 3 June 2019, your units will be based on the NAV per unit for the next Monday i.e. 10 June 2019, which will be calculated on the following Business Day, that is, 11 June 2019. The NAV per unit will be made known on our website after 5:30 p.m. on 11 June 2019.

The Fund must be valued at least once a week except during the Offer Period. The method of determining NAV per unit is calculated as follows:

The NAV of the Fund is the sum of the value of all investments and cash held by the Fund (calculated in accordance with the Deed) including income derived by the Fund which has not been distributed to you, less all amounts owing or payable in respect of the Fund which also includes any provisions that we and the Trustee consider should be made. For example, a provision may be made for possible future losses on an investment which cannot be fairly determined.

#### Calculation of investment amount and units entitlement

The calculation below is for illustration only and does not represent the actual percentage or amount that you may incur for the Fund.

#### Illustrations:

#### Calculation of number of units received, Application Fee and total amount payable by you (during Offer Period)

#### Assumptions:

Initial Offer Price per unit = RM1.0000 You wish to invest RM10,000.00 in the Fund through an IUTA, at an Application Fee of 3.00%.

Calculation of number of units that you will receive \*

- = Investment amount / Initial Offer Price per unit
- = RM10,000.00 / RM1.0000
- = 10,000 units

Calculation of Application Fee that you will incur (to be payable in addition to the amount invested)

= Initial Offer Price per unit x number of units received x Application Fee rate

= RM1.0000 x 10,000 units x 3.00%

= RM300.00

Calculation of total amount that you will have to pay

= Investment amount + Application Fee paid

= RM10,000.00 + RM300.00

= RM10,300.00

\* The number of units you will receive will be rounded down to two (2) decimal places

#### Calculation of withdrawal value, Withdrawal Penalty amount and amount payable to you (prior to Maturity Date)

Assuming you have 50,000 units, you wish to withdraw 10,000 units from your investment in the Fund which is more than one (1) year but less than two (2) years after the Commencement Date of the Fund. Your withdrawal request is received by 4:00 p.m on Monday. The NAV per unit for that Monday (which will be made known on the following Business Day) is RM1.2010 (truncated to 4 decimal places).

A Withdrawal Penalty of 1.00% on the NAV per unit will be charged on the withdrawal.

Calculation of your withdrawal amount

= Units withdrawn x NAV per unit

= 10,000 x RM1.2010

= RM12,010.00

Calculation of Withdrawal Penalty amount paid by you (to be deducted from the withdrawal value)

= NAV per unit x number of units withdrawn x Withdrawal Penalty rate

= RM1.2010 x 10,000 x 1.00%

= RM120.10

<u>Calculation of amount payable to you</u> = Withdrawal value – Withdrawal Penalty amount paid = RM12,010.00 – RM120.10

= RM12,010.00 -

= RM11,889.90

## Calculation of withdrawal value and amount payable to you (at Maturity Date)

At Maturity Date, the Fund will be liquidated and the proceeds (after deducting all expenses) would be returned to you in accordance with the proportion of your unit holdings in the Fund. No Withdrawal Penalty is charged and the amount payable to you is the withdrawal value. Assuming you have 10,000 units and the NAV per unit on Maturity Date is RM1.3300 (truncated to 4 decimal places).

Calculation of withdrawal value

- = Number of units x NAV per unit
- = 10,000 x RM1.3300

= RM13,300.00

<u>Calculation of amount payable to you</u> = Withdrawal value = RM13,300.00

Note: The above illustrations do not take into account all applicable taxes.

## 3.3. INCORRECT PRICING

We shall take immediate remedial action to rectify any incorrect valuation and/or pricing of the Fund or units of the Fund. Where such error has occurred, we shall reimburse the money in the following manner:

- (a) in the event of over valuation and/or pricing, we shall reimburse:
  - i. the Fund for any withdrawal of units; and/or
  - ii. you, if you have purchase units of the Fund at a higher price; or
- (b) in the event of under valuation and/or pricing, we shall reimburse:
  - i. the Fund for any subscription of units; and/or
  - ii. you, if you have withdrawn units of the Fund at a lower price.

Notwithstanding the above, unless the Trustee otherwise directs, we shall make the reimbursement as per the IMS, only where an incorrect pricing:

(i) is equal or more than 0.50% of the NAV per unit; and

(ii) results in a sum total of RM10.00 or more to be reimbursed to a Unit holder for each sale or repurchase transaction.

We shall have the right to amend, vary or revise the abovesaid limits or threshold from time to time, subject to any regulatory or governing body's requirements.

## 3.4. OFFER PERIOD

The Offer Period is up to 45 calendar days from the Launch Date. No units will be offered for sale after the Offer Period. The Offer Period may be shortened at our discretion if we deem appropriate to enter the market in order to capitalize on the prevailing yields as notified in writing to the Trustee and Unit holder or when a desired fund size as determined by us has been reached.

## 3.5. INVESTING

## 3.5.1. Who can invest?

You are eligible to invest in the Fund if you are:

- an individual who is at least eighteen (18) years of age and not an undischarged bankrupt. As an individual investor, you
  may also opt to invest in joint names (i.e. as a joint Unit holder and both applicants must be at least eighteen (18) years of
  age).
- an institution including a company, corporation, co-operative, trust or pension fund.

However, we have the right to reject an application on reasonable grounds.

Further, if we become aware of a US person (i.e. someone who has a USA address (permanent or mailing) or contact number) or US entity (i.e. a corporation, trust, partnership or other entity created or organised in or under the laws of the United States or any state thereof or any estate or trust the income of which is subject to United States Federal Income Tax regardless of source) holding units in the Fund, we will issue a notice to that Unit holder requiring him/her to, within thirty (30) days, either withdraw the units or transfer the units to a non-US person or non-US entity.

We also have the right to withdraw all units held by you in the event we are of the opinion that such withdrawal is necessary to ensure that we comply with any relevant laws, regulations and guidelines. We will first notify you before making any such compulsory withdrawal of your units.

### 3.5.2. How to invest?

You may invest through any of our Distributors or our head office after completing the relevant application forms and attaching a copy of your identity card, passport or any other identification document. We may request for additional supporting document(s) or information from you. On the application form, please indicate clearly the amount you wish to invest in the Fund. We may introduce other mode of investment from time to time, subject to the approval of the relevant authorities.

You may invest:

- by crossed cheque, banker's draft, money order or cashier's order (made payable as advised by us or our Distributors as the case may be). You will have to bear the applicable bank fees and charges, if any;
- directly from your bank account held with our Distributors, where applicable; or
- by such other mode of payment that we and/or the relevant authorities approve from time to time. Any charges, fees and
  expenses incurred in facilitating such mode of payment shall be borne by you. Such mode of payment is subject to further
  limit(s), restriction(s) and/or terms and conditions that we and/or the relevant authorities may impose from time to time.

#### 3.5.3. Can the units be registered in the name of more than one (1) Unit holder?

We may register units in the name of more than one (1) Unit holder but we have the discretion not to allow registration of more than two (2) joint Unit holders. All applicants must be at least eighteen (18) years of age.

