

# EASTSPRING INVESTMENTS ISLAMIC INCOME FUND

### ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025



#### Dear Valued Investor,

Greetings from Eastspring Investments Berhad!

First and foremost, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for choosing to invest with Eastspring Investments Berhad.

#### We are pleased to enclose a copy of the Annual/Semi-annual/Quarterly Fund Reports of Eastspring Investments Berhad's fund(s) for the reporting period ended 31 March 2025.

You may also download these reports from our website at www.eastspring.com/my

Should you require any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact our Client Services at 03-2778 1000.

Yours sincerely,

YAP SIOK HOON Executive Director/Chief Executive Officer

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### FUND INFORMATION

Name of Fund	Eastspring Investments Islamic Income Fund (the "Fund")				
Fund Category/ Type	Islamic money market/income				
Fund Objective	The Fund seeks to provide liquidity and a steady income* stream by investing in Islamic money market instruments and/or Islamic Deposits.				
	ANY MATERIAL CHANGES TO THE FUND'S OBJECTIVE WOULD REQUIRE UNIT HOLDERS' APPROVAL.				
	* Income distributed to a Unit Holder will be reinvested into additional Units unless Unit Holder opts for the distribution to be paid out.				
Performance Benchmark	The performance benchmark of the Fund is Maybank Islamic overnight deposit rate.				
	Source: www.maybank2u.com.my				
	<b>Note:</b> The risk profile of the Fund is different from the risk profile of the performance benchmark.				
Fund Income Distribution Policy	At least once a month, subject to the availability of income.				

### KEY PERFORMANCE DATA FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED

Category	2025	2024	2023
	(%)	(%)	(%)
Cash and other assets	100.00	100.00	100.00
Total	100.00	100.00	100.00
Net Asset Value (NAV) (RM'000)			
- Retail class	217,568	124,327	54,385
- Corporate class	1,169,207	1,771,978	1,864,158
Units In Circulation (Units '000)			
- Retail class	388,444	226,361	101,759
- Corporate class	2,108,147	3,257,733	3,487,780
Net Asset Value Per Unit (RM)			
- Retail class	0.5601	0.5492	0.5345
- Corporate class	0.5546	0.5439	0.5345
Highest Net Asset Value Per Unit (RM)#			
- Retail class	0.5600	0.5639	0.5345
- Corporate class	0.5545	0.5438	0.5345
Lowest Net Asset Value Per Unit (RM)#			
- Retail class	0.5594	0.5633	0.5336
- Corporate class	0.5539	0.5432	0.5336
Capital Growth (%)			
- Retail class	1.99	2.73	2.49
- Corporate class	1.97	1.86	2.49
Income Distribution (%)			
- Retail class	1.55	0.89	0.23
- Corporate class	1.56	1.74	0.23

# KEY PERFORMANCE DATA (CONTINUED)

Category	2025	2024	2023
Total Return (%)			
- Retail class	3.57	3.64	2.73
- Corporate class	3.56	3.64	2.73
Gross Distribution Per Unit (RM)			
- Retail class	0.0085	0.0048	0.0012
- Corporate class	0.0085	0.0100	0.0012
Net Distribution Per Unit (RM)			
- Retail class	0.0085	0.0048	0.0012
- Corporate class	0.0063	0.0076	0.0012
Total Expense Ratio (TER) (%)*	0.29	0.29	0.29
Portfolio Turnover Ratio (PTR) (times)^	12.37	10.87	13.39

\* Figures shown as ex-distribution.

\* There were no significant changes to the TER during the period under review.

^ There were no significant changes to the PTR during the period under review.

### KEY PERFORMANCE DATA (CONTINUED)

			1 year 1.4.2024 to 31.3.2025	3 years 1.4.2022 to 31.3.2025	5 years 1.4.2020 to 31.3.2025
			(%)	(%)	(%)
Average total return - Retail class - Corporate class			3.57 3.56	3.31 3.31	2.79 2.79
Year ended	1.4.2024 to 31.3.2025	1.4.2023 to 31.3.2024	1.4.2022 to 31.3.2023	1.4.2021 to 31.3.2022	1.4.2020 to 31.3.2021
	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Annual total return - Retail class - Corporate class	3.57 3.56	3.64 3.64	2.73 2.73	1.79 1.79	2.26 2.26

Source: The above total return of the Fund was sourced from Lipper for Investment Management.

#### Bases of calculation and assumptions made in calculating returns:

Percentage growth	=	NAVt NAVo <sup>-1</sup>
NAVt	=	NAV at the end of the period
NAV <sub>0</sub>	=	NAV at the beginning of the period
Performance annualised	=	(1 + Percentage Growth) <sup>1/n</sup> - 1
		Adjusted for unit split and distribution paid out for the period
n	=	Number of years

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance and unit prices and investment returns may go down, as well as up.

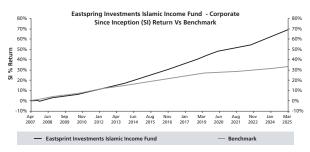
### MANAGER'S REPORT

**Fund Performance** 

#### **Corporate Class**

Over the 5-year period, the Fund recorded a positive return of 14.76%, outperforming its benchmark return of 4.05% by 10.71%.

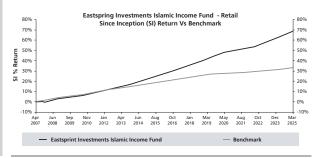
For the period under review, the Fund registered a positive return of 3.56%, outperforming its benchmark return of 1.30% by 2.26%.



#### **Retail Class**

Over the 5-year period, the Fund recorded a positive return of 14.77%, outperforming its benchmark return of 4.05% by 10.72%.

For the period under review, the Fund registered a positive return of 3.57%, outperforming its benchmark return of 1.30% by 2.27%.



