# **SBM Growth Fund**

## 30 April 2020

#### NAV per Share

## **MUR 10.03**

#### **Fund Objective**

SBM Growth Fund is an open-ended fund constituted as a Trust under the SBM Investment Unit Trust. It is duly authorised under the Securities Act 2005 and regulated by the Financial Services Commission. The investment objective of the Fund is to seek significant long-term capital growth by investing in a broadly diversified portfolio comprising of equity and equity related securities in both the local and foreign stock markets.

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Low	Low to Moderate	Moderate	Moderate to High	High

#### Fund Profile

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Inception Date	Feb-16	
Fund Size	MUR 101.2M	
Dealing Frequency	Daily	
Distribution	Yearly (each financial year end)*	
Management Fee	1.00% p.a.	
Entry Fee	1.00%	
Fyit Fee	Unito Yr2: 1.0%   Yr3: 0.75%   Yr4: 0.50%   Yr5: 0.25%   Nil after Yr5	

<sup>\*</sup>Depending on distributable income

# **Fund Facts**

Fund Manager	SBM Mauritius Asset Managers Ltd
Benchmark	60% SEMTRI + 40% MSCI All Countries World (USD)**
Fund Administrator	SBM Fund Services Ltd
Auditors	Ernst & Young
Custodian	SBM Bank (Mauritius) Ltd

Top 10 Holdings	% Net Assets
MCB Group Ltd	15.5%
Fidelity Asia Pacific Opportunities "A" (USD) Acc	8.3%
Vanguard S&P 500 ETF	7.1%
iShares MSCI World ETF	6.1%
iShares MSCI ACWI ETF	6.1%
IBL Ltd	6.0%
MSS Global Advantage "A" Acc	5.7%
MSS US Advantage "A" Acc	5.5%
Fidelity European Larger Companies Fund	4.8%
SBM Holdings Ltd	4.5%
Total	69.6%

# Cumulative Performance



# MAY-16 MAY-17 MAY-17 MAY-17 MAY-18 MA

# Risk Adjusted Metrics

Volatility p.a.	1Y	3Y
Fund	22.1%	13.3%
Benchmark	22.9%	13.7%

Fund vs Benchmark	1Y	3Y
Tracking Error p.a.	2.2%	2.2%
Correlation	99.6%	98.7%
Beta	0.97	0.96
Alpha	-0.2%	-0.3%

#### Cumulative Return

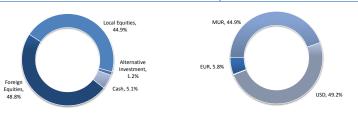
	1M	3M	6M	YTD	1Y	3Y	Inception	Annualised
Fund	5.8%	-18.0%	-12.9%	-16.2%	-12.9%	-7.8%	0.3%	0.1%
Benchmark	5.3%	-19.3%	-14.4%	-18.4%	-12.2%	-0.3%	15.8%	3.5%

#### Financial Year Return

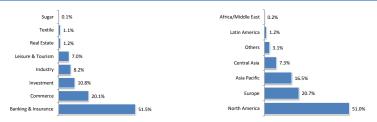
	2017	2018	2019
Fund	13.6%	5.5%	-2.2%
Benchmark	20.2%	8.7%	1.3%

<sup>\*</sup>All returns are calculated assuming dividends are reinvested

# Asset Allocation Currency Mix



# Sector Allocation (Local Equities) Country Allocation (Foreign Equities)



# Market Commentar

The Net Asset Value (NAV) of the Fund grew from MUR 9.49 to MUR 10.03 in April, equivalent to a return of 5.8%, while the benchmark posted 5.3%.

Local equity indices registered mixed performances in April with the SEMDEX and DEMEX closing at 1,572.75 points and 208.26 points, equivalent to 0.1% and 4.4% respectively. The main leading movers, that is, companies which contributed to the positive performance of the SEMDEX were IBL Ltd, Vivo Energy Mauritius Ltd and Phoenix Beverages Ltd while on the downside, the main lagging movers were SBM Holdings Ltd, MCB Group Ltd and Medine Ltd. The top three gainers in terms of price returns were Vivo Energy Mauritius Ltd (+36.8%), MCFI (+20.0%) and Air Mauritius Ltd (+16.0%). On 22 April 2020, SEM suspended dealings of Air Mauritius after their voluntary administration. The price-earnings ratio and dividend yield for SEMDEX stood at 11.75x and 4.29% respectively, compared to corresponding figures of 11.30x and 5.14% in March 2020.

Global stocks notched up in April after policymakers announced unprecedented monetary and fiscal means in supporting economic activity as well as optimism of the economy reopening sooner than expected. The MSCI World index clawed back some of its March losses and sained 10.8% over the month.

The S&P 500 index added 12.7% in April, its biggest monthly rally since 1987, despite the mixed earnings and soft economic data reported. Jobless claims continued to soar amid the unprecedented surge in layoffs due to shutdowns of several businesses, bringing the amount of claims to 20.13 million for the month of April. The manufacturing activity contracted sharply on account of production decline and collapse in new orders. The IHS Markit Manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) fell to 36.1, down from 48.5 in March, reflecting the greatest deterioration in production faced by suppliers and output expectations turning negative.

European equities soared with April being their strongest month since October 2015. The Eurostoxx 50 added 5.1% in EUR terms as investors' sentiment was boosted by the announcement of plans to ease lockdowns soon. The DAX index gained 9.3% while CAC and FTSE MIB finished the month with corresponding performance of 9.3% and 3.8%. The Eurozone GDP shrank by 3.8% in 0.1 2020, with Spain and France registering economic contractions of magnitude -5.2% and -5.8%, respectively. The flash Eurozone Manufacturing PMI plummeted to 33.4 in April against a previous reading of 44.5 in March. Closure of non-essential businesses, increased supply-chain delays and the sharp fall in demand led to collapse of the manufacturing sector. In UK, the FTSE100 added GBP gains of 4.0% despite the global pandemic weighing heavily on the manufacturing sector - the PMI fell to a record low of 32.6 in April, down from 47.8 in March.

Japanese equities also closed in positive territory with the Nikkei 225 registering JPY returns of 6.7% even though the nationwide state of emergency was maintained until end of May or through the first week of June. The downturn in manufacturing activity deepened on account of intensifying supply chain disruptions and plummeting global demand causing sharp production cutbacks. PMI stood at 41.9 in April, down from previous month's reading of 44.8.

Emerging markets rallied in April with the MSCI Emerging Markets index registering returns of 9.0% in USD terms, although still trailing developed markets. The Shanghai Composite Index posted CNY returns of 4.0% with economic and social activity continuing to normalise across China. The Manufacturing PMI fell from 50.1 to 49.4 in April as the pandemic continued to weigh on demand. Indian equities rebounded as central government unveiled unprecedented fiscal measures to support the economy; the BSE Sensex registered returns of 14.4% in INR terms. Due to the rising number of COVID19 cases, the nationwide lockdown was extended by two more weeks starting May 4, although with some easing on certain restrictions. Manufacturing activity worsened in April amid the supply chain disruption, business closures and deteriorations in demand conditions. Manufacturing PMI plummeted to 27.4 in April, down from 51.8 in March, plunging below the 50-mark threshold for the first time in nearly 3 years.

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