

RHB THEMATIC GROWTH FUND

This Fund aims to provide investors with medium to long term capital appreciation through investments in securities of Malaysian companies that will benefit from evolving domestic and/or global trends.

INVESTOR PROFILE

This Fund is suitable for investors who:

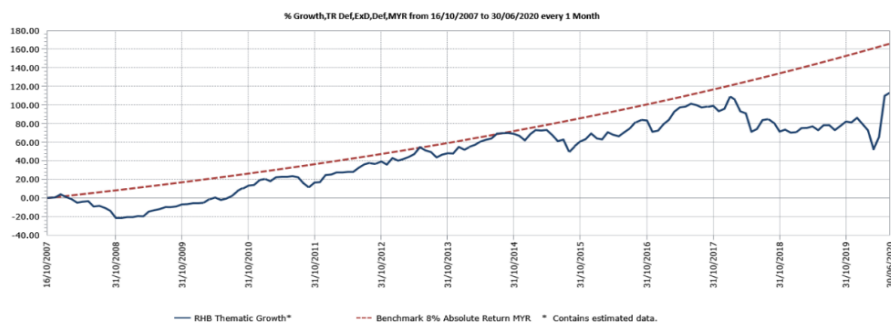
- seek participation in Malaysian companies that will benefit from evolving domestic and/or global trends;
- seek a dynamic and flexible investment mandate;
- prefer capital growth rather than income over a medium to long term period; and
- are willing to accept moderate risk in their investments.

INVESTMENT STRATEGY

- Up to 98% of NAV: Investments in equity and equity-related securities of Malaysian companies that will benefit from evolving domestic and/or global trends.
- 2% - 100% of NAV: Investments in fixed income securities, money market instruments, cash & deposits with financial institutions.

FUND PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

Performance Chart Since Launch*



Cumulative Performance (%)*

	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	YTD
Fund	1.66	39.87	14.57	14.57
Benchmark	0.63	1.93	3.90	3.90

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Launch
Fund	19.69	5.83	32.55	113.31
Benchmark	8.01	25.98	46.95	165.87

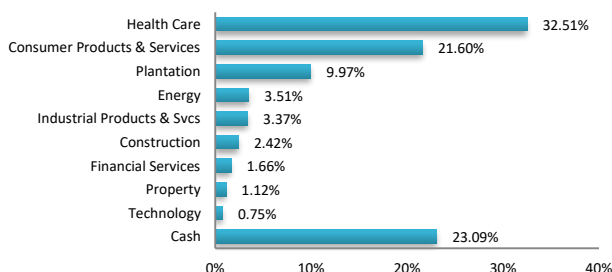
Calendar Year Performance (%)*

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Fund	9.35	-13.17	13.58	1.92	4.69
Benchmark	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00

Source: Lipper IM

FUND PORTFOLIO ANALYSIS

Sector Allocation*



Top Holdings (%)*

SUPERMAX CORP BHD	9.70
TOP GLOVE CORP BHD	8.81
KOSSAN RUBBER INDUSTRIES	8.26
HARTALEGA HOLDINGS BHD	5.74
GUAN CHONG BHD	5.40

*As percentage of NAV

FUND STATISTICS

Historical NAV (RM)

	1 Month	12 Months	Since Launch
High	0.2469	0.2469	0.3153
Low	0.2308	0.1537	0.1537

Source: Lipper IM

Historical Distributions (Net)

	Distribution (sen)	Yield (%)
30 Dec 2019	1.2000	5.74
20 Dec 2018	1.2000	5.15
20 Dec 2017	1.2000	4.69
28 Dec 2016	1.1000	4.61
16 Dec 2015	1.9650	8.01

Source: RHB Asset Management Sdn. Bhd.

