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# Product Highlights Sheet Principal KLCI-Linked Fund

# **Responsibility Statement**

This PHS has been reviewed by the authorised committee approved by the directors of Principal Malaysia. Having made all reasonable inquiries, 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 PHS false or misleading.

#### Statements of Disclaimer

The Securities Commission Malaysia has authorised the issuance of the Fund and a copy of this PHS has been lodged with the Securities Commission Malaysia.

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## The Manager

Principal Malaysia was incorporated on 13 June 1994 and is a joint venture between Principal Financial Group, Inc. and CIMB Group Sdn. Bhd. Principal Malaysia has experience operating unit trust funds since 1994.

This PHS supersedes the PHS dated 27 October 2023.

This PHS only highlights the key features and risks of this unlisted capital market product. We recommend that you read this PHS together with the Master Prospectus. You are advised to request, read and understand the Master Prospectus before deciding to invest.

# Brief Information on Principal KLCI-Linked Fund

The Fund is an index-tracking fund issued by Principal Malaysia. The Fund aims to achieve medium to long-term capital appreciation by seeking to match the performance of the FTSE Bursa Malaysia KLCI.

This is neither a capital protected nor capital guaranteed fund.

# **Product Suitability**

This Fund is suitable for investors who:

- have a medium-term to long-term investment horizon;
- want a portfolio of equities that matches the performance of the FTSE Bursa Malaysia KLCI;
- seek capital appreciation over the medium to long term; and/ or
- can accept that investment returns may fluctuate over the investment period.

## **Key Product Features**

Fund Category/Type	Equity / Index-tracking.				
Benchmark	FTSE Bursa Malaysia KLCI for performance comparison purpose only.				
Investment Policy and Principal Investment Strategy	The Fund is an index fund which aims to track the movement of the FTSE Bursa Malaysia KLCI. The Fund's indexing strategy is to hold a representative sample of the securities that make up its underlying index. Thus, the Fund normally invests at least 90% of its NAV in the index stocks representing the top 95%-98% of the index weights. As such, the Fund may invest up to 30 index stocks, being the representative index stocks of the FTSE Bursa Malaysia KLCI. The Fund may also utilize index futures to ensure it is fully invested at all times and to reduce transaction costs.  The asset allocation strategy for this Fund is as follows:  up to 99.5% of the Fund will be invested in securities and other permissible investments; and				
Launch date	8 June 2000				
Financial year-end	30 September.				
Distribution policy	No distribution is expected to be paid, however, distribution, if any, will be incidental and will vary from period to period depending on interest rates, market conditions and the performance of the Fund.				
Manager	Principal Asset Management Berhad.				
Trustee	HSBC (Malaysia) Trustee Berhad.				
Solicitors	Soon Gan Dion & Partners.				

# **Key Risks**

General risks of invest	ing in a fund			
Returns and capital not guaranteed	The investment of the fund is subject to market fluctuations and its inherent risk. There is NO GUARANTEE on the investment which includes your investment capital and returns, nor any assurance that the fund's objective will be achieved. You should also note that the fund is neither a capital guaranteed fund nor a capital protected fund. However, we reduce this risk by ensuring diligent management of the assets of the fund based on a structured investment process.  This 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.			
Market risk				
Inflation risk	This is the risk that your investment in the fund may not grow or generate income at a rate that keeps pace with inflation. This would reduce your purchasing power even though the value of the investment in monetary terms has increased.			
Financing risk	This risk occurs when you obtain financing to finance your investment. The inherent risk of investing with money obtained from financing includes you being unable to service the financing payments. In the event units are used as collateral and if the prices of units fall below a certain level due to market conditions, you may be required to pay an additional amount on top of your existing instalment. If you fail to do so within the time prescribed, your units may be sold at an unfavourable price and the proceeds thereof will be used towards the settlement of your financing.			