Fund Performance (continued)	The outperformance of the Fund was contributed by investir in short-term Islamic deposits and Islamic money market placements of diversified maturities while maintaining its liqu requirements.						
	The performance is calculated on NAV-to-NAV basis with gross income or dividend reinvested.						
	Benchmark: Maybank Islamic overnight deposit rate						
	<b>Source:</b> Lipper for Investment Management and www.maybank2u.com.my, as at 31 March 2025.						
	indicative						
Analysis of Fund	For the financial yea	r ended 31	March 202	5:			
Performance		Income Return	Capital Return*	Total Return	Total Return of Benchmark		
		(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)		
	Retail class Corporate class	1.55 1.56		3.57 3.56	1.30 1.30		
	* Capital return components (NAV per unit to NAV per unit).						

**Retail class** 

#### Distribution/ Unit Split

Ex-Date	Dist	ribution per unit	v	Net Asset alue per unit
	Gross (RM)	Net (RM)	Before Distribution (RM)	After Distribution (RM)
15-Apr-24	0.0011	0.0011	0.5500	0.5489
15-May-24	0.0012	0.0012	0.5505	0.5493
18-Jun-24	0.0012	0.0012	0.5511	0.5499
15-Jul-24	0.0010	0.0010	0.5513	0.5503
15-Aug-24	0.0009	0.0009	0.5519	0.5510
17-Sep-24	0.0006	0.0006	0.5527	0.5521
15-Oct-24	0.0005	0.0005	0.5536	0.5531
15-Nov-24	0.0004	0.0004	0.5547	0.5543
16-Dec-24	0.0004	0.0004	0.5560	0.5556
15-Jan-25	0.0004	0.0004	0.5573	0.5569
17-Feb-25	0.0004	0.0004	0.5586	0.5582
17-Mar-25	0.0004	0.0004	0.5598	0.5594

Distribution/ Unit Split	Corporate class					
(continued)	Ex-Date	Dist	ribution per unit	V	Net Asset alue per unit	
		Gross (RM)	Net (RM)	Before Distribution (RM)	After Distribution (RM)	
	15-Apr-24	0.0011	0.0008	0.5444	0.5436	
	15-May-24	0.0012	0.0009	0.5449	0.5440	
	18-Jun-24	0.0011	0.0008	0.5454	0.5446	
	15-Jul-24	0.0011	0.0008	0.5457	0.5449	
	15-Aug-24	0.0009	0.0007	0.5463	0.5456	
	17-Sep-24	0.0006	0.0004	0.5471	0.5467	
	15-Oct-24	0.0005	0.0004	0.5481	0.5477	
	15-Nov-24	0.0004	0.0003	0.5492	0.5489	
	16-Dec-24	0.0004	0.0003	0.5505	0.5502	
	15-Jan-25	0.0004	0.0003	0.5517	0.5514	
	17-Feb-25	0.0004	0.0003	0.5531	0.5528	
	17-Mar-25	0.0004	0.0003	0.5542	0.5539	
	No unit split w 31 March 202		d for the f	ïnancial year en	ded	
Investment Strategy During the Period Under Review	short-term Isla	mic deposit	ts and Islar	nd invested in a nic money mark t-term liquidity	ket instruments	

Asset Allocation	Asset Allocation	31-Mar 2025	31-Mar 2024	Changes			
		(%)	(%)	(%)			
	Cash and other assets	100.00	100.00	0.00			
	Asset Allocation	n as at 31 Ma	arch 2025				
				d other assets 0.00%			
	There were no significant changes in asset allocation of the Fund for the period under review.						
State of Affairs of the Fund	There have been neither signi of the Fund nor any circumsta interests of the unit holders d	inces that ma	terially affe	ct any			

Eastspring Investments Islamic Income Fund

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### MARKET REVIEW

For the 1-year period under review, Bank Negara Malaysia ("BNM") maintained the Overnight Policy Rate ("OPR") at 3%. At the recent Monetary Policy Committee ("MPC") meeting in March 2025, BNM recognized that the global economy has continued to grow, supported by resilient domestic demand and strong global trade. While global growth is expected to be broadly sustained by positive labour market conditions, moderating inflation and less restrictive monetary policy, the global outlook remained subject to uncertainties surrounding tariff and global policies and geopolitical developments which could lead to greater volatility in the global financial markets.

For Malaysia, the economy had expanded by 5.1% in 2024. Moving forward, domestic growth is projected to be anchored by resilient domestic demand, better employment and income prospects, and robust expansion in investment activity by continued progress of multi-year infrastructure projects. Despite global policy uncertainties, exports are projected to expand at a moderate pace, supported by global tech upcycle, continued growth in non-electrical and electronic goods, and higher tourist spending. While these developments will continue to underpin the domestic growth momentum into 2025, the growth outlook is subject to downside risks from an economic slowdown in major trading partners amid heightened risk of trade and global investment restrictions and lower-than-expected external demand and commodity production.

Headline and core inflation averaged 1.8% in 2024. Headline inflation is projected to remain moderate, subject to implementation of domestic policy measures, as well as global commodity prices, financial market developments and trade policies. Looking ahead, Malaysia's positive economic prospects and domestic structural reforms, complemented by ongoing initiatives to encourage flows and the narrowing interest rate differentials between Malaysia and the advanced economies, will continue to provide enduring support to the ringgit.

The MPC viewed that at the current level of the OPR, the stance of monetary policy remained accommodative. The MPC remains vigilant to assess the monetary policy settings that balance the risks surrounding the overall outlook for domestic growth and inflation.

Reflecting the unchanged OPR, the interbank short-term rates were relatively stable. Liquidity surpluses kept the short-term rates within a tight trading range, with the overnight and 1-week rates traded at 3% - 3.14% respectively, while the 1-month rates were dealt in the range of 3.26% - 3.30%.

On the short-term Bills market, yields on the short-term Bills shifted lower across all tenures. Both 1-month and 12-month Bills shed by 5bps and 9bps from the beginning period to close the month at 3.11% and 3.19% respectively.

# REBATES AND SOFT COMMISSIONS

During the period under review, the Manager and its delegates (if any) did not receive any soft commissions from stockbrokers.

### SECURITIES LENDING OR REPURCHASE TRANSACTIONS

No securities lending or repurchase transaction have been carried out during the financial period under review.

