



NDB WEALTH GILT EDGED FUND

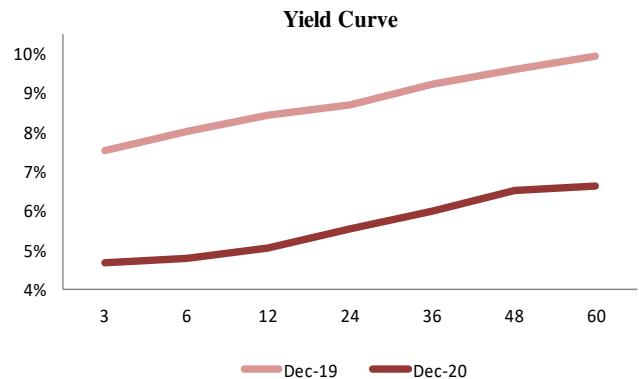
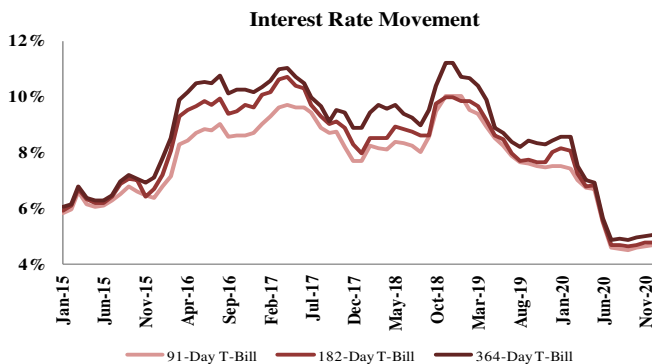
ANNUAL REPORT

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2020

## Fund Review 2020 - NDB Wealth Gilt Edged Fund

The Central Bank of Sri Lanka (CBSL) resorted to swift policy action to revive the economy hampered by the Covid-19 pandemic through frequent policy rate cuts during the year. Accordingly, the Standing Lending Facility Rate (SLF) and the Standing Deposit Facility Rate (SDF) were slashed by 250 basis points each to 5.50% and 4.50% respectively and the Statutory Reserve Ratio (SRR) by 300 basis points to 2.00%. In this backdrop, interest rates nose-dived across the yield curve with the benchmark 364-day Treasury bill rate falling to 5.03% as at year end, from 8.45% at the beginning of the year (Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka).

Falling interest rates, deteriorating investor sentiment and flight to safety, drove foreign investors out of rupee denominated government securities, with net foreign selling amounting to LKR 97.8 bn in 2020, reducing the foreign holding in treasury securities to an all time low of LKR 6.8 bn by the end of the year (Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka).



Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

Credit to the private sector which turned negative during the period of lockdown, showed signs of recovery from August on the back of conducive monetary policy. On the fiscal front, consumer taxes remained broadly unchanged to stimulate growth amid low economic activity. However, budget 2021 remains ambitious, expecting investment driven growth to bridge the revenue gap in the face of Covid-19 and external debt challenges. Meanwhile Fitch Ratings downgraded Sri Lanka's sovereign rating to CCC from B- along with S&P and Moody's rating agencies on the back of the country's challenging external-debt repayment position and deteriorating fiscal balances.

During the year under review the NDB Wealth Gilt Edged Fund yielded the following returns commensurate with the risk parameters and the objective of the Fund:

	NDB Wealth Gilt Edged Fund	*364-day T-bill Rate *12-month avg.
Performance - 2020	10.14% (after fees)	6.16%

\*Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

We expect interest rates to remain low during the first half of 2021 due to the loose monetary policy stance observed by the Central Bank, continued restrictions on imports and low levels of credit growth. However, given widening budget deficits, the large debt servicing burden and an anticipated recovery in private sector credit rate pressures may build towards the second half of the year.

