

FORMERLY BPI-PHILAM LIFE ASSURANCE CORPORATION

## **FUND FACT SHEET**

All data as of August 31, 2023 unless otherwise stated

## **Fund Objective and Strategy**

The Fund aims to achieve long-term capital and income growth by investing in a diversified portfolio of fixed income and equity securities. The Fund aims to outperform its benchmark, which is composed of 50% BPI Philippine Government Bond Index and 50% Philippine Stock Exchange Index.

### **Fund Details**

Fund Manager	BPI WEALTH – A Trust Corporation
Inception Date	June 15, 2017
Fund Classification	Balanced Fund
Fund Size	PHP 58.36 Million
Fund Currency	Philippine Peso
No. of Holdings	39
Fund Management Fee	1.75% per annum

### **Highest and Lowest Unit Price Achieved**

Initial (15 June 2017)	1.0000
Highest (30 January 2018)	1.0596
Lowest (24 March 2020)	0.8083
NAVPU – 31 August 2023	0.9463

#### **Risk Classification**

The Fund is suitable for investors with an aggressive profile or for those who take long-term views. As a marked-to-market UITF, the Fund's net asset value and total return may fall as well as rise as a result of stock prices and interest rates movements. On redemption of units, an investor may receive an amount less than the original amount of investment. Prior to investment in the Fund, the investor shall undergo a client suitability assessment procedure to determine whether the Fund is appropriate for him considering his investment objective, risk tolerance, preferences and experience.

# **BPI-Philam Active Allocation Fund Market Commentary**

The BPI Government Bond Index returned 0.50% in August as the belly of the curve dropped while the short end of the curve went up. The average daily trading volume for the month amounted to PHP16.82 billion similar to July's PHP16.94 billion with trades mostly seen on the short end of the curve.

The Bureau of the Treasury (BTr) held five FXTN auctions in August. A new 10-year paper issuance, FXTN 10-71, was fully awarded at a coupon rate of 6.625%. The 5year FXTN 10-63 and 6-year FXTN 7-68 re-issuances were partially awarded at average yields of 6.327% and 6.468% while the 5-year FXTN 10-64 re-issuance was fully awarded at an average yield of 6.220%. The 15-year FXTN 20-23 re-issuance was the first auction rejected for the year. Had the BTr fully awarded the paper, average yields would have risen to 6.927%. Towards the end of the month, the BTr leased the September auction schedule with four Treasury Bill auctions and four PHP30 billion FXTN issuances (3-, 7-, 10-, and 3-year tenors).

In the local space, July headline inflation eased further to 4.7% year-on-year, from last month's 5.4%. The food, utilities, and transport prices drove the inflation lower marking six straight months of deceleration. The Philippine economy grawweaker than expected at 4.3% in the second quarter of the year, compared to the market expectation of 6%. Growth momentum was at its slowest pace since 2011 due to above-target inflation, elevated borrowing costs, and government underspending. The Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) kept its policy rate at 6.25% for the third time. BSP Governor Eli Remolona reiterated that they remain data-dependent but ready to hike policy rates if necessary. The BSP revised its inflation forecast upward, settling at 5.6% (from 5.4%) for 2023 and 3.3% (from 2.9%) for 2024 due to developments in global energy and food prices.

The local equitiesmarket sharply declined given the combination of illiquid market condition and worrisome macroeconomicsdata on both local and global space which forced investorsto error the side ofcaution. According to the minutesof thelatest FOMCmeeting of US Federal Reserve's (The Fed), officialsspoke with a hawkish tone – expressing concerns on inflation pace which might lead to more rate hikes. Moreover, selling pressure intensified following the release of the 2nd quarter Philippines GDP which came out a shocker. The local economy grew at 4.3% which was waybelow consensus estimates of 6.0% -mostly due to the steep decline ingovernment expenditures(-7.0%YoY). The PSEidropped by6.3%toclose at6,175.25 inAugust.

Activity in August improved as Average Daily Turnover came in at Php5.21 billion from Php3.46 billion in the prior month. Foreigners remained net sellers at US\$131 million with large flowscoming outofindex heavyweightsSM and SMPH.Moreover,the MSCI quarterly rebalancing which indicated a reduction in the country's weighting further added to the sell-off.

For stock performances, the top three gainers for the month were as follows: SCC (+10.92%), GTCAP (+5.05%) and MPI (+3.70%). Meanwhile, the bottom three index performers included: CNVRG (-23.07%), JGS(-15.10%) and AEV (-12.64%).

### **Cumulative Performance (%)**

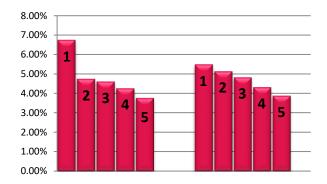
YTD 6 Months 1YR 2YR Since Inception 0.96 -0.81 0.25 -3.88 -5.37

### NAVPU Graph



PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION	
Allocation	% of Fund
Equities	49.12
Government Securities	42.49
Corporate Bonds	6.56
Time Deposits and Money Market	1.84

# TOP 10 HOLDINGS Asset Allocation



#### **Top Equity Holdings**

1 SM Investments Corporation	6.74%
② SM Prime Holdings, Inc.	4.74%
③ BDO Unibank, Inc.	4.60%
4 Bank of the Philippine Islands	4.26%
(5) Ayala Land Inc.	3.76%
Top Fixed Income Holdings	
① Fixed Rate Treasury Note 10/20/2032	5.48%

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1 Fixed Rate Treasury Note 10/20/2032	5.48%
2 Retail Treasury Bond 08/22/2028	5.13%
③ Fixed Rate Treasury Note 7/19/2031	4.82%
4 Fixed Rate Treasury Note 11/24/2042	4.31%
(5) Retail Treasury Bond 03/07/2028	3.88%

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