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# EASTSPRING INVESTMENTS ISLAMIC INCOME FUND

### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

# STATEMENT BY THE MANAGER

We, Yap Siok Hoon and John Campbell Tupling, being two of the Directors of Eastspring Investments Berhad, do hereby state that, in the opinion of the Manager, the accompanying financial statements set out on pages 21 to 50 are drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Deeds and give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 31 March 2025 and of its financial performance, changes in net assets attributable to unit holders and cash flows for the financial year ended on that date in accordance with the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards and International Financial Reporting Standards.

For and on behalf of the Manager, **EASTSPRING INVESTMENTS BERHAD** 

YAP SIOK HOON Executive Director/Chief Executive Officer

#### JOHN CAMPBELL TUPLING

Independent, Non-Executive Director

### TRUSTEE'S REPORT TO THE UNIT HOLDERS OF EASTSPRING INVESTMENTS ISLAMIC INCOME FUND ("Fund")

We have acted as Trustee of the Fund for the financial year ended 31 March 2025 and we hereby confirm to the best of our knowledge, after having made all reasonable enquiries, Eastspring Investments Berhad has operated and managed the Fund during the year covered by these financial statements in accordance with the following:-

- 1. Limitations imposed on the investment powers of the management company under the deed, securities laws and the Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds;
- 2. Valuation and pricing is carried out in accordance with the deed; and
- 3. Any creation and cancellation of units are carried out in accordance with the deed and any regulatory requirement.

We are of the opinion that the distribution of income by the Fund is appropriate and reflects the investment objective of the Fund.

For Deutsche Trustees Malaysia Berhad

Ng Hon Leong Head, Fund Operations **Sylvia Beh** Chief Executive Officer

### SHARIAH ADVISER'S REPORT TO THE UNIT HOLDERS OF EASTSPRING INVESTMENTS ISLAMIC INCOME FUND ("FUND")

We hereby confirm the following:

- To the best of our knowledge, after having made all reasonable enquiries, Eastspring Investments Berhad has operated and managed the Fund for the period covered by these financial statements namely, the year ended 31 March 2025, in accordance with Shariah principles and requirements, and complied with the applicable guidelines, rulings or decisions issued by the Securities Commission Malaysia pertaining to Shariah matters; and
- 2. The assets of the Fund comprise instruments that have been classified as Shariah-compliant.

For and on behalf of the Shariah Adviser, **BIMB SECURITIES SDN BHD** 

#### MUHAMMAD SHAHIER SA'MIN

Designated Shariah Person

### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE UNIT HOLDERS OF EASTSPRING INVESTMENTS ISLAMIC INCOME FUND

#### REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### Our opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements of Eastspring Investments Islamic Income Fund ("the Fund") give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 31 March 2025, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the financial year then ended in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards and International Financial Reporting Standards.

#### What we have audited

We have audited the financial statements of the Fund, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 March 2025, and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in net assets attributable to unit holders and statement of cash flows for the financial year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information, as set out on pages 21 to 50.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with approved standards on auditing in Malaysia and International Standards on Auditing. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the "Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements" section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Independence and other ethical responsibilities

We are independent of the Fund in accordance with the By-Laws (on Professional Ethics, Conduct and Practice) of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants ("By-Laws") and the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) ("IESBA Code"), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the By-Laws and the IESBA Code.

#### Information other than the financial statements and auditors' report thereon

The Manager of the Fund is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Manager's Report, but does not include the financial statements of the Fund and our auditors' report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements of the Fund 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 of the Fund, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements of the Fund 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.

#### Responsibilities of the Manager for the financial statements

The Manager of the Fund is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements of the Fund that give a true and fair view in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards and International Financial Reporting Standards. The Manager is also responsible for such internal control as the Manager determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements of the Fund that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements of the Fund, the Manager 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 the Manager either intends to liquidate the Fund or to terminate the Fund, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements of the Fund as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' 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 approved standards on auditing in Malaysia and International Standards on Auditing 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 approved standards on auditing in Malaysia and International Standards on Auditing, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- a. Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements of the Fund, 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.
- b. 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.
- c. Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Manager.
- d. Conclude on the appropriateness of the Manager'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 auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements of the Fund 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 auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Fund to cease to continue as a going concern.

e. Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements of the Fund, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements of the Fund represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Manager 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 identify during our audit.

#### OTHER MATTERS

This report is made solely to the unit holders of the Fund, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility to any other person for the content of this report.

PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS PLT LLP0014401-LCA & AF 1146 Chartered Accountants

### STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Note	2025	2024
		RM	RM
INVESTMENT INCOME Profit income from Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions			
at fair value through profit or loss		61,276,167	88,255,064
EXPENSES	2	(4.0.46.450)	(5, 670, 040)
Management fee Trustee fee	3 4	(4,046,158) (647,385)	
Audit fee	4	(047,385) (7,800)	(908,771) (7,800)
Tax agent fee		(3,700)	(4,000)
Other expenses		(25,133)	(22,381)
		(4,730,176)	(6,622,770)
PROFIT BEFORE FINANCE COST AND TAXATION		56,545,991	81,632,294
FINANCE COST	5	(26,703,035)	(38,830,781)
PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION		29,842,956	42,801,513
TAXATION	6		
INCREASE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDERS		29,842,956	42,801,513
Increase in net assets attributable to unit holders is made up of the following: Realised amount		29,842,956	42,801,513

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Note	2025	2024
		RM	RM
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents Financial assets at fair value through		128,247,787	53,081,715
profit or loss	7	1,254,931,502	1,844,542,795
Amount due from Manager		5,262,000	-
TOTAL ASSETS		1,388,441,289	1,897,624,510
LIABILITIES			
Accrued management fee		308,344	405,698
Amount due to Manager Amount due to Trustee		1,296,586 49,335	835,014 64,912
Other payables and accruals		12,050	13,363
		12,000	13,303
TOTAL LIABILITIES (EXCLUDING NET ASSETS			
ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDERS)		1,666,315	1,318,987
NET ASSET VALUE OF THE FUND		1,386,774,974	1,896,305,523
NET ASSET ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDERS		1,386,774,974	1,896,305,523
REPRESENTED BY: FAIR VALUE OF OUTSTANDING UNITS			
Retail class		217,568,277	124,327,413
Corporate class		1,169,206,697	1,771,978,110
NUMBER OF UNITS IN CIRCULATION (UNITS)			
Retail class	9	388,444,069	226,361,352
Corporate class	9	2,108,147,265	3,257,733,316
NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT (EX-DISTRIBUTION) (RM) Retail class		0.5601	0 5 402
Corporate class		0.5546	0.5492 0.5439
		0.0040	0.5 (55

