SBM Universal Fund

NAV per share MUR 36.73



Investment objective

SBM Universal Fund is a diversified multi-asset fund with an objective of maximising long-term returns while providing regular income through a balanced strategy. It invests in a diversified portfolio of securities that includes domestic and international equities, equity-linked securities, unit trusts, mutual funds, fixed income securities, money market instruments and cash.

Fund facts

Investment Manager: SBM Mauritius Asset Managers Ltd

Fund Administrator: SBM Fund Services Ltd

Registry and Transfer Agent: SBM Fund Services Ltd

Custody: SBM Bank (Mauritius) Ltd

Auditor: PwC Mauritius

Benchmark: 30% SEMDEX + 40% 1Y GOM Bill + 30% MSCI World

Distribution: Annual subject to distributable income

Investor profile: Balanced

*Applicable as from Mar-2019. Previous Benchmark: 35% SEMDEX + 30% 1Y GOM Bill + 35% MSCI World

Inception date: 1 Jun 2002 Fund size: MUR 502.3M Base currency: MUR

Minimum one-off investment: MUR 500
Minimum monthly investment plan: MUR 200

Management fee: 1.00% p.a.

Entry fee: 1.00%

Exit fee: 1% up to Y2 | 0.75% in Y3 | 0.5% in Y4 | 0.25% in Y5 | Nil after Y5

Performance

Period	1M	3M	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	Launch	Annualised	CY	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Fund	0.3%	1.4%	0.1%	6.5%	23.7%	48.4%	491.9%	8.0%		15.9%	8.8%	-6.8%	17.9%	1.6%
Benchmark	-0.4%	1.1%	1.1%	7.5%	24.3%	47.4%	445.4%	7.7%		14.2%	8.5%	-5.2%	17.4%	-0.1%

Note: Fund performance is calculated on indicative NAV to NAV. The performance of the index is based on a blended benchmark consisting of 30% SEMDEX, 40% 1Y GOM Bill and 30% MSCI World index (MUR), and rebalanced monthly. The benchmark return is computed in MUR terms. Annual returns refer to calendar year. Past performance is not indicative of future results.

Growth of MUR 100,000 since inception



Fund statistics

Period	1Y	3Y	5Y	Launch
Correlation	0.97	0.97	0.98	0.89
Regression alpha (%)	-1.18	-0.64	0.16	2.96
Beta	1.02	1.05	1.00	0.89
Annualised volatility	5.8%	5.7%	6.4%	7.3%
Annualised tracking error	1.5%	1.4%	1.4%	3.6%

Relative metrics such as alpha, beta and tracking error are computed against the composite index.

Asset allocation

Asset class	% Fund
International Equities	31.5%
Domestic Equities	30.0%
Domestic Fixed Income	32.1%
Cash	6.4%
Total	100.0%

Top 5 countries	% Fund
Mauritius	62.1%
United States	22.3%
India	2.9%
France	0.7%
Germany	0.7%
Total	88.7%

Top currency	% Fund
Mauritian Rupee	68.3%
US Dollar	30.8%
Euro	0.9%
Australian Dollar	0.1%
Total	100.0%

Domestic sectors	% Fund
Banking & Insurance	17.6%
Investment	3.5%
Leisure & Tourism	2.4%
Industry	2.4%
Commerce	2.2%
Property	1.1%
ICT	0.8%
Total	30.0%

Top 10 international industries	% Fund
Software & Services	4.8%
Semiconductors & Equipment	4.6%
Financial Services	2.5%
Media & Entertainment	2.5%
Banks	2.4%
Pharmaceuticals, Biotech & Life Sciences	2.1%
Technology Hardware & Equipment	2.1%
Capital Goods	2.0%
Consumer Discretionary Distribution & Retail	1.4%
Health Care Equipment & Services	1.0%
Total	25.4%

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Asset allocation (continued)

Top 10 holdings	% Fund Top 10 international holdings *		% Fund
MCB Group Limited	12.4%	Nvidia Corp	1.8%
iShares MSCI World ETF	5.9%	Microsoft Corp	1.7%
Vanguard S&P 500 ETF	3.5%	Apple Inc.	1.5%
SBM Holdings Ltd	3.1%	Broadcom Inc	1.0%
Government of Mauritius Bond 14/01/37	3.1%	Meta Platforms Inc - Class A	0.9%
CIM Financial Services Ltd 31/07/2025	3.0%	Amazon.com Inc	0.9%
Government of Mauritius Bond 20/08/2036	3.0%	Berkshire Hathaway Inc - Class B	0.7%
IBL Notes 26/06/31	3.0%	Alphabet Inc - Class A	0.7%
SBM India Opportunities Fund	2.8%	Eli Lilly & Co	0.6%
SBM MUR Note Class A2 Series Bond 28/06/2028	2.3%	JPMorgan Chase & Co	0.4%
Total	42.1%	Total * Look-through of foreign investments	10.2%

