# **Unit Investment Trust Funds**

# METRO SHORT TERM FUND KEY INFORMATION AND INVESTMENT DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Month Ended August 31, 2021

#### **FUND FACTS**

 Classification:
 Money Market

 Launch Date:
 March 15, 2017

 Trust Fee (per annum):
 0.60% based on NAV

 Minimum Investment:
 Php10,000

 Additional Investment:
 Php1,000

 Minimum Holding Period:
 7 calendar days from date of participation

Net Asset Value per Unit (NAVPu):

Total Fund NAV (in Php Bns):

Dealing Day:

Redemption Settlement:

Early Redemption Charge:

1.114540

12NN, any banking day

Same day as date of redemption

Fedemption Charge:

50% of income on redeemed amount

#### **COOLING-OFF PERIOD**

Pursuant to BSP Circular No. 857, the TRUSTOR (individual participants) shall have the right to cancel their initial subscriptions or contributions, without penalty, upon written notice to the Trustee within two (2) banking days immediately following the signing of agreement or contract evidencing their participation in the Fund. Further, the net amount of payment or delivery due the TRUSTOR shall be based on the transaction day's NAVpu when notice of redemption, termination or cancellation was received.

#### FEES COLLECTED FOR THE MONTH

Trustee Fees:	Custodianship Fees:	External Auditor Fees:	Other Fees:
0.053%	0.000%	0.000%	0.000%
Metrobank-Trust Banking Group	Standard Chartered Bank	SGV & Co.	Others

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As a percentage of average daily NAV for the month valued at (in Php Bns): **98.61** 

#### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND STRATEGY

The Fund is a Peso-denominated money market Unit Investment Trust Fund that aims to achieve for its participants, liquidity and income slightly higher than regular time deposit products by investing in a diversified portfolio of Peso-denominated money market instruments and fixed income securities with a maximum weighted average duration of one year. The Fund's composite benchmark is composed of 75% average rate of the most recent 91-day Philippine Treasury Bill auction, net of taxes and 25% Markit iBoxx ALBI Philippines Money Market.

#### **CLIENT SUITABILITY**

A client profiling process is performed prior to participating in the Fund to guide the prospective investor if the Fund is suited to his/her investment objectives and risk tolerance. Clients are encouraged to update the resulting profile every three (3) years or if there's any change in his/her personal/financial circumstances. Before deciding to invest, clients are advised to read the Declaration of Trust/Plan Rules of the Fund, which may be obtained from the Trustee, or seek an independent/professional opinion when necessary.

# The METRO SHORT TERM FUND is suitable only for investors who:

- Have a Moderate profile.
- Want liquidity but are willing to take on minimal volatility in exchange for slightly better returns than regular time deposit products.
- •Recommended investment horizon is at least six (6) months
- Participation in the Fund shall be open to Filipino individuals, resident and non-resident aliens and corporate accounts.

## **KEY RISKS AND RISK MANAGEMENT**

You should not invest in this Fund if you do not understand or are not comfortable with the accompanying risks.

Interest Rate Risk:	The possibility for an investor to experience losses due to changes in interest rates. The purchase and sale of a debt instrument may result in profit or loss because the value of a debt instrument changes inversely with prevailing interest rates.
Market/Price Risk:	The possibility for an investor to experience losses due to changes in the market prices of bonds. It refers to the portfolio's exposure to marked-to-market valuation due to market price fluctuations of the bonds.
Liquidity Risk:	The possibility for an investor to experience losses due to the inability to sell or convert assets into cash immediately or in instances where conversion to cash is possible but at a price that could result in a loss. This may be caused by low trading volume due to different reasons such as securities with small or few outstanding issues, absence of buyers and/or sellers (limited buy/sell activity) or underdeveloped capital market.
Credit Risk / Default Risk:	The possibility for an investor to experience losses due to a borrower's failure to pay principal and/or interest in a timely manner on instruments such as bonds, loans, or other forms of fixed income security which the borrower issued. This inability of the borrower or counterparty to make good on its financial obligations may have resulted from adverse changes in its financial condition thus, lowering credit quality of the security, and consequently lowering the price (market/price risk) which contributes to the difficulty in selling such security.
Reinvestment Risk:	The possibility of having lower returns or earnings when funds mature and are reinvested. Investors in the UITF who redeem and realize their gains run the risk of reinvesting their funds in an alternative investment outlet with lower yields. Similarly, the UIT fund manager is faced with the risk of not being able to find better yielding alternative investment outlets as some of the securities in the fund matures.
Other Risks:	Your participation in the UITFs may be further exposed to the risk of any actual or potential conflicts of interest in the handling of in-house or related party transactions by Metrobank. These transactions may include own-bank deposits; purchase of own-institution or affiliate obligations (stocks, mortgages); purchase of assets from or sales to own institution, directors, officers, subsidiaries, affiliates or other related interests/parties; or purchases or sales between fiduciary/managed accounts.

The Fund invests only in high-credit quality assets which are evaluated using a rigorous internal scoring model required under the Trustee's accreditation process and BSP regulations. Internal risk limits and position limits together with regulatory exposure limits are monitored, reviewed and strictly adhered to on a daily basis. The Fund may also use financial derivatives solely for hedging risk exposures.

THE UIT FUND IS NOT A DEPOSIT AND IS NOT INSURED BY THE PHILIPPINE DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION (PDIC).

RETURNS CANNOT BE GUARANTEED AND HISTORICAL NAVPU IS FOR ILLUSTRATION OF NAVPU MOVEMENTS/FLUCTUATIONS ONLY.

