





# MARKET UPDATE AND FUND REVIEW

November 2023

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# Market Brief By NDB Wealth

#### **Uptick in the Inflation Rates**

In November 2023, the Colombo Consumer Price Index (CCPI) marked an uptick in inflation, reaching 3.37% on a year-on-year basis, up from 1.54% in October 2023. Food deflation continued at 3.60% in November 2023, maintaining its trend for the fifth consecutive month on a year-on-year basis. In contrast, non-food inflation saw a rise to 6.82% in November 2023, compared to 4.90% in October 2023, on a year-on-year basis.

#### **Sri Lankan Rupee's Journey**

The Sri Lankan rupee depreciated by 0.50% against the US Dollar during November 2023, closing at LKR 329.04 by the end of the month. Furthermore, the Sri Lankan rupee depreciated by 4.80% and 3.87% against the Sterling Pound and Euro, respectively, during the month.

#### **Central Bank's Bold Rate Cuts**

In the 8th monetary policy review held in November 2023, the Central Bank of Sri Lanka implemented a 100-basis points reduction in policy rates for the second consecutive review. Accordingly, the Standing Lending Facility Rate dropped to 10.00%, and the Standing Deposit Facility Rate decreased to 9.00%. The central bank signaled that additional policy easing would halt in the near term to allow market rates to adjust. T-bill yields continued to decline across the yield curve, with the benchmark 364 T-bill yield decreasing by 13 basis points to 12.89% from 12.94% in October 2023. The 91-days weighted average T-bill reduced by 124 basis points to 14.86%, and the 182-days weighted average T-bill decreased by 62 basis points to 14.32%.

#### **Colombo Stock Market's Subdued market sentiment**

Amidst lingering uncertainties surrounding pending IMF funding and the approaching election year, market sentiment remained subdued in the Colombo Stock Market. Consequently, the All Share Price Index (ASPI) recorded a marginal decrease of 0.5% for the month, while the more liquid S&PSL20 exhibited a modest increase of 0.52%. Foreign inflows during the month were predominantly directed towards the banking sector and blue-chip counters, resulting in a net foreign inflow of LKR 862 million. The average daily turnover reached LKR 1.08 billion, showcasing a moderate level of trading activity.

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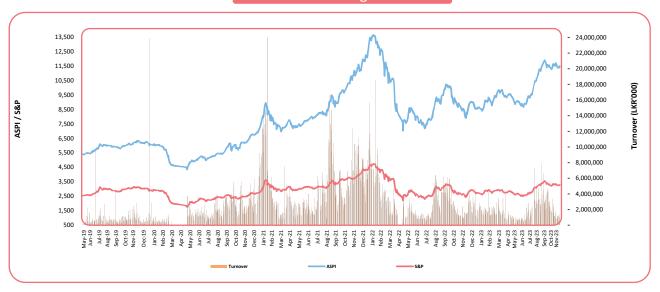
# **Equity Outlook**

	Past month Performance (Nov 2023)	Past 12 months Performance (Nov 2022 – Nov 2023)	Year to Date Performance (YTD upto Nov2023)
All Share Price Index	-0.50%	22.46%	24.79%
S&PSL 20	0.52%	10.25%	14.21%
MSCI Frontier Markets Index	7.15%	7.25%	8.85%
MSCI World Index	9.43%	13.56%	18.55%
MSCI Emerging Markets	8.02%	4.65%	6.08%
MSCI Asia Ex Japan	6.96%	2.55%	2.70%

Source: www.cse.lk and www.msci.com

- Amidst the lingering uncertainty of the pending IMF funding and the upcoming election year, market sentiment remained subdued in the Colombo Stock Market. The stock market also displayed mixed results with the ASPI recording a 0.5% decrease for the month, while the more liquid S&PSL20 exhibiting a modest increase of 0.52%.
- ◆ The average daily turnover for the month stood at LKR 1.08 billion. Foreign inflows were predominantly directed towards the banking sector and blue-chip counters, resulting in a net foreign inflow of LKR 862 million for the month.
- In US markets, the S&P 500 surged by 8.92% in November, propelling the year-to-date (YTD) return to 18.97%. The upswing in the US markets was primarily attributed to optimistic economic indicators suggesting a conclusion to interest rate hikes.
- The Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) achieved a historic milestone, surpassing a USD 4 trillion market cap with domestic liquidity playing a pivotal role in driving market gains. The absence of significant foreign inflows was notable and attributed to elevated US bond yields.
- Chinese equity markets stood out as an anomaly amidst global market rallies during the month as investors
  expressed ongoing concerns about the economic recovery, given macro data indicating a continued slowdown in
  economic activity.

#### Colombo Stock Exchange Performance



Source: www.cse.lk

		Nov 2023	Nov 2022
	Market PER	11.13x	5.14 x
CSE	Market PBV	0.94x	0.90 x
	Market DY	3.30%	4.00 %
MSCI	Market PER	10.44x	9.20 x
Frontier Market	Market PBV	1.48x	1.59 x
Market	Market DY	4.26%	4.67 %

Colombo Stock Exchange	Jan - Nov 2023	Jan - Nov 2022
Foreign Inflows	LKR 39.84 Billion	LKR 53.40 Billion
Foreign Outflows	LKR 34.84 Billion LKR 36.94 Billion	
Net Foreign Inflows /Outflows	LKR 5.00 Billion LKR 16.46 Billion	

Source: www.cse.lk

"The big money is not in the buying or selling, but in the waiting."

-Charlie Munger.

#### **Fixed Income Outlook**

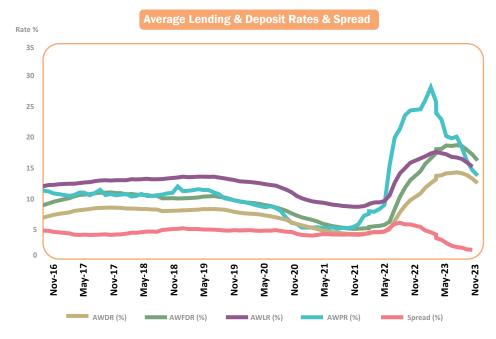
#### Interest Rates in Sri Lanka

• In the 8th monetary policy review held in November 2023, the Central Bank of Sri Lanka implemented a 100-basis points reduction in policy rates for the second consecutive time. Accordingly, the Standing Lending Facility Rate (the rate CBSL lends to commercial banks) was reduced to 10.00% and the Standing Deposit Facility Rate (the rate which commercial banks place their excess cash with CBSL) was reduced to 9.00%. The central bank signaled that additional policy easing would be paused in the near term to allow market rates to adjust.