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDERS

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	2025	2024
	RM	RM
Net assets attributable to unit holders at the beginning of the financial year	1,896,305,523	1,918,543,375
Movement in unit holders' contribution: Creation of units from applications Retail class Corporate class	358,741,834 2,135,287,390	568,943,644 3,307,009,917
Creation of units from distributions Retail class Corporate class	1,042,725 17,465,206	578,596 24,531,015
Cancellation of units Retail class Corporate class	(269,556,020) (2,782,354,640) 1,356,932,018	(3,459,676,043)
Increase in net assets attributable to unit holders during the financial year	29,842,956	42,801,513
NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDERS AS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	1,386,774,974	1,896,305,523

### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	2025	2024
	RM	RM
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b> Proceeds from maturity of Islamic deposits		
with licensed financial institutions Placement of Islamic deposits with licensed	20,275,800,000	24,658,940,000
financial institutions Profit income received from Islamic deposits	(19,700,620,000)	(24,644,280,000)
with licensed financial institutions	75,707,460	71,976,942
Management fee paid	(4,143,512)	(5,659,707)
Trustee fee paid	(662,962)	(905,553)
Payment for other fees and expenses	(37,946)	(42,726)
Net cash generated from operating activities	646,043,040	80,028,956
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Cash proceeds from units created	2,494,029,224	3,875,953,561
Payments for cancellation of units	(3,056,711,088)	(3,965,315,285)
Distributions paid	(8,195,104)	(13,799,665)
Net cash used in financing activities	(570,876,968)	(103,161,389)
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	75,166,072	(23,132,433)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	53,081,715	76,214,148
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	128,247,787	53,081,715

Cash and cash equivalents as at 31 March 2025 and 31 March 2024 comprise of bank balances.

### MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The following accounting policies have been used in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the financial statements.

#### A. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ("MFRS") and International Financial Reporting Standards. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of financial assets and financial liabilities (including Islamic derivative financial instruments) at fair value through profit or loss.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the MFRS and International Financial Reporting Standards requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reported financial year. It also requires the Manager to exercise their judgement in the process of applying the Fund's accounting policies. Although these estimates and judgement are based on the Manager's best knowledge of current events and actions, actual results may differ.

The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in Note J.

a. Standards, amendments to published standards and interpretations that are applicable and effective:

There are no standards, amendments to standards or interpretations that are applicable and effective for annual periods beginning on 1 January 2024 that have a material effect on the financial statements of the Fund.

- b. Standards and amendments that have been issued that are applicable to the Fund but not yet effective:
- Amendments to MFRS 9 and MFRS 7 'Amendments to the Classification and Measurement of Financial Instruments' (effective 1 January 2026)
  - The amendments clarify that financial assets are derecognised when the rights to the cash flows expire or when the asset is transferred, and financial liabilities are derecognised at the settlement date (i.e. when the liability is extinguished or qualifies for derecognition).

- There is an optional exception to derecognise a financial liability at a date earlier than the settlement date if the cash transfer takes place through an electronic payment system, provided that all the specified criteria are met;
- The amendments also clarify and add further guidance for assessing whether a financial asset meets the solely payments of principal and interest ("SPPI") criterion;
- There are additional new disclosures for certain instruments with contractual terms that can change cash flows (such as some financial instruments with features linked to the achievement of environment, social and governance targets); and
- The amendments update the disclosures for equity instruments designated at fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVOCI").
- MFRS 18 'Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements' (effective 1 January 2027) replaces MFRS 101 'Presentation of Financial Statements'
  - The new MFRS introduces a new structure of profit or loss statement. i. Income and expenses are classified into 3 new main categories:
    - Operating category which typically included results from the main business activities;
    - Investing category that presents the results of investments in associates and joint venture and other assets that generate a return largely independently of other resources; and
    - Financing category that presents income and expenses from financing liabilities.
    - ii. Entities are required to present two new specified subtotals: 'Operating profit or loss' and 'Profit or loss before financing and income taxes'.
  - Management-defined performance measures are disclosed in a single note and reconciled to the most similar specified subtotal in MFRS Accounting Standards.
  - Changes to the guidance on aggregate and disaggregation which focus on grouping items based on their shared characteristics.

The Fund is currently still assessing the effect of the above standards and amendments. No other new standards or amendments to standards are expected to have a material effect on the financial statements of the Fund.

#### **B. PROFIT INCOME RECOGNITION**

Profit income earned from short-term Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions is recognised on an accrual basis using the effective profit rate method.

Profit income is calculated by applying the effective profit rate to the gross carrying amount of a financial asset except for financial assets that are subsequently become credit-impaired. For credit-impaired financial assets, the effective profit rate is applied to the net carrying amount of the financial asset (after deduction of the loss allowance).

#### C. TAXATION

Current tax expense is determined according to the Malaysian tax laws at the current rate based upon the taxable income earned during the financial year.

#### D. FUNCTIONAL AND PRESENTATION CURRENCY

Items included in the financial statements of the Fund are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Fund operates (the "functional currency"). The financial statements are presented in Ringgit Malaysia ("RM"), which is the Fund's functional and presentation currency.

