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## AIA's Monthly Investment Market and Unit Linked Fund Update

#### For the month of April 2021

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#### Unit-linked Price Performance - As at month end

|                                     | Growth | Balanced | Secure | Protected | Stable<br>MM | ASPI  | S&P SL 20 |
|-------------------------------------|--------|----------|--------|-----------|--------------|-------|-----------|
| Since 01 Jan 2021 (YTD)             | 7.2%   | 5.3%     | 1.4%   | 1.3%      | 1.4%         | 6.4%  | 8.8%      |
| <b>Annual Effective Growth Rate</b> |        |          |        |           |              |       |           |
| 1 year                              | 37.4%  | 24.0%    | 5.6%   | 5.3%      | 6.0%         | 57.7% | 47.3%     |
| 3 years                             | 0.8%   | 6.0%     | 8.5%   | 8.1%      | 8.7%         | 3.3%  | -7.8%     |
| 5 years                             | 3.0%   | 7.0%     | 9.0%   | 8.6%      | -            | 2.0%  | -3.5%     |
| 7 years                             | 2.6%   | 6.4%     | 8.2%   | 7.8%      | -            | 2.1%  | -2.5%     |
| From Inception - CAGR               | 9.7%   | 10.7%    | 9.9%   | 9.4%      | 8.8%         | 8.0%  | -0.9%     |

Note: past performance is not an indication of future performance

Tip: Your Investment Linked Long Term Insurance Policy allows you to be in control of your investments in Unit Linked Funds. Kindly refer your policy document to learn more about options like unit switches and premium redirections which are available for you to manage your investments. You can also contact us if you like to know how you can use the options available to you.

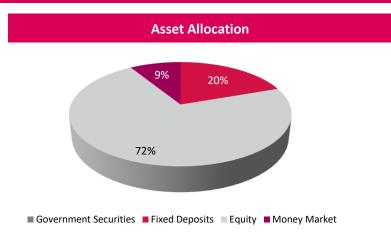
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<sup>\*</sup>The Stable Money Market fund was introduced on 21 Apr 2017.

#### Your fund performance: Growth fund



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Note: The asset allocation for the fund is presented as at month end. The future asset allocation may change based on market conditions and investment strategy.

#### \*Since inception – 02/05/2006 to 31/12/2006 \*\*Period from 31/12/2020 to 30/04/2021 Unit Price Growth (as a percentage) 2006\* 2008 2009 2013 2014 2018 Year 11.98 28.34 30.16 32.30 37.41 38.54 37.51 **Unit Price** 11.92 9.42 17.32 32.17 38.06 36.52 36.12 38.64 40.21 Growth (%) 19.2% 0.5% -21.4% 83.9% 95.7% -11.9% 6.4% 7.1% 17.8% -4.0% -1.1% 7.0% -3.2% 3.0% -2.7% 7.2%

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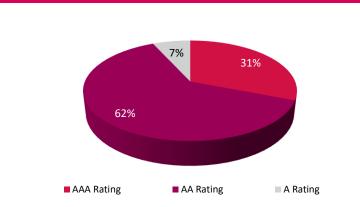
#### **Equity Allocation**

| Sector                     | %    |
|----------------------------|------|
| Banks                      | 41%  |
| Capital Goods              | 30%  |
| Food and Staples Retailing | 8%   |
| Food Beverage and Tobacco  | 6%   |
| Telecommunication Services | 5%   |
| Diversified Financials     | 5%   |
| Materials                  | 5%   |
| Total                      | 100% |

| Top Equity Holdings*       |                      |
|----------------------------|----------------------|
| Access Engineering         | Hatton National Bank |
| Cargills (Ceylon)          | John Keells Holdings |
| Commercial Bank            | People's Leasing     |
| Chevron Lubricants         | Royal Ceramic Lanka  |
| Dialog Axiata              | Sampath Bank         |
| Distilleries Company of SL | Seylan Bank          |

\*Note: In alphabetical order

#### **Credit Rating**

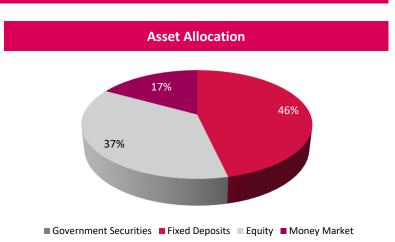


- The <u>annual average growth rate</u> of the unit price for the Growth fund is <u>9.9% per year</u>, since the unit linked fund was started.
- The unit price has increased by 7.2% for the period 01 January 2021 to 30 April 2021.

