

Sun Life Malaysia Select Asia (ex Japan) Quantum Fund March 2020

FUND OBJECTIVE

A total return fund that seeks to capture the high growth of developing companies within the Asia (ex-Japan) region.

FUND DETAILS					
Launch Date	20 May 2014	Domicile	Malaysia		
Currency	Ringgit Malaysia	Launch Price	RM1.0000		
Units in Circulation	12.84 million units (31 March 2020)	Fund Size	RM13.27 million (31 March 2020)		
Unit NAV	RM1.0334 (31 March 2020)	Dealing	Daily (as per Bursa Malaysia trading day)		
Fund Manager	Affin Hwang Asset Management Berhad	Target Fund	Affin Hwang Select Asia (ex Japan) Quantum Fund		
Benchmark	MSCI AC Asia (ex-Japan) Small Cap Index	Taxation	8% of annual investment income		
Risk Profile	 Suitable for investors: Have a medium to long term investment horizon Are risk tolerance Are seeking higher returns for their investments compared to the performance benchmark 	Fees	 Sun Life Malaysia does not impose any fund management charge on Sun Life Malaysia Select Asia (ex Japan) Quantum Fund Up to 1.5% p.a. fund management charge is applied on the target fund's NAV by Affin Hwang Asset Management Berhad 		

ASSET ALLOCATION OF THE TARGET FUND				
Equities	Cash			
Minimum 70%; Max 100%	Remaining Balance			



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SECTOR ALLOCATION OF THE TARGET FUND				
Financials	23.60%			
Technology	19.30%			
Consumer Goods	18.10%			
Consumer Services	5.40%			
Basic Materials	4.40%			
Health Care	3.70%			
Industrials	1.90%			
Oil & Gas	1.40%			
Cash & Cash Equivalents	22.10%			
Total	100.0%			

TOP HOLDINGS OF THE TARGET FUND (EQUITIES)				
Guan Chong Bhd	7.40%			
CMGE Technology Group Ltd	7.00%			
Pentamaster International Ltd	5.40%			
A-Living Services Co Ltd	5.20%			
Allianz Malaysia Berhad	4.80%			
Zhejiang New Century Hotel Mgt	4.40%			
Weimob Inc	4.20%			
Accton Technology Corp	4.10%			
Sichuan Languang Justbon Svcs	4.00%			
Universal Vision Biotechnology	3.70%			
Total	50.20%			

PERFORMANCE RECORD

The Fund feeds into Affin Hwang Select Asia (ex Japan) Quantum Fund ("target fund") with the objective to achieve consistent capital appreciation over medium to long-term by investing mainly in growth companies in Asia (ex Japan) with market capitalization of not more than USD1.5 billion at the time of acquisition, subject to the flexibility of investing up to 30% of the Net Asset Value (NAV) of the Fund in companies in Asia (ex Japan) with market capitalization of not more than USD3.0 billion at the time of acquisition.

Table below shows the investment returns of Sun Life Malaysia Select Asia (ex Japan) Quantum Fund versus its benchmark as at 31 March 2020:

%	YTD	1M	6 M	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	Since Inception
Fund*	-16.05	-13.50	-9.26	-9.99	-26.21	-0.29	3.34
Benchmark	-22.13	-17.08	-18.56	-24.62	-30.64	-20.04	-7.07

^{*} Calculation of past performance is based on NAV-to-NAV

Notice: Past performance of the fund is not an indication of its future performance which may differ. The fund performance is not guaranteed.



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FUND MANAGER'S COMMENTS

- Global markets were weaker in March as the world continues to struggle with the escalating cases of COVID-19. The heightened market volatility was worsened by the breakdown in production discipline within the global energy market, resulting in crude oil prices plunging from USD50/barrel to around USD25/barrel.
- It was a washout for Asian markets in March as few asset classes were spared from the selloff due to Covid-19 pandemic fears as infection rates continue to escalate rapidly. The MSCI Asia ex-Japan index closed 12.2% lower in the month and is down 18.6% YTD.
- China has started to ease mobility restrictions within the country, and it is expected to lift the lockdown on Wuhan in early April. Work resumption levels have picked up with 80%-90% of factories starting back operations.
- The local market saw losses with the benchmark KLCI closing 8.9% lower in March as pandemic fears gripped the country with cases continuing to rise. The government announced a RM250billion stimulus package to soften the economic blow arising from this virus.
- STRATEGY: March was a difficult month for equities as global indices saw a sharp drop but has since recovered roughly 20% from the bottom. During this period, the fund raised cash levels to as high as 30%, but deployed roughly 10% as the month progressed.
- The fund is still overweight equities in China despite the coronavirus as their economies reopen and signs of activity recovery begin to show. China PMI improved to 52 in March, and factories are open with 80-90% of the workforce reopened. Property and auto sales are seeing gradual recoveries.
- Key transactions in the month included reducing selected Singapore REITs, as well as mall and restaurant operators in Philippines and China.

Source : Affin Hwang Asset Management Berhad

Date : 31 March 2020

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