	Nov-22	Dec-22	0ct-23	Nov-23
364 Day T-bill	29.52%	29.27%	13.02%	12.89%
5-Year Bond	27.60%	26.76%	13.79%	13.82%
1-Year Finance Company Fixed Deposit Ceiling Rate	31.54%	31.31%	15.08%	14.95%

\* Gross Rates provided. Net returns would change based on prevailing tax regulations.

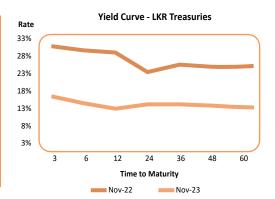
Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka



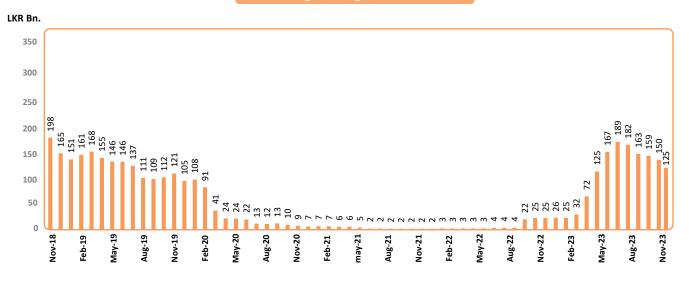
AWDR: Average Weighted Deposit Rate | AWFDR: Average Weighted Fixed Deposit Rate | AWLR: Average Weighted Lending Rate | AWPR Average Weighted Prime Lending rate

- The T-bill yields declined across the yield curve during the month, with the benchmark 364 T- bill yield decreasing by 28 bps to 13.02% from 13.30% in September 2023. The 91-days weighted average T-bill reduced by 132 bps to 16.10% and the 182-days weighted average T-bill decreased by 19 bps to 14.94%.
- Broad money (M2b) growth increased to 6.3% on a year-on-year basis in September, from the previous month's 5.9%, whilst the contraction in credit to the private sector slowed to 5.4% year-on-year basis from the 6.8% contraction recorded in the previous month. Monthly private sector credit disbursement increased by LKR 69.80 billion or by 1.0% in September 2023.

Outstanding LKR Govt. Securities LKR 15,924 Billion		
T Bills (Total) T Bonds (Total)		
LKR 4,007 Billion LKR 11,916 Billion		
Domestic (Bills & Bonds) Foreign (Bills & bonds)		
LKR 15,688 Billion LKR 124.8 Billion		
Total Foreign Holding of Bills and Bonds: 0.95%		



#### Foreign Holding of LKR G-Sec



Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

• Foreign investors were net sellers in LKR denominated securities recording an outflow of LKR 25 billion during the month, with the foreign holdings reducing to 0.78% of the total outstanding government securities from 0.95% last month. However, Foreign investors were net buyers on a year to date basis at LKR 99.3 Bn in 2023.

1 Year FD Rates - Sri Lankan Banks			
	Nov-23	0ct-23	
NSB	8.00%	8.50%	
СОМВ	9.00%	9.50%	
SAMP	9.50%	9.50%	
HNB	9.50%	9.50%	
NDB	11.00%	10.00%	

Source: Respective	Commercial	Banks

Rates on Credit Cards	Nov-23
HSBC	28.00%
SCB	28.00%
Sampath	28.00%
NDB	28.00%
АМЕХ	28.00%

Source: Respective Commercial Banks

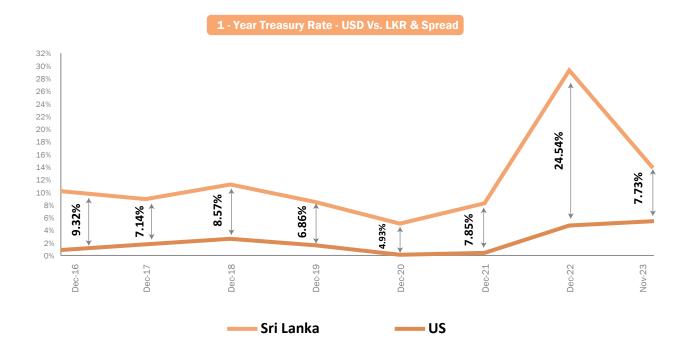
 NSB and Commercial Bank have both lowered their fixed deposit rates by 50 bps, whereas NDB has raised their Fixed deposit rates by 100 bps to 11.00%.

NDIB CRISIL Fixed Income Indices Total return as at 30/11/2023	3 month Return	1 Year Return	3 Year Return
NDBIB-CRISIL 91 Day T-Bill Index	4.97%	29.59%	15.97%
NDBIB-CRISIL 364 Day T-Bill Index	3.58%	34.55%	10.99%
NDBIB CRISIL 3 Year T-Bond Index -TRI	4.93%	62.70%	10.17%
NDBIB - CRISIL 5 Year T-Bond Index -TRI	3.21%	76.41%	7.66%

Source: www.crisil.com

Central Bank Policy Rates	2020	2021	2022	November-23
Sri Lanka	4.50%	5.00%	14.50%	9.00%
US	0.00% - 0.25%	0.00% - 0.25%	4.25% - 4.50%	5.25% - 5.50%
Euro Zone	0.00%	0.00%	2.50%	4.50%
Australia	0.10%	0.10%	3.10%	4.35%
India	4.00%	4.00%	6.25%	6.50%

Source: www.cbrates.com



Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka / US Department of the Treasury  $\,$ 

• The European Central Bank is poised to eliminate the prospect of further interest rate hikes, responding to a greater than anticipated decline in inflation numbers.

364 Day Treasury Bill Rate	Nov-22	Dec-22	Oct-23	Nov-23
Sri Lanka	29.60%	29.27%	13.02%	12.89%
India	6.85%	6.89%	7.15%	7.14%
US	4.74%	4.73%	5.44%	5.16%
Euro Zone	2.02%	2.46%	3.39%	3.26%

Source: Respective Commercial Banks

	Rates on Savings Accounts Nov 2023
Sri Lanka	3.25%
US	0.01%
Euro Zone	0.75%
Australia	4.90%
India	3.00%

Source: Respective Central Banks

• The Reserve Bank of Australia opted to decrease policy rates by 25 basis points, citing a failure of inflation to decelerate as initially expected.

"Fixed income investments are like the steady heartbeat of a diversified portfolio, providing stability even when the market fluctuates."

