Jubilee ASSET MANAGEMENT



# JUBILEE FIXED INCOME FUND (KES) FACT SHEET

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#### **FUND OVERVIEW**

# **Investment Objective**

The Jubilee Fixed Income Fund (KES) aims to achieve a high level of income with moderate capital growth over the medium- to long-term through capital appreciation by primarily investing in fixed income securities

**Investment Strategy** 

The Fund invests in a blend of high-yielding medium to long-term bonds, credit rated and secure private commercial papers/approved public commercial papers, high-quality corporate bonds, and high-quality fixed and call deposits in the Kenyan market, which offer maximum security to investors.

# Why JFIF (KES)?

- Liquidity: The Fund is highly liquid and allows investors to retrieve funds with ease to get cash or
  to make other investments.
- Competitive Returns: The Fund delivers higher returns than bank deposits. We are focused on assisting our clients to achieve their financial investment goals while managing risks.
- Stability and safety: The Funds are required by capital market regulations to invest in short maturity, low risk investments, making them less volatile.
- Tax-exempt Fund: The Fund is registered as a tax-exempt Fund on income and capital gains.
  Distributions to investors are subject to 15% withholding tax.

**FUND COSTS** 

#### **FUND DETAILS** Inception Date 1st November, 2023 **Fund Size** KES 3,435,949,436 Number of Units 34,359,494 Price (Net Asset Value **KES 100** Per Unit) Income Distribution Monthly Performance Benchmark S&P Kenya Sovereign Bond Index (60%) + Average Bank Deposit Rate (40%) Investment Minimum KES 5,000 (Initial) Minimum Top-up KES 1,000

| Initial/Exit Fees             | 0.00%                       |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Management Fees               | 2.00% p.a. exclusive of VAT |
| Perfomance Fees               | 0.00%                       |
| Other Expenses*               | 0.26% p.a.                  |
| VAT on Fees                   | 16.00%                      |
| Total Expense Ratio (TER)     | 2.61% p.a. Inc. of VAT      |
| Transaction Costs (TC)        | 0.00%                       |
| Total Investment Charge (TIC) | 2.61% p.a. Inc. of VAT      |
|                               |                             |

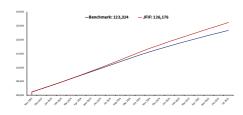
\*This includes the trustee fees, custodian fees, audit fees, legal fees, AGM fees and excise duty tax

#### **PORTFOLIO MANAGER**



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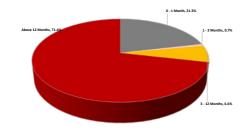
# GROWTH OF HYPOTHETICAL KES. 100,000 SINCE INCEPTION



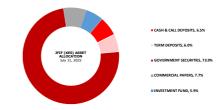
# **PERFORMANCE (%) - CUMULATIVE**

|                    | Fund  | Benchmark | Outperformance |
|--------------------|-------|-----------|----------------|
| Year to Date       | 7.0%  | 6.7%      | 0.3%           |
| 1-Month            | 1.0%  | 0.9%      | 0.1%           |
| 3-Month            | 2.9%  | 2.7%      | 0.2%           |
| 6-Month            | 5.9%  | 5.6%      | 0.3%           |
| 1-Year             | 13.4% | 12.5%     | 0.9%           |
| Since<br>Inception | 26.2% | 23.3%     | 2.9%           |

## **DURATION EXPOSURE**



# **COMPOSITION BY SECURITY TYPE**

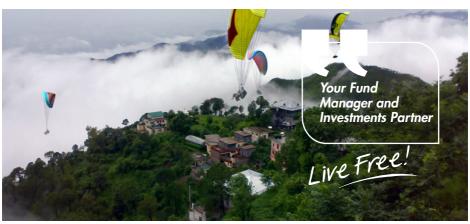


#### **FUND CHARACTERISTICS**

| 7-Day Yield                          | 11.8% |
|--------------------------------------|-------|
| Weighted Average Maturity (Years)    | 10.3  |
| Standard Deviation [Since Inception] | 0.14% |

