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

For the month of October 2020

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

	Growth	Balanced	Secure	Protected	Stable MM	ASPI
Since 01 Jan 2020 (YTD)	-10.9%	-3.2%	6.0%	5.9%	6.5%	-6.6%
Annual Effective Growth Rate						
1 year	-9.1%	-1.8%	7.7%	7.4%	8.0%	-4.4%
3 years	-4.6%	3.3%	9.4%	8.9%	9.5%	-4.7%
5 years	-1.7%	4.7%	9.2%	8.7%	-	-4.0%
7 years	1.1%	5.5%	8.6%	8.1%	-	-0.6%
From Inception - CAGR	8.9%	10.3%	10.1%	9.6%	9.4%	6.6%

Note: past performance is not an indication of future performance

\*The Stable Money Market fund was introduced on 21 Apr 2017.



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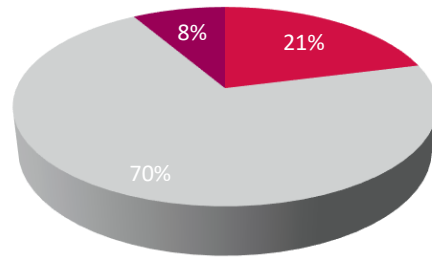
## Your fund performance: Growth fund

### Unit Price Movement



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### Asset Allocation



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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 – 02/05/2006 to 31/12/2006 \*\*Period from 31/12/2019 to 31/10/2020

Year	2006*	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020**
Unit Price	11.92	11.98	9.42	17.32	32.17	28.34	30.16	32.30	38.06	36.52	36.12	38.64	37.41	38.54	34.35
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%	-10.9%

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### Equity Allocation

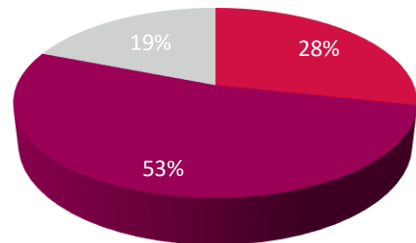
Sector	%
Banks	48%
Capital Goods	30%
Consumer Services	2%
Diversified Financials	14%
Materials	6%
Total	100%

### Top Equity Holdings\*

Access Engineering	John Keells Holdings
Amaya Leisure	People's Leasing
Central Finance	Royal Ceramic Lanka
Commercial Bank	Sampath Bank
Chevron Lubricants	Seylan Bank
Hatton National Bank	-

\*Note: In alphabetical order

### Credit Rating



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- The annual average growth rate of the unit price for the Growth fund is 8.9% per year, since the unit linked fund was started.
- The unit price has decreased by 10.9% for the period 01 January 2020 to 31 October 2020.

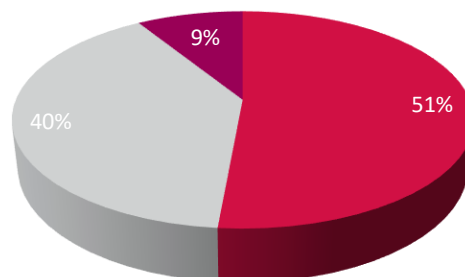
## Your fund performance: Balanced fund

### Unit Price Movement



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### Unit Price Growth (as a percentage)

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Year	2006*	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020**
Unit Price	11.43	12.19	11.62	17.23	25.18	24.18	26.22	28.87	32.36	32.90	34.40	37.60	39.56	42.81	41.42
Growth (%)	14.3%	6.6%	-4.7%	48.3%	46.1%	-4.0%	8.4%	10.1%	12.1%	1.7%	4.6%	9.3%	5.2%	11.2%	-3.2%

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### Equity Allocation

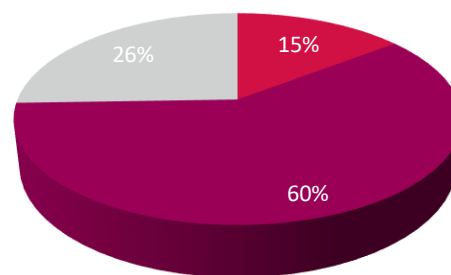
Sector	%
Banks	51%
Capital Goods	37%
Materials	5%
Diversified Financials	7%
Total	100%