WHEN REDEEMING, THE PROCEEDS MAY BE WORTH LESS THAN THE ORIGINAL INVESTMENT AND ANY LOSSES WILL BE SOLELY FOR THE ACCOUNT OF THE CLIENT.

THE TRUSTEE IS NOT LIABLE FOR ANY LOSS UNLESS UPON WILLFUL DEFAULT, BAD FAITH OR GROSS NEGLIGENCE.





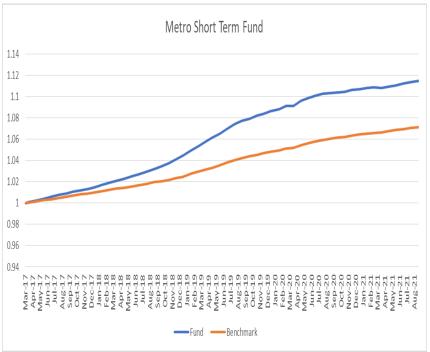
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# **FUND PERFORMANCE AND STATISTICS as of**

#### August 31, 2021

(Purely for reference purposes and is not a guarantee of future results)

#### **NAVPu GRAPH**



#### **NAVPu OVER THE PAST 12 MONTHS**

1	Highest	1.114540
	Lowest	1.102812
	STATISTICS	
	Weighted Average Duration	0.61
	(in years)	
	Volatility, Past 1 Year (in %)2	0.16%
	Sharpe Ratio <sup>3</sup>	-0.30
	Information Ratio <sup>4</sup>	0.30
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<sup>2</sup> Volatility measures the degree to which the Fund fluctuates vis-à-vis its average return over a period of time. The lower the number, the more stable the Fund's return is relative to its average return over time. Starting December 2017, computation is based on the annualized standard deviation of monthly returns.
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<sup>3</sup>Sharpe Ratio is used to characterize how well the return of a Fund compensates the investor for the level of risk taken. The higher the number, the better.

<sup>4</sup>Information Ratio measures reward-to-risk efficiency of the portfolio relative to the benchmark. The higher the number, the higher the reward per unit of risk.

#### **CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE**

	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since
							Inception <sup>5</sup>
Fund	0.092%	0.343%	0.541%	1.038%	7.997%	N/A	11.454%
Benchmark	0.051%	0.255%	0.501%	1.037%	5.054%	N/A	7.128%

<sup>5</sup>The Bloomberg Philippine Sovereign Bond Index Money Market, Adjusted was tentatively discontinued when the GS pricing basis shifted from PDST –R2 of PDEx to BVAL of Bloomberg effective October 29, 2018. This was however replaced by the BPI Philippine Government Money Market Index starting November 2018 until present.

The Philippine Special Savings Rate General Average (net of taxes) has been discontinued effective 31 Dec 2019; The Fund used the last available value of PSAVAVE (from January 2020 to September 22, 2020) and the average rate of the most recent 91-day Philippine Treasury Bill auction, net of taxes (from September 23, 2020 until October 20, 2020).

The Fund changed its benchmark to 75% average rate of the most recent 91-day Philippine Treasury Bill auction, net of taxes and 25% Markit iBoxx ALBI Philippines Money Market on October 21, 2020.

## **PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION**

Allocation	% of Fund
Government Securities	45.13%
Time Deposits	33.42%
Corporate Bonds	22.47%
Cash	0.00%
Other Receivables - Net of Liabilities <sup>6</sup>	-1.02%
<sup>6</sup> Includes accrued income from investments, receivables from brokers/counterparties and unpaid expenses.	m

Maturity Profile	
Government Securities <1 year	36.60%
Government Securities >1-3 years	8.46%
Government Securities >3-5 years	0.06%
Corporate Bonds <3 years	22.47%

## **TOP 10 HOLDINGS**

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Name	Maturity	% of Fund
1. GENSSA LANDBANK	09.27.21	13.28%
2. GENTD DBP	09.07.21	10.87%
3. GENTD SECB	09.28.21	6.63%
4. TBL	11.03.21	3.23%
5. TBL	11.24.21	3.05%
6. FXT	12.06.22	2.94%
7. CBCHIB	02.18.24	2.85%
8. TBL	01.19.22	2.70%
9. CBDBP	12.11.22	2.40%
10. RTB	02.11.23	2.10%

# **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

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Related Party	Transaction	Market Value (in Php Mns)	
MBTC	Time Deposit Placement	759.94	
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PSBank	Time Deposit Placement	5.00	

Investments in the said outlets were approved by the Trust Committee. Likewise, all related party transactions are conducted on an arm's length and best execution basis and within established limits.





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### **INVESTMENT POLICY**

The Fund may be invested and reinvested in the following instruments:

- Deposits and special savings
- BSP deposit facilities
- Repurchase Agreements (Repos)
- Government Securities
- Corporate Bonds
- Other investments allowed under BSP regulations

#### **OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY**

In its sixth consecutive Monetary Board meeting, the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas kept policy rates unchanged at 2% citing its commitment to complement the government's fiscal policy measures in combating the negative effects of the pandemic in the economy. BSP Chief Benjamin Diokno reiterated that usual policy tools are far from being fully utilized with the end goal in mind to meet sustained recovery and prevent permanent scarring of the economy. Gloomy economic outlook persisted as fresh COVID cases reached new record highs, limited mobility on strict quarantine measures, and delayed shipment of vaccines. Despite the weakening of the peso relative to the greenback, treasury bills barely nudged with awarded yields kept well-anchored at 1.077%, 1.405%, 1.616% for 3-month, 6-month and 1-year, respectively with strong demand as bid-to-cover ratio hovers around 3 to 4.5 times compared to last month's 2.6 to 3 times. Meanwhile, one-month time deposit rates stay close to 0.50%.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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