

Fund Overview

The Lotus Halal Investment Fund is designed for investors with moderate risk tolerance and a medium to long-term investment horizon. The Fund invests in a broadly diversified portfolio of equities, sukuk and asset backed investments.

The Fund's activities are supervised by an investment committee which meets regularly to take investment decisions, oversee performance, and ensure proper risk management and Shariah compliance.

Fund Facts

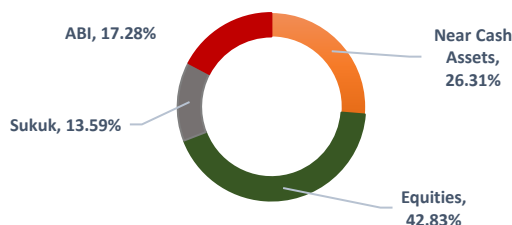
Launch Date	August 2008
Currency	Naira (NGN)
Fund Size	₦7.52bn
Net Asset Value (NAV) Per Unit	₦2.93
Custodian	Citi Bank Nigeria Limited
Trustees	FBQuest Trustees Limited
Minimum Investment	₦5,000
Recommended Holding Period	3-5 years
Income Accrual	Daily
Risk Profile	Moderate
Share of Profit	70% (Investor) :30% (Manager)
Last Distribution	September 2024: ₦0.10/unit

Asset Class	Allocation Range
Listed equities	10% - 80%
Unlisted equities	0% - 30%
Asset Backed Investment (ABI)	10% - 80%
Sukuk	0% - 80%
Near Cash Assets	0% - 40%

* Asset Backed Investment refers to non-interest finance contracts such as Ijarah (lease) Murabaha (cost-plus) and Mudaraba (joint venture) contracts.

* Cash and equivalents include Shari'ah-compliant short-term investments in Non-Interest Financial Institutions

Current Asset Allocation



Investor Profile

The Fund is specifically designed for ethically-inclined investors with moderate risk appetite. The Fund is suitable for **individual and institutional investors** seeking non-interest-based returns.

Benefits to the Investor

Competitive Returns	Aims to provide attractive returns comparable to conventional instruments with similar risk profile.
Moderate Risk	Minimizes risk through diversification.
Long term goals	Suitable for investing towards long term goals such as retirement and education.
Dividend	Dividend is paid periodically at the discretion of the Fund Manager.
Inclusive	The Fund is targeted at investors with faith-based or ethical preferences, but open to the general investing public. It is reviewed annually for Shariah compliance .

Market Review (Third Quarter 2025)

GLOBAL ECONOMY

In the third quarter of 2025, global central banks maintained supportive monetary policies to cushion slowing growth. The U.S. Federal Reserve cut its benchmark rate by 25 basis points to 4.25%, signaling a policy shift from fighting inflation to stimulating economic activity. Similarly, the Bank of England reduced its policy rate to 4.00% to support growth, though inflation remained elevated at 3.8%. The Euro Area experienced a sharp slowdown, with GDP expanding by only 0.1%, while inflation ticked up to 2.2%, prompting the European Central Bank (ECB) to hold rates steady at 2.15%.

In China, subdued demand and falling food prices led to a 0.4% decline in inflation, while quarterly GDP growth eased to 1.1%. In response, authorities implemented rate cuts and liquidity measures to stabilize economic momentum and restore confidence.

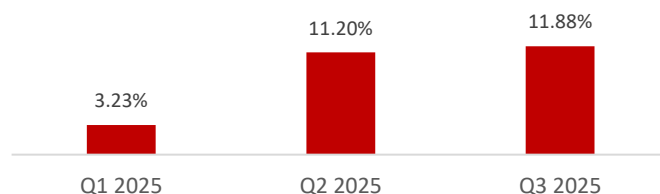
LOCAL ECONOMY

Nigeria's economic indicators were mostly positive in the third quarter as inflation eased further to 20.12% in August 2025 from 22.22% in June 2025. The Naira exhibited stability, trading at ₦1,475.00/\$ in the Nigerian Autonomous Foreign Exchange Market (NAFEM) and ₦1,485.00/\$ in the parallel market. This stability was bolstered by robust demand from local and foreign investors and increased currency sales by the Central Bank. Consequently, the Monetary Policy Committee reduced the Monetary Policy Rate (MPR) to 27.00% from 27.50%.

The equity market remained resilient in Q3 2025, buoyed by renewed investor confidence in ongoing policy reforms and optimism surrounding corporate earnings growth. The NGX All-Share Index advanced by 18.95% during the quarter, bringing its year-to-date return to 38.65%. Notably, the NGX Lotus Islamic Index outperformed the broader market, gaining 28.48% in Q3, which lifted its year-to-date return to 70.47%.

Fund Performance

In the third quarter of 2025, the Halal Investment Fund gained 11.88% in the quarter to close with a Net Asset Value of **₦2.93/unit**. This positive performance was driven by gains from equity investments and profit on asset backed transactions.



	Q3 2025	Q2'2025	Q1'2025	Inception to Date
Fund Return	11.88%	11.20%	3.06%	284.12%
Benchmark	17.85%	18.37%	6.22%	-

Fund Outlook

In the upcoming quarter, the Fund will maintain an active position in the equities market in anticipation of a year-end rally. It also plans to increase exposure to long-dated, higher-yielding, asset-backed instruments, which are expected to outperform as fixed income yields trend lower. We expect that this will enable the Fund to extend its positive outing.

Note: Investing in Shariah-compliant products involves risk as the value of investments may rise and fall depending on the performance of the underlying assets. Past performance does not guarantee future performance.