### Top Equity Holdings\*

Access Engineering	John Keells Holdings
Central Finance	People's Leasing
Commercial Bank	Royal Ceramic Lanka
Chevron Lubricants	Sampath Bank
Hatton National Bank	Seylan Bank

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### Credit Rating



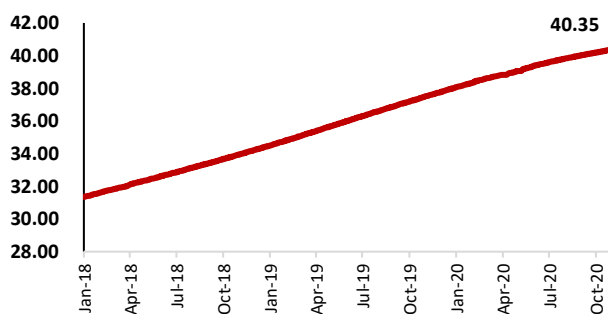
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- The annual average growth rate of the unit price for the Balanced fund is 10.3% per year, since the unit linked fund was started.
- The unit price has decreased by 3.2% for the period 01 January 2020 to 31 October 2020.

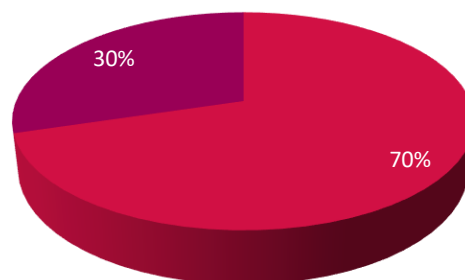
## Your fund performance: Secure fund

### Unit Price Movement



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### Unit Price Growth (as a percentage)

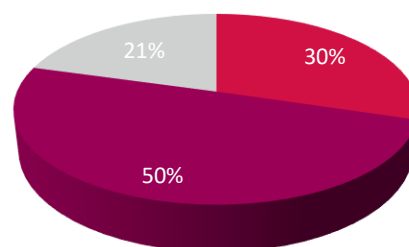
\*Since inception – 02/05/2006 to 31/12/2006 \*\*Period from 31/12/2019 to 31/10/2020

Year	2006*	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020**
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	40.35
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%	6.0%

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- The annual average growth rate of the unit price for the Secure fund is 10.1% per year, since the unit linked fund was started.
- The unit price has increased by 6.0% for the period 01 January 2020 to 31 October 2020.

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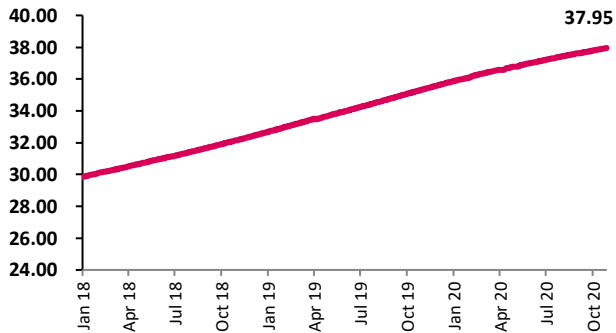


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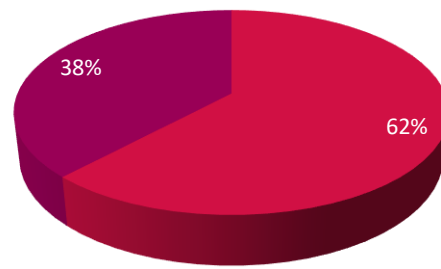
## Your fund performance: Protected fund

### Unit Price Movement



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### Unit Price Growth (as a percentage)

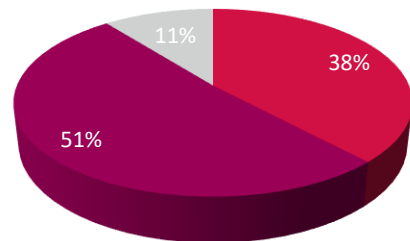
\*Since inception – 02/05/2006 to 31/12/2006 \*\*Period from 31/12/2019 to 31/10/2020

Year	2006*	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020**
Unit Price	10.58	11.91	14.25	16.23	17.54	18.58	20.16	22.27	23.81	25.20	27.18	29.82	32.66	35.58	37.95
Growth (%)	5.8%	12.6%	19.6%	13.9%	8.1%	5.9%	8.5%	10.5%	6.9%	5.8%	7.9%	9.7%	9.5%	9.8%	5.9%

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- The annual average growth rate of the unit price for the Protected fund is 9.6% per year, since the unit linked fund was started.
- The unit price has increased by 5.9% for the period 01 January 2020 to 31 October 2020.