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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE  
YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER, 2020**



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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE UNITHOLDERS OF NDB WEALTH GILT EDGED FUND**

### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of NDB Wealth Gilt Edged Fund ("The Fund"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020 and the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of changes in unitholders' fund and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements including a summary of significant accounting policies as set out on pages 05 to 15.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020 and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Sri Lanka Auditing Standards (SLAuSs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Fund in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Code of Ethics issued by CA Sri Lanka (Code of Ethics) that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### **Other Information**

The Fund Management Company is responsible for the other information. The other information generally comprises the information included in the Fund manager's report, but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### **Other Matter**

The financial statements of NDB Wealth Gilt Edge Fund for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019 were audited by another auditor who expressed an unmodified opinion on these statements on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

#### **Responsibilities of Fund Management Company and the Trustee for the Financial Statements**

The Fund Management Company and the Trustee are responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Fund or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Fund Management Company is responsible for overseeing the Fund's financial reporting process.

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### **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SLAuSs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with SLAuSs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosure in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Fund to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Fund Management Company regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identified during our audit.

### **Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements**

These financial statements also comply with the requirements of the Rule 27(3) of the Unit Trust Code of September 2011 issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka under the Act No. 36 of 1987 and the trust deed.

**CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS**

Colombo

26<sup>th</sup> March 2021

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NDB WEALTH GILT EDGED FUND  
 STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

	Note	2020 LKR	2019 LKR
Interest income	4	4,045,877	6,211,007
Realised gain on sale of securities		3,287,214	7,161,183
		<u>7,333,091</u>	<u>13,372,190</u>
Operating expenses	5	(776,540)	(14,547,544)
Profit/(loss) before tax		<u>6,556,551</u>	<u>(1,175,354)</u>
Income tax expense	6	-	-
Profit/(loss) for the year		<u>6,556,551</u>	<u>(1,175,354)</u>
Other comprehensive income, net of income taxes			
Unrealised (loss)/gain on investment in treasury bonds	7	-	(1,458,650)
Total comprehensive (expense)/income for the year		<u>-</u>	<u>(1,458,650)</u>
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unitholders		<u>6,556,551</u>	<u>(2,634,004)</u>

Figures in brackets indicate deductions.

The accounting policies and notes from pages 05 to 15 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Colombo  
 26th March 2021



NDB WEALTH GILT EDGED FUND  
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2020

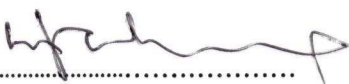
	Note	As at 31.12.2020 LKR	As at 31.12.2019 LKR
<b>Assets</b>			
Cash at bank		113,491	110,232
Financial assets measured at amortised cost	7	65,804,852	61,490,223
Income tax recoverabilities	8	-	-
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>65,918,343</b>	<b>61,600,455</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Accrued expenses	9	213,106	334,807
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>213,106</b>	<b>334,807</b>
<b>Net assets attributable to unitholders</b>		<b>65,705,237</b>	<b>61,265,648</b>
<b>Unitholders' Fund</b>			
Unit capital		34,722,868	36,395,285
Retained earnings		30,982,368	24,870,363
<b>Net assets attributable to unitholders</b>	10	<b>65,705,237</b>	<b>61,265,648</b>

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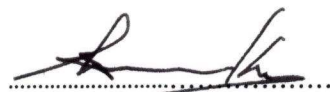
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The Fund Management Company and the Trustee are responsible for the preparation of these financial statements in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards.

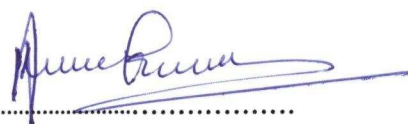
These financial statements were approved by the Fund Management Company and the Trustee on 26th March 2021.



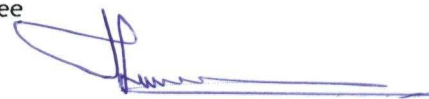
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Fund Management Company



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Fund Management Company



Bank of Ceylon  
Trustee



Colombo  
26th March 2021  
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NDB WEALTH GILT EDGED FUND  
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN UNITHOLDERS' FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