#### E. FINANCIAL ASSETS AND FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

#### i. Classification

The Fund classifies its financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- those to be measured subsequently at fair value through profit or loss, and
- those to be measured at amortised cost

The Fund classifies its investments based on both the Fund's business model for managing those financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets. The portfolio of financial assets is managed and performance is evaluated on a fair value basis. The Fund is primarily focused on fair value information and uses that information to assess the assets' performance and to make decisions. The contractual cash flows of the Fund's Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions are solely principal and interest<sup>1</sup>, however, these instruments are neither held for the purpose of collecting contractual cash flows nor held both for collecting contractual cash flows and for sale. The collection of contractual cash flows is only incidental to achieving the Fund's business model's objective. Consequently, all investments are measured at fair value through profit or loss.

The Fund classifies cash and cash equivalents and amount due from Manager as financial assets at amortised cost as these financial assets are held to collect contractual cash flows consisting of the amount outstanding.

The Fund classifies accrued management fee, amount due to Manager, amount due to Trustee and other payables and accruals as financial liabilities measured at amortised cost.

#### ii. Recognition and measurement

Regular purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on the trade date, the date on which the Fund commits to purchase or sell the asset. Shariah-compliant investments are initially recognised at fair value.

Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the Shariah-compliant investments have expired or have been transferred and the Fund has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership.

<sup>1</sup> For the purposes of this Fund, interest refers to profits earned from Shariah-compliant investments.

Financial liabilities are recognised in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the Fund becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument.

Financial liabilities are derecognised when it is extinguished, i.e. when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged or cancelled or expired.

Financial assets and other financial liabilities are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective profit rate method.

iii. Impairment for assets carried at amortised costs

The Fund measures credit risk and expected credit losses using probability of default, exposure at default and loss given default. Management considers both historical analysis and forward looking information in determining any expected credit loss. Management considers the probability of default to be close to zero as these instruments have a low risk of default and the counterparties have a strong capacity to meet their contractual obligations in the near term. As a result, no loss allowance has been recognised based on the 12-month expected credit losses as any such impairment would be wholly insignificant to the Fund.

iv. Significant increase in credit risk

A significant increase in credit risk is defined by management as any contractual payment which is more than 30 days past due.

v. Definition of default and credit-impaired financial assets

Any contractual payment which is more than 90 days past due is considered credit impaired.

vi. Write-off

The Fund writes off financial assets, in whole or in part, when it has exhausted all practical recovery efforts and has concluded that there is no reasonable expectation of recovery. The assessment of no reasonable expectation of recovery is based on unavailability of obligor's sources of income or assets to generate sufficient future cash flows to pay the amount. The Fund may write-off financial assets that are still subject to enforcement activity. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off will result in impairment gains. There are no write-offs/recoveries during the financial year.

#### F. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise bank balances and short-term Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions with original maturities of three months or less that is readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which is subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

#### G. CREATION AND CANCELLATION OF UNITS

The unit holders' contributions to the Fund meet the definition of puttable instruments classified as financial liability under MFRS 132 "Financial Instruments: Presentation".

The Fund issues cancellable units in two classes of units, known respectively as Retail Class and Corporate class, which are cancelled at the unit holder's option and do not have identical features subject to restrictions as stipulated in Prospectus and the Securities Commission's ("SC") Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds. The units are classified as financial liabilities. Cancellable units can be put back to the Fund at any time for cash equal to a proportionate share of the Fund's net asset value of respective classes. The outstanding units is carried at the redemption amount that is payable at the statement of financial position date if the unit holders exercise the right to put the unit back to the Fund.

Units are created and cancelled at the unit holder's option at prices based on the Fund's net asset value per unit of respective classes at the close of business on the relevant working day. The Fund's net asset value per unit of respective classes is calculated by dividing the net asset attributable to unit holders of each class of units with the total number of outstanding units of respective classes.

#### H. INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDERS

Income not distributed is included in net assets attributable to unit holders.

#### I. DISTRIBUTIONS

A distribution to the Fund's unit holders is accounted for as a finance cost in the statement of comprehensive income, when they are appropriately authorised and no longer at the discretion of the Fund. A proposed distribution is recognised as a liability in the financial year in which it is approved by the Trustee of the Fund.

#### J. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS IN APPLYING ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Fund makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, rarely equal the related actual results. To enhance the information contents on the estimates, certain key variables that are anticipated to have material impacts to the Fund's results and financial position are tested for sensitivity to changes in the underlying parameters.

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated by the Manager and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

In undertaking any of the Fund's Shariah-compliant investment, the Manager will ensure that all assets of the Fund under management will be valued appropriately, that is at fair value and in compliance with the SC's Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

#### 1. INFORMATION ON THE FUND

Eastspring Investments Islamic Income Fund (the "Fund") was constituted pursuant to the execution of Deed dated 10 January 2007 as modified by Master Supplemental Deed dated 12 July 2007 and the Second Supplemental Master Deed dated 30 November 2009 between HSBC (Malaysia) Trustee Bhd ("HSBC Trustee") and Eastspring Investments Berhad (the "Manager"). The Fund replaced HSBC Trustee with Deutsche Trustees Malaysia Berhad (the "Trustee") effective 1 October 2010. A Supplemental Master Deed was entered into between the Manager and the Trustee on 30 July 2010 to effect the change of trustee from HSBC Trustee to the Trustee followed by Second Supplemental Master Deed dated 28 January 2011, Third Supplemental Master Deed dated 9 March 2011, Fourth Supplemental Master Deed dated 20 January 2012, Fifth Supplemental Master Deed dated 26 March 2014, Sixth Supplemental Master Deed dated 2 January 2015, Seventh Supplemental Master Deed dated 11 July 2016, Eighth Supplemental Master Deed dated 25 January 2017, Ninth Supplemental Master Deed dated 11 December 2017, Tenth Supplemental Master Deed dated 4 June 2018. Eleventh Supplemental Master Deed dated 30 September 2021, Twelfth Supplemental Master Deed dated 29 June 2022 and Thirteen Supplemental Master Deed dated 29 November 2022 (collectively referred to as the "Deeds").

The Fund was launched on 8 February 2007 and will continue its operations until terminated as provided under Part 12 of the Deed.

The Fund invests in a portfolio of Islamic money market instruments and/or Islamic deposits approved by the Securities Commission ("SC") from time to time.

All Shariah-compliant investments will be subjected to the SC's Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds, the Deeds and the objective of the Fund.