Market comments

The Net Asset Value per unit (NAV) of the Fund increased from MUR 36.64 in May to MUR 36.73 in June, equivalent to a return of 0.3% against its benchmark return of -0.4%. Local indices retreated with the SEMDEX and DEMEX closing at 2,309.00 and 224.03 points, equivalent to respective returns of -4.4% and -1.0%. The main leaders, that is, companies which contributed to the positive performance of the SEMDEX were ROGERS, MSE and ABCBH while the main laggards were MCBG, SUN and IBLL. The top three price performers were ASL (+16.4%), ABCBH (+12.0%) and HWF (+6.4%), while the main detractors were MUAL (-17.4%), HMALLAC (-17.4%) and SUN (-16.2%). The price-earnings ratio and dividend yield of the SEMDEX stood at 6.37x and 4.80%, respectively as at 30 June against corresponding figures of 6.59x and 4.60%, as at 31 May. Foreign investors turned sellers to the tune of MUR 229.4M (vs. net buyer of MUR 9.5M in May-25), driven mainly by MCBG, SBMH and ENLG.

On the primary market, the yield on the 91D Treasury Bills declined by 28bps to 4.39% following a net issuance of MUR 3.0Bn. MUR 1.0Bn worth of 182D Treasury Bills was issued at 4.82%, against 4.90% previously. The yield on 364D Treasury Bills fell by 13bps to a weighted yield of 5.00% following a net issuance of MUR 6.0Bn. The corresponding yield on the 3Y GoM Note decreased by 9bps to 5.29% following an auction of MUR 2.8Bn. A 7Y GoM Bond worth MUR 2.5Bn was issued at a weighted yield of 5.53%, representing a mild increase of 2bps. A 20Y GoM Bond was auctioned for MUR 2.2Bn at a weighted yield of 6.16%, increasing by 5bps from the previous issuance. There were no fresh issuances for the 5Y, 10Y and 15Y GoM Bonds during the month.

Global equity markets extended their rebound in June, supported by easing trade tensions, resilient corporate earnings expectations and improving risk appetite across major regions. The MSCI World Index advanced by 4.2% MoM, led by robust gains in US and Japan, alongside selective strength in emerging markets.

In the United States, the S&P 500 rose by 5.0% in June, marking a strong recovery, driven by receding Middle East tensions, a stable US economy amid subdued inflation and optimism surrounding potential trade agreements with major partners. The tech sector commanded the bulk of the gains, mirroring the rally at the beginning of the year. 9 out of the 11 major industry groups recorded positive returns, led by Information Technology, Communication Services and Energy. Growth stocks outperformed their value counterparts, registering 6.3% vs 3.5% MoM. Headline CPI came in at 2.4% YoY in May 2025, up from 2.3% in April, marking the first acceleration in annual inflation since January – the modest rise in inflation was primarily driven by housing costs with the shelter index rising by 0.3% in May. The S&P Global US Manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) increased from 52.0 in May to 52.9 in June, as sustained growth in the order book led to a solid upturn in output, marking the sixth consecutive month in which the index has posted above the 50-mark.

European equities retreated in June, weighed down by rising political uncertainty in France and mixed economic data; the EuroStoxx 50 registered -1.2% MoM, led by broad-based weakness across the region. France's CAC 40 fell by 1.1% primarily due to escalating political uncertainty and weakening economic indicators, while the DAX and FTSE MIB indices edged down 0.4% and 0.7%, respectively. Nonetheless, Eurozone Manufacturing PMI rose to a 34-month high of 49.5, signalling tentative recovery. In the UK, the FTSE 100 posted -0.1% in June though PMI data showed the manufacturing sector contracting at a slower pace, hinting at early signs of stabilisation.

Japanese equities rallied strongly, with the Nikkei 225 gaining 6.6% MoM, led by strong tech sector gains and a tailwind from the weakening yen. The headline PMI rose to 50.1, up from 49.4 in May amid a fresh rise in output. Demand conditions, however, remained subdued in June with manufacturers recording a decline in overall new orders.

Emerging markets equities outperformed developed markets' equities with the MSCI Emerging Markets index recording 5.7% MoM. Indian equities trended higher, with the BSE Sensex advancing 2.6% amidst upbeat economic data and continued FPI inflows. The manufacturing PMI remained in expansionary territory, reaching a 14-month high of 58.4 in June (May-25: 57.6). The CSI 300 index registered 2.5% MoM in local currency and 3.0% in USD terms, supported by targeted policy support and stabilisation in housing activity. Manufacturing PMI came in at 50.4 in June, up from 48.3 in May, supported by higher new order inflows.

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