#### Your fund performance: Balanced fund



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Note: The asset allocation for the fund is presented as at month end. The future asset allocation may change based on market conditions and investment strategy.

#### Unit Price Growth (as a percentage) 2009 2006\* 2007 2008 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021\*\* 17.23 25.18 24.18 26.22 28.87 32.90 34.40 42.81 43.68 46.01 **Unit Price** 11.43 12.19 11.62 32.36 37.60 39.56 48.3% 46.1% Growth (%) 14.3% 6.6% -4.7% -4.0% 8.4% 10.1% 12.1% 1.7% 4.6% 5.2% 11.2% 2.0% 5.3%

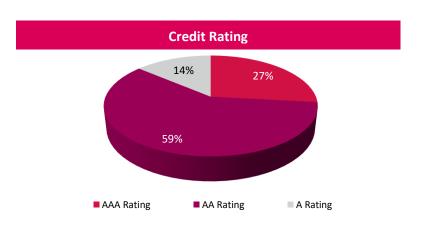
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#### Equity Allocation

| Sector                     | %    |
|----------------------------|------|
| Banks                      | 37%  |
| Capital Goods              | 32%  |
| Diversified Financials     | 10%  |
| Food and Staples Retailing | 7%   |
| Food Beverage and Tobacco  | 6%   |
| Materials                  | 5%   |
| Telecommunication Services | 3%   |
| Total                      | 100% |

| Top Equity Holdings*       |                      |
|----------------------------|----------------------|
| Access Engineering         | Hatton National Bank |
| Cargills (Ceylon)          | John Keells Holdings |
| Commercial Bank            | LB Finance           |
| Chevron Lubricants         | People's Leasing     |
| Dialog Axiata              | Royal Ceramic Lanka  |
| Distilleries Company of SL | Sampath Bank         |

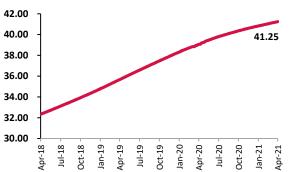
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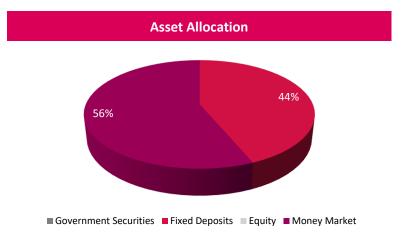
- The <u>annual average growth rate</u> of the unit price for the Balanced fund is <u>9.8% per year</u>, since the unit linked fund was started.
- The unit price has decreased by 5.3% for the period 01 January 2021 to 30 April 2021.

#### Your fund performance: Secure fund

# Unit Price Movement



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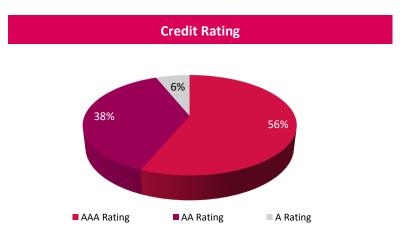


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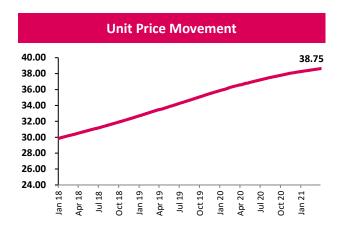
| Unit Price Growth (as a percentage) *Since inception – 02/05/2006 to 31/12/2006 |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | **Perio | d from 31, | /12/2019 t | o 30/04/2 | 021   |       |       |       |        |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|------------|------------|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| Year  | 2006* | 2007  | 2008  | 2009  | 2010  | 2011  | 2012  | 2013    | 2014       | 2015       | 2016      | 2017  | 2018  | 2019  | 2020  | 2021** |
| Unit Price  | 10.83 | 11.91 | 13.04 | 15.74 | 17.97 | 19.09 | 20.75 | 23.02   | 24.76      | 26.21      | 28.37     | 31.32 | 34.49 | 38.05 | 40.68 | 41.25  |
| Growth (%)  | 8.3%  | 10.0% | 9.5%  | 20.7% | 14.2% | 6.2%  | 8.7%  | 10.9%   | 7.6%       | 5.9%       | 8.2%      | 10.4% | 10.1% | 10.3% | 6.9%  | 1.4%   |