	Unit capital LKR	Investments in revaluation reserve LKR	Retained earnings LKR	Total LKR
Balance as at 01st January 2019	39,768,250	1,458,650	28,394,625	69,621,525
Net increase due to creations and redemptions of units	(3,372,965)	-	(2,348,910)	(5,721,875)
Increase in net assets attributable to unitholders	-	-	(1,175,353)	(1,175,353)
<b>Other comprehensive income</b>				
Loss arising on fair value changes on investment in treasury bonds	-	(1,458,650)	-	(1,458,650)
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	(1,458,650)	(1,175,353)	(2,634,003)
Balance as at 31st December 2019	36,395,285	-	24,870,363	61,265,648
Net decrease due to creations and redemptions of units	(1,672,417)	-	(444,546)	(2,116,962)
Increase in net assets attributable to unitholders	-	-	6,556,551	6,556,551
<b>Other comprehensive income</b>	-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	6,556,551	6,556,551
Balance as at 31st December 2020	<u>34,722,868</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>30,982,368</u>	<u>65,705,237</u>

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26th March 2021





NDB WEALTH GILT EDGED FUND  
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

	2020 LKR	2019 LKR
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
Interest received	3,836,096	7,120,846
Realised gain on sale of securities	3,287,214	-
Management fees paid	(412,243)	(406,370)
Other expenses paid	(485,998)	(511,193)
Net investment in other securities	-	58,753,807
<b>Net cash generated from operating activities</b>	<u>6,225,069</u>	<u>64,957,090</u>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>		
Proceeds from issue of units	9,472,025	7,938,767
Payments on redemption of units	(11,588,988)	(13,660,641)
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>	<u>(2,116,963)</u>	<u>(5,721,875)</u>
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>	4,108,106	59,235,215
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	61,600,455	2,365,240
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	<u>65,708,561</u>	<u>61,600,455</u>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year comprise of:</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	113,491	110,232
Treasury bills under repurchase agreements	65,595,070	61,490,223
	<u>65,708,561</u>	<u>61,600,455</u>

Figures in brackets indicate deductions.

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Colombo  
26th March 2021



**1. GENERAL INFORMATION**

**1.1 General**

NDB Wealth Gilt Edged Fund (“the Fund”) is an open ended unit trust fund licensed by the Securities and Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka and established under trust deed signed on 17<sup>th</sup> November 1997. The Fund which invests mainly in government securities is domiciled in Sri Lanka.

The Fund is managed by NDB Wealth Management Limited while Bank of Ceylon acts as the trustee of the Fund. The registered office of the Fund manager is located at No. 40, Nawam Mawatha, Colombo 02, Sri Lanka and principal place of business is located at Level G, NDB Capital Building, No.135, Bauddhaloka Mawatha, Colombo 04, Sri Lanka.

The trustee’s principal office is located at Head office, Bank of Ceylon Mawatha, Colombo 01, Sri Lanka.

**1.2 Date of authorization for issue**

The financial statement of the Fund for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020 were authorized for issue by the Fund management company and the trustee on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

**2. PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**2.1 Basis of preparation**

The financial statements are prepared and presented in accordance with and comply with the relevant Sri Lanka Accounting Standards issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka. The statement of financial position is presented on a liquidity basis and assets and liabilities are presented in decreasing order of liquidity and are not distinguished between current and non-current. The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, except as stated below. Historical cost is generally the fair value of the consideration given in exchange of assets. The financial statements are presented in Sri Lankan rupees (LKR).

**2.2 Statement of compliance**

The financial statements which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2020, statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in unitholders’ funds and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information have been prepared and presented in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards.

**2.3 Significant accounting judgments, estimates and assumptions**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with SLFRSs requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that influence the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. In the selection and application of the company’s accounting policies, which are described below, the Fund management company is required to make judgments and assumptions and use assumptions in measuring items reported in the financial statements. These estimates are based on management’s knowledge of current facts and circumstances, and assumptions based on such knowledge and expectations of future events. Actual results may differ from such estimates.



The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimates are revised if the revision affects only that period or in the period of the revision and future periods as well, if the revision affects both current and future periods.

Management considers credit, liquidity and market risk and assesses the impact on valuation of investments when determining the fair value.

Management uses its judgment in determining the appropriate valuation technique for financial instruments that are not quoted in an active market. Valuation techniques commonly used by market practitioners are applied. Other financial instruments are valued using a discounted cash flow analysis based on the assumptions supported, where possible, by observable market prices or rates.