- NDB Wealth

# Sri Lankan Budget Overview

- The recently unveiled national budget for 2024 places a significant emphasis on bolstering tax revenue, aspiring to increase it to 15% of GDP from the current 10%. To achieve this, the Value Added Tax (VAT) will be raised to 18% starting January 2024. The government aims to enhance tax compliance by making the Tax Identification Number (TIN) mandatory for various transactions, spanning bank account opening, building plan approvals, vehicle registrations, and land registrations.
- The government is targeting a budget deficit of 9.1% which includes proposals such as a substantial increase in the cost of living allowance for public sector employees by Rs. 10,000 and a monthly pension allowance hike of Rs. 2,500. The public sector currently comprises around 1.3 million employees.
- The budget's overarching goals, including revenue targets and the ambition for a primary surplus of 0.8% of GDP, align broadly with projections outlined by the IMF in March. However, market analysts, including Fitch Ratings, express skepticism about the ambitious agenda, citing high implementation risks. Despite expectations of economic recovery in 2024, concerns persist regarding the feasibility and effectiveness of the proposed measures.
- Supplementing these fiscal measures, the budget introduces a comprehensive set of policy reforms and investment initiatives. Notable highlights encompass significant allocations for education, healthcare, and economic development. Education reforms include the establishment of new universities and a budgetary provision for a four-year Bachelor of Education program. Healthcare investments focus on upgrading medical facilities and research capabilities. Economic development initiatives involve the creation of a National Economic Commission, infrastructure investments, and efforts to expand international trade.
- While the budget outlines a robust vision for economic growth and fiscal consolidation, skepticism remains regarding the implementation of these ambitious measures. The government's commitment to revenue enhancement and strategic investments underscores a forward-looking approach, yet market analysts caution against potential challenges in realizing these aspirations.

#### Inflation Rates

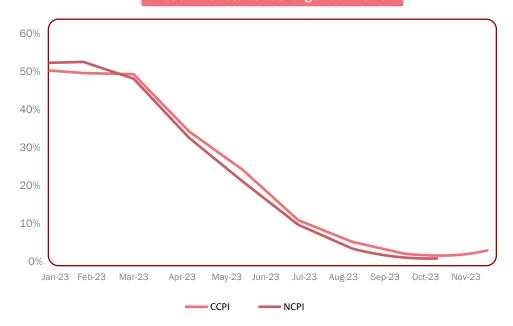
Country	Nov-22	Dec - 22*	0ct-23	Nov-23
Sri Lanka	61.00%*	57.20%*	1.50%**	3.40%**
US	7.11%	6.45%	3.24%	3.24%***
Euro Zone	10.05%	9.20%	2.90%	2.90%***
India	5.90%	5.72%	4.87%	4.87%***

Source: Department of Census and Statistics - Sri Lanka, http://www.inflation.eu/, https://www.rateinflation.com/inflation-rate/usa-inflation-rate/, https://tradingeconomics.com/india/inflation-cpi

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- During the month, the overall inflation rate experienced a marginal uptick of 1.04% compared to the previous month. This increase was primarily driven by a 0.35% rise in food inflation and a 1.35% increase in non-food inflation relative to the preceding month.
- In November, price hikes were observed in vegetables, rice, big onions, lime, and coconuts in the food category. Moreover, in the category of "Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and Other Fuels," the notable increase in electricity costs played a pivotal role in the overall uptick. Simultaneously, the "Restaurant and Hotels" sector contributed to the escalation observed in the non-food inflation category.
- Core inflation, excluding the volatile elements of food, energy, and transport prices, dropped to 0.76% in October, marking a decrease from 1.17% in the prior month.
- According to our forecasts, we expect inflation to settle at a mid-single-digit level in the medium term, supported by appropriate policy measures
- In October 2023, inflation in the United States decreased from 3.70% to 3.24%, while the Euro Zone saw a decline from 4.30% to 2.90%. Likewise, India experienced a slight decrease in inflation to 4.87% from 5.02% compared to the previous month, primarily influenced by decline in energy prices.

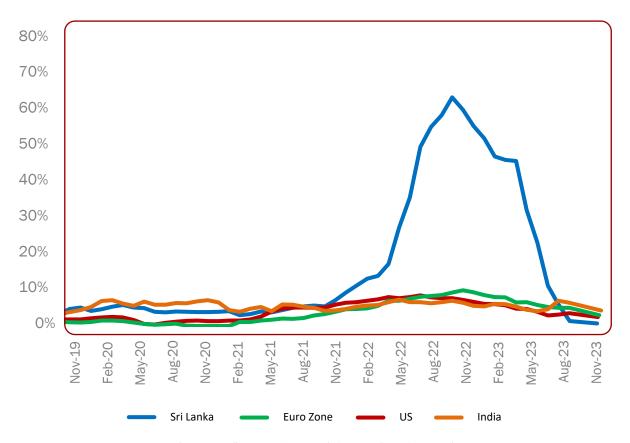
<sup>\*</sup> Base Year (2013=100); \*\*Base Year (2021=100; \*\*\* October 2023

Inflation - Point to Point Change - CCPI vs NCPI



Source: Department of Census and Statistics

# **Global Inflation Rates**



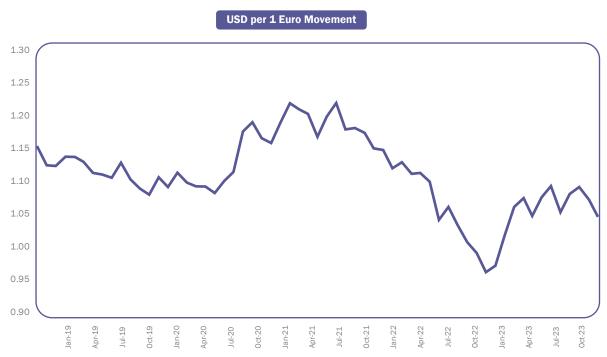
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#### **Forex Outlook**

Exchange Rates Vs. LKR	Nov-22	Dec-22	Nov-23	1 Year. Apr/(Dep) LKR	YTD App∕(Dep) LKR
USD	363.30	363.11	329.04	10.38%	10.35%
GBP	421.03	437.35	417.82	4.08%	4.67%
EUR	361.41	386.93	361.09	4.02%	7.16%
YEN	2.45	2.74	2.24	17.05%	22.42%
AUD	242.85	245.61	218.06	11.37%	12.63%
CAD	266.69	267.95	242.14	10.43%	10.66%
INR	4.42	4.39	3.95	12.70%	11.10%
BHD	963.60	963.09	873.72	10.25%	10.23%
CNY	49.99	52.19	46.18	9.98%	13.01%

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

- The Sri Lankan rupee depreciated by 0.50% against the US Dollar during November 2023, closing at LKR 329.04 by the end of the month.
- Furthermore, the Sri Lankan rupee depreciated by 4.80% and 3.87% against the Sterling Pound and Euro, respectively, during the month.
- The Central Bank of Sri Lanka (CBSL) was a net outright buyer of foreign exchange (FX), with October recording net outright purchases of USD 108.00 million.
- The US Dollar Index (DXY), an index which measures the performance of the US Dollar against a basket of currencies, declined after the Federal Reserve indicated that it would be less aggressive in raising rates.
- The Sterling Pound gained against the US Dollar with the rise in UK Bond yields following a budget update which included a forecast of higher government debt issuance.



