# **Quarterly Report for**

# **AmBond Select 1**

31 January 2025





### TRUST DIRECTORY

# Manager

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### **MANAGER'S REPORT**

Dear Unitholder,

We are pleased to present you the Manager's report and the unaudited quarterly accounts of AmBond Select 1 ("Fund") for the financial period from 1 November 2024 to 31 January 2025.

# **Salient Information of the Fund**

Name	AmBond Select 1 ("Fund")						
Category/ Type	Wholesale Fixed Income / Income						
Objective	The Fund aims to provi	de regular inco	me*.				
	* Income distribution co	ould be in the fo	rm of units or ca	ash.			
	Note: Any material cha Unit Holders' approval.		estment objecti	ve of the Fund	would require		
Duration	The Fund was established on 21 November 2017 and shall exist for as long as it appears to the Manager and the Trustee that it is in the interests of the unitholders for it to continue. In some circumstances, the unitholders can resolve at a meeting to terminate the Fund.						
Performance Benchmark	Quantshop Malaysian Government Securities (MGS) 1-5 years index. (Available at www.aminvest.com)						
Income Distribution Policy	Income (if any) will be distributed monthly.  Note: The income could be in the form of units or cash. Distribution of income should only be made from realised gains or realised income.						
Breakdown of Unit Holdings by	For the financial period under review, the size of the Fund stood at 192,030,754 units.						
Size	Size of holding	As at 31 Ja	nuary 2025	As at 31 Oc	tober 2024		
		No of units held	Number of unitholder	No of units held	Number of unitholder		
	5,000 and below	-	-	1,001	1		
	5,001-10,000	-	-	,	-		
	10,001-50,000	-	-	-	-		
	50,001-500,000	-	-	-	-		
	500,001 and above	192,030,754	1	-	_		

#### **Fund Performance Data**

# Portfolio Composition

Details of portfolio composition of the Fund as at 31 January 2025, 31 October 2024 and for the past three financial years are as follows:

	As at	As at	As at 30 April		
	31.01.2025	31.10.2024	2024	2023	2022
	%	%	%	%	%
Corporate bonds					
(guaranteed by the					
Government)	-	-	-	25.41	22.98
Malaysian Government					
Securities	89.77	-	-	65.41	64.55
Money market deposits					
and cash equivalents	10.23	100.00	100.00	9.18	12.47
Total	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

Note: The abovementioned percentages are calculated based on total net asset value.

# Performance Details

Performance details of the Fund for the financial periods ended 31 January 2025, 31 October 2024 and three financial years ended 30 April are as follows:

	FPE 31.01.2025	FPE 31.10.2024	FYE 2024	FYE 2023	FYE 2022
Net asset value					
(RM'000)	199,992	1	1	284,302	273,405
Units in circulation					
('000)	192,031	1	1	286,293	286,293
Net asset value per					
unit (RM)	1.0415	1.0412	1.0412	0.9930	0.9550
Highest net asset					
value per unit (RM)	1.0438	1.0412	1.0412	0.9946	0.9963
Lowest net asset					
value per unit (RM)	1.0412	1.0412	0.9928	0.9497	0.9550
Benchmark					
performance (%)	1.06	0.52	2.84	4.91	-0.29
Total return (%) <sup>(1)</sup>	0.22	0.00	4.86	6.97	-1.31
- Capital growth (%)	0.03	0.00	4.86	4.06	-3.71
- Income					
distribution (%)	0.19	-	-	2.91	2.40
Gross distribution					
(sen per unit)	0.20	-	-	2.78	2.38
Net distribution					
(sen per unit)	0.20	-	-	2.78	2.38
Total expense ratio					
(%) <sup>(2)</sup>	0.05	3.26	0.25	0.24	0.24
Portfolio turnover					
ratio (times)(3)	1.64	-	2.84	0.42	0.67

### Note:

- (1) Total return is the actual return of the Fund for the respective financial periods/years computed based on the net asset value per unit and net of all fees.
- (2) Total expense ratio ("TER") is calculated based on the total fees and expenses incurred by the Fund divided by the average fund size calculated on a daily basis.

(3) Portfolio turnover ratio ("PTR") is calculated based on the average of the total acquisitions and total disposals of investment securities of the Fund divided by the average fund size calculated on a daily basis.

### Average Total Return (as at 31 January 2025)

	AmBond Select 1 <sup>(a)</sup>	Benchmark <sup>(b)</sup> %
One year	0.22	3.54
Three years	3.36	3.26
Five years	2.85	3.06
Since launch (21 November 2017)	3.61	3.49

#### **Annual Total Return**

Financial Years Ended	AmBond Select 1 <sup>(a)</sup>	Benchmark <sup>(b)</sup>
(30 April)	%	%
2024	4.86	2.84
2023	6.97	4.91
2022	-1.31	-0.29
2021	1.33	2.83
2020	8.24	6.11

- (a) Source: Novagni Analytics and Advisory Sdn. Bhd.
- (b) Quantshop MGS 1-5 years index ("MGS 1-5 years"). (Available at www.aminvest.com)

The Fund performance is calculated based on net asset value per unit of the Fund. Average total return of the Fund and its benchmark for a period is computed based on the absolute return for that period annualised over one year.