#### 2.4 Summary of significant accounting policies

Accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements.

##### Classification and measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities

SLFRS 9 contains three principal classification categories for financial assets: measured at amortised cost, Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income (FVOCI) and Fair Value through Profit or Loss (FVTPL). The classification of financial assets under SLFRS 9 is generally based on the business model in which a financial asset is managed and its contractual cash flow characteristics.

##### 2.4.1 Financial instruments

###### (i) Recognition and initial measurement

All financial assets are initially recognized on the date the Fund becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. This includes purchases of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the time frame generally established by regulation or convention in the market place.

###### (ii) Classification

On initial recognition, a financial asset is classified as measured at: amortised cost or FVOCI. Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition unless the Fund changes its business model for managing financial assets in which case all affected financial assets are reclassified on the first day of the first reporting period following the change in the business model.

A financial asset is measured at amortised cost if it meets both of the following conditions:

- it is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows; and
- its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.



The Fund's financial assets classified under amortised cost include Treasury bill under repurchase agreement and fixed deposits.

A debt investment is measured at FVOCI if it meets both of the following conditions:

- it is held within a business model whose objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets; and
- its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

**(iii) Subsequent measurement and gains and losses**

Financial assets at amortised cost	These assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The amortised cost is reduced by impairment losses, if any. Interest income and impairment are recognised in profit or loss. Any gain or loss on derecognition is recognised in profit or loss.
Investments at FVOCI	These assets are subsequently measured at fair value. Interest income calculated using the effective interest method and impairment are recognised in profit or loss. The changes in fair value of FVOCI financial instruments are recognised in OCI. On derecognition, gains and losses accumulated in OCI are reclassified to profit or loss.

**(iv) Impairment**

The Fund recognises loss allowances for expected credit losses (ECLs) on financial assets measured at amortised cost. The Fund measures loss allowances at an amount equal to lifetime ECL, except for bank balances for which credit risk (i.e. the risk of default occurring over the expected life of the financial instrument) has not increased significantly since initial recognition which are measured as 12-month ECL.

Lifetime ECLs are the ECLs that result from all possible default events over the expected life of a financial instrument. 12-month ECLs are the portion of ECLs that result from default events that are possible within the 12 months after the reporting date (or a shorter period if the expected life of the instrument is less than 12 months). The maximum period considered when estimating ECLs is the maximum contractual period over which the Fund is exposed to credit risk.

**Credit-impaired financial assets**

At each reporting date, the Fund assesses whether financial assets carried at amortised cost are credit-impaired. A financial asset is 'credit-impaired' when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset have occurred.

Evidence that a financial asset is credit-impaired includes the following observable data:

- Significant financial difficulty of the borrower or issuer;
- A breach of contract such as a default or being more than 90 days past due;
- The restructuring of a loan or advance by the Company on terms that the Company would not consider otherwise;
- It is probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganization.



As of the date of the statement of financial position the Fund has not observed any of the above thus no impairment provision has been recognized in the financial statements.

#### **Presentation of allowance for ECL in the statement of financial position**

Loss allowances for financial assets measured at amortised cost are deducted from the gross carrying amount of the assets.

#### **Write-offs**

The gross carrying amount of a financial asset is written off (either partially or in full) to the extent that there is no realistic prospect of recovery.

#### **2.4.2 Financial liabilities - Classification, subsequent measurement and gains and losses**

Financial liabilities are classified as measured at amortised cost. Other financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Any gain or loss on derecognition is also recognised in profit or loss. Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost include accrued expenses and other payables.

#### **2.4.3 Derecognition**

##### **Financial assets**

The Fund derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or it transfers the rights to receive the contractual cash flows in a transaction in which substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred or in which the Fund neither transfers nor retains substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership and it does not retain control of the financial asset.

The Fund enters into transactions whereby it transfers assets recognised in its statement of financial position, but retains either all or substantially all of the risks and rewards of the transferred assets. In these cases, the transferred assets are not derecognised.

##### **Financial liabilities**

The Fund derecognises a financial liability when its contractual obligations are discharged or cancelled, or expire. The Fund also derecognises a financial liability when its terms are modified and the cash flows of the modified liability are substantially different, in which case a new financial liability based on the modified terms is recognised at fair value.