In the event of the demise of a joint Unit holder, whether Muslim or non-Muslim, only the surviving joint Unit holder will be recognized as the rightful owner. His/her units will be dealt with in accordance with the Deed and applicable laws and regulations.

### 3.5.4. Who is distributing this Fund?

The Fund may be distributed via the following channels:

- Our branches;
- Principal Distributors;
- IUTAs; and
- such other channels as we may decide from time to time.

You may invest into the Fund via us or any of our Distributors. Please refer to the "Distributors of the Fund" chapter for further details. Please note that we have the discretion in determining the Distributors of the Fund, including its appointment and/or termination from time to time. You may contact our **Customer Care Centre** at **(03) 7718 3000** or refer to our website at **http://www.principal.com.my** for more information.

#### You are advised not to make payment in cash to any individual agent when purchasing units of a fund.

**3.5.5.** Please take note that if your investments are made through an IUTA via a nominee system of ownership, you would not be deemed as a Unit holder under the Deed and as a result, you may not exercise all the rights ordinarily conferred to a Unit holder (e.g. the right to call for Unit holders' meetings and the right to vote at a Unit holders' meeting).

## 3.6. MINIMUM INVESTMENTS

The minimum initial investment in the Fund is RM1,000 and the minimum additional investment in the Fund is RM500 or such other amount as we may decide from time to time. Please note that initial and additional investments are only accepted during the Offer Period.

**Note:** You may request for a lower amount when purchasing units (or additional units), which will be at our sole and absolute discretion. However, you should note that we may, for any reason at any time, where applicable, accept or reject a lower amount or number of units and without having to assign any reason, either generally (for all investors) or specifically (for any particular investor or a group of investors) without prior notice to you.

## 3.6.1. Processing an application

If we receive a complete application during the Offer Period, we will process it using the Initial Offer Price per unit (i.e. RM1.0000) of the Fund. The Application Fee will be computed based on your investment amount. We will only process complete applications, i.e. when we have received all the necessary information and/or documentations. The number of units you receive will be rounded down to two (2) decimal places.

## 3.7. MINIMUM WITHDRAWALS

The minimum withdrawal for the Fund is 500 units or such other amount as we may decide from time to time, unless you are withdrawing your entire investment. You may withdraw by completing a withdrawal form and sending it to the relevant Distributor or our head office. Withdrawal is limited to every Monday of the week.

**Note:** You may request for a lower number of units when withdrawing units, which will be at our sole and absolute discretion. However, you should note that we may, for any reason at any time, where applicable, accept or reject a lower number of units and without having to assign any reason, either generally (for all investors) or specifically (for any particular investor or a group of investors) without prior notice to you. For increase in the number of units for minimum withdrawal, we will require concurrence from the Trustee and you will be notified of such changes before implementation.

## 3.7.1. Processing a withdrawal

With the exception of withdrawals during the Offer Period, you are only allowed to withdraw your units in the Fund every Monday (or the next Business Day if Monday is a non-Business Day).

If we receive a complete withdrawal request by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, we will process it using the NAV per unit for that Monday. If we receive the withdrawal request after 4:00 p.m. on Monday, it will be processed using the NAV per unit for the following Monday. If Monday is a non-Business Day, you can withdraw on the next Business Day. In such cases, the request must be received by us no later than 4:00 p.m. on the next Business Day and we will process the request using the NAV per unit for that next Business Day. The amount that you will receive is the withdrawal value less the Withdrawal Penalty, if any. You will be paid in RM within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of the complete withdrawal request. You will have to bear the applicable bank fees and charges, if any.

Upon the maturity of the Fund, the Fund shall be compulsorily terminated, and your units will be withdrawn based on the NAV per unit on the Maturity Date.

## 3.8. MINIMUM BALANCE

The minimum balance that must be retained in the Fund is 1,000 units or such other amount as we may decide from time to time. If the balance (i.e. number of units) of an investment drops below 1,000 units, we can withdraw the entire investment and forward the proceeds to you.

**Note**: We may, for any reason at any time, where applicable, reduce the minimum balance, either generally (for all investors) or specifically (for any particular investor or a group of investors) without prior notice to you. For increase in the number units for minimum balance, we will require concurrence from the Trustee and you will be notified of such changes before implementation.

## 3.9. COOLING-OFF PERIOD

You have six (6) Business Days after your initial investment (i.e. from the date the complete application is received and accepted by us or our Distributors) to reconsider its appropriateness and suitability for your investment needs. Within this period, you may withdraw your investment at the same NAV per unit\* when the units were purchased. We will refund the investment amount including Application Fee (if any) to you within ten (10) days, from the date we receive the complete documentations. Please note that the cooling-off right is only given to first time investor investing with us or any of our Distributors. However, Principal Malaysia's staff and person(s) registered to deal in unit trust of Principal Malaysia or any of our Distributors are not entitled to the cooling-off right. \* As this is close-ended fund, the NAV per unit refers to Initial Offer Price during Offer Period.

## 3.10. SWITCHING

There is no switching facility for this Fund.

## **3.11. TRANSFER FACILITY**

You may transfer your units to another investor subject to terms and conditions as may be stipulated in the Deed. A Transfer Fee of not more than RM 50.00 may be charged for each transfer. However, we may refuse to register a transfer of unit at our absolute discretion.

## 3.12. MINIMUM SIZE FOR CONTINUED OPERATION OF THE FUND

We reserve the right, with the consent of the Trustee, not to launch the Fund and return to the investors the Initial Offer Price per unit and the Application Fee paid if the sales proceeds or amount collected of the Fund at the expiry of the Offer Period is below RM50 million, or when the expected return of the Fund does not or may not match or exceed the benchmark of the Fund. All monies will be returned to the investors free of interest should this occur.

## 3.13. MATURITY OF THE FUND

As this is a close-ended fund, the Fund will mature on the day immediately preceding the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) anniversary of the Commencement Date. If the Maturity Date falls on a weekend or a public holiday, it should be the following Business Day. If the Fund is terminated earlier in accordance with the provisions of the Deed, Maturity Date shall mean the date of such early termination.

The final payment of proceeds shall be paid to you within fourteen (14) days from the Maturity Date. However, in the event of adversity such as credit crunch, the debt instruments of the Fund may encounter liquidity issues. If such scenario occurs, please note that you may receive the final payment of proceeds within 180 days from the Maturity Date as the Manager and Trustee shall agree.

## **3.14. DISTRIBUTION PAYMENT**

We have the discretion to make income distribution on an ad-hoc basis, taking into consideration the level of its realised income and/or realised gain, as well as the performance of the Fund.

You shall furnish us with details of your bank account which all distribution payment shall be paid (the cost and expense will be borne by you).

**Note:** Please note that we have the right to make provisions for reserves in respect of distribution of the Fund. If the income available is too small or insignificant, any distribution may not be of benefit to you as the total cost to be incurred in any such distribution may be higher than the amount for distribution. We have the discretion to decide on the amount to be distributed to you. We also have the discretion to make income distribution on an ad-hoc basis, taking into consideration the level of its realised income and/or realised gains, as well as the performance of the Fund.