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

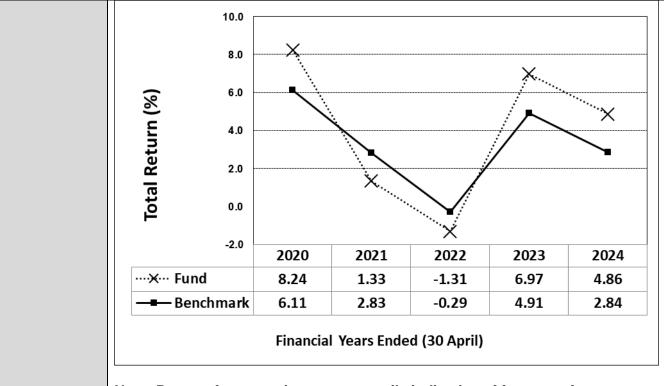
### Fund Performance

For the financial period under review, the Fund registered a return of 0.22% comprising of 0.03% capital growth and 0.19% income distribution.

Thus, the Fund's return of 0.22% has underperformed the benchmark's return of 1.06% by 0.84%.

As compared with the financial period ended 31 October 2024, the net asset value ("NAV") per unit of the Fund increased by 0.03% from RM1.0412 to RM1.0415, while units in circulation increased by >100% from 1,001 units to 192,030,754 units.

The following line chart shows comparison between the annual performances of AmBond Select 1 and its benchmark for the financial years ended 30 April.



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# Strategies and Policies Employed

During the period under review, the Fund seeks to achieve its objective by investing in Malaysian Government Securities, Government Investment issue and any other securities guaranteed by the Malaysian Government or Bank Negara Malaysia.

# Portfolio Structure

The table below is the asset allocation of the Fund as at 31 January 2025 and 31 October 2024.

	As at 31.01.2025	As at 31.10.2024	Changes
	%	%	%
Malaysian Government Securities	89.77	ı	89.77
Money market deposits and cash			
equivalents	10.23	100.00	-89.77
Total	100.00	100.00	

As at 31 January 2025, the Fund had 89.77% of its NAV invested in Malaysian Government Securities, with the remaining 10.23% in money market deposits and cash equivalents.

### Cross Trades

There were no cross trades undertaken during the financial period under review.

# Distribution/ Unit splits

During the financial period under review, the Fund declared income distribution, detailed as per below:

Date of distribution	Distribution per unit RM (sen)	NAV per unit Cum-Distribution RM	NAV per unit Cum-Distribution RM
31-Jan-25	0.20	1.0435	1.0415

There is no unit split declared for the financial period under review.

State of Affairs	There has been neither significant changes to the state of affairs of the Fund nor any circumstances that materially affect any interests of the unitholders during the financial period under review.
Rebates and Soft Commission	During the period, the management company did not receive soft commissions by virtue of transactions conducted for the Fund.
Market Review	In November, the local bond market rallied as investors were influenced by similar bullish sentiment in UST in the later part of the month, coupled with Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) announcement of the cancellation of the 3-year Government Investment Issue (GII). The lower-than-anticipated government bond supply in the market resulted in a buoyant sentiment with Malaysian Government Securities (MGS) yields fell between 5 and 15 basis points (bps) on month-on-month (MoM) basis in November.  Malaysian bond market traded marginally weaker in the final month of the year amidst profit taking activities on the back of bearish global bond backdrop and partly contributed by a lack of liquidity in second half of December as many were away for year-end holiday. This was despite positive news from BNM on the announcement of a much smaller than expected final government bond auction for the year. Overall, MGS yields rose 1-4 bps, except for the ultra-long end 30-Year MGS which declined 1 bps on a MoM basis in December.  Local bond market was mixed in January 2025, amidst Malaysia advanced fourth quarter GDP and CPI for December both came in lower than expectations, and a stronger than anticipated showing for exports for the month. During the first
	Monetary Policy Committee meeting of the year, BNM has decided to maintain the overnight policy rate at 3.0%. Overall, MGS traded firmer with yields fell 1-2 bps, except for the ultra-long MGS which increased 1bps on a MoM basis in January.
Market Outlook	Bank Negara Malaysia is expected to maintain its current policy rates throughout 2025. This stability in interest rates is anticipated to support the bond market, as it reduces uncertainty and volatility.