On derecognition of a financial liability, the difference between the carrying amount extinguished and the consideration paid (including any - cash assets transferred or liabilities or liabilities assumed) is recognised in profit or loss.

#### **2.4.4 Offsetting of financial instruments**

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the statement of financial position if, and only if:

- There is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognised amounts and
- There is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.



**2.4.5 Cash and Cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents are defined as cash in hand, demand deposits and short term highly liquid investments, readily convertible to known amounts of cash and subject to insignificant risk of changes in values.

**2.4.6 Payables and provisions**

Payables are initially recognized at fair value, which is the fair value of the consideration to be paid in the future for goods and service received, whether or not billed to the Trust, and subsequently at amortised cost.

Provisions are recognised when the Fund has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate of the amount of the obligation can be made.

**2.4.7 Recognition of income**

Income is recognized to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Fund and the revenue can be reliably measured. The following specific criteria must also be met before interest income is recognised.

**(i) Interest income**

For all financial instruments measured at amortized cost, interest income is recorded using the effective interest rate (EIR), which is the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash payments or receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument or a shorter period, where appropriate, to the net carrying amount of the financial asset.

**2.4.8 Unitholders' Funds and Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders**

Unitholders' Funds has been calculated as the difference between the carrying amounts of the assets and the carrying amounts of the liabilities, other than those due to unitholders, as at the date of the statement of financial position.

Units can be issued and redeemed based on the Fund's net asset value per unit, calculated by dividing the net assets of the Fund calculated in accordance with the valuation guidelines issued by the Unit trust Association of Sri Lanka and directive issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka, by the number of units in issue.

**3. TAXATION**

Unit Trusts that conduct eligible investment business are treated as pass through vehicles and tax will be payable by unitholders in accordance with the new Inland Revenue Act No. 24 of 2017.



	2020 LKR	2019 LKR
<b>4. INTEREST INCOME</b>		
Repurchase agreements - long-term	3,781,487	1,041,821
Repurchase agreements - short-term	162,704	979,774
Treasury bonds	101,686	4,189,413
	<u>4,045,877</u>	<u>6,211,007</u>
<b>5. OPERATING EXPENSES</b>		
Management fee	414,416	409,367
Trustee fee	130,829	139,489
Custodian fee	34,429	36,708
Audit fee	89,100	213,840
Impairment provision for Notional Tax Recoverable	-	1,061,681
Write off Notional Tax Recoverable (Prior to 2018/19)	-	4,648,319
Impairment provision for WHT Recoverable	-	7,948,400
Reversal of amounts payable on redemption of units	-	(18,935)
Professional fee	83,472	78,426
Bank charges	24,294	30,249
	<u>776,540</u>	<u>14,547,544</u>
<b>6. INCOME TAX EXPENSE</b>		
Tax expense for the year (Note 6.1)	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

**6.1 The income tax for the year can be reconciled to the accounting profit as follows:**

The Fund has calculated the income tax liability up to 31 March 2018 in accordance with the previous Inland Revenue Act No. 10 of 2006 and following the enactment of the new Inland Revenue Act No.24 of 2017 effective from 01st April 2018, the Fund is deemed as conducting an eligible investment business and is treated as a tax pass-through vehicle. Hence, no provision for income tax was made in the financial statements.

	As at 31.12.2020 LKR	% of net assets	As at 31.12.2019 LKR	As at % of net assets
<b>7. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AT AMORTISED COST</b>				
Treasury bills under repurchase agreements (Note 7.1)	65,804,852	100%	61,490,223	100%
	<u>65,804,852</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>61,490,223</u>	<u>100%</u>
<b>7.1 Treasury bills under repurchase agreements</b>				
Capital Alliance (Pvt) Ltd	15,606,619	24%	1,427,754	2%
First Capital (Pvt) Ltd	50,198,233	76%	60,062,468	98%
	<u>65,804,852</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>61,490,223</u>	<u>100%</u>