## 3.15. UNCLAIMED MONEYS

As prescribed by Unclaimed Moneys Act 1965 ("UMA"), any moneys payable to you which remain unclaimed after twelve (12) months will be surrendered to the Registrar of Unclaimed Moneys by us in accordance with the requirements of the UMA. Thereafter, all claims need to be made by you with the Registrar of Unclaimed Moneys.

## Unit prices and distributions payable, if any, may go down as well as up.

We have the discretion to amend the amount, rate and/or terms and conditions of the transaction information herein, subject to the requirements stipulated in the Deed. Where necessary, we will notify the Trustee and communicate to you on the amendments to the transaction information.

## 4. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

## 4.1. FINANCIAL YEAR-END

30 September

## 4.2. INFORMATION ON YOUR INVESTMENT

We will send you the following:

- Your Principal Malaysia account number;
- Confirmation on all your transactions and distributions (if any);
- Confirmation on any changes to your address if you have written to us to make the changes;
- The details of your investment each January; and
- Interim and audited annual report showing snapshots of the Fund and details of the portfolio for the respective period reported. Both the interim report and the audited annual report will be sent to you within two (2) months of the end of the period reported.

## The Fund's annual report is available upon request.

In the case of joint Unit holders, all correspondences and payments will be made and sent to the first registered Unit holder.

Please take note that if your investment is made through an IUTA via a nominee system of ownership, you would not be deemed to be a Unit holder under the Deed. As such, you may obtain the above-mentioned information from the respective IUTA.

You may obtain up-to-date fund information and NAV per unit from our monthly fund fact sheets and our website, **www.principal.com.my**.

If you have any questions about the information in this Prospectus or would like to know more about investing in this Fund, please contact our **Customer Care Centre** at **(603) 7718 3000** between 8:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m. (Malaysian time) on Mondays to Thursdays and between 8:45 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. (Malaysian time) on Fridays (except on Selangor public holidays) or you may email us at **service@principal.com.my**.

If you wish to write-in, please address your letter to:

## Principal Asset Management Berhad

**Customer Care Centre** 50, 52 & 54 Jalan SS 21/39 Damansara Utama, 47400 Petaling Jaya Selangor Darul Ehsan MALAYSIA

## 4.3. DEED

The Fund is governed by the Deed dated 7 May 2019 including any supplemental deed(s) as may be issued from time to time.

## 4.4. DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION

You may inspect the following documents or copies thereof in relation to the Fund (upon request) at our principal place of business and/or the business address of the Trustee (where applicable) without charge:

- The Deed;
- Current Prospectus and supplementary or replacement prospectus, if any;
- The latest annual and interim reports of the Fund;
- Material contracts or documents disclosed in the Prospectus;
- The audited financial statements of the Manager and the Fund (where applicable) for the current financial year and for the last three (3) financials years or if less than three (3) years, from the date of incorporation or commencement;
- Any report, letter or other document, valuation and statement by any expert, any part of which is extracted or referred to in this Prospectus;
- Writ and relevant cause papers for all material litigation and arbitration disclosed in this Prospectus; and
- Consent given by experts or disclosed in this Prospectus, if any.

## 4.5. POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

We (including our directors) will at all time act in your best interests and will not conduct ourselves in any manner that will result in a conflict of interest or potential conflict of interest. In the unlikely event that any conflict of interest arises, such conflict shall be resolved such that the Fund is not disadvantaged. In the unlikely event that we face conflicts in respect of our duties as Manager to the Fund and to other Principal Malaysia's fund that we manage, we are obliged to act in the best interests of our investors and will seek to resolve any conflicts fairly and in accordance with the Deed.

We shall not act as principal in the sale and purchase of any securities or investments to and from the Fund. We shall not make any investment for the Fund in any securities, properties or assets in which we or our officer has financial interest in or from which we or our officer derives a benefit, unless with the prior approval of the Trustee. We (including our directors) who hold substantial shareholdings or directorships in public companies shall refrain from any decision making relating to that particular investment of the Fund.

As at LPD, none of our directors and substantial shareholders has either direct or indirect interest in other corporations that carry on a similar business with Principal Malaysia, except for the following:

Director / Shareholder	Position	Shareholding (Direct / Indirect)	Name of corporation
CIMB Group Sdn Bhd	Shareholder	Direct	Principal Islamic Asset Management Sdn Bhd (formerly known as CIMB-Principal Islamic Asset Management Sdn Bhd)
		Indirect	CIMB-Mapletree Management Sdn Bhd

The Fund may maintain Deposits with CIMB Bank Berhad, CIMB Islamic Bank Berhad and CIMB Investment Bank Berhad. We may enter into transactions with other companies within the CIMB Group and the PFG provided that the transactions are effected at market prices and are conducted at arm's lengths.

We generally discourage cross trades and prohibit any transactions between client(s) accounts and fund accounts. Any cross trade activity require prior approval with the relevant supporting justification(s) to ensure the trades are executed in the best interest of both funds and such transactions were executed at arm's length. Cross trades will be reported to the Investment Committee to ensure compliance to the relevant regulatory requirements

### Trustee

As for the Trustee for the Fund, there may be related party transactions involving or in connection with the Fund in the following events:

- (1) where the Fund invests in instrument(s) offered by the related party of the Trustee (e.g. placement of monies, etc);
- (2) where the Fund is being distributed by the related party of the Trustee;
- (3) where the assets of the Fund are being custodised by the related party of the Trustee both as sub-custodian and/or global custodian of that Fund (i.e. Trustee's delegate); and
- (4) where the Fund obtains financing as permitted under the SC Guidelines, from the related party of the Trustee.

The Trustee has in place policies and procedures to deal with any conflict of interest situation. The Trustee will not make improper use of its position as the owner of the Fund's assets to gain, directly or indirectly, any advantage or cause detriment to the interests of Unit holders. Any related party transaction is to be made on terms which are best available to the Fund and which are not less favourable to the Fund than an arms-length transaction between independent parties.

Subject to any local regulations, the Trustee and/or its related group of companies may deal with each other, the Fund or any Unit holder or enter into any contract or transaction with each other, the Fund or any form any such contract or transaction or act in the same or similar capacity in relation to any other scheme.

## 4.6. INTERESTS IN THE FUND

Subject to any legal requirement, we or any of our related corporation, or any of our officers or directors may invest in the Fund. Our directors will receive no payments from the Fund other than distributions that they may receive as a result of investment in the Fund. No fees other than the ones set out in this Prospectus have been paid to any promoter of the Fund, or the Trustee (either to become a Trustee or for other services in connection with the Fund), or us for any purpose.

## 4.7. EMPLOYEES' SECURITIES DEALINGS

We have in place a policy contained in its Rules of Business Conduct, which regulates its employees' securities dealings. All of our employees are required to declare their securities trading annually to ensure that there is no potential conflict of interest between the employees' securities trading and the execution of the employees' duties to us and our customers.

## 5. THE MANAGER

## 5.1. ABOUT PRINCIPAL ASSET MANAGEMENT BERHAD

Principal Malaysia holds a Capital Markets Services License for fund management and dealing in securities restricted to unit trust under the CMSA and specialises in managing and operating unit trusts for investors, both institutional and retail. Principal Malaysia's responsibilities include managing investment portfolios by providing fund management services to insurance companies, pension funds, unit trust companies, corporations and government institutions in Malaysia. In addition, Principal Malaysia is an approved private retirement scheme provider in Malaysia. It originally commenced its operations as a unit trust company in November 1995. As at LPD, Principal Malaysia has more than 22 years of experience in the unit trust industry. The shareholders of Principal Malaysia are PIA and CIMB Group.