## **ISSUER EXPOSURE**

| ISSUER                | % OF NET ASSETS |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Government Securities | 73.9%           |
| Term Deposits         | 6.0%            |
| Commercial Papers     | 7.7%            |
| Cash & Call Deposits  | 6.5%            |
| Investment Fund       | 5.9%            |
| TOTAL                 | 100.0%          |
|                       |                 |



#### **RETURN STATISTICS SINCE LAUNCH**

| RETURN STATISTICS       | FUND   | BENCHMARK |
|-------------------------|--------|-----------|
| Annualized<br>Deviation | 0.50%  | 0.43%     |
| Sharpe Ratio            | 0.42   | N/A       |
| Gain since Inception    | 26.18% | N/A       |
| Positive Months         | 100.0% | N/A       |

# **RISK STATISTICS SINCE LAUNCH**

| RISK STATISTICS          | FUND  | BENCHMARK |
|--------------------------|-------|-----------|
| Highest Annual<br>Return | 16.3% | 14.9%     |
| Lowest Annual<br>Return  | 11.3% | 10.8%     |

#### **INCOME DISTRIBUTIONS**

| DECLARATION<br>DATE | PAYMENT<br>DATE | AMOUNT<br>DISTRIBUTED<br>PER UNIT<br>(KES) | YIELD |
|---------------------|-----------------|--|-------|
| 31 July 2025        | 01 Aug 2025     | 0.93                                       | 11.5% |
| 30 June 2025        | 01 July 2025    | 0.89                                       | 11.3% |
| 31 May 2025         | 03 June 2025    | 0.94                                       | 11.7% |
| 30 Apr 2025         | 02 May 2025     | 0.94                                       | 12.0% |
| 31 Mar 2025         | 01 Apr 2025     | 0.98                                       | 12.1% |
| 28 Feb 2025         | 04 Mar 2025     | 0.89                                       | 12.3% |
| 31 Jan 2025         | 04 Feb 2025     | 1.06                                       | 13.2% |
| 31 Dec 2024         | 02 Jan 2025     | 1.06                                       | 13.2% |
| 30 Nov 2024         | 03 Dec 2024     | 1.16                                       | 15.1% |
| 31 Oct 2024         | 04 Nov 2024     | 1.25                                       | 15.8% |
| 30 Sept 2024        | 02 Oct 2024     | 1.24                                       | 16.2% |
| 31 Aug 2024         | 02 Sept 2024    | 1.28                                       | 16.3% |
| 31 Jul 2024         | 06 Aug 2024     | 1.28                                       | 16.2% |
| 30 Jun 2024         | 06 Jul 2024     | 1.21                                       | 15.8% |
| 31 May 2024         | 06 Jun 2024     | 1.28                                       | 15.6% |
| 30 Apr 2024         | 06 May 2024     | 1.20                                       | 15.6% |
| 30 Mar 2024         | 05 Apr 2024     | 1.25                                       | 15.6% |
| 29 Feb 2024         | 06 Mar 2024     | 1.15                                       | 15.2% |
|                     |                 |  |       |



#### **MARKET COMMENTARY**

## **Fixed Income Commentary**

In the primary market, the Government of Kenya re-opened two Treasury Bonds (T-Bonds) which sought to raise a combined KES 50.0 billion: (i) FXD1/2018/20 with a coupon rate of 13.2000% p.a., and (ii) FXD1/2018/25, with a coupon rate of 13.4000% p.a. Investors placed bids totalling KES 76.9 billion, resulting in a 153.8% subscription rate, with the Central Bank of Kenya accepting bids worth KES 66.7 billion. Post the auction, FXD1/2018/20 and FXD1/2018/25 T-Bonds settled at weighted average yields to maturity (YTMs) of 13.8989% p.a. and 14.3475% p.a., respectively.