	As at 31.12.2020 LKR	As at 31.12.2019 LKR
<b>8. TAX RECOVERABLE</b>		
Balance as at 01st January	-	13,658,400
Withholding tax recoverable	7,948,400	-
Notional tax credit recoverable	1,061,681	-
Write off notional tax recoverable (prior to 2018/2019)	-	(4,648,319)
	<u>9,010,081</u>	<u>9,010,081</u>
<b>Less:</b>		
Impairment allowance for Notional Tax	(1,061,681)	(1,061,681)
Impairment allowance for WHT Recoverable	(7,948,400)	(7,948,400)
Balance as at 31st December	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

As of 31 December 2018, the net income tax recoverable comprise of notional tax credit recoverable amounting to LKR 5,710,001 and WHT of LKR 7,948,400. The Fund Manager intends to claim the WHT recoverable by means of a refund. The notional tax credit recoverable will be carried forward as per section 138 (2) of the Inland Revenue Act No. 10 of 2006 to be set off against future income tax liability, if any, within three consecutive years of assessment commencing from the year of assessment 2018/2019.

However, subsequent to the enactment to the new Inland Revenue Act No. 24 of 2017, effective 01 April 2018, an Eligible Unit Trust would not be liable for income tax on any income which is a pass through to its unit holders. Therefore, the Fund Manager is unable to assess with a reasonable certainty that there will be a future income tax liability to offset this income tax receivable balance. Hence, an impairment allowance is made against the WHT receivables balance amounting to LKR 7,948,400 and an impairment allowance is made against notional tax recoverable amount of LKR 1,061,681 relevant to 2018.

The remaining notional tax recoverable amount related to the period prior to year 2018 amounting to LKR 4,648,319 has been written off.

	As at 31.12.2020 LKR	As at 31.12.2019 LKR
<b>9. ACCRUED EXPENSES</b>		
Management fees	36,284	34,111
Trustee fees	11,453	10,768
Custodian fees	3,014	2,834
Audit fees	89,100	213,840
Tax consultancy fee	73,255	73,255
	<u>213,106</u>	<u>334,808</u>





10. NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

Movements in the number of units and net assets attributable to unitholders during the year were as follows:

	As at 31.12.2020 Units	As at 31.12.2019 Units	As at 31.12.2020 LKR	As at 31.12.2019 LKR
Opening balance	3,667,457	4,004,749	61,265,648	69,621,523
Units issued during the period	538,760	489,189	9,472,025	7,938,767
Units redeemed during the period	(645,712)	(826,485)	(11,588,988)	(13,660,641)
Increase in net assets attributable to unitholders	-	-	6,556,551	(2,634,003)
Closing balance	3,560,505	3,667,457	65,705,237	61,265,648

The creation price was LKR 18.6502 (2019 - LKR. 16.9331 ) per unit and the redemption price was LKR 18.6502 (2019 - LKR. 16.9331) per unit as at 31 December 2020.

11. CONTINGENCIES

There were no material contingencies existing at the reporting date that require adjustments to or disclosures in the financial statements.

12. EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING DATE

No significant events have taken place since the date of the statement of financial position that require adjustments to or disclosure in these financial statements.

13. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

There were no capital commitments at the end of the reporting date.

14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The following have been identified as related parties to NDB Wealth Gilt Edged Fund in accordance with the Sri Lanka Accounting Standard LKAS 24, Related party Disclosures for the reasons stated below:

The Fund Management Company, NDB Wealth Management Ltd is a subsidiary of NDB Capital Holdings Limited. The Fund's ultimate parent entity and controlling party is National Development Bank PLC, which is incorporated and domiciled in Sri Lanka.





14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (CONTD....)

Mr. D.S.P. Wickramanayake, Mr. Bernard Sinniah, Mr. Shankanada Abeywardene, Mr. Sanjaya Perera and Mr. Dimantha Seneviratne are directors of the NDB Wealth Management Ltd.

There is no unitholding by related parties and no purchase and sale of units made by related parties for 2020.