PIA is a private company incorporated in Hong Kong and its principal activity is the provision of consultancy services to other PFG group of companies. PIA is a subsidiary of the PFG, which was established in 1879 and is a diversified global financial services group servicing more than 15 million customers.

CIMB Group is one of ASEAN's leading universal banking groups and is Malaysia's second largest financial services provider, by assets. It offers consumer banking, commercial banking, investment banking, Islamic banking and asset management products and services. Headquartered in Kuala Lumpur, CIMB Group is present in all 10 ASEAN nations and has market presence in China, Hong Kong, India, Sri Lanka, Korea, US and UK. CIMB Group is listed on Bursa Malaysia and has a market capitalisation of approximately RM54.6 billion, around 36,000 employees and around 800 branches, as at 31 December 2018.

The primary roles, duties and responsibilities of Principal Malaysia as the Manager of the Fund include:

- maintaining a register of Unit holders;
- Implementing the appropriate investment strategies to achieve the Fund's investment objectives;
- ensuring that the Fund has sufficient holdings in liquid assets;
- arranging for the sale and repurchase of units;
- calculating the amount of income to be distributed to Unit holders, if any; and
- maintaining proper records of the Fund.

As at LPD, there is no litigation or arbitration proceeding current, pending or threatened against or initiated by Principal Malaysia nor is there any fact likely to give rise to any proceeding, which might materially affect the business or financial position of Principal Malaysia.

## 5.1.1. The Board of Directors

As at LPD, the Board of Directors consists of eight (8) members including three (3) Independent Directors. The Board of Directors oversees the management and operations of the Principal and meets at least four (4) times a year.

Effendy bin Shahul Hamid	- Non-independent director	Alejandro Elias Echegorri Rodriguez	- Non-independent director
Pedro Esteban Borda	- Non-independent director	Wong Joon Hian	- Independent director
Munirah binti Khairuddin	- Non-independent director	A.Huzaime bin Dato' Abdul Hamid	- Independent director
Paul Wong Chee Kin	- Non-independent director	Hisham bin Zainal Mokhtar	- Independent director

## 5.1.2. The Investment Committee

As at LPD, the Investment Committee consists of five (5) members including three (3) independent members. Generally, the Investment Committee meets once a month and is responsible for ensuring that the investment management of the Fund is consistent with the objectives of the Fund, the Deed, the SC Guidelines and relevant securities laws, our internal investment restrictions and policies, as well as acceptable and efficacious investment management practices within the unit trust industry. In this role, the powers and duties of the Investment Committee include formulating and monitoring our implementation of appropriate investment management strategies for the Fund and the measurement and evaluation of our performance.

#### 5.1.3. Designated person responsible for fund management function

Name:	Patrick Chang Chian Ping
Designation:	Chief Investment Officer, Malaysia & Chief Investment Officer, Equities, ASEAN Region
Experience:	Patrick Chang joined Principal Malaysia in 22 February 2016 and currently holds the positions of CIO for Malaysia and CIO Equities, ASEAN region effective 1 October 2018. He comes with more than 18 years of experience in asset management and is backed by numerous ASEAN awards from Malaysian pension funds in 2013 and 2015. He was previously the Head of ASEAN equities at BNP Paribas Investment Partners, Malaysia where he oversees ASEAN equities for both Malaysian and offshore clients from 2012. Prior to that, he served as Senior Vice President for Principal Malaysia where he specialized in Malaysia, ASEAN and Asia specialist funds. He also worked as a portfolio manager at Riggs and Co International Private Banking in London specializing in managing global ETF portfolios, and holds the Capital Markets Services Representative Licence.
Qualifications:	MSc Finance from City University Business School and BSc Accounting and Financial Analysis from University of Warwick, UK.

Note: For more information and/or updated information, please refer to our website at http://www.principal.com.my.

## 6. THE TRUSTEE

## 6.1. ABOUT HSBC (MALAYSIA) TRUSTEE BERHAD

**HSBC (Malaysia) Trustee Berhad** is a company incorporated in Malaysia since 1937 and registered as a trust company under the Trust Companies Act 1949, with its registered address at 13th Floor, Bangunan HSBC, South Tower, No. 2, Leboh Ampang, 50100 Kuala Lumpur. Since 1993, the Trustee has acquired experience in the administration of trusts and has been appointed as trustee for unit trust funds, exchange traded funds, wholesale funds and funds under private retirement scheme.

The Trustee's main functions are to act as trustee and custodian of the assets of the Fund and to safeguard the interests of Unit holders of the Fund. In performing these functions, the Trustee has to exercise all due care, diligence and vigilance and is required to act in accordance with the provisions of the Deed, CMSA and the SC Guidelines. Apart from being the legal owner of the Fund's assets, the Trustee is also responsible for ensuring that the Manager performs its duties and obligations in accordance with the provisions of the Deed, CMSA and the SC Guidelines. Apart from being the legal owner of the Fund's assets, the Trustee is also responsible for ensuring that the Manager performs its duties and obligations in accordance with the provisions of the Deed, CMSA and the SC Guidelines. In respect of monies paid by an investor for the application of units, the Trustee's responsibility arises when the monies are received in the relevant account of the Trustee and in respect of redemption, the Trustee's responsibility is discharged once it has paid the redemption amount to the Manager.

The Trustee has in place anti-money laundering and anti-terrorism financing policies and procedures across the HSBC Group, which may exceed local regulations. Subject to any local regulations, the Trustee shall not be liable for any loss resulting from compliance of such policies, except in the case of negligence, wilful default or fraud of the Trustee.

The Trustee is not liable for doing or failing to do any act for the purpose of complying with law, regulation or court orders.

The Trustee shall be entitled to process, transfer, release and disclose from time to time any information relating to the Fund, Manager and Unit holders for purposes of performing its duties and obligations in accordance to the Deed, the CMSA, SC Guidelines and any other legal and/or regulatory obligations such as conducting financial crime risk management, to the Trustee's parent company, subsidiaries, associate companies, affiliates, delegates, service providers, agents and any governing or regulatory authority, whether within or outside Malaysia (who may also subsequently process, transfer, release and disclose such information for any of the above mentioned purposes) on the basis that the recipients shall continue to maintain the confidentiality of information disclosed, as required by law, regulation or directive, or in relation to any legal action, or to any court, regulatory agency, government body or authority.

## 6.1.1. Trustee's Delegate

The Trustee has appointed the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Ltd as the custodian of both the local and foreign assets of the Fund. For quoted and unquoted local investments of the Fund, the assets are held through their nominee company, HSBC Nominees (Tempatan) Sdn Bhd. The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Ltd is a wholly owned subsidiary of HSBC Holdings Plc, the holding company of the HSBC Group. The custodian's comprehensive custody and clearing services cover traditional settlement processing and safekeeping as well as corporate related services including cash and security reporting, income collection and corporate events processing. All investments are registered in the name of the Trustee or to the order of the Trustee. The custodian acts only in accordance with instructions from the Trustee. The Trustee shall be responsible for the acts and omissions of its delegate as though they were its own acts and omissions.