### Credit Rating

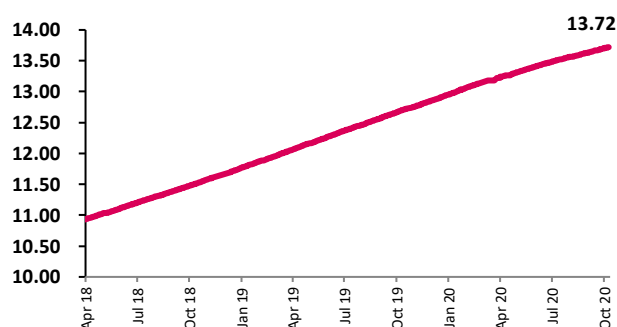


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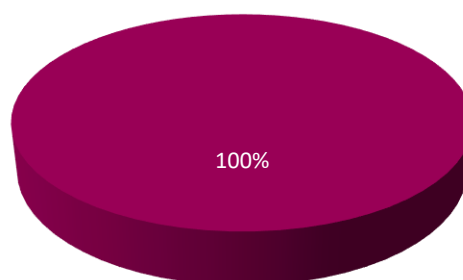
## Your fund performance: Stable Money Market fund

### Unit Price Movement



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### Unit Price Growth (as a percentage)

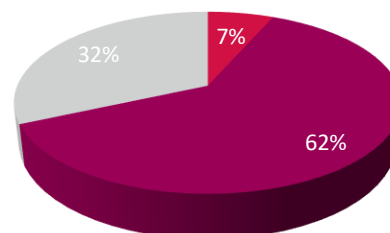
\*Since inception – 21/04/2017 to 31/12/2017 \*\*Period from 31/12/2019 to 31/10/2020

Year	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017*	2018	2019	2020**
Unit Price	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.62	11.70	12.88	13.72
Growth (%)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.2%	10.2%	10.1%	6.5%

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- The annual average growth rate of the unit price for the Protected fund is 9.4% per year, since the unit linked fund was started.
- The unit price has increased by 6.5% for the period 01 January 2020 to 31 October 2020.

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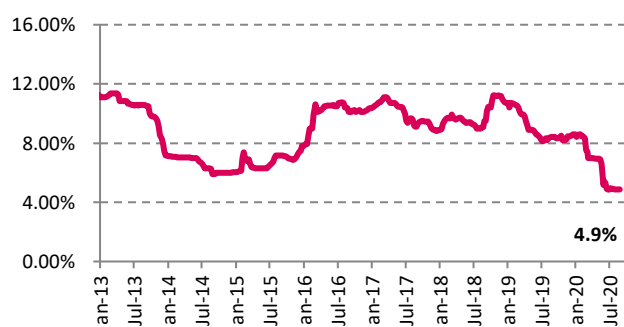
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## Market Update: Interest Rates

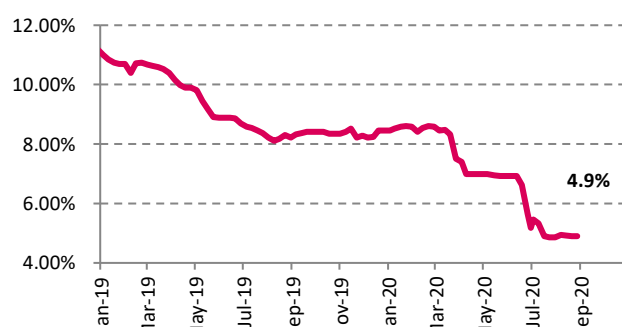
We use the 364-day T- Bill as an indicator of how interest rates move

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



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

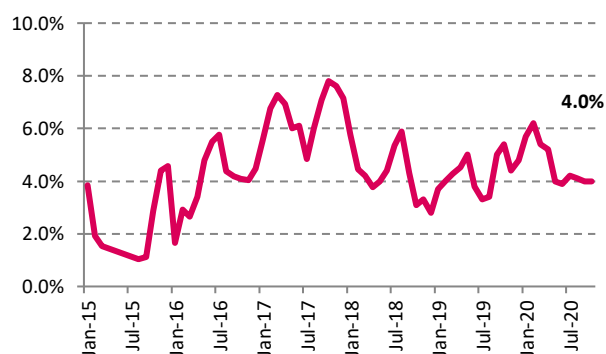


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### Major events during the month

- Central Bank maintained the Standing Deposit Facility Rate (SDFR) and Standing Lending Facility Report (SLFR) in October 2020 at 4.50% and 5.50% respectively.
- Central Bank raised LKR 127 billion through treasury bills and LKR 129 billion through treasury bonds during the month.
- There was a slight upward movement of the yield curve in October. Overnight liquidity reduced in October by around LKR 37 billion.