Source: http://www.x-rates.com/

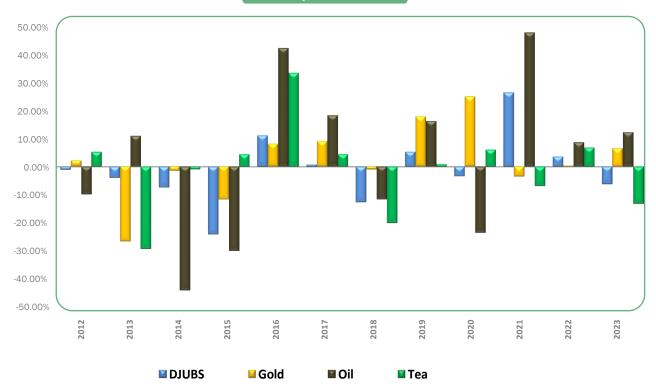
# Commodity Outlook

	Past month Performance (Up to 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2023)	Past 12 months Performance (Up to 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2023)	Year to Date Performance (Up to 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2023)
Bloomberg Commodity Index	-2.69%	-12.27%	-6.42%
Gold	3.54%	15.02%	6.60%
Tea	-1.79%	-9.80%	-13.61%
Oil (Brent)	-8.65%	-8.66%	12.56%

Source: www.worldbank.com, Bloomberg and NDB Wealth Research

- During the month of November, the Bloomberg Commodity Index (BCOM) saw a decline of 2.69% for the fourth consecutive month. The majority of the commodities in the index saw a decline during the month as their downward price movement outweigh the price increases witnessed in gold, cocoa, coffee, soybeans and sugar.
- Amid expectations that demand for crude oil would decline in 2024, prices of crude oil declined for the second month in a row in November by 8.65% falling below \$80 a barrel, despite expected further cuts of supply for 2024 by OPEC+. There is an expectation of a possible market surplus in Q1 in 2024 due to slowdown in economic growth in China.
- During November, tea prices decreased marginally by 1.79% for the second consecutive month as demand declined due to negative sentiment prevailing in the global market.
- In November, the price of gold saw an uptick of 3.54% with investors turning their attention towards precious metals amid expectations of a slowdown in interest rate hikes or possibilities of rate cuts in 2024, slow down global economic recovery and elevated geopolitical tensions. If the situation in Russia-Ukraine and Israel-Palestine does not ease-out we might see further escalation in the price of gold in the near term.





#### **Property Outlook**

- In October 2023, the Construction PMI (Purchasing Managers' Index for Construction published by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka) reached the neutral threshold of 50, marking a shift from twenty consecutive months of contraction. This positive shift was underpinned by the resumption of government-funded projects, albeit on a limited scale. Nevertheless, the industry is currently operating with a limited amount of available work, as the majority of ongoing projects are in their concluding stages.
- During October, the decrease in new orders exhibited a slower pace in comparison to the preceding month.
   Numerous respondents observed a gradual increase in substantial tender opportunities, predominantly scheduled to commence in the first half of the coming year.
- Workforce contraction persisted within the sector as companies operated with limited staff due to ongoing circumstances. Furthermore, there was a decrease in the volume of purchases, albeit at a more gradual rate throughout the month. Concurrently, the delivery time from suppliers experienced a slight extension during the same period.
- The Cabinet of Ministers has given its approval to proceed with a loan agreement with the Asian Development Bank, enabling the borrowing of USD 60 million. This financial support is earmarked for the successful completion of the Integrated Road Investment Program (iRoad program) which had been stalled amid shortage of funds due to the economic crisis.
- The proposal to increase Value Added Tax (VAT) from 15% to 18%, effective January 1, 2024 is anticipated by many analysts to significantly contribute to the downturn in the sector as potential property buyers may be deterred by its impact to prices.
- However, the Central Bank of Sri Lanka (CBSL) holds an optimistic outlook for the industry in the next three
  months, primarily due to the gradual economic recovery and the anticipated growth in project assignments.
  Nevertheless, companies are expressing concerns about the rising trend in energy-related costs and the potential consequences of upcoming tax revisions.

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

# Islamic Finance Industry

- Islamic Financing is finance activity that is consistent with principles of Islamic law (Shari'ah) which prohibits the payment or acceptance of interest.
- NDB WM provides our client's discretionary management services on a shari'ah compliant basis for portfolio values above Rs. 200 million.
- The Islamic Money Plus Fund is a unit trust fund offered by NDB Wealth Management and approved by the Securities Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka, investing in a diversified portfolio of Shari'ah compliant short term securities issued by corporates and in Mudharabah and Wakala deposits and savings accounts. The fund provides liquidity with higher returns compared to savings accounts to its investors and would be an ideal substitute for direct investments in Mudharabah savings accounts and deposits. (Trustee: Hatton National Bank PLC)

Mudharabah and Wakala Deposit Rates of Selected Service Providers

	Savings	1 month	3 month	6 month	1 Year+	2 Year	3 Year	4 Year	5 Year
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Amana Bank - As o	f Novembe	2023							
Mudharabah PSR*	30:70	-	55:45	60:40	65:35	70:30	75:25	-	90:10
Distributed Profit	3.53%	-	7.95%	8.95%	9.45%	11.01%	12.00%	-	13.00%
Bank of Ceylon Isla	amic Busin	ess Unit - A	As of Noven	nber 2023					
Mudharabah PSR*	45:55	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Distributed Profit	3.35%	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	-
Commercial Bank	of Ceylon P	LC-Al Adala	ah Islamic E	Banking un	it - As of N	ovember 2	023		
Mudharabah PSR*	45:55	-	55:45	65:35	75:25	-	-	-	-
Distributed Profit	4.90%	_	6.00%	7.10%	8.30%	-	-	-	-
Hatton National Bank PLC-"Hnb Al- Najah" Islamic Banking unit - As of November 2023									
Mudharabah PSR*	15:85	_	55:45	60:40	70:30	-	-	-	-
Distributed Profit**	2.50%	_	8.25%	8.50%	8.75%	-	-	-	-
Wakala Rates	-	850%	11.50%	9.50%	9.00%				
National Developm	ent Bank P	LC-"Share	ek" Islamic	Banking u	nit - As of	November :	2023		
Mudharabah PSR*	40:60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Distributed Profit	3.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wakala Rates	-	9.00%	11.00%	10.00%	11.00%	-	-	-	-
LB Al Salamah (LB	Finance PL	.C - Islamic	Business l	Jnit) - As of	Novembe	r 2023			
Wakala Rates		12.00%	13.00%	12.75%	12.00%	12.25%	12.75%	12.75%	13.75%
LOLC Al-Falaah (La	nka Orix Fi	nance PLC	- Islamic B	usiness Un	it) - As of N	November 2	2023**		
Mudharabah PSR*	25:75	66:34	64:36	66:34	58:42	54:46	56:44	58:42	62:38
Distributed Profit	4.77%	13.09%	12.70%	13.09%	11.11%	10.71%	11.11%	11.51%	12.30%
Wakala Rates	-	9.00%	11.50%	10.50%	11.00%	11.00%	11.50%	12.00%	13.00%
Peoples Leasing Isl	lamic Busin	ness Unit -	As of Nover	mber 2023					
Wakala Rates		10.50%	10.50%	11.50%	11.50%	12.00%	12.00%		