However, the Trustee is not liable for the acts, omissions or failure of third party depository such as central securities depositories, or clearing and/or settlement systems and/or authorised depository institutions, where the law or regulation of the relevant jurisdiction requires the Trustee to deal or hold any asset of the Fund through such third parties.

## 6.1.2. Trustee's Disclosure of Material Litigation

As at LPD, the Trustee is not engaged in any material litigation and arbitration, including those pending or threatened, and is not aware of any facts likely to give rise to any proceedings which might materially affect the business/financial position of the Trustee and any of its delegates.

## 6.1.3. Trustee's Statement of Responsibility

The Trustee has given its willingness to assume the position as Trustee of the Fund and all the obligations in accordance with the Deed, all relevant laws and rules of law. The Trustee shall be entitled to be indemnified out of the Fund against all losses, damages or expenses incurred by the Trustee in performing any of its duties or exercising any of its powers under this Deed in relation to the Fund. The right to indemnity shall not extend to loss occasioned by breach of trust, wilful default, negligence, fraud or failure to show the degree of care and diligence required of the Trustee having regard to the provisions of the Deed.

**Note:** We have obtained the necessary consent and confirmation from each of the relevant parties with regards to the information disclosed in this section.

## 7. SALIENT TERMS OF DEED

Money invested by you in the Fund will purchase a number of units, which represents your interest in the Fund. Each unit held in the Fund represents an equal undivided beneficial interest in the assets of the Fund. However, the unit does not give you an interest in any particular part of the Fund or a right to participate in the management or operation of the Fund (other than through Unit holders' meetings).

You will be recognised as a registered Unit holder in the Fund on the Business Day your details are entered onto the register of Unit holders.

## 7.1. RIGHTS, LIABILITIES AND LIMITATION OF UNIT HOLDERS

## 7.1.1. Rights

As a Unit holder, you have the right, among others, to the following:

- to inspect the register, free of charge, at any time at our registered office, and obtain such information pertaining to its units as permitted under the Deed and the SC Guidelines;
- (ii) to receive the distribution of the Fund (if any), participate in any increase in the capital value of the units and to other rights and privileges as set out in the Deed;
- (iii) to call for Unit holders' meetings;
- (iv) to vote for the removal of the Trustee or the Manager through a Special Resolution;
- (v) to receive annual reports, interim reports or any other reports of the Fund; and
- (vi) to exercise the cooling-off right.

Unit holders' rights may be varied by changes to the Deed, the SC Guidelines or judicial decisions or interpretation.

#### 7.1.2. Liabilities

- (i) Your liability is limited to the purchase price per unit and the Application Fee paid or agreed to be paid for a Unit. You need not indemnify us or the Trustee or us if there is a deficiency in the assets of the Fund to meet the claim of our creditor or the claim of the creditor of the Trustee in respect of the Fund.
- (ii) Our recourse and the recourse of the Trustee and any creditor is limited to the assets of the Fund.

## 7.1.3. Limitations

You cannot:

- (i) interfere with any of our rights or powers of ours and/or the rights or powers of Trustee's under the Deed;
- (ii) exercise a right in respect of an asset of the Fund or lodge a caveat or other notice affecting the asset of the Fund or otherwise claim any profit or compensation in the asset of the Fund; or
- (iii) require the asset of the Fund to be transferred to you.

For full details of the rights of a registered Unit holder of the Fund, please refer to the Deed.

## 7.2. MAXIMUM FEES, CHARGES AND EXPENSES PERMITTED BY THE DEED

This table describes the maximum charges permitted by the Deed and payable directly by you.

Charges	Descriptions
Application Fee	Up to 7.00% of the Initial Offer Price per unit.
Withdrawal Penalty	Up to 5.00% of the NAV per unit is chargeable on amounts withdrawn.
Switching Fee	No switching facility is available for the Fund.

This table describes the maximum fees permitted by the Deed and payable indirectly by investors.

Fees	Descriptions
Management Fee	Up to 3.00% per annum calculated daily based on the NAV of the Fund prior to any deduction for Trustee Fee and Management Fee for that particular day.
Trustee Fee	Up to 0.04% per annum, calculated daily based on the NAV of the Fund prior to any deduction for Trustee Fee and Management Fee for that particular day.

A lower fee and/or charges than what is stated in the Deed may be charged, all current fees and/or charges will be disclosed in the Prospectus.

Any increase of the fees and/or charges above that stated in the current Prospectus may be made provided that a supplemental prospectus is issued and the maximum stated in the Deed shall not be breached.

Any increase of the fees and/or charges above the maximum stated in the Deed shall require your approval.

#### 7.2.1. Expenses permitted by the Deed

The Deed also provides for payment of other expenses. The major expenses recoverable directly from the Fund include:

- commissions/fees paid to brokers/dealers in effecting dealings in the investments of the Fund, shown on the contract notes
  or confirmation notes or difference accounts;
- (where the foreign custodial function is delegated by the Trustee), charges/fees paid to the sub-custodian;
- tax and other duties charged on the Fund by the government and other authorities if any and bank fees;
- the fees and other expenses properly incurred by the auditor of the Fund and tax agent;
- remuneration and out of pocket expenses of the independent members of the investment committee and/or the Shariah advisers of the Fund (if any), unless the Manager decides to bear the same;
- fees for valuation of any investment of the Fund by independent valuers for the benefit of the Fund;
- costs incurred for the modification of this Deed other than for the benefit of the Manager or Trustee;
- costs incurred for any meeting of Unit holders other than those convened for the benefit of the Manager or Trustee;
- the sale, purchase, insurance, custody and any other dealings of investments including commissions/fees paid to brokers;
- costs involved with external specialists approved by the Trustee in investigating and evaluating any proposed investment;
- the engagement of valuers, advisers and contractors of all kinds;
- preparation and audit of the taxation returns and accounts of the Fund;
- termination of the Fund and the retirement or removal of the Trustee or Manager and the appointment of a new trustee or Manager;
- any proceedings, arbitration or other dispute concerning the Fund or any asset, including proceedings against the Trustee or the Manager by the other of them for the benefit of the Fund (except to the extent that legal costs incurred for the defense of either of them are ordered by the court not to be reimbursed out of the Fund);
- expenses incurred in the printing of, purchasing of stationery and postage of the annual and interim (if any) reports;
- costs of obtaining experts opinion by the Trustee and the Manager for the benefit of the Fund; and
- costs and/or expenses associated with the distributions declared pursuant to this Deed and the payment of such distribution
  including without limitation fees, costs and/or expenses for the revalidation or reissuance of any distribution cheque or
  distribution warrant or telegraphic transfer.

We and the Trustee are required to ensure that any fees or charges payable are reasonable and in accordance with the Deed which stipulate the maximum rate in percentage terms that can be charged.

## 7.3. RETIREMENT, REMOVAL OR REPLACEMENT OF THE MANAGER

We must retire as the Manager when required to retire by law.