Details of Fund Management fees, Trustee fees and Custodian fees paid/payable to related parties are as follows:

Name of the related party	Nature of interest	Particulars of financial dealings	Value	
			Transaction LKR	Outstanding LKR
NDB Wealth Management Limited	Fund Management Company	Management fee	414,416	36,284
Bank of Ceylon	Trustee	Trustee fees	130,829	11,453
		Custodian fees	34,429	3,014

The Fund maintains a current account with the Trustee, Bank of Ceylon through which all settlement of transactions of the Fund were made.

	As at 31.12.2020 LKR	As at 31.12.2019 LKR
Bank balance held at Bank of Ceylon	113,491	110,232

15. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT

(a) Financial instruments

The Funds's principal financial assets comprise investments in treasury bills, treasury bonds and repurchase agreements. The main purpose of these financial instruments is to generate a return on the investment made by unitholders. The fund also has other financial instruments such as receivables and payables which arise directly from its operations.

(b) Financial risk management objectives, policies and processes

Risks arising from holding financial instruments are inherent in the Funds's activities, and are managed through a process of ongoing identification, measurement and monitoring. The Fund is exposed to credit risk, market risk, and liquidity risk.

Financial instruments of the Fund comprise of investments in securities for the purpose of generating a return on the investment made by unitholders, in addition to cash at bank and other financial instruments such as receivables and payables, which arise directly from its operations.

The Fund manager is responsible for identifying and controlling the risk that arises from these financial instruments. The Fund manager agrees policies for managing each of the risks identified below.

The risks are measured using a method that reflects the expected impact on the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income and statement of financial position of the Fund from reasonably possible changes in the relevant risk variables. Information about these risk exposures at the reporting date, measured on this basis, is as follows.



15. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTD....)

(b) Financial risk management objectives, policies and processes (contd....)

The Fund manager also monitors information about the total fair value of financial instruments exposed to risk, as well as compliance with established investment mandate limits. These mandate limits reflect the investment strategy and market environment of the fund, as well as the level of risk that the fund is willing to accept, with additional emphasis on selected industries. This information is prepared and reported to relevant parties within the fund management on a regular basis as deemed appropriate, including the fund manager, other key management, investment committee, and ultimately the trustee of the fund.

(i) Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that a counterparty to the financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation and cause the Fund to incur a financial loss.

The Fund's exposure to credit risk from its financial assets arises from default of the counterparty, with the current exposure equal to the amortized cost of these instruments as detailed below. It is the Fund's policy to enter into financial instruments with reputable counterparties.

**Risk concentration of credit risk exposure**

Concentration of credit risk is managed by the counterparty and by market sector. The Fund is also subject to credit risk on its bank balance and receivables. The credit risk on these instruments is not deemed to be significant.

The Fund's exposure to credit risk can be analysed as follows:

	As at 31.12.2020 LKR	As at 31.12.2019 LKR
Conservative - Government securities and treasury bills under repurchase agreements	65,804,852	61,490,223

(ii) Market risk

Market risk represents the risk that the value of the Fund's investment portfolio will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices.

This risk is managed by ensuring that all investment activities are undertaken in accordance with established mandate limits and investments strategies. As such, unitholders can manage this risk through their choices of which investment portfolios to participate in.

**Interest rate risk**

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate as a result of changes in market interest rates.

The following table demonstrates the sensitivity of the statement of profit or loss to reasonably possible changes in interest rates with all other variables held constant.

	Increase/ (decrease) in basis points	Effect on the profit for the period 2020	Effect on the profit for the period 2019
LKR	+ 0.25%	163,988	153,319
LKR	- 0.25%	(163,988)	(153,319)

15. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTD....)

(iii) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Fund will encounter difficulty in raising funds to meet its obligation to pay unitholders.

Due to the nature of unit trust fund, it is unlikely that a significant number of unit holders would exit at the same time. However to control liquidity risk, the fund invests in financial instruments, which under normal market conditions are readily convertible to cash. In addition, the Fund invests within established limits to ensure there is no concentration of risk.

The Fund's exposure to liquidity risk can be analysed as follows:

	<u>2020</u> LKR	<u>2019</u> LKR
<b>Fixed income securities</b>		
Long-term (more than 1year)	-	-
Short-term (less than 1year)	65,804,852	61,490,223
	<u>65,804,852</u>	<u>61,490,223</u>