<sup>\*</sup> PSR/Profit Sharing Ratio provides profit ratio for Customer: Financial Institution;

<sup>\*</sup>Profits distributed at Maturity

<sup>\*\*</sup>September 2023

• The white list of shari'ah compliant stocks provides investors a means of ethical investing. The Core business is screened to ensure that corporate dealing in conventional banking, conventional insurance, alcoholic drinks, tobacco, pork production, arms manufacturing, pornography or related activities are excluded. Companies are also screened in terms of levels of debt, illiquid assets and non compliant investments.

#### White List as of November 2023

Beverages and Food	Chevron Lubricants Lanka PLC
Bairaha Farms PLC	Dipped Products PLC
Ceylon Grain Elevators PLC	Samson International PLC
Three Acre Farms PLC	Union Chemicals Lanka PLC
Ceylon Cold Stores PLC	
Lanka Milk Foods PLC	Chemicals and Pharmaceuticals
Nestle Lanka PLC	Haycarb PLC
Renuka Agri Foods PLC	Muller and Phipps (Ceylon) PLC
Renuka Foods PLC	Union Chemicals Lanka PLC
Telecommunication	Banks / Insurance / Diversified Financials
Dialog Axiata PLC	Amana Bank PLC
Sri Lanka Telecom PLC	Amana Takaful PLC
Diversified Holdings	Amana Takaful Life PLC
Sunshine Holdings PLC	Textile
Expo Lanka Holdings PLC	Hayleys Fabric PLC
Healthcare	Teejay Lanka PLC
Ceylon Hospitals PLC	Engineering & Construction
Manufacturing	Access Engineering PLC
ACL Cables PLC	Unisyst Engineering PLC
Central Industries PLC	Plantations
E B Creasy & Company PLC	Kelani Valley Plantations PLC
Kelani Cables PLC	Agalawatte Plantations PLC
Lanka Tiles PLC	Kotagala Plantations PLC
Lanka Walltiles PLC	Malwatte Valley Plantations PLC
Laxapana Batteries PLC	Namunukula Plantations PLC
Royal Ceramics Lanka PLC	Talawakelle Tea Estates PLC
Sierra Cables PLC	Watawala Plantations PLC
Dankotuwa Porcelain PLC	Tea Smallholder Factories PLC
Regnis (Lanka) PLC	Others
ACL Plastics PLC	Vallibel Power Erathna PLC
PGP Glass Ceylon PLC	Colombo Dockyard PLC
Lanka Aluminium Industries PLC	Lanka Ashok Leyland PLC

# **UNIT TRUST FUNDS** OFFERED BY NDB WM

- NDB Wealth Growth Fund
- NDB Wealth Growth & Income Fund
   NDB Wealth Money Plus Fund
- NDB Wealth Income Fund
- NDB Wealth Income Plus Fund
- NDB Wealth Money Fund
- NDB Wealth Islamic Money Plus Fund
- NDB Wealth Gilt Edged Fund

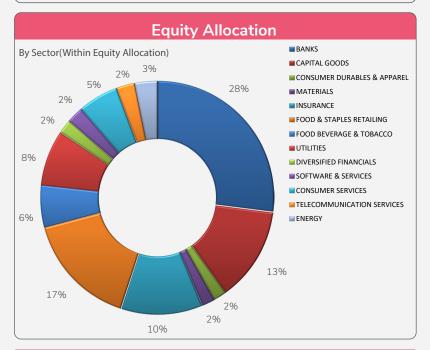


#### NDB Wealth Growth Fund

#### **Fund Overview**

Type: Open Ended Currency: LKR Investments: Listed Equities

NDB Wealth Growth Fund is an open-ended equity fund incorporated in Sri Lanka, invested in listed shares of the Colombo Stock Exchange. The Fund aims to achieve capital growth on a medium to long term basis by investing in a diversified portfolio of stocks of stable companies with a proven track record.



Historical Returns				
Period	Fund Returns *	ASPI Returns		
Last Month	-0.58%	-6.07%		
Last 3 months	-3.16%	-6.49%		
Last 6 months	25.48%	18.52%		
Last 12 months	38.84%	23.78%		
Year 2022	-31.26%	-30.56%		
Year 2021	27.93%	80.48%		
★ After fees, excluding front end and back end loads				

Fund Snapshot	30-Nov-23
YTD Yield	37.41%
NAV per unit	11.72
AUM (LKR Mn.) **	194.36
Fund Currency	LKR
Fund Inception	1-Dec-97
Expense Ratio	3.27%
Max Equity Allocation	97.00%
Current Equity Allocation	98.61%
Fund Leverage	0.00%

Top 5 Portfolio Holdings (In Alphabetical Order)
CARGILLS (CEYLON) PLC
HATTON NATIONAL BANK PLC
COMMERCIAL BANK OF CEYLON PLC
PEOPLES INSURANCE LTD
WINDFORCE LIMITED

Fixed Income Allocation			
Minimum Fixed Income Allocation 3.00%		3.00%	
Current Fixed Income Allocation		1.39%	
Average Duration		0.0027	
Maturity % Holding		lolding	
Under 1 Month 100.00%			
Under 1 Month 100.00%			

