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MARKET OUTLOOK

The MSCI Asia Pacific Ex-Japan Index (+3.7%) charted another month of outperformance against the MSCI World Index (+1.9%), largely in part due to semiconductor exceptionalism that benefited supply chain names in Asia Pacific. South Korea (+19.9%) placed first for the second month in a row, with 3Q GDP expanding at the fastest pace in 1.5 years along with positive developments on its trade deal with the US. The semiconductor buzz also rallied Taiwan (+9.3%) as its exports reached record highs in recent months together with a renewed bullish outlook for cutting-edge chips. India (+4.5%) climbed back to record-high levels as festive season demand and a pivot back to a net buyer position by foreign investors helped to boost sentiment. Hong Kong (-3.5%) pulled back after five consecutive months of strong gains, likely triggered by a less-than-expected compromise from the US on trade negotiations. The Philippines (-0.4%) and Malaysia (-0.2%) ended October largely flat to slightly negative as investors remained mixed on the outcomes of the recent ASEAN Conference.

On the monetary policy front, the Federal Reserve cut interest rates by 25 basis points to 3.75–4.00%. The European Central Bank (ECB) kept its deposit facility rate at 2.00%. In Asia, the People's Bank of China (PBoC) maintained the one-year LPR at 3.0% and the five-year LPR at 3.5%, while the Bank of Japan left its benchmark short-term rate unchanged at 0.5%.

The recent Xi–Trump meeting at the APEC summit marked a "transactional truce" in US–China relations, easing trade tensions and halting the momentum toward economic decoupling. This development sets the stage for a more stable geopolitical environment heading into 2026. Meanwhile, the Federal Reserve cut rates by 25bps in October to 3.75–4.00%, with markets expecting one more cut to bring the federal funds rate to 3.50–3.75% by end-2025, though future moves remain data-dependent. US equities continue to draw support from robust technology earnings, but elevated valuations may limit upside potential. While concerns about a sustained US government shutdown persist, markets have largely discounted its impact given past precedents. In Asia Pacific, improved liquidity could offer some tailwinds, though global growth and policy uncertainties may weigh on sentiment. We maintain a barbell strategy through 2025, combining quality growth opportunities with defensive income assets to navigate potential volatility.

Locally, we remain constructive on the Malaysia market, supported by multiple tailwinds. Expectations of a Fed easing cycle from 4Q25 into 2026 should improve global liquidity and risk appetite across Asia. Domestically, fiscal reforms are largely priced in, while resilient macro fundamentals, robust consumption, and an expanding investment pipeline support growth. Structural transformation is reinforced by key national blueprints (13MP, NIMP 2030, NSS, NETR), while Malaysia's ASEAN Chairmanship enhances its strategic relevance. Strong local institutional flows, a firmer ringgit, undemanding CY26 P/E of 13.9x, and record-low foreign shareholding of 18.7% further strengthen the market's risk-reward profile.

EQUITY

The FBMKLCI Index lost 0.2% month-on-month (m-o-m) in October, closing at 1,609.15 points. Meanwhile, the Small Cap Index gained 0.1%, while the Mid 70 Index increased by 1.9%.

Sector-wise in October, the top-performing sectors were Technology, Consumer, and Healthcare, which rose 9.8%, 3.6%, and 2.9% m-o-m, respectively. The worst-performing sectors were Construction, Property, and Utilities, which lost 6.0%, 2.7%, and 1.7% m-o-m, respectively. Foreign investors turned net sellers in October, recording outflows of RM2.7 billion.

Separately, in October, there were six listings on the ACE Market (Camaroe Bhd, Cheeding Holdings Bhd, Verdant Solar Holdings Bhd, THMY Holdings Bhd, Insights Analytics Bhd and Powertechnic Group Bhd), and one listing on the LEAP Market (LPC Group Bhd).

BOND

For the month of October, the yield for the Malaysian Government Securities (MGS) for the 3-year, 5-year, 7-year and 10-year rose by +2bps, +4bps, +2bps, and +4bps, closing at 3.13%, 3.25%, 3.44% and 3.49% respectively.

