

October 2025

# MONTHLY FUND PERFORMANCE UPDATE AIA EQUITY PLUS FUND

#### **Investment Objective**

The Fund seeks to maximize medium to long term growth of capital income through investment in a diversified portfolio of well managed large capital companies that are believed to offer above average growth potential. The Fund is suitable for growth-oriented investors who are willing to take moderate to high risk in order to achieve attractive capital gains.

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

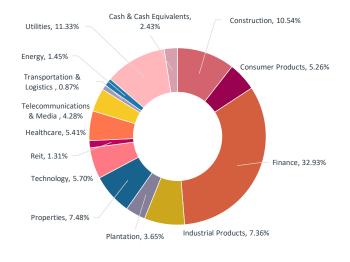
#### **Fund Details**

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Unit NAV (31 October 2025)	: RM 5.31037
Fund Size (31 October 2025)	: RM 4,166.382 million
Fund Currency	: Ringgit Malaysia
Fund Inception	: 15 March 2000
Offer Price at Inception	: RM1.00
Fund Management Charge	: 1.50% p.a.
Investment Manager	: AIA Bhd.
Basis of Unit Valuation	: Net Asset Value
Frequency of Unit Valuation	: Daily

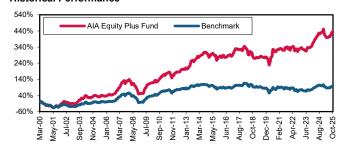
#### **Top Holdings**

1	MALAYAN BANKING BHD	9.30%
2	CIMB GROUP HOLDINGS BHD	8.49%
3	TENAGA NASIONAL BHD	8.14%
4	PUBLIC BANK BHD	5.86%
5	GAMUDA BHD	5.58%

#### Sector Allocation



#### **Historical Performance**



Cumulative Performance	1-Mth	6-Mth	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	Since Inception
Fund^	-0.36%	6.46%	-0.03%	25.99%	29.45%	431.04%
Benchmark*	0.33%	5.16%	-0.45%	16.56%	12.73%	98.08%
Excess	-0.69%	1.30%	0.42%	9.43%	16.71%	332.96%

<sup>^</sup> 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.

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

#### **Market Review**

The FBMKLCI ("Index") fell 0.2% Month-on-Month ("MoM") to close at 1,609 pts in October 2025. The Index underperformed the MSCI Asia ex Japan Index, which gained 4.0% MoM in Malaysian ringgit ("MYR") terms over the same period. Foreign investors were net sellers of Malaysian equities with net sell flows of MYR2.73 billion while local institutions remained net buyers amounting to MYR3.60 billion during the month. Bursa Malaysia's average daily transaction value ("ADTV") rose 8.4% MoM to MYR2.9 billion in October 2025. During the month, Nestle Malaysia (+17.4%), 99 Speed Mart (+14.2%) and IHH Healthcare (+9.3%) were the key gainers while key detractors were Sime Darby (-10.1%), Gamuda (-8.9%) and Petronas Chemicals (-7.8%). Sector wise, Technology (+9.8%), Consumer (+3.6%) and Healthcare (+2.9%) were the key outperformers, while Construction (-6.0%), Property (-2.7%) and Utilities (-1.7%) were the key detractors. Major news during the month included the announcement of Budget 2026 by the Prime Minister which featured a one-off RM100 cash handout to all Malaysians aged 18 and above in February 2026, the agreement by the US and Malaysia on a reciprocal trade agreement which results in 19% tariffs on Malaysian goods to the US, and the dissolution of the Sabah State Assembly which paves the way for state elections in November 2026. Malaysia's Consumer Price Index ("CPI") rose 1.5% Year-on-Year ("YoY") in September 2025, slightly above forecasts of 1.4% and up from 1.3% in August 2025.

#### Market Outlook

We maintain a cautiously optimistic outlook for equities, as markets transition into a late-cycle phase underpinned by resilient corporate earnings, easing inflationary pressures, and growing expectations of policy normalization. The US Federal Reserve ("Fed") and other major central banks are widely anticipated to begin rate cuts in early 2026, providing a tailwind to risk assets and supporting valuation multiples. However, the pace of easing will likely be gradual, constrained by lingering inflation pressure and tight labor markets in developed markets. Emerging markets ("EM") are gaining renewed investor attention, supported by a softer US Dollar ("USD"), improving liquidity conditions and attractive relative valuations. Volatility is expected to remain elevated amid geopolitical risks, uneven policy signals, and potential profit-taking after recent rallies.

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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

<sup>\* 100%</sup> FBM100 Index (Source: Bursa Malaysia)