

## RHB MALAYSIA INCOME FUND

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### INVESTMENT STRATEGY

- Up to 100% of NAV - Investments in fixed income securities or instruments issued or guaranteed by Malaysian government or Bank Negara Malaysia and/or fixed income securities or instruments issued by financial institutions in Malaysia;
- Up to 50% of NAV - Investments in liquid assets including money market instruments, deposits in financial institutions and collective investment schemes investing in money market instruments and deposits in Malaysia.

### INVESTOR PROFILE

This Fund is suitable for investors who:

- have low risk profile; and
- prefer a more predictable income in line with the investment strategies.

### FUND PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

There is no performance record as the Fund launched less than 1 year.

### FUND DETAILS

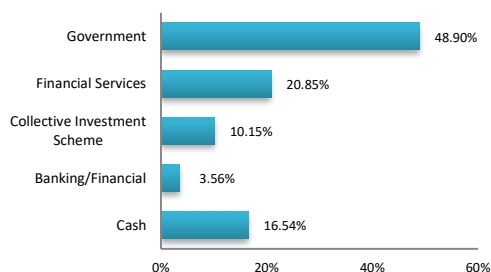
<b>Manager</b>	RHB Asset Management Sdn Bhd
<b>Trustee</b>	CIMB Commerce Trustee Bhd
<b>Fund Category</b>	Bond fund
<b>Fund Type</b>	Income fund
<b>Launch Date</b>	10 October 2019
<b>Base Currency</b>	RM
<b>Unit NAV</b>	RM1.0358
<b>Fund Size (million)</b>	RM696.94
<b>Units In Circulation (million)</b>	672.76
<b>Financial Year End</b>	31 January
<b>MER</b>	Not available
<b>Min. Initial Investment</b>	RM10,000.00
<b>Min. Additional Investment</b>	RM5,000.00
<b>Benchmark</b>	RHB Bank Bhd's 6 months fixed deposit rate
<b>Sales Charge</b>	None
<b>Redemption Charge</b>	None
<b>Dilution fee</b>	None
<b>Annual Management Fee</b>	Up to 0.50% p.a. of NAV*
<b>Annual Trustee Fee</b>	0.03% p.a. of NAV*
<b>Switching Fee</b>	RM25.00 per switch*
<b>Distribution Policy</b>	Incidental

\*All fees and charges payable to Manager and the Trustee are subject to any applicable taxes and/or duties and at such rate as may be imposed by the government from time to time.

For the purpose of computing the annual management fee and annual trustee fee, the NAV of the Fund is exclusive of the management fee and trustee fee for the relevant day.

### FUND PORTFOLIO ANALYSIS

#### Sector Allocation\*



#### Top Holdings (%)\*

RHB CASH MANAGEMENT FUND 1	10.15
MGS 3/2007 3.502% (31/05/2027)	8.33
GII MURABAHAH 1/2017 4.258% (26/07/2027)	4.74
GII MURABAHAH 6/2019 4.119% (30/11/2034)	4.74
GII MURABAHAH 1/2019 (09/07/2029)	4.73

\*As percentage of NAV

### FUND STATISTICS

#### Historical NAV (RM)

	1 Month	12 Months	Since Launch
High	1.0411	N/A	1.0411
Low	1.0358	N/A	1.0000

Source: Lipper IM

#### Historical Distributions (Net)

	Distribution (sen)	Yield (%)
28 May 2020	0.6000	0.59

Source: RHB Asset Management Sdn. Bhd.

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### MANAGER'S COMMENTS

#### MARKET REVIEW

On the local rates, both Malaysia's sovereign papers ie; Malaysia Government Securities (“MGS”) and Government Investment Issues (“GI”) settled generally tighter on the short-ends whilst longer-ends traded slightly wider during the month where Bank Negara Malaysia (“BNM”) cut the Overnight Policy Rate (“OPR”) by 50 basis points (“bps”). The curve was generally holding up well despite some profit-taking activities after the OPR cut where the decision has been mostly anticipated by the market players. Despite the range-bound in yields, we expect the local sovereign demand to continue gaining traction amid additional liquidity injection worth approximately MYR16 billion to be released through the banking institution's flexibility on the usage of MGS and GI to comply with Statutory Reserve Requirement (“SRR”) starting 16 May 2020. The enhanced liquidity support is expected to boost market liquidity by a combined total of MYR46 billion, including the MYR30 billion previously released earlier during the recent SRR cut to 2.00% in March 2020. Going forward, market sentiments will be influenced by the capacity to contain Covid-19 from spreading further as a flattening curve (with better recovery rates) will eventually drive the return of foreign buying of Asian local currency investment assets. Any upward trajectory of MGS/MGI yields are to provide good buying on dips opportunities for investors.