COMMODITIES & CURRENCIES

For the month of October, WTI crude oil plunged 2.2% m-o-m, closing at US$61.0 per barrel, while Brent oil fell 2.9% to US$65.1 per barrel. Crude palm oil closed at RM4,185/MT, down 2.8% from the previous month, while spot gold rose 4.1%, ending the month at US$3,996.5/oz. Currency-wise, the Malaysian ringgit appreciated 0.4% m-o-m against the greenback to RM4.1885/USD. Meanwhile, the Dollar Index gained 2.1% at 99.8 points.

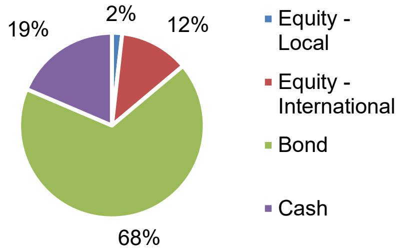
Commentary

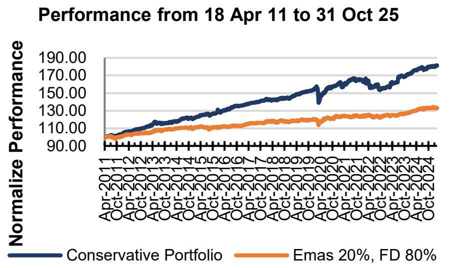
In Oct, most ports outperformed the benchmark. Manulife Investment Shariah Asia-Pacific ex Japan (+8.9%) was the top performer, while RHB Shariah China Focus MYR (-5.8%) lagged.

CONVENTIONAL MODEL PORTFOLIO

Conservative Portfolio

AmanahRaya Unit Trust	20.0%
United-i ESG Series-High Quality Sukuk MYR	20.0%
AmDynamic Bond	20.0%
Kenanga ASnitaBOND	20.0%
Principal Global Titans MYR	2.5%
Aberdeen Standard Islamic World Equity A MYR	2.5%
Maybank Asiapac Ex-Japan Equity-I	1.5%
Manulife Investment Shariah Asia-Pacific ex Japan	1.5%
Principal Greater China Equity Fund – MYR	2.5%
RHB Shariah China Focus MYR	2.5%
KAF Core Income	2.0%
Phillip Master Money Market	5.0%
TOTAL	**100%**





Moderate Conservative Portfolio

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United-i ESG Series-High Quality Sukuk MYR	15.0%
AmDynamic Bond	15.0%
Kenanga ASnitaBOND	15.0%
Principal Global Titans MYR	5.0%
Aberdeen Standard Islamic World Equity A MYR	5.0%
RHB Islamic Global Developed Markets MYR	5.0%
Maybank Asiapac Ex-Japan Equity-I	2.5%
Manulife Investment Shariah Asia-Pacific ex Japan	2.5%
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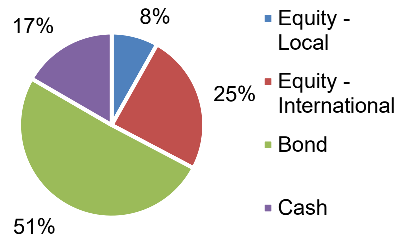

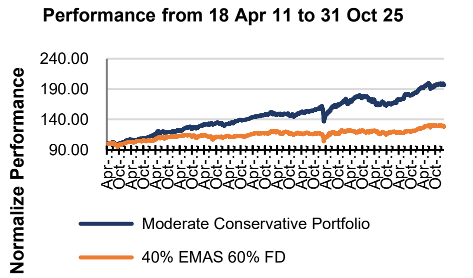

Moderate Portfolio

AmanahRaya Unit Trust	10.0%
United-i ESG Series-High Quality Sukuk MYR	10.0%
AmDynamic Bond	7.5%
Kenanga ASnitaBOND	7.5%
Principal Global Titans MYR	7.5%
Aberdeen Standard Islamic World Equity A MYR	7.5%
RHB Islamic Global Developed Markets MYR	7.5%
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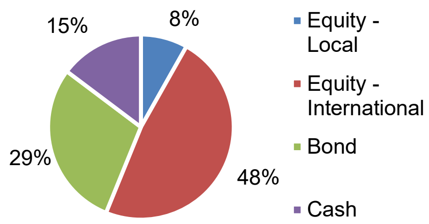