The Fund seeks to provide liquidity and a steady income stream by investing in Islamic money market instruments and/or Islamic deposits.

The Manager is a company incorporated in Malaysia, is related to Prudential Plc., a public listed company in the United Kingdom. The principal activity of the Manager is the establishment and management of unit trust funds and asset management.

#### 2. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Fund is exposed to a variety of risks, which include market risk (inclusive of exposure to interest rate risk), liquidity risk, credit/default risk, fund management risk, non-compliance risk, capital risk and Shariah status reclassification risk.

Financial risk management is carried out through internal control processes adopted by the Manager and adherence to the investment restrictions as stipulated in the Deeds.

	Note	Financial assets at amortised cost	Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	Total
		RM	RM	RM
2025 Cash and cash equivalents Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions Amount due from Manager	7	128,247,787 - 5,262,000 133,509,787	- 1,254,931,502 _ 1,254,931,502	128,247,787 1,254,931,502 5,262,000 1,388,441,289
2024 Cash and cash equivalents Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions	7	53,081,715 	- 1,844,542,795 1,844,542,795	53,081,715 1,844,542,795 1,897,624,510

Financial instruments of the Fund are as follows:

All liabilities are financial liabilities which are carried at amortised cost.

## Market risk

i. Exposure to interest rate risk

Cash flow interest rate risk is the risk that the future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates.

Fair value interest rate risk is the risk that the value of financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates.

The Fund's exposure to interest rate risk is mainly confined to Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions. The Manager overcome this exposure by placing Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions with fixed profit rates and maturity.

# Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Fund will encounter difficulty in meeting its financial obligations. Generally, all investments are subject to a certain degree of liquidity risk depending on the nature of the investment instruments, market, sector and other factors. For the purpose of the Fund, the Manager will attempt to balance the entire portfolio by investing in a mix of assets with satisfactory trading volume and those that occasionally could encounter poor liquidity. This is expected to reduce the risks for the entire portfolio without limiting the Fund's growth potentials.

The Fund maintains sufficient level of Islamic liquid assets, after consultation with the Trustee, to meet anticipated payments and cancellations of units by unit holders. Islamic liquid assets comprise bank balances, Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions and other Shariah-compliant instruments which are capable of being converted into cash within 7 days. The table below summarises the Fund's financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period as at the statement of financial position date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

	Less than 1 month	Between 1 month to 1 year	Total
	RM	RM	RM
2025 Accrued management fee Amount due to Manager Amount due to Trustee Other payables and accruals Net assets attributable to unit holders* Contractual undiscounted cash outflows	308,344 1,296,586 49,335 - 1,386,774,974 1,388,429,239	- - 12,050 - 12,050	308,344 1,296,586 49,335 12,050 1,386,774,974 1,388,441,289
2024 Accrued management fee Amount due to Manager Amount due to Trustee Other payables and accruals Net assets attributable to unit holders* Contractual undiscounted cash outflows	405,698 835,014 64,912 - 1,896,305,523 1,897,611,147	- - 13,363 - 13,363	405,698 835,014 64,912 13,363 1,896,305,523 1,897,624,510

\* Outstanding units are redeemed on demand at the unit holder's option. However, the Manager does not envisage that the contractual maturity disclosed in the above will be representative of actual cash outflows, as unit holder's of these instruments typically retain them for medium to long term.

# Credit/Default risk

Credit risk refers to the ability of an issuer or a counter party to make timely payments of profit income, principals and proceeds from realisation of Shariah-compliant investments. The Manager manages the credit risk by undertaking credit evaluation to minimise such risk.

Credit risk arising from cash and bank balances is managed by ensuring that they are held by parties with credit rating of AA1 or higher.

The credit risk arising from placements of Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions is managed by ensuring that the Fund will only place Islamic deposits in reputable licensed financial institutions. The settlement terms of the proceeds from the creation of units receivable from the Manager are governed by the SC's Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds.

	Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	Cash and cash equivalents	Amount due from Manager	Total
	RM	RM	RM	RM
<u>2025</u> Financial Services				
- AAA	789,816,716	128,247,787	-	918,064,503
- AA2	301,558,115	-	-	301,558,115
- AA3	163,556,671	-	-	163,556,671
Other - NR	-	-	5,262,000	5,262,000
	1,254,931,502	128,247,787	5,262,000	1,388,441,289
2024 Financial Services				
- AAA	1,181,275,423	-	-	1,181,275,423
- AA1	-	53,081,715	-	53,081,715
- AA2	224,681,197	-	-	224,681,197
- AA3	344,386,663	-	-	344,386,663
- NR	94,199,512	-	-	94,199,512
	1,844,542,795	53,081,715	-	1,897,624,510

The following table sets out the credit risk concentrations and counterparties of the Fund:

None of these financial assets are past due or impaired.

## Fund management risk

There is the risk that the management company may not adhere to the investment mandate of the respective Funds. With close monitoring by the investment committee, back office system being incorporated with limits and controls, and regular reporting to the senior management team, the management company is able to manage such risk. The Trustee has an oversight function over management of the Fund by the management company to safeguard the interests of unit holders.

#### Non-compliance risk

Non-compliance risk arises when the Manager and others associated with the Fund are not compliant to the rules set out in the Fund's constitution or the laws that govern the Fund or applicable internal control procedures, or acts of fraudulence or dishonesty.

Non-compliance may expose the Fund to higher risks which may result in a fall in the value of the Fund which in turn may affect its investment goals. However, the risk can be mitigated by the internal controls and compliance monitoring undertaken by the Manager.

## **Capital risk**

The capital of the Fund is represented by net asset attributable to unit holders. The amount of net asset attributable to unit holders can change significantly on a daily basis as the Fund is subject to daily subscriptions and redemptions at the discretion of unit holders. The Fund's objective when managing capital is to safeguard the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern in order to provide returns for unit holders and benefits for other stakeholders and to maintain a strong capital base to support the development of the Shariah-compliant investment activities of the Fund.