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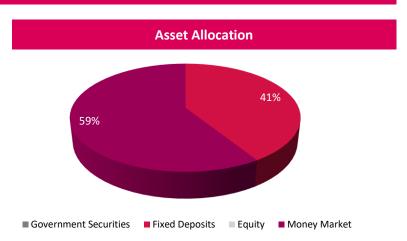
- The <u>annual average growth rate</u> of the unit price for the Secure fund is <u>10.2% per year</u>, since the unit linked fund was started.
- The unit price has <u>increased by 1.4% for the period 01</u>
  <u>January 2021 to 30 April 2021.</u>



#### Your fund performance: Protected fund



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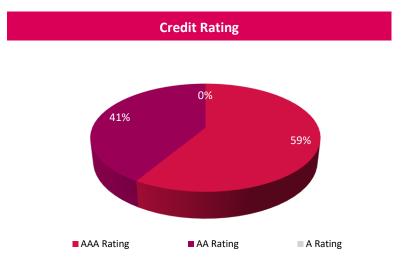


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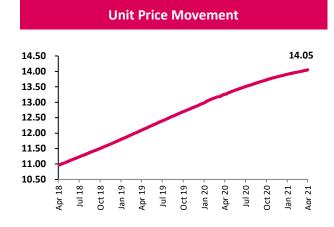


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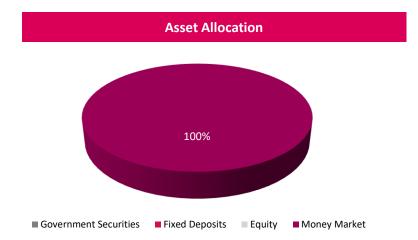
- The <u>annual average growth rate</u> of the unit price for the Protected fund is <u>9.7% per year</u>, since the unit linked fund was started.
- The unit price has increased by 1.3% for the period 01
   January 2021 to 30 April 2021.



#### Your fund performance: Stable Money Market fund



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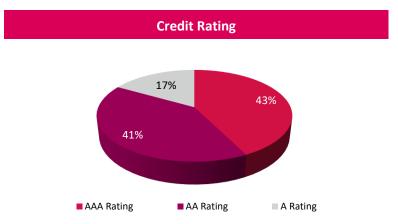


Note: The asset allocation for the fund is presented as at month end. The future asset allocation may change based on market conditions and investment strategy.

| Unit Price Growth (as a percentage) *Since inception – 21/04/2017 to 31/12/2017 **Period from 31/12/2017 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      | 1/12/2019 | to 30/04 | 1/2021 |       |        |
|--|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----------|----------|--------|-------|--------|
| Year   | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017*     | 2018     | 2019   | 2020  | 2021** |
| Unit Price   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | 10.62     | 11.70    | 12.88  | 13.85 | 14.05  |
| Growth (%)   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | 6.2%      | 10.2%    | 10.1%  | 7.5%  | 1.4%   |

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- The <u>annual average growth rate</u> of the unit price for the Protected fund is <u>9.8% per year</u>, since the unit linked fund was started.
- The unit price has increased by 1.4% for the period 01
   January 2021 to 30 April 2021.



#### **Market Update: Interest Rates**

We use the 364-day T- Bill as an indicator of how interest rates move

#### 364-day T-bill: Since 01 Jan 2013



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#### Major events during the month

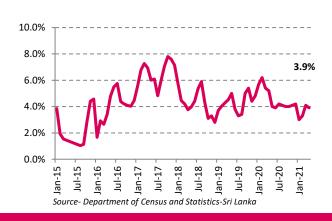
- Central Bank maintained the Standing Deposit Facility Rate (SDFR) and Standing Lending Facility Report (SLFR) in April 2021 at 4.50% and 5.50% respectively.
- Central Bank raised LKR 121 billion through treasury bills and LKR
   75 billion through treasury bonds during the month.
- An upward movement in the yield curve was identified in April. The longer tenure bond yields have remained unchanged.