We may retire upon giving twelve (12) months' notice to the Trustee of their desire to do so, or such shorter notice as we and the Trustee may agree, in favour of another corporation.

We shall retire under the following circumstances:

- if a Special Resolution is duly passed by the Unit holders that the Manager be removed; or
- if we cease to be approved by the SC to be the Manager of the Fund.

We may be removed by the Trustee under certain circumstances outlined in the Deed. These include:

- if we have gone into liquidation (except for the purpose of amalgamation or reconstruction or some similar purpose) or if a
  receiver or judicial manager is appointed in respect of any of their assets or if any encumbrancer shall take possession of any
  of their assets; or
- if we cease to carry on business; or
- if the Trustee is of the opinion that we have, to the prejudice of the Unit holders, failed to comply with any provision or covenant herein or contravened any of the provisions of the CMSA; or
- if we have failed or neglected to carry out its duties to the satisfaction of the Trustee and the Trustee considers that it would be in the interests of the Unit holders to do so, after the Trustee has given reasonable notice to us that opinion and the reasons for that opinion, and has considered any representations made by us in respect of that opinion, and after consultation with the SC; or
- if a petition has been presented for the winding up against us (other than for the purpose of and followed by a reconstruction, unless during or following such reconstruction, we become or is declared insolvent).

In any of above said grounds, we for the time being shall upon receipt of such notice by the Trustee cease to be the Manager and the Trustee shall by writing under its seal appoint another corporation to be the manager of the Fund subject to such corporation entering into a deed(s) with the Trustee and thereafter act as manager during the remaining period of the Fund.

We may be replaced by another corporation appointed as manager by Special Resolution of the Unit holders at a Unit holder's meeting convened in accordance with the Deed either by the Trustee or the Unit holders.

## 7.4. RETIREMENT, REMOVAL OR REPLACEMENT OF THE TRUSTEE

We and the Trustee may agree, and may by Deed appoint in its stead a new trustee approved by the SC.

The Trustee must retire as trustee of the Fund when required to retire by law. The Trustee may retire by giving twelve (12) months' notice to us or any shorter notice we accept.

We may remove the Trustee and the Trustee covenants that it will retire or be removed from the Fund constituted by or pursuant to the Deed if and when requested so to do by us if:

- the Trustee shall go into liquidation;
- the Trustee is placed under receivership, ceases to exist, fails or neglects its duties;
- the Trustee ceases to be approved by the SC to be a trustee for unit trust schemes; or
- a Special Resolution is duly passed by the Unit holders that the Trustee be removed.

Additionally, we are legislatively empowered under Section 299 of the CMSA to remove the Trustee under specific circumstances set out therein.

The Trustee may be replaced by another corporation appointed as trustee by a Special Resolution of the Unit holders at a Unit holders' meeting convened in accordance with the Deed either by us or the Unit holders.

## 7.5. TERMINATION OF THE FUND

The Fund may be terminated or wound-up upon the occurrence of any of the following events:

- (a) the SC's authorization is withdrawn under Section 256E of the CMSA;
- (b) a Special Resolution is passed at a Unit holders' meeting to terminate or wind-up the Fund, following the occurrence of events stipulated under Section 301(1) of the CMSA and the court has confirmed the resolution, as required under Section 301(2) of the CMSA;
- (c) a Special Resolution is passed at a Unit holders' meeting to terminate or wind-up the Fund;
- (d) the Fund has reached the Maturity Date; or
- (e) the effective date of an approved transfer scheme, as defined under the SC Guidelines, has resulted in the Fund, which is the subject of the transfer scheme, being left with no asset/property.

## 7.6. MEETINGS OF UNIT HOLDERS

A Unit holders' meeting may be called by us, the Trustee and/or Unit holders.

Where we or the Trustee convenes a meeting, the notice of the time and place of the meeting and terms of resolution to be proposed shall be given to the Unit holders in the following manner:

- (a) by sending by post a notice of the proposed meeting at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the proposed meeting, to each Unit holder at the Unit holder's last known address or, in the case of joint holders, to the joint Unit holder whose name stands first in our records at the joint Unit holder's last known address; and
- (b) by publishing, at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the proposed meeting, an advertisement giving notice of the meeting in a national language newspaper published daily and circulating generally throughout Malaysia, and in one other newspaper as may be approved by the SC.

We shall within twenty-one (21) days after an application is delivered to us at our registered office, being an application by not less than fifty (50), or one-tenth (1/10) in number, whichever is less, of the Unit holders to which this Deed relates, summon a meeting of the Unit holders:

- by sending a notice by post of the proposed meeting at least seven (7) days before the date of the proposed meeting to each of those Unit holders at his/her last known address or in the case of joint Unit holder, to the joint Unit holder whose name stands first in our record at the joint Unit holder's last known address; and
- (ii) by publishing at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the proposed meeting, an advertisement giving notice of the meeting in a national language national daily newspaper and in one other newspaper as may be approved by the SC, for the purpose of considering the most recent financial statements of the Fund, or for the purpose of requiring the retirement or removal of the Manager OR the Trustee, or for the purpose of giving to the Trustee such directions as the meeting thinks proper, or for the purpose of considering any other matter in relation to this Deed.

The quorum for a meeting of Unit holders of the Fund is five (5) Unit holders of the Fund present in person or by proxy, provided that for a meeting which requires a Special Resolution the quorum for that meeting shall be five (5) Unit holders, whether present in person or by proxy, holding in aggregate at least twenty five per centum (25%) of the units in issue for the Fund at the time of the meeting. If the Fund has five (5) or less Unit holders, the quorum for that meeting shall be two (2) Unit holders, whether present or by proxy and if the meeting requires a Special Resolution the quorum for that meeting shall be two (2) Unit holders, whether present or

present in person or by proxy, holding in aggregate at least twenty five per centum (25%) of the units in issue for the Fund at the time of the meeting.

Voting is by a show of hands, unless a poll is duly demanded or the resolution proposed is required by this deed or by law to be decided by a percentage of all units. Each Unit holder present in person or by proxy has one vote on a show of hands. On a poll, the votes of each Unit holder present in person or by proxy shall be proportionate to the number or value of Units held. In the case of joint Unit holders, only the person whose name appears first in the register may vote. Units held by the Manager or its nominees shall have no voting rights in any Unit holders' meeting of the Fund.

## 8. TAXATION REPORT

## PricewaterhouseCoopers Taxation Services Sdn Bhd

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## The Board of Directors

Principal Asset Management Berhad (f.k.a CIMB-Principal Asset Management Berhad) 10th Floor Bangunan CIMB Jalan Semantan Damansara Heights 50490 Kuala Lumpur

30<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Dear Sirs,

## TAXATION OF THE TRUST OFFERED UNDER THE PRINCIPAL TOTAL RETURN BOND FUND 10 AND UNIT HOLDERS

This letter has been prepared for inclusion in the Prospectus Issue No. 1 ("hereinafter referred to as "the Prospectus") in connection with the offer of units in the Principal Total Return Bond Fund 10 ("the Trust").