## Shariah status reclassification risk

This risk refers to the risk of a possibility that the currently held Islamic money market instruments or Islamic deposits invested by the Fund may be declared as Shariah non-compliant by the relevant authority or the Shariah Adviser. If this occurs, the Manager will take the necessary steps to dispose of or withdraw such money market instruments or deposits.

## Fair value estimation

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participant at the measurement date (i.e. an exit price).

The fair value of financial assets traded in active market (such as trading Shariahcompliant securities) are based on quoted market prices at the close of trading on the financial year end date. The Fund utilises the last traded market price for financial assets where the last traded price falls within the bid-ask spread. In circumstances where the last traded price is not within the bid-ask spread, the Manager will determine the point within the bid-ask spread that is representative of the fair value.

An active market is a market in which transactions for the asset take place with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

The fair value of financial assets that are not traded in an active market is determined by using valuation techniques.

i. Fair value hierarchy

The following table analyses financial instruments carried at fair value by valuation method.

The different levels have been defined as follows:

- Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active market for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices).
- Level 3: Inputs for the asset and liability that are not based on observable market data (that is, unobservable inputs).

The level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement is categorised in its entirety is determined on the basis of the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. For this purpose, the significance of an input is assessed against the fair value measurement in its entirety. If a fair value measurement uses observable inputs that require significant adjustment based on unobservable inputs, that measurement is a level 3 measurement.

Assessing the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgement, considering factors specific to the asset or liability.

The determination of what constitutes "observable" requires significant judgement by the Fund. The Fund considers observable data to be market data that is readily available, regularly distributed or updated, reliable and verifiable, not proprietary, and provided by independent sources that are actively involved in the relevant market. The following table analyses within the fair value hierarchy of the Fund's financial assets (by class) measured at fair value:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	RM	RM	RM	RM
2025 Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss: Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions		1,254,931,502	_	1,254,931,502
2024 Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss: Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions		1,844,542,795		1,844,542,795

Financial instruments that trade in markets that are considered to be active but are valued based on quoted market prices, dealer quotations or alternative pricing sources supported by observable inputs are classified within Level 2 which includes Islamic deposits in licensed financial institutions. As Level 2 instruments include positions that are not traded in active markets and/or are subject to transfer restrictions, valuations may be adjusted to reflect illiquidity and/or nontransferability which are generally based on available market information. The Fund's policies on valuation of these financial assets are stated in Note E to the financial statements.

ii. The carrying value of cash and cash equivalents, amount due from Manager and all liabilities are a reasonable approximation of their fair values due to their short-term nature.

#### 3. MANAGEMENT FEE

In accordance with the Deed, the Manager is entitled to a management fee at a rate not exceeding 2.50% per annum of the net asset value of the Fund calculated on daily basis.

For the financial year ended 31 March 2025, the management fee is recognised at a rate of 0.25% (2024: 0.25%) per annum on the net asset value of the Fund, calculated at a daily basis.

There will be no further liability to the Manager in respect of the management fee other than the amounts recognised above.

## 4. TRUSTEE FEE

In accordance with the Deed, the Trustee is entitled to an annual fee at a rate not exceeding 0.05% per annum of the net asset value of the Fund, subject to a minimum fee of RM18,000 per annum (excluding foreign custodian fees and charges).

For the financial year ended 31 March 2025, the Trustee fee is recognised at a rate of 0.04% (2024: 0.04%) subject to a minimum fee of RM18,000 per annum on the net asset value of the Fund, calculated on daily basis.

There will be no further liability to the Trustee in respect of the Trustee fee other than the amounts recognised above.

# 5. DISTRIBUTIONS

	2025	2024
	RM	RM
Distributions to unit holders are from the following sources:		
Profit income earned from Islamic deposits	29,534,510	43,290,848
Gross realised income Less: Expenses	29,534,510 (2,831,475) 26,703,035	43,290,848 (4,460,067) 38,830,781

During the financial year, distributions were made as follows:

	Gross/Ne	et distribution
	2025	2024
Ex-Date	Sen/Unit	Sen/Unit
Corporate Class		
15 April/17 April	0.11	0.01
15 May	0.12	0.01
18 June/15 June	0.11	0.01
15 July/17 July	0.11	0.09
15 August	0.09	0.10
17 September/15 September	0.06	0.11
15 October/16 October	0.05	0.11
15 November	0.04	0.11
16 December/15 December	0.04	0.11
15 January	0.04	0.11
17 February/15 February	0.04	0.12
17 March/15 March	0.04	0.11
	0.85	1.00

	Gross/N	et distribution
	2025	2024
Ex-Date	Sen/Unit	Sen/Unit
Retail Class		
15 April/17 April	0.11	0.01
15 May	0.12	0.01
18 June/15 June	0.12	0.01
15 July/17 July	0.10	0.08
15 August	0.09	0.02
17 September/15 September	0.06	0.11
15 October	0.05	-
15 November	0.04	-
16 December	0.04	-
15 January	0.04	-
17 February/15 February	0.04	0.13
17 March/15 March	0.04	0.11
	0.85	0.48

Gross distribution is derived using total income less total expenses. The distribution is made from current financial year's realised income.

Gross distribution per unit is derived from gross realised income less expenses divided by the number of units in circulation, while net distribution for unit is derived from gross realised income less expenses and taxation divided by the number of units in circulation.

Distribution equalisation represents the average amount of distributable income included in the creation and cancellation prices of units. It is computed as at each date of creation and cancellation of units. For the purpose of determining amount available for distribution, distribution equalisation is included in the computation of realised gains or income available for distribution.

# 6. TAXATION

	2025	2024
	RM	RM
Tax charged for the financial year: Current taxation		

The numerical reconciliation between profit before taxation multiplied by the Malaysian statutory tax rate and tax expense of the Fund is as follows:

	2025	2024
	RM	RM
Profit before taxation	29,842,956	42,801,513
Tax at Malaysian statutory rate of 24% (2024: 24%)	7,162,309	10,272,363
Tax effects of: Shariah-compliant investment income not subject to tax Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Restriction on tax deductible expenses for Unit Trust Funds	(14,706,280) 6,571,021 972,950	(21,181,215) 9,543,824 1,365,028
Taxation		-

## 7. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

	2025	2024
	RM	RM
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss: Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions*	1,254,931,502	1,844,542,795

\* Includes profit receivable of RM11,891,502 (2024: RM26,322,795).