### Inflation: Since 01 Jan 2015



## Market Update: Stock Market

### ASPI Movement: Since 01 Jan 2013



### ASPI Movement: Since 01 Jan 2019



ASPI Performance (as a percentage)

\*Since inception – 02/05/2006 to 31/12/2006 \*\*Period from 31/12/2019 to 31/10/2020

Year	2006*	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020**
ASI	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	5,726
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%	-6.6%

### Highlights of the performance

- The annual average growth rate of ASPI is 6.6% per year.
- The ASPI has decreased by 6.6% for the period of 01 January 2020 to 31 October 2020.

## Market Update: Stock Market

### For the month

Description	Oct-2020	Sep-2020
All Share Price Index (ASPI)	5,726	5,985
ASPI growth for the month	-4.32%	12.30%
Total market turnover (LKR Millions)	58,171	49,955
Market Capitalization (LKR Billions)	2,494	2,596
PE Ratio (times)	9.70xcs	10.10x

### 10 Companies with highest market Capitalization on the CSE as of 05 November 2020

- JOHN KEELLS HOLDINGS PLC
- CEYLON TOBACCO COMPANY PLC
- DIALOG AXIATA PLC
- DISTILLERIES COMPANY OF SRI LANKA PLC
- COMMERCIAL BANK OF CEYLON PLC
- LOLC HOLDINGS PLC
- CEYLON COLD STORES PLC
- SRI LANKA TELECOM PLC
- NESTLE LANKA PLC
- CARGILLS (CEYLON) PLC

### Highlights of the month

- Market provided a negative return in October where the ASPI and the S&P SL 20 dropped by 4.3% and 7.4% respectively. On a year-to-date basis (January – October) ASPI and S&P SL 20 have provided negative returns of 6.6% and 22.3% respectively.
- Retail selling arising from COVID-19 second wave fears was the main cause for the market decline in October.
- Foreign selling persisted in October as well. Total net foreign selling for the first nine months of 2020 amounts to LKR 44 billion.

## Fund manager's outlook



### Fixed income outlook

- The benchmark 364-day Treasury bill rate stood at 4.96% as at end October 2020. Overnight liquidity was recorded as LKR 153 billion as at 5th November 2020. The Central Bank holding of Government securities recorded a sharp increase during October, predominantly due to the settlement of the International Sovereign Bond (ISB).
- With the settlement of the ISB, the domestic interest rates declined. However, it was witnessed that rates picking up towards the latter part of the month. Secondary market activity was noted on 2 – 5 year tenures.
- Despite the weak macroeconomic status of Sri Lanka, we do not expect interest rates to significantly increase in the medium term, mainly due to the prevailing low economic activity levels and weak private sector credit demand. The government and the Central bank are extending their efforts to maintain the value of the currency in the medium term, which in turn would exert less pressure on interest rates. We expect interest rates and exchange rate to come under pressure towards the 2Q in 2021, as the economy expects to return to normalcy. Therefore, we will continue to carry out investments in short term instruments.

### Equity outlook

- All Share Price Index (ASPI) and S&P SL 20 Index recorded losses during the month of October 2020, as they declined by 4.32% and 7.35%, respectively. Investor sentiment was hampered amid fears of COVID – 19 second wave causing more lockdowns in the country. However, the market activity levels remained high, as average daily turnover for the month stood at LKR 2.9 billion.
- Net foreign selling for the month exceeded LKR 5 billion (Net foreign selling for the year was in excess of LKR 45 billion), as foreign investors continued to be net sellers on Bluechip counters.
- Given the current market and national policy framework (Due to COVID – 19) few companies will stand to benefit. However, majority of businesses operating in Sri Lanka will find earnings to be challenging. Therefore, we expect to maintain the current asset allocations to equity.



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