The taxation of income for both the Trust and the unit holders are subject to the provisions of the Malaysian Income Tax Act, 1967 ("the Act"). The applicable provisions are contained in Section 61 of the Act, which deals specifically with the taxation of trust bodies in Malaysia.

## TAXATION OF THE FUND

The Trust will be regarded as resident for Malaysian tax purposes since the trustee of the Trust is resident in Malaysia.

### (1) Foreign Investments

Income of the Trust in respect of overseas investment is exempt from Malaysian tax by virtue of Paragraph 28 of Schedule 6 of the Act and distributions from such income will be tax exempt in the hands of the unit holders. Such income from foreign investments may be subject to taxes or withholding taxes in the specific foreign country. However, any foreign tax suffered on the income in respect of overseas investment is not tax refundable to the Trust in Malaysia.

The foreign income exempted from Malaysian tax at the Trust level will also be exempted from tax upon distribution to the unit holders.

### (2) Domestic Investments

### (i) General taxation

The income of the Trust consisting of dividends, interest (other than interest which is exempt from tax) and other investment income derived from or accruing in Malaysia, after deducting tax allowable expenses, is liable to Malaysian income tax at the rate of 24 per cent.

Gains on disposal of investments by the Trust will not be subject to income tax.

## (ii) Dividend and other exempt income

Effective 1 January 2014, all companies would adopt the single-tier system. Hence, dividends received would be exempted from tax and the deductibility of expenses incurred against such dividend income would be disregarded. There will no longer be any

tax refunds available for single-tier dividends received. Dividends received from companies under the single-tier system would be exempted.

The Trust may receive Malaysian dividends which are tax exempt. The exempt dividends may be received from investments in companies which had previously enjoyed or are currently enjoying the various tax incentives provided under the law. The Trust will not be taxable on such exempt income.

Interest income or discount income derived from the following investments are exempt from tax:

- a) Securities or bonds issued or guaranteed by the Government of Malaysia;
- b) Debentures or sukuk, other than convertible loan stocks, approved or authorized by, or lodged with, the Securities Commission Malaysia; or
- c) Bon Simpanan Malaysia issued by Bank Negara Malaysia.

Income from Investment in structured products which are seen to be "debentures" under Capital Markets and Services Act 2007 will be exempted. Otherwise, tax implications could arise.

Interest income derived from the following investments are exempt from tax:

- a) Interest paid or credited by any bank or financial institution licensed under the Financial Services Act 2013 or Islamic Financial Services Act 2013;
- b) Interest paid or credited by any development financial institution regulated under the Development Financial Institutions Act 2002;
- c) Bonds, other than convertible loan stocks, paid or credited by any company listed in Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ACE Market; or
- d) Interest income paid or credited by Malaysia Building Society Berhad.

With effect from 1 January 2019, the exemption shall not apply to interest income paid or credited to a unit trust that is a wholesale fund which is a money market fund.

The interest or discount income exempted from tax at the Trust level will also be exempted from tax upon distribution to the unit holders.

### (3) Hedging Instruments

The tax treatment of hedging instruments would depend on the particular hedging instruments entered into.

Generally, any gain / loss relating to the principal portion will be treated as capital gain / loss. Gains / losses relating to the income portion would normally be treated as revenue gains / losses. The gain / loss on revaluation will only be taxed or claimed upon realisation. Any gain / loss on foreign exchange is treated as capital gain / loss if it arises from the revaluation of the principal portion of the investment.

### (4) Securities Borrowing and Lending Transaction ("SBL")

The following is a summary of tax treatment of SBL transactions in Malaysia and the Malaysian securities listed on Bursa Malaysia Berhad ("Bursa").

Pursuant to Income Tax (Exemption) (No. 30) Order 1995 - Revised 2008, the authorised borrower or lender in a SBL approved by SC will qualify for tax exemption on any income (other than dividends, manufactured payments, lending fees and interest earned on collateral) arising from loan of securities listed under Bursa. The same exemption also applies on the return of the same or equivalent securities and the corresponding exchange of collateral.

Lending fees are taxable when received by the lender. Withholding tax of 10 percent is also applicable if the borrower pays lending fees to a non-resident lender.

Interest earned on collateral is not exempted from income tax / withholding tax. Interest or profit paid by Bursa Malaysia Securities Clearing Sdn Bhd on cash collateral will be exempted from tax when received by non-resident borrowers and individual borrowers who are residents.

Pursuant to Stamp Duty (Exemption) (No.28) Order 1995 and Stamp Duty (Exemption) (No. 12) Order 2000, the instrument of transfer of securities listed on Bursa and Bursa Malaysia Securities Malaysia Berhad ACE Market executed in favour of a borrower or lender and an instrument of transfer of collateral are exempted from stamp duty.

## (5) Other Income

The Trust may be receiving income such as exit fee which will be subject to tax at the rate of 24 per cent.

## (6) Tax Deductible Expenses

Expenses wholly and exclusively incurred in the production of gross income are allowable as deductions under Section 33(1) of the Act. In addition, Section 63B of the Act provides for tax deduction in respect of managers' remuneration, expenses on maintenance of the register of unit holders, share registration expenses, secretarial, audit and accounting fees, telephone charges, printing and stationery costs and postages. The deduction is based on a formula subject to a minimum of 10 per cent and a maximum of 25 per cent of the expenses.

## (7) Real Property Gains Tax ("RPGT")

With effect from 1 January 2014, any gains on disposal of real properties or shares in real property companies<sup>1</sup> would be subject to RPGT at the following rates:-

Disposal time frame	RPGT rates
Within 3 years	30%
In the 4 <sup>th</sup> year	20%
In the 5 <sup>th</sup> year	15%
In the 6 <sup>th</sup> year and subsequent years <sup>2</sup>	5%

### (8) Sales and Service Tax ("SST")

Effective from 1 September 2018, SST has been reintroduced to replace the Goods and Services Tax ("GST"). Both the Sales Tax Act 2018 and Services Tax Act 2018 have been gazetted on 28 August 2018. The rates for sales tax are nil, 5 per cent, 10 per cent or a specific rate whereas the rate for service tax is at 6 per cent.

Sales tax will be chargeable on taxable goods manufactured in or imported into Malaysia, unless specifically exempted by the Minister. Whereas, only specific taxable services provided by specific taxable persons will be subject to service tax. Sales tax and service tax are single stage taxes. SST incurred would generally form an irrecoverable costs to the business.

Certain professional, consultancy or management services fees paid by the Trust may be subject to service tax at 6 percent.

## TAXATION OF UNIT HOLDERS

Unit holders will be taxed on an amount equivalent to their share of the total taxable income of the Trust to the extent of the distributions received from the Trust. The income distribution from the Trust will carry a tax credit in respect of the Malaysian tax paid by the Trust. Unit holders will be entitled to utilise the tax credit against the tax payable on the income distribution received by them. No additional withholding tax will be imposed on the income distribution from the Trust.

Non-resident unit holders may also be subject to tax in their respective jurisdictions. Depending on the provisions of the relevant country's tax legislation and any double tax treaty with Malaysia, the Malaysian tax suffered may be creditable against the relevant foreign tax.