#### 364-day T-bill: Since 01 Jan 2019



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#### Inflation: Since 01 Jan 2015



#### **Market Update: Stock Market**

**ASPI Movement: Since 01 Jan 2013** 



S&P SL Movement: Since 01 Jan 2013



#### **ASPI Movement: Since 01 Jan 2019**



**S&P SL Movement: Since 01 Jan 2019** 



| ASPI and S&P SL 20 Performance (as a percentage) |       |       |        |        |       |       |       | *Since inception – 02/05/2006 to 31/12/2006 **Period from 31/12/2020 to 30/04/2021 |       |        |       |       |        |       |        |        |
|--|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|-------|--------|--------|
| Year   | 2006* | 2007  | 2008   | 2009   | 2010  | 2011  | 2012  | 2013   | 2014  | 2015   | 2016  | 2017  | 2018   | 2019  | 2020   | 2021** |
| ASPI   | 2,723 | 2,541 | 1,504  | 3,386  | 6,637 | 6,074 | 5,644 | 5,913  | 7,299 | 6,894  | 6,228 | 6,369 | 6,052  | 6,129 | 6,774  | 7,208  |
| Growth (%)                                       | 5.8%  | -6.7% | -40.8% | 125.2% | 96.0% | -8.5% | -7.1% | 4.8%   | 23.4% | -5.5%  | -9.7% | 2.3%  | -5.0%  | 1.3%  | 10.5%  | 6.4%   |
| S&P SL 20  | -     | -     | -      | -      | -     | -     | 3,085 | 3,264  | 4,089 | 3,626  | 3,496 | 3,672 | 3,135  | 2,937 | 2,638  | 2,869  |
| Growth (%)                                       | -     | -     | -      | -      | -     | -     | 8.4%  | 5.8%   | 25.3% | -11.3% | -3.6% | 5.0%  | -14.6% | -6.3% | -10.2% | 8.8%   |

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#### Highlights of the performance

- The annual average growth rate of ASPI is 8.0% per year and S&P SL20 index is -0.9% per year, since the unit linked funds were first started.
- The ASPI & S&P SL20 indices have increased by 6.4% and 8.8% for the period of 01 January 2021 to 30 April 2021, respectively.

#### **Market Update: Stock Market**

#### For the month

| Description                          | Mar-2021 | Apr-2021 |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| All Share Price Index (ASPI)         | 7,121    | 7,208    |
| ASPI growth for the month            | -4.75%   | 1.22%    |
| Total market turnover (LKR Millions) | 40,945   | 52,996   |
| Market Capitalization (LKR Billions) | 3,111    | 3,179    |
| PE Ratio (times)                     | 14.98x   | 14.56x   |

#### Highlights of the month

- The market witnessed an increase in April where the ASPI and S&P SL 20 marginally increased by 1.2 per cent and 0.7 per cent respectively. However, on a year to date basis, ASPI and S&P SL 20 have provided a return of 6.4 per cent and 8.8 per cent respectively.
- Foreign selling continued in April as well. The year to date net sales by foreigners amounted to LKR 21.4 billion by end April 2021.

### 10 Companies with highest market Capitalization on the CSE as of 30 April 2021

- CEYLON TOBACCO COMPANY PLC
- JOHN KEELLS HOLDINGS PLC
- LOLC HOLDINGS PLC
- DIALOG AXIATA PLC
- BROWNS INVESTMENTS PLC
- COMMERCIAL BANK OF CEYLON PLC
- EXPOLANKA HOLDINGS PLC
- DISTILLERIES COMPANY OF SRI LANKA PLC
- VALLIBEL ONE PLC
- HAYLEYS PLC

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<sup>\*</sup>The S&P SL20 index was introduced on 27 Jun 2012.

#### Fund manager's outlook



#### Fixed income outlook

- The benchmark 364 day Treasury bill rate increased to 5.18% during the month of April 2021, while the secondary market yields for medium term Treasury bonds increased by 15 25 basis points during the month. Private sector credit growth expanded by over LKR 112 billion during March 2021, resulting in a year on year growth of 7.5%.
- Sri Lanka managed to secure USD 500 million loan from China Development Bank, which in turn presented the Central Bank with the opportunity to provide liquidity to the market. As a result, market liquidity level increased from LKR 86 billion at the beginning of the month to LKR 145 billion as at end of April 2021.

#### Equity outlook

- All Share Price Index and S&P SL 20 Index gained 1.22% and 0.67% respectively, during April 2021. However, concerns surrounding a third wave of COVD-19 led to a shift in investor sentiment, which resulted in panic selling in the second half of the month.
- Pressure on exchange rate and interest rate coupled with lower expectations on corporate earnings due to the limited mobility and low economic activity levels may have negative impacts on the overall equity market.

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