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# MONTHLY FUND PERFORMANCE UPDATE A-DANA EQUITY

## **Investment Objective**

The Fund aims to provide medium to long-term growth by investing in Shariah-approved equities, Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) and equity-related securities listed on Bursa Malaysia.

Notice: Please refer to the Fund Fact Sheet for more information about the Fund.

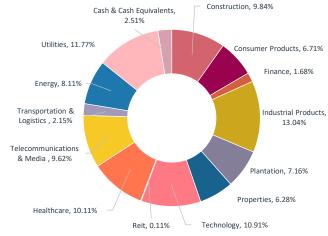
### **Fund Details**

Unit NAV (31 October 2024)	: RM 0.91685	
Fund Size (31 October 2024)	: RM 926.791 million	
Fund Currency	: Ringgit Malaysia	
Fund Inception	: 1 March 2011	
Offer Price at Inception	: RM0.50	
Fund Management Charge	: 1.50% p.a.	
Investment Manager	: AIA Bhd.	
Takaful Operator	: AIA PUBLIC Takaful Bhd.	
Basis of Unit Valuation	: Net Asset Value	
Frequency of Unit Valuation	: Daily	

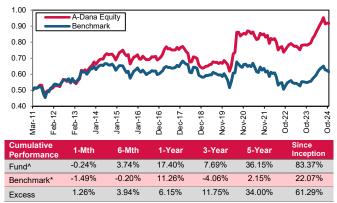
#### **Top Holdings**

1	TENAGA NASIONAL BHD	9.06%
2	GAMUDA BHD	5.24%
3	TELEKOM MALAYSIA BHD	5.02%
4	IHH HEALTHCARE BHD	4.63%
5	INARI AMERTRON BHD	2.64%

#### Sector Allocation







Calculation of past performance is based on NAV-to-NAV. This is strictly the performance of the investment fund, and not the returns earned on the actual premiums/contributions paid of the investment-linked product.

\* The Fund's benchmark composition has been revised from 95% FBM Emas Shariah + 5% 1-month KLIBOR to 100% FBM EMAS Shariah Index (Source: Bursa Malaysia), effective 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022, to be in line with the industry peers.

# <u>Notice</u>: Past performance of the Fund is not an indication of its future performance.

#### Market Review

The FBMS ("Index") fell 1.49% Month-on-Month ("MoM") to close at 12,062.16 in October 2024. The Index underperformed the MSCI Asia ex Japan Index, which rose 1.40% MoM in Malaysian Ringgit ("MYR") terms over the same period. Foreign investors turned net sellers of Malaysian equities amounting to MYR1.8 billion while local institutions turned net buyers amounting to MYR1.8 billion during the month. Bursa Malaysia's average daily transaction value ("ADTV") fell 25% MoM to MYR2.5 billion in October 2024. During the month, KLK (+4.2%), Sunway Bhd (+4.0%) and Mr DIY (+3.3%) were the key gainers while key detractors were Axiata (-10.3%), Maxis (-8.4%) and Celcom Digi (-8.3%). Sector wise, Construction (+2.2%), REIT (+1.8%) and Healthcare (+1.3%) were the key performers, while Utilities (-7.2%), Telecom (-3.1%) and Consumer (-2.5%) were the key detractors. Major news during the month included Malaysian Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar announcing that the government would only implement a broad based goods and services tax ("GST") in a few years contingent on raising the minimum monthly wage to MYR3,000-MYR4,000, the unveiling of the 2025 national budget totalling MYR421 billion or 20.2% of Gross Domestic Product ("GDP"), Secretary General of Treasury Datuk Johan Merican mentioning the consideration of a tiered pricing mechanism for RON 95 petrol subsidies similar to the model used earlier in 2024 for retargeting the diesel subsidy, and Malaysia being recognized as one of the 13 BRICS partner countries.

#### Market Outlook

We are cautiously optimistic of the equity market in the near term. Volatility is likely a recurring theme in the near term given the uncertainty over macro conditions, geopolitics, clarity of Trump's policies, and investors' positioning. Investors are now watching the macro data closely to gauge the extent of the US economic slowdown, recession risks and the guantum of interest rate cut going forward. Over in Asia, rate cut cycle in a non-recessionary environment is typically positive for equity markets and most currencies. In China, the government is rolling out fiscal stimulus, with a focus on supporting capital markets, consumer consumption and stabilising the property prices. Its outlook remains challenging structurally. However, China's monetary and fiscal support is gaining momentum given room for monetary easing, and increasingly more commitment to reflate the economy. Domestically in Malaysia, we expect a brighter outlook given the lower political risk premium amidst a more stable unity government coupled with stronger corporate earnings upside arising from the implementation of the government's growth initiatives and a rising foreign direct investment. The execution of the already announced economic initiatives such as the National Energy Transformation Roadmap ("NETR"), Malaysia My Second Home ("MM2H"), Special Economic Zone ("SEZ"), National Semiconductor Strategy ("NSS"), infrastructure projects rollout and the much-anticipated petrol and diesel subsidies rationalization will be watched closely. Downside risks to the market could stem from a hard landing US recession, worsening geopolitical tension, weaker than expected China's stimulus measures, maximum tariff implementation of Trump's tariff policy, and poor execution of domestic growth initiatives

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Lipper uses a ranking system of 1 to 5. A ranking of 5 means the fund is in the top 20% of funds in that category while a ranking of 1 means the fund is in the bottom 20%. Source: www.lipperleaders.com

Preservation

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