Manager 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.				
Liquidity risk	Liquidity risk refers to the ease of liquidating an asset without causing market dislocation. This depends on the supply and demand as well as the asset's volume or amount traded in the market. If the fund holds assets that are illiquid, or are difficult to dispose of, the value of the fund and consequently the value of unitholders' investment in the fund may be negatively affected when the fund has to sell such assets at unfavourable prices.				
Specific risks associate	d with the investment portfolio of the Fund				
Lack of discretion by Manager to adapt to market changes	As this is an index tracking fund, the Fund intends to replicate the performance of its benchmark index. We have limited discretion to alter the security allocation. Therefore, we may not dispose a poorly performed index constituents even if it may adversely affect the Fund's value and its NAV per unit.				
Risk associated with investment in derivatives	As the Fund may invest in derivatives, it may be subject to risks associated with such investments. Investments in derivatives may require the deposit of initial margin and additional deposit of margin on short notice if the market moves against the investment positions. If no provision is made for the required margin within the prescribed time, the Fund's investments may be liquidated at a loss. As such, investments in derivatives may increase likelihood of high volatility of the NAV per unit of the Fund. Therefore, it is essential that such investments in derivatives be monitored closely. We have the necessary controls for investment in derivatives and have in place systems to monitor any derivative positions for the Fund.				
Risks associated with investment in warrants and/or options	There are inherent risks associated with investment in warrants and/or options. The value of warrants and/or options are influenced by the current market price of the underlying security, the exercise price of the contract, the time to expiration of the contract and the estimate of the future volatility of the underlying security's price over the life of the contract. Generally, the erosion in value of warrants and/or options accelerates as it approaches its expiry date. Like securities, we will undertake fundamental research and analysis on these instruments with an aim to mitigate its risks.				

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.

**Note:** If your investments are made through an IUTA via a nominee system of ownership, you would not be deemed to be 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).

# Fees & Charges

Application Fee*	Up to 5.50% of the NAV per unit				
Withdrawal Fee	Nil.				
Switching Fee	Switching is treated as a withdrawal from the Fund and an investment into another Principal Malaysia's fund. You will be charged a Switching Fee equal to the difference (if any) between the Application Fees of these two (2) funds when you switch from one (1) fund to another. In addition, we may impose a MYR 100 administrative fee for every switch. You may negotiate to lower the Switching Fee and/or administrative fee. We also have the discretion to waive the Switching Fee and/or administrative fee.				
Transfer Fee	A maximum of MYR 50 may be charged for each transfer.				
Management Fee	Up to 0.95% per annum of the NAV of the Fund.				
Trustee Fee	Before 27 October 2023, up to 0.07% per annum (includes local custodian fee but excludes foreign sub-custodian fees and charges (if any)) of the NAV of the Fund				
Trustee Fee	After 27 October 2023, up to 0.045% per annum (includes local custodian fee but excludes foreign sub-custodian fees and charges (if any)) of the NAV of the Fund.				
Other charges payable directly by you when purchasing or withdrawing the units	Any applicable bank charges and other bank fees incurred as a result of an investment or withdrawal will be borne by you.				
Expenses directly related to the Fund	Only expenses that are directly related to the Fund can be charged to the Fund. Examples of relevant expenses are audit fee and tax agent's fee.				

<sup>\*</sup>If the Fund is an EPF-MIS approved fund and you have invested via EPF-MIS, you may be charged an Application Fee of up to 3.00% of the NAV per unit, or such other rate as the EPF may determine.

**Note:** Subject always to the provisions of the Deed and GUTF, we reserve our sole and absolute discretion without providing any reason whatsoever and at any time to amend, vary, waive and/ or reduce the fees and charges (except for the Trustee Fee), whether payable by the Fund or Class, payable by you to the Fund or payable by any other investors to the Fund.

#### **Transaction Information**

Minimum initial investment#	Non-RSP	: MYR 500 or such other amount as we may decide from time to time.			
investment"	RSP	: MYR 500 or such other amount as we may decide from time to time.			
Minimum additional	Non-RSP	: MYR 200 or such other amount as we may decide from time to time.			
investment	RSP	: MYR 200 or such other amount as we may decide from time to time.			
Minimum withdrawal	400 units or such o	other number of units as we may decide from time to time.			
Minimum balance 250 units or such other number of units as we may decide from time to time.					
Switching	Switching will be conducted based on the value of your investment in the Fund. The minimum amount for a switch is subject to:  • for switching out of the Fund:  • the minimum withdrawal applicable to the Fund;  • the minimum balance required for the Fund, unless you are withdrawing from the Fund in entirety; and  • the Withdrawal Fee of the Fund (if any).  • for switching into the Fund:  • the minimum initial investment amount or the minimum additional investment amount (as the case may be) applicable to the Fund; and  • the Switching Fee applicable for the proposed switch (if any).  You may negotiate to lower the amount for your switch with us or our Distributors.				
Transfer	-	your units to another investor subject to conditions stipulated in the Deed. However, register a transfer of unit at our absolute discretion.			
Cooling-off period	Days after your iniby us or our Distril Within this period, purchased or preamount"). We will within seven (7) B that the cooling-of However, Principa unit trusts funds a If the Fund is an E	idual investor investing with us or any of our Distributors, you have six (6) Business tial investment (i.e. from the date the complete application is received and accepted outors) to reconsider its appropriateness and suitability for your investment needs. you may withdraw your investment at the same NAV per unit when the units were vailing NAV per unit at the point of cooling-off (whichever is lower) ("Refund pay the Refund Amount including the Application Fee (if any) to you in the currency usiness Days from the date we receive the complete documentations. Please note ff right is only given to first time investor investing with us or any of our Distributors. I Malaysia's staff or a person registered with a body approved by the SC to deal in re not entitled to the cooling-off right.  PF-MIS approved fund and you have invested via EPF-MIS, your cooling-off right is erms and conditions.			