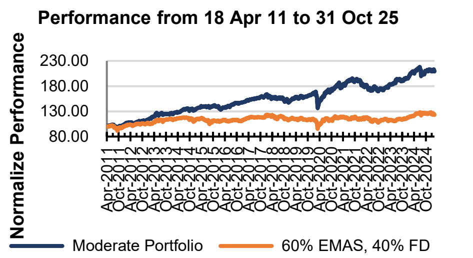

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RHB Islamic Global Developed Markets MYR	10.0%
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Maybank Asiapac Ex-Japan Equity-I	7.5%
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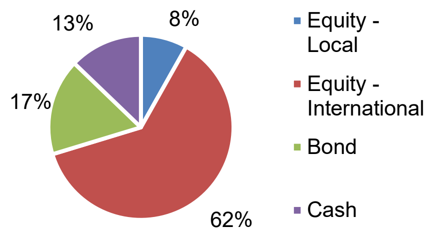

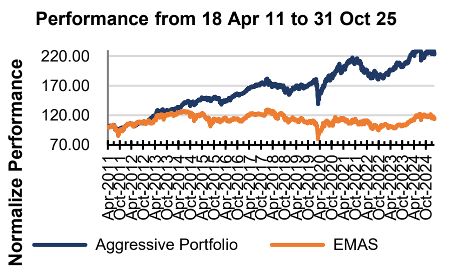

	1 Mth	6Mths	YTD	1 Yr	Since Inception		1 Mth	6Mths	YTD	1 Yr	Since Inception
Conservative Portfolio	0.2%	4.9%	5.1%	5.6%	89.3%	Moderate Portfolio	0.9%	12.9%	7.9%	8.5%	127.5%
Benchmark	0.2%	2.1%	0.8%	2.0%	35.2%	Benchmark	0.3%	3.8%	-1.8%	0.8%	25.8%
Moderate Conservative Portfolio	0.5%	7.8%	5.2%	6.2%	108.2%	Aggressive Portfolio	1.5%	15.8%	9.5%	9.8%	147.0%
Benchmark	0.3%	2.9%	-0.4%	1.4%	30.9%	Benchmark	0.3%	5.4%	-4.5%	-0.7%	16.2%

Source: Lipper

Commentary

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SHARIAH MODEL PORTFOLIO

Conservative Portfolio

AmanahRaya Syariah Trust	20.0%
Principal Islamic Lifetime Sukuk	20.0%
United-i ESG Series-High Quality Sukuk MYR	20.0%
Kenanga ASnitaBOND	20.0%
Aberdeen Standard Islamic World Equity A MYR	2.5%
RHB Islamic Global Developed Markets MYR	2.5%
Maybank Asiapac Ex-Japan Equity-I	1.5%
Manulife Investment Shariah Asia-Pacific ex Japan	1.5%
Eastspring Investments Dinasti Equity	2.5%
RHB Shariah China Focus MYR	2.5%
KAF Dana Adib	2.0%
Phillip Master Islamic Money Market	5.0%
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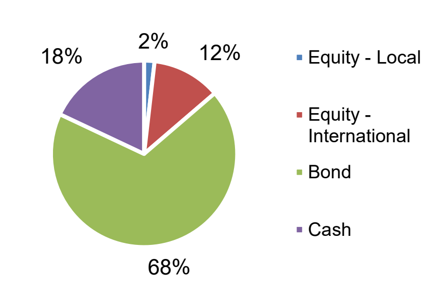