Other Features	
Valuation	Daily Valuation Instruments less than one year - cost plus accrued basis. Instruments greater than one year - n/a.
Investment/Withdrawal	Any Time A notice period of 07 working days may be required prior to large redemptions. However, the time period can be discussed with potential investors prior to the investment.
Exposure Restrictions	Maximum exposure restrictions to listed equity 15% of NAV; maximum exposure restrictions on fixed income investments depend on the features of each security, (Ex: Rated, Guaranteed, etc.), and are regulated by the Trustee and the SEC.
Fee Details	Management Fee : 2.25% p.a. of NAV. Trustee fee : 0.10 - 0.19% p.a. of NAV. Custodian fee : 0.05% p.a.of NAV, depending on fund size Front-end fee : 2% / Exit fee : 1% if less than 1 year ; 0 if greater than 1 year.
Fund Manager	NDB Wealth Management Ltd.
Trustee & Custodian	Bank of Ceylon

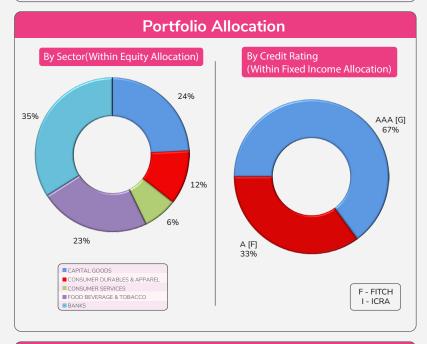
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#### NDB Wealth Growth and Income Fund

#### **Fund Overview**

Type : Open Ended | Investments: Listed Equities and Corporate Debt Currency: LKR

NDB Wealth Growth and Income Fund is an open-ended balanced fund incorporated in Sri Lanka, invested in a combination of listed shares in the Colombo Stock Exchange and LKR based corporate debt instruments and government securities. The Fund aims to achieve income on a medium to long term basis by investing in a diversified portfolio of stocks of stable companies with a proven track record.



	Histrocial Returns	
Period	Fund Returns	ASPI Returns
Year to Date	31.05%	25.42%
Last Month	0.89%	-6.07%
Last 3 Months	-1.68%	-6.49%
Last 6 Months	26.28%	18.52%
Last 12 Months	31.28%	23.78%
Year 2022	-19.49%	-30.56%
Year 2021	19.02%	80.48%

<sup>\*</sup> After fees, excluding front end and back end loads.

Fund Snapshot	30-Nov-23
YTD Yield	31.05%
NAV per unit	54.10
AUM (LKR Mn.)**	256.10
Fund Currency	LKR
Fund Inception	1-Dec-97
Expense Ratio	2.22%
Max Equity Allocation	97.00%
Current Equity Allocation	59.79%
Fund Leverage	0.00%

Top 5 Portfolio Holdings	(In Alphabetical Order)
HATTON NATIONAL BANK PLC	
HAYLEYS PLC	
SAMPATH BANK PLC	
SUNSHINE HOLDINGS PLC	
TEEJAY LANKA PLC	

Fixed Income Allocation		
Minimum Fixed Income All	Minimum Fixed Income Allocation	
Current Fixed Income Allocation		40.21%
Average Duration		2.41
Maturity % Holding		lolding
Under 1 Yr	59.95%	
1 Yrs - 5 Yrs	40	.05%

Other Features	
Valuation	Daily Valuation Instruments less than one year – cost plus accrued basis, Instruments greater than one year – marked to market
Investment/Withdrawal	Any Time A notice period of 07 working days may be required prior to large redemptions. However, the time period can be discussed with potential investors prior to the investment.
Exposure Restrictions	Maximum exposure restrictions to listed equity 15% of NAV; maximum exposure restrictions on fixed income investments depend on the features of each security, (Ex: Rated, Guaranteed, etc.), and are regulated by the Trustee and the SEC
Fee Details	Management Fee : 1.5% p.a. of NAV / Trustee fee : 0.11-0.15% p.a. of NAV, depending on fund size Custody Fee : Rs.10,000 per Month, Front-end fee : 1.5%.
Fund Manager	NDB Wealth Management Ltd.
Trustee & Custodian	Hatton National Bank PLC

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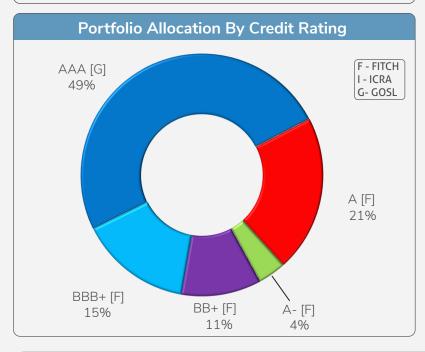
<sup>\*\*</sup> AUM before expense allowance adjustment.

#### NDB Wealth Income Fund

#### **Fund Overview**

Type: Open Ended Currency: LKR Investments: Corporate Debt Instruments

NDB Wealth Income Fund is an open-ended Fixed Income fund incorporated in Sri Lanka, invested in LKR based corporate debt instruments including commercial paper, securitized paper, quoted and unquoted debentures as well as Sri Lanka Treasury Bills, Bonds and government securities backed Repurchase transactions. The Fund aims to enhance returns by investing in a diversified portfolio of corporate debt securities.



Fund Snapshot	30-Nov-23
YTD Yield	39.12%
YTD Yield (Annualized)	42.75%
NAV per unit	25.5658
AUM (LKR Mn.)	536.23
Fund Currency	LKR
Fund Inception	1-Dec-97
Expense Ratio	0.92%
Average Maturity (Yrs)	3.70
Average Duration	2.51

Maturity Profile		
Maturity	% Holding	AVG YTM (Net)
Under 1 Month	1.18%	9.49%
3 Month - 6 Months	2.94%	14.70%
6 Months - 1 Year	13.77%	16.10%
1 Year - 5 Years	76.97%	16.80%
Over 5 Years	5.15%	14.10%

Historical Returns			
Period	Fund Returns	Annualized Return	
Year to Date	39.12%	42.75%	
Last month	1.87%	22.79%	
Last 3 months	5.17%	20.75%	
Last 6 months	26.29%	52.43%	
Last 12 months	41.69%	41.69%	
Year 2022	8.21%	8.21%	
Year 2021	6.74%	6.74%	

Other Features	
Valuation	Daily Valuation All Instruments are marked to market.
Investment/Withdrawal	Any Time A notice period of 07 working days may be required prior to large redemptions. However, the time period can be discussed with potential investors prior to the investment.
Exposure Restrictions	Maximum exposure restrictions on investments depend on the features of each security, (Ex: Rated, Guaranteed, etc), and are regulated by the Trustee and the SEC.
Fee Details	Management Fee: 0.65% p.a. of NAV / Trustee fee: 0.10-0.19% p.a. of NAV, based on fund size/ Custodian fee: 0.05% p.a. of NAV. Exit Fee – 1% on redemptions, switches or transfer of units made within 365 days from the creation date of any investment made after 1st October 2021.
Fund Manager	NDB Wealth Management Ltd.
Trustee & Custodian	Bank of Ceylon