<sup>\*</sup>The minimum initial investment for EPF-MIS shall be MYR1,000 or such other amount as determined by EPF or as per the amount stated above, whichever is higher. Please note that there may be changes to the status of the eligibility of the Fund under the EPF-MIS from time to time. Please refer to our website at www.principal.com.my or www.kwsp.gov.my for updated information.

**Note:** We reserve our sole and absolute discretion without providing any reason whatsoever and at any time to accept, reject, amend, vary, waive and/ or reduce (as the case maybe): (i) your request for a lower amount or number of units when purchasing units (or additional units) or withdrawing units; and/ or (ii) the minimum balance. For increase in the number of units for minimum withdrawal and minimum balance, we will require concurrence from the Trustee and you will be notified of such changes.

We may for any reason and at any time, waive or reduce: (a) any fees (except for the Trustee Fee); (b) other charges payable by you to the Fund; and/ or (c) transactional values including but not limited to the units or amount, for any Unit holder and/or investments made via any distribution channels or platform.

YOU SHOULD NOT MAKE ANY PAYMENT DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY TO ANY INDIVIDUAL AGENT/EMPLOYEE OF THE MANAGER OR ISSUE A CHEQUE IN THE NAME OF AN INDIVIDUAL AGENT/EMPLOYEE OF THE MANAGER WHEN PURCHASING THIS FUND.

#### **Valuations**

We will carry out the valuation for the Fund for a Business Day at the end of that Business Day (T day). The NAV per unit for a Business Day is available on our website at **www.principal.com.my** after 10:00 a.m. on the following Business Day (T+1).

Please refer to the "Unit Pricing" section of the Master Prospectus for more information.

#### **Avenues to Exit This Investment**

To exit from this investment, you may withdraw, switch out or transfer your unit holdings to other investors. You may withdraw your investment at the NAV per unit of the Business Day.

Withdrawals can be made from the Fund by completing a withdrawal application and submit to the relevant Distributor or Principal Malaysia's offices. There is no restriction on the frequency of withdrawals and no Withdrawal Fee will be charged. Hence, the amount that you will receive is calculated by the withdrawal value less the Withdrawal Fee, if any. You will be paid within seven (7) Business Days upon our receipt of the complete withdrawal request. You will have to bear the applicable bank fees and charges, if any.

For more information on the withdrawals, switching, transfer facility and cooling-off period, please refer to the "Transaction Information" chapter of the Master Prospectus. For more information on the fees and charges incur when you exit from this investment, please refer to "Fees, Charges and Expenses" chapter of the Master Prospectus.

#### **Fund Performance**

### Average total return of the Fund

FYE: 30 September 2023 in %	1-Year	3-Years	5-Years	10-Years	Since inception
Fund	5.66	0.96	(2.00)	1.33	4.38
Benchmark	2.12	(1.82)	(4.50)	(2.14)	2.28

Note: All performance figures have been extracted from Lipper.

#### Annual total return of the Fund

FYE: 30 September, in %	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Fund	5.66	(7.54)	5.34	(2.91)	(9.54)	4.83	8.00	4.20	(10.58)	6.28
Benchmark	2.12	(9.31)	2.19	(4.99)	(11.67)	2.14	6.23	1.94	(12.20)	4.39

Note: All performance figures have been extracted from Lipper.

During the financial year under review, the Fund increased by 5.66%, outperforming the benchmark, which increased by 2.12%.

## Basis of calculation and assumptions made in calculating the returns

	Percentage	=	NAV on that day – NAV of previous day	Average	=	Total returns of the years under review
!	growth		NAV of previous day	total return		Number of years under review

#### Portfolio Turnover Ratio ("PTR")

FYE: 30 September	2023	2022	2021
Fund	0.11	0.07	0.09

During the financial year under review, the PTR for the Fund increased from 0.07 times to 0.11 times. The PTR changes reflect the index-tracking status of the Fund.

#### Distribution

	FYE: 30 September		2023	2022	2021
	Fund	Gross distribution per unit (Sen)	-	-	-
		Net distribution per unit (Sen)	-	-	-

There was no distribution made for the financial year ended 30 September 2023.