Treasury Bill (T-Bill) yields continued their steady downtick during the month of July 2025. The 91-Day, 182-Day and 364-Day Treasury Bills averaged 8.13% p.a., 8.43% p.a. and 9.72% p.a., respectively, in July 2025 compared to average yields of 8.19% p.a., 8.49% p.a. and 9.80% p.a., respectively, in June 2025. Notably, the 91-Day T-Bill traded at 8.11% p.a. at the end of July 2025; its lowest level in 2025 and below the 8.20% mark for the first time since July 2022. Investor demand was skewed towards the 364-Day Treasury Bill, with an average subscription rate of 136.8% in July 2025.

The average KES interest rate for the 1-month Bank Term Deposit dropped by 18 basis points (bps) from 7.41% p.a. at the beginning of the month to close at 7.23% p.a. at the end of July 2025. The average 3-month Deposit rate rose by 4 bps from 7.81% p.a. at the beginning of the month to close at 7.85% p.a., while the average Deposit rate for the 6-month Bank Term Deposit increased by 1 bp from 7.98% p.a. at the beginning of the month to close at 7.99% p.a.

#### Review of Inflation

Headline inflation increased to 4.1% year-on-year in July 2025, up from 3.8% in June 2025. Key categories of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) registered month-on-month (m-o-m) increases including (i) the Transport Index that rose by 0.8% due to an increase in the prices of local flights, diesel and petrol by 8.6%, 5.4% and 5.2%, respectively, and (ii) the Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels' Index that rose by 0.7% due to an increase in the price of kerosene/paraffin and Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) by 6.7% and 0.4%, respectively. In contrast, the Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages' Index declined by 0.3% m-o-m due to a decrease in the prices of oranges, Irish potatoes and cabbages by 2.6%, 2.0% and 1.3%, respectively.

The Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) of the Central Bank of Kenya (CBK), at its last meeting held on 10th June 2025, lowered the benchmark Central Bank Rate (CBR) by 25 basis points (bps) to 9.75% from the 10.00% rate that held since 8th April 2025. Key considerations that went into the decision were (i) domestic headline inflation was expected to remain below the CBK's medium-term target of 5.0% in the near-term, supported by a low and stable core inflation, (ii) Kenya's economic growth slowed down to 4.7% in 2024 compared to 5.7% in 2023, reflecting decelerated growth in most sectors of the economy, and (iii) commercial bank lending to the private sector moderated to a 2.0% y-o-y growth rate in May 2025, reflecting low but growing credit demand. The next MPC meeting is scheduled for 12th August 2025.

Review of the Exchange Rate

The Kenyan Shilling (KES) held steady against the US Dollar (USD) on a month-to-date basis to trade at a level of KES 129.23 per 1 USD at the end of July 2025 from KES 129.23 at the end of June 2025. On a year-to-date basis, the Kenyan Shilling remained stable against the US Dollar however, it depreciated against the Euro (EUR) and Sterling Pound (GBP) by 10.1% and 5.7%, respectively.

At the end of July 2025, Kenya's official foreign exchange reserves stood at USD 10.7 billion, equivalent to 4.7 months of import cover. Usable hard currency reserves continually remained above the 4.0 months of import cover statutory requirement due to (i) increased capital flows into Kenya from diaspora remittances, (ii) a successful sovereign bond issuance & redemption, and (iii) redirected capital into emerging and frontier markets following rate cutting cycles in developed economies.

#### **FUND COMMENTARY**

#### **Fund Performance**

The Jubilee Fixed Income Fund (KES) registered a return of 0.96% in the month of July 2025, with an average effective annual yield of 11.49% p.a. This compared to a return of 0.95% in June 2025, with an average effective annual yield of 11.34% p.a.

The Fund continues to outperform its benchmark – [S&P Kenya Bond Index (60%) + Average Bank Deposit Rate (40%)] – which yielded 0.90% in July 2025, with an annualized return of 10.76% p.a., an outperformance of 6 basis points.

The Fund strategically deployed its capital into high-yielding Treasury Bonds and rolled over its investment in high-quality secured Commercial Papers, driving outperformance against the benchmark. Maintaining a high level of liquidity remains a key priority of the Fund Manager's strategy as outlined by a 9.1% average allocation of the Fund's assets to cash and call deposits.