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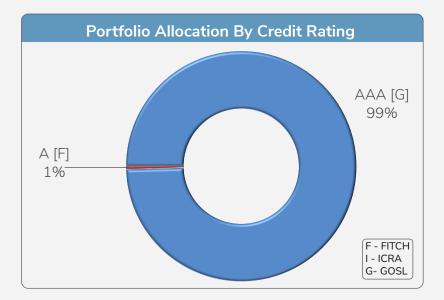
#### NDB Wealth Income Plus Fund

#### **Fund Overview**

Type: Open Ended Currency: LKR Investments: Fixed Income Securities

NDB Wealth Income Plus Fund is an open-ended fixed Income fund incorporated in Sri Lanka, invested in LKR based corporate debt instruments including commercial paper, securitized paper, quoted and unquoted debentures, bank deposits as well as Sri Lanka Treasury Bills, Bonds and government securities backed Repurchase transactions.

The Fund aims to provide higher returns by investing in a portfolio of Gilt Edged and Corporate Debt securities.



Fund Snapshot	30-Nov-23
YTD Yield	23.13%
YTD Yield (Annualized)	25.27%
NAV per unit	26.6047
AUM (LKR Mn.)	734.15
Fund Currency	LKR
Fund Inception	7-Apr-16
Expense Ratio	0.75%
Average Maturity (Yrs)	0.48
Average Duration	0.44

Maturity Profile		
Maturity	% Holding	AVG YTM (Net)
Under 1 Month	0.44%	9.44%
1 Month - 3 Months	2.69%	17.60%
3 Months - 6 Months	84.61%	22.90%
6 Month s- 1 Year	12.25%	22.06%

Historical Returns		
Period	Fund Returns	Annualized Return
Year to Date	23.13%	25.27%
Last month	1.63%	19.84%
Last 3 months	4.95%	19.84%
Last 6 months	9.94%	19.83%
Last 12 months	26.36%	26.36%

Other Features	
Valuation	Daily Valuation Cost plus accrued basis
Investment/Withdrawal	Any Time A notice period of 07 working days may be required prior to large redemptions. However, the time period can be discussed with potential investors prior to the investment.
Fee Details	Management Fee : 0.50% p.a. of NAV. Trustee and Custodian fee : 0.065 - 0.1% p.a. of NAV, based on fund size. Exit fee : 2% if less than 1 year ; 0 if greater than 1 year
Fund Manager	NDB Wealth Management Ltd.
Trustee & Custodian	Bank of Ceylon

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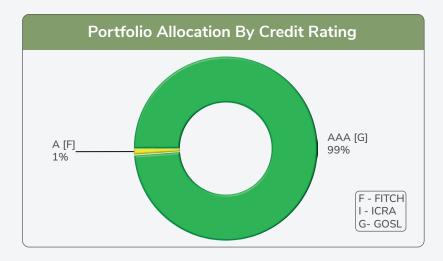
# NDB Wealth Money Fund

#### **Fund Overview**

Type : Open Ended  $\, | \,$  Investments: Short Term Bank Deposits Currency: LKR

NDB Wealth Money Fund is an open-ended money market fund incorporated in Sri Lanka, investing in short-term government securities and high credit quality LKR based bank deposits.

The Fund aims to provide optimal returns with low risk and moderate liquidity to investors by investing in short-term government securities and high-quality bank deposits with maturities less than 365 days with credit ratings of A- and above.



Fund Snapshot	30-Nov-23
YTD Yield	22.43%
YTD Yield (Annualized)	24.52%
NAV per unit	31.2799
AUM (LKR Mn.)	170,957.97
Fund Currency	LKR
Fund Inception	1-Jun-12
Expense Ratio	0.77%
Average Maturity (Yrs)	0.25
Average Duration	0.24

Maturity Profile		
Maturity	% Holding	AVG YTM (Net)
Under 1 Month	24.30%	14.75%
1 Month - 3 Months	33.84%	15.60%
3 Months - 6 Months	31.24%	15.00%
6 Months - 1 Year	10.63%	14.10%

Historical Returns		
Period	Fund Returns	Annualized Return
Year to Date	22.43%	24.52%
Last month	1.36%	16.53%
Last 3 months	4.44%	17.82%
Last 6 months	10.32%	20.58%
Last 12 months	25.20%	25.20%
Year 2022	17.79%	17.79%
Year 2021	5.58%	5.58%

Other Features		
Valuation	Daily Valuation Instruments less than one year - cost plus accrued basis, Instruments greater than one year - n/a.	
Investment/Withdrawal	Any Time A notice period of 07 working days may be required prior to large redemptions. However, the time period can be discussed with potential investors prior to the investment.	
Fee Details	Management Fee : 0.55% p.a. of NAV. Trustee fee : 0.11-0.15% p.a. of NAV, depending on fund size. Custody Fee : Rs.10,000 per Month	
Fund Manager	NDB Wealth Management Ltd.	
Trustee & Custodian	Hatton National Bank PLC	

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# NDB Wealth Money Plus Fund

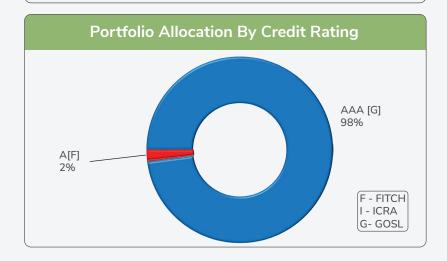
# **Fund Overview**

Type : Open Ended Currency: LKR

Investments: Money Market Corporate Debt Securities

NDB Wealth Money Plus Fund is an open-ended money market fund incorporated in Sri Lanka, invested in short term LKR based corporate debt instruments including commercial paper, securitized paper, bank deposits as well as Sri Lanka Treasury Bills, Bonds and government securities backed Repurchase transactions.

The Fund aims to provide liquidity to investors while enhancing returns by investing in a diversified portfolio of short term corporate debt securities with maturities less than 365 days.