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MANAGER'S COMMENTS

MARKET REVIEW

A surge in new cases, especially across large tracts of the US, has raised the spectre of a second wave of COVID-19 infections. This looming threat, coupled with an equity market that had largely shrugged off the epidemic, weighed on sentiment towards the end of June 2020. US equity market advanced 2.1% during the month to finish its best quarter (2Q: 21.2%) in 35 years. Europe rose 3.9% in June 2020, Australia 6.8%, while Japan (-0.1%) stayed flat. Asia ex-Japan was up 7.9% in June 2020 (2Q: 15.8%, YTD: -5.7%). Tech-heavy countries, Taiwan and Korea (up 7.8%) reflected the sharp rebound in semiconductor trade, while India rose 6.7%. Subpar performance by Singapore (3.5%), Thailand (2.1%) and Malaysia (2.5%) weighed on ASEAN (3.7%).

The FBMKLCI index was struggling to stay above 1500 level during the month of June 2020 due to the absence of positive fresh leads and global negative factors that affected the sentiment of the equity market. With a confluence of negative factors like the uncertain quick global economic recovery, the resurgence of coronavirus infections worldwide, the potential uplifting of short-selling ban domestically post 30 June and possible snap election in 2H20, the index consolidated in June 2020 after touched the high of 1,590. Meanwhile, S&P downgraded Malaysia outlook to negative from stable, with A- rating.

The FBMKLCI Index was led once again by Top Glove (+21.83%) and Public Bank (+12.55%). On the flipside, Petronas/oil-related names were the key drags with Pet Dagangan (-12.07%), Pet Gas (-10.36%), Dialog (-9.24%) and MISC (-7.71%). Foreigners net sold RM2.98bn worth of equities in June 2020 (similar pace vs May) bringing YTD net outflow to RM16.28bn. Notably, retail participation continued to climb to 35.9% in June (1Q20: 25.7%, 2Q20: 35.0%), while foreigners' participation dwindled to just 15.5% of market activity (1Q20: 25.1%, 2Q20: 18.3%).

MARKET OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY

In the absence of positive news, the equity market is likely to be volatile in the short term and will be driven by macro-economic data and geopolitical tensions. Rising US-China trade friction, the increase in the coronavirus cases in US and EU will be the main focus in charting the direction of the equity performance besides the news of the vaccines. Although, both the drop in manufacturing and export will have an implication on Malaysia's overall economy which expected to experience recession in 2020. We are of the opinion that the worst of the economy and equity market are behind us already.

The equity market is expected to be in favour due to the expectations of prolong low inflation and low interest rate environment. The gradual recovery in the economy will also support the equity market going forward as investors are pricing in lower risks.

The index is expecting to form a base before we see a sustainable rebound in the equity market later. In addition, we are also expecting a shallow consolidation for the index due to ample liquidity in the economy. In addition, the Securities Commission and Bursa Malaysia has also extended the temporary suspension of short selling to 31 December 2020 from 30 June 2020. This is expected to reduce the volatility on stock trading and keep the local market buoyant.

DISCLAIMER:

Based on the fund's portfolio returns as at 10 June 2020, the Volatility Factor (VF) for this fund is 20.9 and is classified as "Very High". (source: Lipper) "Very High" includes funds with VF that are more than 15.2 (source: Lipper). The VF means there is a possibility for the fund in generating an upside return or downside return around this VF. The Volatility Class (VC) is assigned by Lipper based on quintile ranks of VF for qualified funds. VF is subject to monthly revision and VC will be revised every six months. The fund's portfolio may have changed since this date and there is no guarantee that the fund will continue to have the same VF or VC in the future. Presently, only funds launched in the market for at least 36 months will display the VF and its VC. The VC referred to was dated 31 December 2019 which is calculated once every six months and is valid until its next calculation date, i.e. 30 June 2020.

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 Master Prospectus dated 3 August 2017 and its supplementary(ies) (if any) ("the Master Prospectus") before investing. The Master 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 Master Prospectus relates will only be made on receipt of a form of application referred to in the Master Prospectus. For more details, please call 1-800-88-3175 for a copy of the PHS and the Master Prospectus or collect one from any of our branches or authorised distributors.

The Manager wishes to highlight the specific risks for the Fund are market risk, particular securities risk, interest rate risk and credit/default risk. These risks and other general risks are elaborated in the Master Prospectus.

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