The effective weighted average rate of return of short-term Islamic deposits placement with licensed financial institutions per annum as at the date of the statement of financial position are as follows:

	2025	2024
	%	%
Islamic deposits with licensed financial institutions	4.03	3.92

The Islamic deposits have a weighted average maturity of 77 days (2024: 84 days).

## 8. SHARIAH INFORMATION OF THE FUND

#### 2025 and 2024

The Shariah Adviser confirmed that the investments portfolio of the Fund comprises instruments which have been classified as Shariah-compliant by the Shariah Advisory Council of Bank Negara Malaysia.

# 9. UNITS IN CIRCULATION

	Retail class	Corporate class	Total
	No. of units	No. of units	No. of units
2025 At the beginning of the financial year Creation of units from applications during the	226,361,352	3,257,733,316	3,484,094,668
financial year Creation of units from	645,200,873	3,894,154,154	4,539,355,027
distributions during the financial year Cancellation of units during	1,889,128	31,980,591	33,869,719
the financial year	(485,007,284)		(5,560,728,080)
At the end of the financial year	388,444,069	2,108,147,265	2,496,591,334
2024 At the beginning of the financial year Creation of units from	101,758,675	3,487,779,847	3,589,538,522
applications during the financial year Creation of units from distributions during the	1,051,368,999		7,176,884,671
financial year Cancellation of units during	1,063,095	45,338,838	46,401,933
the financial year	(927,829,417)		(7,328,730,458)
At the end of the financial year	226,361,352	3,257,733,316	3,484,094,668

## **10. TRANSACTIONS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS**

Details of transactions with financial institutions are as follows:

Name of financial institutions	Value of trades	Percentage of total trades
	RM	%
2025	5,791,370,000	29.40
Maybank Islamic Berhad	5,778,930,000	29.33
Hong Leong Islamic Bank Berhad	4,039,220,000	20.50
RHB Islamic Bank Berhad	1,552,620,000	7.88
CIMB Islamic Bank Berhad	968,410,000	4.92
AmBank Islamic Berhad*	752,640,000	3.82
Public Islamic Bank Berhad**	717,430,000	3.64
Bank Islam Malaysia Berhad	100,000,000	0.51
OCBC Al-Amin Bank Berhad	19,700,620,000	100.00
2024	11,351,220,000	46.06
Hong Leong Islamic Bank Berhad	3,630,110,000	14.73
Public Islamic Bank Berhad	3,187,200,000	12.93
Maybank Islamic Berhad	2,658,340,000	10.79
RHB Islamic Bank Berhad	1,917,800,000	7.78
CIMB Islamic Bank Berhad	1,088,860,000	4.42
AmBank Islamic Berhad	617,160,000	2.50
Bank Islam Malaysia Berhad	193,590,000	0.79
OCBC Al-Amin Bank Berhad	24,644,280,000	100.00

All financial institutions highlighted above are not related to the Manager.

There are only 8 financial institutions for the financial year ended 31 March 2025 (31 March 2024: 8 financial institutions).

\* As of 31 March 2025, the Fund has exceeded the investments limit range of 20% of Net Asset Value ("NAV") in investments of AmBank Islamic Berhad due to repurchase of units made out of the Fund. As per SC's Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds, any breach as a result of repurchase of units or payment made out of the Fund must be rectified within three months from the date of the breach. The Fund has rectified and remain within the range of 20% of NAV on 3 April 2025.

\*\* As of 31 March 2025, the Fund has exceeded the investments limit range of 20% of Net Asset Value ("NAV") in investments of Public Islamic Bank Berhad due to repurchase of units made out of the Fund. As per SC's Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds, any breach as a result of repurchase of units or payment made out of the Fund must be rectified within three months from the date of the breach. The Fund has three months from 12 March 2025, date of breach, to rectify the non-compliant position in accordance with SC's Guidelines.

# 11. TOTAL EXPENSE RATIO ("TER")

	2025	2024
	%	%
TER	0.29	0.29

TER is derived from the following calculation:

$$TER = \frac{(A + B + C + D + E)}{E} \times 100$$

- A = Management fee
- B = Trustee fee
- C = Audit fee
- D = Tax agent fee
- E = Other expenses
- F = Average net asset value of the Fund calculated on a daily basis

The average net asset value of the Fund for the financial year calculated on a daily basis is RM1,615,892,673 (2024: RM2,268,286,795).

# 12. PORTFOLIO TURNOVER RATIO ("PTR")

	2025	2024
PTR (times)	12.37	10.87

PTR is derived from the following calculation:

(TTotal acquisitions for the financial year + total disposals for the financial year)  $\div$  2

Average net asset value of the Fund for the financial year calculated on a daily basis

where:

total acquisitions for the financial year = RM19,700,620,000 (2024: RM24,644,280,000) total disposals for the financial year = RM20,275,800,000 (2024: RM24,658,940,000)

## 13. UNITS HELD BY THE MANAGER AND PARTIES RELATED TO THE MANAGER

The related parties and their relationship with the Fund are as follows:

Related parties	Relationship
Director of Eastspring Investments Berhad	Director of the Manager
Eastspring Investments Berhad	The Manager
Eastspring Investments Group Private	Immediate holding company of the
Limited	Manager
Prudential Plc	Ultimate holding company of the Manager

## Units held by Manager:

	2025			2024
	No. of units	RM	No. of units	RM
Eastspring Investments Berhad	1,431	794	1,415	770

The above units were transacted at the prevailing market price.

The units are held legally and beneficially by the Manager and are within the prescribed limit allowed by the SC's Guidelines on Unit Trust Funds. Other than the above, there were no units held by the Directors or parties related to the Manager.

In addition to the related parties disclosure mentioned in the financial statements, there were no other significant related parties transactions and balances.

#### 14. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements have been approved for issue by the Manager on 26 May 2025.

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