Fund Snapshot	30-Nov-23
YTD Yield	21.50%
YTD Yield (Annualized)	23.49%
NAV per unit	34.3471
AUM (LKR Mn.)	8,074.63
Fund Currency	LKR
Fund Inception	1-Jun-12
Expense Ratio	0.95%
Average Maturity (Yrs)	0.30
Average Duration	0.28

Maturity Profile		
Maturity	% Holding	AVG YTM (Net)
Under 1 Month	22.86%	16.68%
1 Month - 3 Months	32.55%	15.60%
3 Months - 6 Months	20.76%	15.10%
6 Months - 1 Year	23.83%	14.40%

Historical Returns		
Period	Fund Returns	Annualized Return
Year to Date	21.50%	23.49%
Last month	1.38%	16.80%
Last 3 months	4.45%	17.84%
Last 6 months	10.27%	20.49%
Last 12 months	23.97%	23.97%
Year 2022	14.08%	14.08%
Year 2021	5.67%	5.67%

Other Features		
Valuation	Daily Valuation Instruments less than one year - cost plus accrued basis, Instruments greater than one year - n/a.	
Investment/Withdrawal	Any Time A notice period of 07 working days may be required prior to large redemptions. However, the time period can be discussed with potential investors prior to the investment.	
Exposure Restrictions	Maximum exposure restrictions on investments depend on the features of each security, (Ex: Rated, Guaranteed, etc) and are regulated by the Trustee and the SEC.	
Fee Details	Management Fee : 0.65% p.a. of NAV. Trustee fee : 0.11- 0.15% p.a. of NAV, depending on fund size. Custody Fee : Rs.10,000 per Month	
Fund Manager	NDB Wealth Management Ltd.	
Trustee & Custodian	Hatton National Bank PLC	

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#### NDB Wealth Islamic Money Plus Fund

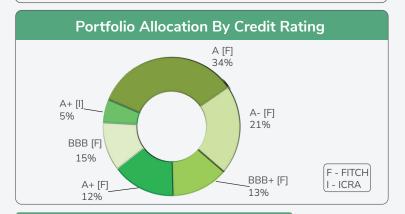
#### **Fund Overview**

Type : Open Ended Currency: LKR

Investments: Short Term Shariah compliant investments

NDB Wealth Islamic Money Plus Fund is an open-ended money market fund incorporated in Sri Lanka, invested exclusively in short term LKR based Shariah compliant investments including Mudharabah term deposits, Mudharabah savings deposits, Wakala investments and sukuk investments less than 366 days.

The Fund aims to provide investors with liquidity and regular income through investing in a portfolio of short term shariah compliant securities.



Fund Snapshot	30-Nov-23
YTD Yield	14.89%
YTD Yield (Annualized)	16.27%
NAV per unit	22.2782
AUM (LKR Mn.)	1,081.62
Fund Currency	LKR
Fund Inception	1-Jun-15
Expense Ratio	1.22%
Average Maturity (Yrs)	0.37
Average Duration	0.30

Maturity Profile		
Maturity	% Holding	AVG YTM (Net)
Under 1 Month	28.98%	13.29%
1 Month - 3 Months	13.11%	14.80%
3 Months - 6 Months	30.39%	14.80%
6 Months - 1 Year	27.52%	13.00%

Target Asset Allocation	
Investment Type	Asset Allocation
Shariah compliant money market investments up to 366 days	Max 90%
Shariah compliant money market investments less than 15 days	Min 10%

Shariah Supervisory Board	
Shafique Jakhura	Mufti
Muhammed Huzaifah	Maulana

Approved Investments		
Shariah compliant money market investments up to 366 days	Mudharabah term deposits and Wakala Investments in Commercial Banks / Specialised Banks / Finance Companies or any other authorized deposit taking Institution Sukuk / Wakala / Mudharabah securities issued by corporate entities subject to Shariah council approval.	
Shariah compliant money market investments less than 15 days	Mudharabah savings deposits	

Historical Returns		
Period	Fund Returns	Annualized Return
Year to Date	14.89%	16.27%
Last month	1.15%	14.00%
Last 3 months	3.45%	13.83%
Last 6 months	7.55%	15.06%
Last 12 months	16.62%	16.62%
Year 2022	13.43%	13.43%
Year 2021	5.26%	5.26%

Other Features	
Valuation	Daily Valuation Instruments less than one year - cost plus accrued basis, Instruments greater than one year - n/a.
Investment/Withdrawal	Any Time A notice period of 07 working days may be required prior to large redemptions. However, the time period can be discussed with potential investors prior to the investment.
Fee Details	Management Fee : 0.80% p.a. of NAV. Trustee fee : 0.11% - 0.15% p.a. of NAV, based on the fund size Custody Fee : Rs.10,000 per Month.
Fund Manager	NDB Wealth Management Ltd.
Trustee & Custodian	Hatton National Bank PLC

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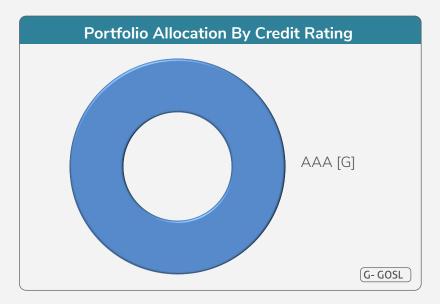
# NDB Wealth Gilt Edged Fund

# **Fund Overview**

Type: Open Ended Currency: LKR

Investments: Government of Sri Lanka Securities

NDB Wealth Gilt Edged Fund is an open-ended unit trust fund incorporated in Sri Lanka, invested in Government of Sri Lanka Treasury Bills, Bonds and government securities backed Repurchase transactions. The Fund aims to maximize returns from investments by investing the fund exclusively in government securities and government guaranteed securities.



Fund Snapshot	30-Nov-23
YTD Yield	64.91%
YTD Yield (Annualized)	70.93%
NAV per unit	31.1610
AUM (LKR Mn.)	298.88
Fund Currency	LKR
Fund Inception	1-Dec-97
Expense Ratio	1.21%
Average Maturity (Yrs)	4.3
Average Duration	3.14

Maturity Profile		
Maturity	% Holding	AVG YTM (Net)
Under 1 Year	8.08%	11.50%
1 Year - 5 Years	85.99%	14.40%
Over 5 Years	5.93%	14.10%

Historical Returns		
Period	Fund Returns	Annualized Return
Year to Date	64.91%	70.93%
Last month	1.87%	22.79%
Last 3 months	5.83%	23.37%
Last 6 months	40.71%	81.19%
Last 12 months	73.55%	73.55%
Year 2022	-2.93%	-2.93%
Year 2021	4.38%	4.38%

Other Features	
Valuation	Daily Valuation All Instruments are marked to market.
Investment/Withdrawal	Any Time A notice period of 07 working days may be required prior to large redemptions. However, the time period can be discussed with potential investors prior to the investment.
Fee Details	Management Fee : 0.65% p.a. of NAV Trustee fee : 0.10-0.19% p.a. of NAV, depending on fund size Custodian fee : 0.05% p.a.of NAV.
Fund Manager	NDB Wealth Management Ltd.
Trustee & Custodian	Bank of Ceylon

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