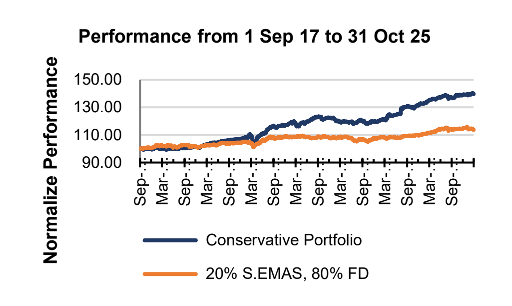

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United-i ESG Series-High Quality Sukuk MYR	15.0%
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Eastspring Investments Dinasti Equity	2.5%
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KAF Dana Adib	5.0%
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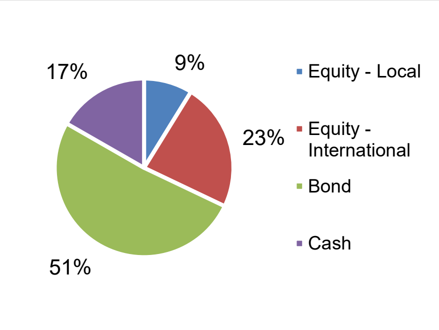

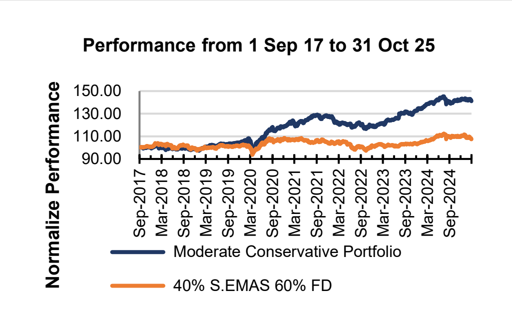

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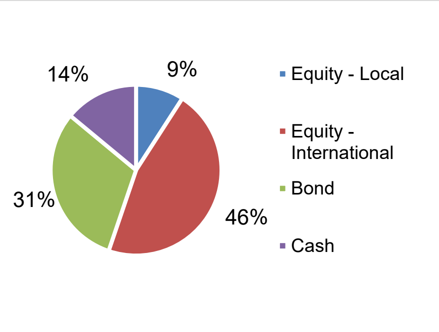

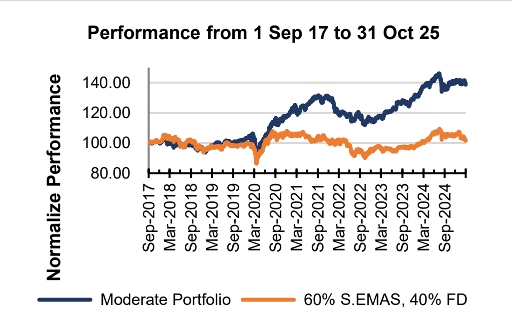

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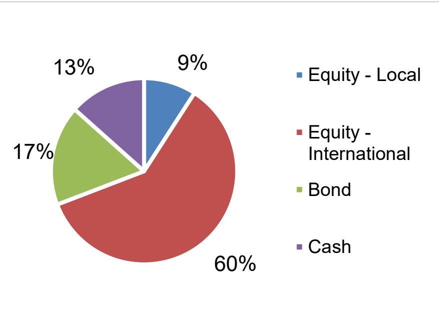

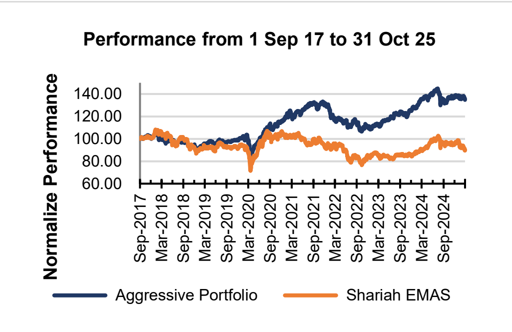

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Benchmark	0.3%	2.5%	0.9%	2.2%	16.7%	Benchmark	0.5%	4.9%	-1.4%	1.4%	5.9%
Moderate Conservative Portfolio	0.5%	8.2%	5.2%	6.0%	50.0%	Aggressive Portfolio	1.8%	16.8%	9.1%	9.2%	49.3%
Benchmark	0.4%	3.7%	-0.2%	1.8%	11.3%	Benchmark	0.7%	7.3%	-3.9%	0.3%	-5.1%

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It's a Matter of Trust