The Fund distributed KES 0.93 per unit for the month of July 2025. The Fund Manager remains committed to ensuring the Fund's performance is optimized to ensure maximization of returns on capital invested by the Unitholders.

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION THAT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BEFORE INVESTING IN THE JUBILEE FIXED INCOME FUND (KES)

The Jubilee Unit Trust Collective Investment Scheme (CIS) is an Umbrella Unit Trust Scheme registered with the Capital Markets Authority (CMA), through the Certificate of Registration number 6/22, dated 21st September 2022.

The Jubilee Fixed Income Fund (KES) presents a low-risk investment profile, making it an ideal choice for investors pursuing low-risk strategies across short to long-term investment horizons. Risk mitigation is achieved through a diversified approach to asset allocation, spreading investments across various asset classes that offer uncorrelated returns over time. This diversification strategy ensures a broadened array of potential sources for returns throughout market cycles.

Moreover, the Fund employs tactical asset allocation techniques to capitalize on short-term opportunities, further enhancing its potential for generating favourable returns. Investors should carefully assess these factors and their own investment objectives before considering participation in the Jubilee Fixed Income Fund (KES)).

The Trustee and Custodian of the Jubilee Unit Trust Scheme is Standard Chartered Bank Kenya Limited.

# Rationale for the Fund's Benchmark

The benchmark for the Jubilee Fixed Income Fund (KES) is weighted as follows: the S&P Kenya Sovereign Bond Index (60%) and the Average Bank Deposit Rate (40%). This blend reflects a balanced approach,

aligning with the fund's investment strategy and asset allocation.

The S&P Kenya Sovereign Bond Index offers a representation of the performance of Kenyan sovereign bonds, providing a core reference for Fixed Income investments. Meanwhile, the inclusion of the Average Bank Deposit Rate acknowledges the importance of liquidity and capital preservation, which are key considerations in Fixed Income investment. This benchmark combination provides a comprehensive yardstick for evaluating the fund's performance across both bond market exposure and liquidity management.

#### **How are Units Priced?**

Unit prices are calculated on a Net Asset Value (NAV) basis, which is the total market value of all assets in the portfolio, including any income accruals and less any permissible deductions from the Fund, divided by the number of units in issue.

Forward pricing is used, and fund valuations take place at approximately 12:00 PM each business day. Redemption requests should be provided before 9.00 AM on a Business Day to be eligible for that day's value date and if received after this time it will be valued at the next Business Day.

#### **Cumulative Investment Performance**

Cumulative Investment Performance is provided for illustrative purposes only. It is determined by factoring in all ongoing fees for the indicated amount, with income reinvested on the specified reinvestment date.

#### **Fees**

Permissible deductions may include Management Fees, Custody Fees, Trustee Fees, Annual General Meeting (AGM) Fees and Auditor's Fees. A schedule of fees and charges is available on request from Jubilee Asset Management Limited.

# What is the Total Expense Ratio (TER) and Transaction Costs (TC)?

The Total Expense Ratio (TER) encompasses the annual management fee levied by Jubilee Asset Management Limited and other expenses borne by the Fund, and reflects the actual expenses borne by the Fund over one year on an annualized basis. Notably, Fund returns are stated after the deduction of these expenses.

Transaction Costs (TC) refer to the expenses associated with buying and selling securities within the Fund. The Fund does not impose transaction costs on clients when withdrawing funds.

The Total Investment Charge (TIC) is calculated as the sum of the Total Expense Ratio (TER) and Transaction Costs, although in this case, Transaction Costs do not apply.

# Where can I find Additional Information?

Additional information such as daily fund prices, brochures, application forms and a schedule of fund fees can be requested via the Client Service Centre on <a href="www.jubileeinsurance.com">www.jubileeinsurance.com</a> or through email on <a href="Jamlcustomerservice@jubileekenya.com">Jamlcustomerservice@jubileekenya.com</a>

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