#### PAST PERFORMANCE OF THE FUND IS NOT AN INDICATION OF ITS FUTURE PERFORMANCE.

## **Contact for Further Information / Complaint**

- (i) You may contact our Customer Care Centre at (03) 7723 7260 or whatsApp at (6016) 299 9792 for further information or for any dispute resolution. Our Customer Care Centre is available during business hour between 8:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m. (Malaysian time) from Mondays to Fridays or you can e-mail us at myservice@principal.com.
- (ii) Alternatively, you may also contact:

(a) If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of the dispute resolution process with us, please refer your dispute to Securities Industry Dispute Resolution Center (SIDREC):

via phone to
 via fax to
 via e-mail to
 i 03-2282 2280
 i 03-2282 3855
 iinfo@sidrec.com.my

via letter to : Securities Industry Dispute Resolution Center (SIDREC)

Unit A-9-1, Level 9, Tower A, Menara UOA Bangsar No.5, Jalan Bangsar Utama 1, 59000 Kuala Lumpur

(b) You can also direct your complaint to the SC even if you have initiated a dispute resolution process with SIDREC. To make a complaint, please contact the SC's Consumer & Investor Office:

via phone to Aduan Hotline at : 03-6204 8999via fax to : 03-6204 8991

via e-mail to : aduan@seccom.com.my

via online complaint form available at www.sc.com.my

via letter to : Consumer & Investor Office

Securities Commission Malaysia

No 3 Persiaran Bukit Kiara, Bukit Kiara, 50490 Kuala Lumpur

(c) Federation of Investment Managers Malaysia's Complaints Bureau:

• via phone to : 03-7890 4242

via e-mail to : complaints@fimm.com.my

• via online complaint form available at www.fimm.com.my

via letter to : Legal, Secretarial & Regulatory Affairs

Federation of Investment Managers Malaysia

19-06-1, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Wisma Tune,

No. 19, Lorong Dungun Damansara Heights, 50490 Kuala Lumpur

## **Appendix: Glossary**

Application Fee - Preliminary charge on each investment.

Business Day - Mondays to Fridays when Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad is open for trading and/or banks in Kuala Lumpur

and/or Selangor are open for business.

Deed - The principal deed 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 Deeds.

Distributor - Any relevant persons and bodies appointed by Principal Malaysia from time to time, who are responsible for

selling units of the Fund, including Principal Distributors and IUTAs.

EPF - Employees Provident Fund.

EPF-MIS - EPF Members Investment Scheme.
 FTSE - Financial Times Stock Exchange.
 Fund or KLF - Principal KLCI-Linked Fund.

GUTF - Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds issued by the SC.

Index - FTSE Bursa Malaysia KLCI.

IUTA - Refers to Institutional Unit Trust Schemes Adviser, a corporation registered with Federation of Investment

Managers Malaysia and authorized to market and distribute unit trust schemes of another party.

Management Fee - A percentage of the NAV of the Fund that is paid to the Manager for managing the portfolio of the Fund.

Master - Refers to the master prospectus 10 July 2023 and first supplementary master prospectus dated 27 October

Prospectus 2023 issued by us describing the details of the Fund.

MYR - Malaysian Ringgit.
NAV - Net Asset Value.

NAV of the Fund - 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 attributable to a Fund divided by the number of units in circulation for that Fund, at the valuation

point

Principal - Refers to the authorized unit trust scheme consultants registered with Principal Malaysia. Distributors

Principal Malaysia or the Manager

- Principal Asset Management Berhad.

PHS - Refers to Product Highlights Sheet; this document issued by us that contains clear and concise information

of the salient features of the Fund.

RSP - Regular Savings Plan.

SC - Securities Commission Malaysia.

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 Fee - A percentage of the NAV of the Fund that is paid to the Trustee for its services rendered as trustee for the

Fund

Unit holder - The registered holder for the time being of a unit of the Fund including persons jointly so registered.

Withdrawal Fee - A charge levied upon withdrawal under certain terms and conditions (if applicable).

#### Notes: Unless the context otherwise requires:

• words importing the singular number should include the plural number and vice versa;

- reference to any rules, regulations, guidelines, standards, directives, notices, legislation or statutes in this PHS shall be reference to those rules, regulations, guidelines, standards, directives, notices, legislations or statutes for the time being in force, as may be amended, varied, modified, updated, superseded and/or re-enacted, from time to time;
- time, day or date disclosed in this PHS shall be a reference to that time, day or date in Malaysia; and
- reference to "days" in this PHS will be taken to mean calendar days.

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