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# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 JANUARY 2025

ASSETS         Investments       179,541,485       -         Interest receivables       291,764       -         Cash at banks       20,569,662       4,526         TOTAL ASSETS       200,402,911       4,526		31.01.2025 (unaudited) RM	30.04.2024 (audited) RM
Interest receivables       291,764       -         Cash at banks       20,569,662       4,526	ASSETS		
Cash at banks 20,569,662 4,526		•	-
		•	4 526
		200,402,911	4,526
LIABILITIES	LIABILITIES		
Amount due to Manager 19,392 -	Amount due to Manager	19,392	-
Amount due to Trustee 5,540		•	-
Distribution payable 384,062 -	• •	•	-
			3,483
TOTAL LIABILITIES 411,044 3,483	TOTAL LIABILITIES	411,044	3,483
NET ASSET VALUE ("NAV") OF THE FUND         199,991,867         1,043	NET ASSET VALUE ("NAV") OF THE FUND	199,991,867	1,043
EQUITY	EQUITY		
Unit holder's capital 202,523,747 2,524,790	Unit holder's capital	202.523.747	2,524,790
	•	·	(2,523,747)
	NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDER	199,991,867	1,043
UNITS IN CIRCULATION         192,030,754         1,001	UNITS IN CIRCULATION	192,030,754	1,001
NAV PER UNIT (RM) 1.0415 1.0412	NAV PER UNIT (RM)	1.0415	1.0412

# STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (Unaudited) FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 NOVEMBER 2024 TO 31 JANUARY 2025

	Note	01.11.2024 to 31.01.2025 RM	01.11.2023 to 31.01.2024 RM
INVESTMENT INCOME			
Interest income  Net loss from investments:  – Financial assets at fair value through profit or		471,918	61
loss ("FVTPL")	1	(68,976)	_
	•	402,942	61
EXPENDITURE			
Manager's fee Trustee's fee		(19,392) (5,540)	-
Audit fee		(1,229)	- -
Tax agent's fee		(811)	-
Other expenses		(42)	(61)
·	•	(27,014)	(61)
Net income before taxation Taxation		375,928	-
Net income after taxation, representing total comprehensive income for the financial period	ı	375,928	
Total comprehensive income comprises the following:			
Realised income		444,904	-
Unrealised loss	•	(68,976)	
	1	375,928	
Distribution for the financial period Net distribution	2	384,061	-
Gross distribution per unit (sen)	2	0.20	-
Net distribution per unit (sen)	2	0.20	_

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the unaudited financial statements.

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY (Unaudited) FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 NOVEMBER 2024 TO 31 JANUARY 2025

	Note	Unit holder's capital RM	Accumulated losses RM	Total equity RM
At 1 November 2024		2,524,790	(2,523,747)	1,043
Total comprehensive income for				
the financial period		-	375,928	375,928
Creation of units		199,998,957	-	199,998,957
Distribution	2	-	(384,061)	(384,061)
Balance at 31 January 2025		202,523,747	(2,531,880)	199,991,867
At 1 November 2023		2,524,790	(2,523,747)	1,043
Balance at 31 January 2024		2,524,790	(2,523,747)	1,043

# STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited) FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 NOVEMBER 2024 TO 31 JANUARY 2025

	01.11.2024 to 31.01.2025 RM	01.11.2023 to 31.01.2024 RM
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING AND INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchases of investment Interest received Tax agent's fee paid Payments for other expenses Net cash used in operating and investing activities	(178,287,777) (1,142,529) (956) (2,542) (179,433,804)	61 (3,300) (515) (3,754)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITY		
Payments for cancellation of units  Net cash generated from financing activity	199,998,957 199,998,957	<u>-</u>
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD	20,565,153 4,509	(3,754) 8,231
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD	20,569,662	4,477
Cash and cash equivalents comprise: Cash at banks	20,569,662	4,477

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 NOVEMBER 2024 TO 31 JANUARY 2025

#### 1. NET LOSS FROM INVESTMENTS

01.11.2024 to 31.01.2025 RM

Net loss on financial assets at FVTPL comprised:

- Net unrealised loss on changes in fair value of investments

(68,976)

#### 2. DISTRIBUTION

Details of distribution to unit holder for the financial period is as follows:

	01.11.2024 to 31.01.2025 RM
Gross distribution per unit (sen)	0.20
Net distribution per unit (sen)	0.20

### Financial period ended 31 January 2025

Distribution Ex-date	Gross distribution per unit RM (sen)	Net distribution per unit RM (sen)	Total distribution RM
31 January 2025	0.20	0.20	384,061

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

The distribution declared for the financial period ended 31 January 2025 was proposed before taking into account the net unrealised loss of RM68,976 arising during the financial period which is carried forward to the next financial period.

All distribution during the current financial period was sourced from realised income. There was no distribution out of capital.

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