Corporate unit holders, resident<sup>3</sup> and non-resident, will generally be liable to income tax at 24 per cent on distribution of income received from the Trust. The tax credits attributable to the distribution of income can be utilised against the tax liabilities of these unit holders.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A real property company is a controlled company which owns or acquires real property or shares in real property companies with a market value of not less than 75 per cent of its total tangible assets. A controlled company is a company which does not have more than 50 members and is controlled by not more than 5 persons.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The RPGT rate for disposal in the 6th and subsequent years from the date of acquisition be increased from 5% to 10% with effect from 1 January 2019.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Resident companies with paid up capital in respect of ordinary shares of RM2.5 million and below will pay tax at 17 per cent for the first RM500,000 of chargeable income with the balance taxed at 24 per cent with effect from 1 January 2019.

Individuals and other non-corporate unit holders who are tax resident in Malaysia will be subject to income tax at graduated rates ranging from 1 per cent to 28 per cent. Individuals and other non-corporate unit holders who are not resident in Malaysia will be subject to income tax at 28 per cent. The tax credits attributable to the distribution of income can be utilised against the tax liabilities of these unit holders.

The distribution of exempt income and gains arising from the disposal of investments by the Trust will be exempted from tax in the hands of the unit holders.

Any gains realised by unit holders (other than dealers in securities, insurance companies or financial institutions) on the sale or redemption of the units are treated as capital gains and will not be subject to income tax. This tax treatment will include gains in the form of cash or residual distribution in the event of the winding up of the Trust.

Unit holders electing to receive their income distribution by way of investment in the form of new units will be regarded as having purchased the new units out of their income distribution after tax.

Unit splits issued by the Trust are not taxable in the hands of unit holders.

We hereby confirm that the statements made in this report correctly reflect our understanding of the tax position under current Malaysian tax legislation. Our comments above are general in nature and cover taxation in the context of Malaysian tax legislation only and do not cover foreign tax legislation. The comments do not represent specific tax advice to any investors and we recommend that investors obtain independent advice on the tax issues associated with their investments in the Trust.

Yours faithfully,

for and on behalf of
PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS TAXATION SERVICES SDN BHD

Jennifer Chang Partner

PricewaterhouseCoopers Taxation Services Sdn Bhd have given their written consent to the inclusion of their report as tax adviser in the form and context in which it appears in the Prospectus and have not, before the date of issue of the Prospectus, withdrawn such consent.

With effect from YA 2009, the above shall not apply if more than -

<sup>(</sup>a) 50 per cent of the paid up capital in respect of ordinary shares of the company is directly or indirectly owned by a related company;

<sup>(</sup>b) 50 per cent of the paid up capital in respect of ordinary shares of the related company is directly or indirectly owned by the first mentioned company;

<sup>(</sup>c) 50 per cent of the paid up capital in respect of ordinary shares of the first mentioned company and the related company is directly or indirectly owned by another company.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Related company" means a company which has a paid up capital in respect of ordinary shares of more than RM2.5 million at the beginning of the basis period for a YA.

## 9. DISTRIBUTOR OF THE FUND

The Principal Total Return Bond Fund 10 is available from (but not limited to) the following:

## 9.1. Our branches

#### Main Branch

50, 52 & 54, Jalan SS21/39 Damansara Utama 47400 Petaling Jaya Selangor Darul Ehsan MALAYSIA Tel: (603) 7718 3000

#### Northern Branch

No.5, Jalan Todak 4 Bandar Sunway Seberang Jaya 13700 Perai Penang MALAYSIA Tel: (604) 370 2155/2156

### Southern Branch

23 & 23A Jalan Harimau Tarum Taman Century 80250 Johor Bahru Johor MALAYSIA Tel: (607) 334 1748

#### **Central Branch**

46, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Jalan SS 21/39 Damansara Utama 47400 Petaling Jaya Selangor MALAYSIA Tel: (603) 7712 2888

## Sarawak Branch

5B Lot 414 Section 10 KTLD Jalan Rubber 93400 Kuching Sarawak MALAYSIA Tel: (6082) 259 777

## Sabah Branch

1 Jalan Pasar Baru Kampung Air 88000 Kota Kinabalu Sabah MALAYSIA Tel: (6088) 239 951/952

### Ipoh Branch

30A 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Persiaran Greentown 1 Greentown Business Centre 30450 Ipoh Perak MALAYSIA Tel: (605) 243 9001/9002

#### Ampang Branch

13B 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Jalan Mamanda 7/1 Off Jalan Ampang 68000 Ampang Selangor MALAYSIA Tel: (603) 4270 2970

## Sri Petaling Branch

169-2, Jalan Radin Bagus Bandar Baru Sri Petaling 57000 Kuala Lumpur MALAYSIA Tel: (603) 9059 2333

### Melaka Branch

21 Jalan Melaka Raya 24 Taman Melaka Raya 75000 Melaka MALAYSIA Tel: (606) 281 1111

### Miri Branch

1st & 2nd Floor, Lot 1092, Jalan Merpati, 98000 Miri, Sarawak MALAYSIA Tel: (6085) 432 525

## Kuantan Branch

No 44 & 44A Jalan Putra Square 6, Putra Square, 25000 Kuantan, Pahang MALAYSIA Tel: (609) 513 4400

## Kota Bharu Branch

Ground Floor No 298-B Jalan Tok Hakim 15000 Kota Bharu Kelantan MALAYSIA Tel: (609) 747 1172/1190

**Note:** We have the discretion in determining the Distributors of the Fund, including its appointment and/or termination from time to time. For updated information on the Distributors of the Fund, please call our **Customer Care Centre** at **(603) 7718 3000** between 8:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m. (Malaysian time) on Mondays to Thursdays and between 8:45 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. (Malaysian time) on Fridays (except on Selangor public holidays) or refer to our website at **http://www.principal.com.my**.

## APPENDIX I - RISK DISCLOSURE STATEMENT ON FINANCING FOR INVESTMENT IN UNIT TRUST

## Investing in a unit trust fund with borrowed money is more risky than investing with your own savings.

You should assess if loan financing is suitable for you in light of your objectives, attitude to risk and financial circumstances. You should be aware of the risks, which would include the following:

- 1. The higher the margin of financing (that is, the amount of money you borrowed for every RM of your own money which you put in as deposit or down payment) the greater the loss or gain on your investment.
- 2. You should assess whether you have the ability to service the repayments on the proposed loan. If your loan is a variable rate loan and if interest rates rise, your total repayment amount will be increased.
- 3. If unit prices fall beyond a certain level, you may be asked to provide additional acceptable collateral (where units are used as collateral) or pay additional amounts on top of your normal instalments. If you fail to comply within the time prescribed, your units may be sold towards the settlement of your loan.
- 4. Returns on unit trusts are not guaranteed and may not be earned evenly over time. This means that there may be some years where returns are high and other years where losses are experienced. Whether you eventually realise a gain or loss may be affected by the timing of the sale of your units. The value of units may fall just when you want your money back even though the investment may have done well in the past.

The brief statement cannot disclose all the risks and other aspects of loan financing. You should therefore carefully study the terms and conditions before you decide to take a loan. If you are in doubt about any aspect of this Risk Disclosure Statement or the terms of the loan financing, you should consult the institution offering the loan.

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