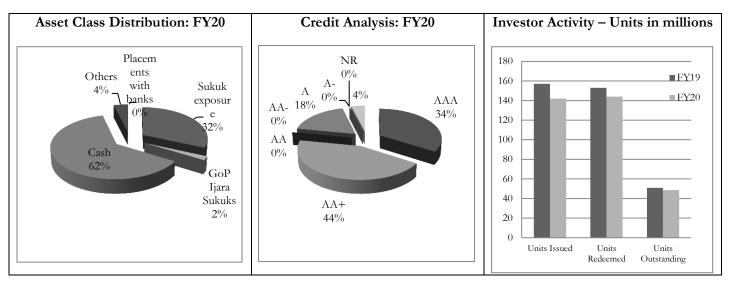
### Date: January 8, 2021

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### **Investment Objective**

AISF is an open-end Shariah Compliant Income Fund which aims to generate a competitive return with minimum risk, by investing primarily in Shariah Compliant Government Securities.

| Al-Ameen Islamic Sovereign Fund |                                 |             |  |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|--|
| Rating Category                 | Latest                          | Previous    |  |
| Fund Stability Rating           | AA(f)                           | AA-(f)      |  |
|                                 | 1 Jan, 2021                     | Dec 31, '19 |  |
| Asset Management<br>Company     | UBL Fund Managers Limited       |             |  |
| External Auditors - Fund        | KPMG Taseer Hadi& Co.           |             |  |
| Fund Manager                    | Shabbir Sardar Zaidi, CFA       |             |  |
| Trustee                         | Central Depository Company Ltd. |             |  |
| Front-end Load                  | 1%                              |             |  |
| Back-end Load                   | Nil                             |             |  |
| Management Fee                  | 1% per annum                    |             |  |
| Benchmark                       | Average of 6M PKISRV rates      |             |  |



Al-Ameen Islamic Sovereign Fund (AISF) was launched in 2010 as an Islamic open-ended fund. The fund aims to provide competitive returns with low risk through Shariah compliant avenues. In line with its mandate to minimize risk, all the counterparties are subject to a minimum rating of 'AA-'

During FY20, the fund size declined closing at 4.9b end-June'20 (FY19: 5.13b)

#### Table 1: Limits Table 1: Limits

|  | Exposure Limit | Minimum Rating |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| Shariah Compliant<br>Government Securities   | 70-100%        | N/A            |
| Cash in Bank Accounts<br>(excluding TDR) with<br>Islamic Banks or<br>Islamic windows of<br>Conventional Banks<br>plus Cash & Near Cash |                |                |
| instruments which<br>include short term<br>shariah compliant<br>Government securities<br>having maturity not<br>exceeding 90 days.     | 10%-30%        | AA-            |
| Cash in Bank Accounts<br>(excluding TDR) with<br>Islamic Banks or<br>Islamic windows of  |                |                |

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| Conventional Banks       |        |     |
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| plus Cash & Near Cash    |        |     |
| instruments which        | 0-30%  | AA- |
| include short term       |        |     |
| shariah compliant        |        |     |
| Government securities    |        |     |
| having maturity not      |        |     |
| exceeding 90 days.       |        |     |
| (Provided that, in case, |        |     |
| shariah compliant        |        |     |
| government securities    |        |     |
| are not available, the   |        |     |
| remaining net assets of  |        |     |
| the Fund, after          |        |     |
| reducing cash and near   |        |     |
| cash                     |        |     |
| Any other Shariah        |        |     |
| compliant non-traded     |        |     |
| security with maturity   |        |     |
| exceeding 6 months,      |        |     |
| including but not        |        |     |
| limited to (i) deposits  |        |     |
| in Islamic Banks and     |        |     |
| Islamic banking          |        |     |
| windows of               |        |     |
| conventional Banks;      |        |     |
| (ii) Placement of funds  | 0%-15% | AA- |
| under, Musharaka,        |        |     |
| Mudarabah,               |        |     |
| Murabaha, Ijarah and     |        |     |
| Istisna'a arrangements   |        |     |
| with banks and DFIs      |        |     |

As per the offering document, AISF has to maintain a minimum of 70% exposure in Shariah complaint government securities. In case, shariah compliant government securities are not available, the remaining net assets of the fund, after reducing cash and near cash limit up to 30%, may be deposited in Islamic banks or Islamic window of conventional banks, having rating not less than AA. Remaining exposure can be taken in deposits in licensed Islamic Banks and Islamic windows of conventional banks, placements of funds under, Musharaka, Modaraba, Murabaha, Ijarah and Istisna'a arrangements with banks and DFIs.