Month-on-month, MGS space was bull-steepened with yields roughly being well supported at the shorter-tenor up to 10-year. The 3-, 5-, 7-, 10-, 15-, 20- and 30-year MGS closed the month at 2.27% (April 2020: 2.40%), 2.46% (2.49%), 2.62% (2.67%), 2.80% (2.86%), 3.18% (3.09%), 3.41% (3.38%) and 3.80% (3.66%) respectively. On the other hand, action on the GI – the Shariah compliant version of MGS, appeared to be resilient and well supported at the back of index inclusion of MGI 10-year. At month end, the 3-, 5-, 7-, 10-, 15-, 20- and 30-year GI were reported at 2.29% (April 2020: 2.47%), 2.45% (2.55%), 2.69% (2.64%), 2.71% (2.84%), 3.24% (3.15%), 3.45% (3.39%) and 3.77% (3.70%) respectively.

On the local economic front, Malaysia's Consumer Prices Index (“CPI”) report for April 2020 was below expectation and contracted at -2.9%, marking the second negative prints in CPI following March 2020 level of -0.2%. Recap that in January and February 2020, the CPI rose 1.6% and 1.3% year-on-year respectively. The fall in inflation was mainly driven by weaker oil prices, coupled with lesser economic activities during the movement control order (“MCO”) period which started in mid-March 2020. On top of that, low electricity prices will be the other driver for low inflation in 2020. To assist households and businesses cope with costs of living in this challenging period, the government has allocated around MYR 530 million in its fiscal stimulus package to provide tiered discounts for electricity consumption from 1 April 2020 to 30 September 2020. Electricity costs contribute 2.7% to the overall CPI basket. The risks are tilted to the downside on lower oil prices, softer domestic demand-pull pressures and further disinflationary administered measures. Currently the average year-to-date of Brent oil price is still hovering about USD46/barrel which is above the Government's assumption for average oil price at around USD35/barrel, indicated during the release of the recent stimulus package. We opine the Government's medium-term fiscal consolidation roadmap remains on track.

Malaysia's 1st Quarter Growth Domestic Product (“GDP”) came out near halt at 0.7% year-on-year, lowest growth since the 3rd Quarter of 2009 but better than the general market expectation of contraction at -1.5%. According to the Department of Statistics, growth was mainly dragged by negative growth across all sectors except for services and manufacturing sectors with growth of 3.1% and 1.5% respectively. Malaysia also announced current account position, recorded at RM9.5 billion surplus as boosted by the surplus in goods account and smaller deficit in primary income. Softer growth is expected to continue in the 2nd Quarter of the year amid the disruption caused by Covid-19 while the economy is expected to rebound in the second half of the year. Economists are expecting growth to register at -1.5% to -4.0% for full year 2020. Weak growth has emerged as a global theme as countries battle against the pandemic outbreak, US, China and some regional peers has also registered contraction in GDP for 1st Quarter of 2020.

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A Product Highlights Sheet (“PHS”) highlighting the key features and risks of the Fund is available and investors have the right to request for a PHS. Investors are advised to obtain, read and understand the PHS and the contents of the Prospectus dated 10 October 2019 and its supplementary(ies) (if any) (“the Prospectus”) before investing. The Prospectus has been registered with the Securities Commission Malaysia who takes no responsibility for its contents. This update does not amount to indicate that the SC has recommended or endorsed the Fund. Amongst others, investors should consider the fees and charges involved. Investors should also note that the price of units and distributions payable, if any, may go down as well as up. Where a distribution is declared, investors are advised that following the issue of additional units/distribution, the NAV per unit will be reduced from cum-distribution NAV to ex-distribution NAV. Any issue of units to which the Prospectus relates will only be made on receipt of a form of application referred to in the Prospectus. For more details, please call 1-800-88-3175 for a copy of the PHS and the Prospectus or collect one from any of our branches or authorised distributors.

The Manager wishes to highlight the specific risks factors of the Fund is interest rate risk, credit and default risk, liquidity risk and issuer risk. These risks and other general risks are elaborated in the Prospectus.

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