Asset Allocation: Table 2: Actual Asset Allocation

| Asset Allocation      | Jun'19 | Jun'20 | Average |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|---------|
| Corporate Sukuk       | 0%     | 32%    | 6%      |
| GoP Ijarah Sukuk      | 0%     | 2%     | 1%      |
| Placements with Banks | 2%     | 0%     | 0%      |
| Cash                  | 97%    | 63%    | 91%     |
| Other                 | 1%     | 4%     | 0%      |

In case, Shariah compliant government securities are not available, the remaining net assets of the fund may be allocated in cash and near cash instruments from AArated banks. During FY20, the fund's asset allocation plan remained primarily concentrated in its cash balances accounting for 63% of the total portfolio, at end-June'20 the fund also took 32% exposure in corporate Sukuk. On an average basis the fund parked 91% of its AUMs in its cash balances during FY20. Given its exposure in AAA rated issue/issuer there were no breaches witnessed during the period under review.

# Credit Quality:

|            | Average | Max | Min |
|------------|---------|-----|-----|
| Government | 5%      | 34% | 0%  |
| Securities |         |     |     |
| AAA        | 50%     | 76% | 6%  |
| AA+        | 8%      | 33% | 0%  |
| АА         | 11%     | 24% | 0%  |
| AA-        | 25%     | 76% | 9%  |
| А          | 0%      | 1%  | 0%  |
| NR         | 1%      | 4%  | 0%  |

### Market Risk:

Weighted average time to maturity of the net assets shall not exceed 4 years and this condition shall not apply to securities issued by federal government. End-June'20, WAM of the fund was recorded at maximum of 3.3 years, there were no breaches witnessed during the year and WAM of the fund remained compliant for the assigned ratings.

### **Fund Performance:**

Performance of the fund is benchmarked against average of 6M PKISRV rates. At end-June'20, the fund posted an annualized return of 9.90% (FY19: 6.82%) outperforming its benchmark of 7.88%. Relative to its peers,

the fund ranked  $19^{\rm th}$  out of a total of 21 funds in the category.

## **Rating History**

| Rating Date      | Medium to<br>Long Term | Outlook                           | Short Term    | Rating Action |
|------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
|                  | RA                     | <b><b>FING TYPE: Fund Sta</b></b> | <u>bility</u> |               |
|                  |                        |                                   |               |               |
| 1-Jan-21         | AA (f)                 |                                   |               | Upgrade       |
| 31-Dec-19        | AA- (f)                |                                   |               | Reaffirmed    |
| 31-Dec-18        | AA- (f)                |                                   |               | Reaffirmed    |
| 29-Dec-17        | AA- (f)                |                                   |               | Reaffirmed    |
| <b>30-Dec-16</b> | AA- (f)                |                                   |               | Reaffirmed    |
| 06-Jan-16        | AA- (f)                |                                   |               | Reaffirmed    |
| 12-Aug-14        | AA- (f)                |                                   |               | Reaffirmed    |
| 16-Apr-13        | AA- (f)                |                                   |               | Reaffirmed    |
| 29-Mar-12        | AA- (f)                |                                   |               | Harmonized    |
| 20-May-11        | AA- (f)                |                                   |               | Initial       |

| FINANCIAL SUMMARY                            | (amounts in PK | in PKR millions) |  |
|--|----------------|------------------|--|
| BALANCE SHEET                                | FY19           | FY20             |  |
| Paid Up Capital                              | NA             | NA               |  |
| Total Equity                                 | NA             | NA               |  |
| INCOME STATEMENT                             |                |                  |  |
| Total income                                 | 586            | 565              |  |
| Profit Before Tax                            | 472            | 476              |  |
| Profit After Tax                             | 472            | 476              |  |
| RATIO ANALYSIS                               |                |                  |  |
| Net Cash Generated from Operating Activities | 4,546          | (1,304)          |  |
| Current Ratio (x)                            | NA             | NA               |  |
| Gearing (x)                                  | NA             | NA               |  |