

# Interim Report

30th June 2019

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#### **CEYBANK SURAKUM FUND - Interim Report 2019**

#### REPORT OF THE MANAGER

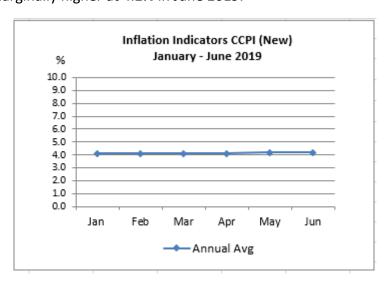
We have great pleasure in presenting the Interim Report and Accounts of the Ceybank Surakum Fund for the six-month period ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

The Net Asset Value per unit of your Fund appreciated by 4.78%. (AER 9.88%) during the period, 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

#### **Economy**

The Sri Lankan Economy recorded a GDP growth of 3.7% for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2019. Contribution to the expansion in the first quarter, sector wise, was seen in Agriculture 5.5%, Services 4.1% and Industry 3.0%.

Average Annual Inflation measured by the CCPI (New) which was at 4.1% at the beginning of the year, remained flat, ending marginally higher at 4.2% in June 2019.



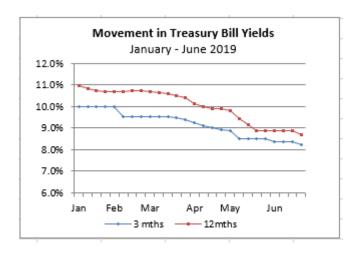
Market interest rates declined gradually during the period. The benchmark 12-month Treasury bill rate which was at 10.99% in January closed lower at 8.70% by the end of June. The long-term Treasury bond market continued to be volatile.

Overnight call money rates moved within a band of 7.80% and 9.00% p.a. The exchange rate which was at 182.91 (Rs/US\$) at the beginning of the year witnessed an appreciation of 3.48% during the period under review. The Rupee was quoted at 176.54 (Rs/ US\$) as at 28th June 2019.

During the period under review, the Central Bank reduced the Standard Deposit Facility Rate (SDFR) and Standard Lending Facility Rate (SLFR) by 50 basis points on 30<sup>th</sup> May 2019. As at end June 2019 the rates on the SDFR and SLFR were 7.50% and 8.50% respectively. The Statutory Reserve Ratio (SRR) for Commercial Banks' was reduced by 1% and was at 5%.

#### \*update

Central Bank has further reduced the SDFR and SLFR rates by 50 basis points on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2019.



#### **Fund Performance**

The Net Asset Value per unit of your Fund appreciated by 4.78% (AER 9.88%) during the period under review.

The Fund generated a net income of Rs 6.84 million during the period under review. The Fund is invested in a mix of Treasury Bills and Repurchase Agreements.

#### **Future Outlook**

The economy is expected to grow at around 3.0% in 2019. The Future outlook on growth will depend on the execution of Government policy, and the recovery after the Easter Sunday Bombing.

The country will need to position itself better if it is to capture opportunities from any possible fallouts from Trade wars and uncertain tariffs. International commodity prices including crude oil remain volatile and a concern. Local weather conditions which were somewhat favorable, will have a significant impact on the growth performance.

Interest rates are expected to flatten out towards the end of the year depending on increased demand by the Government for the envisaged development projects and a Presidential election, which might see an increase in Government spending.

The Fund being a Gilt-Edge Fund is invested in a mix of Government securities. The Managers will continue to monitor the interest rate environment and make changes to the investment profile, to fulfill the Fund objective of providing liquidity for the investor.

Chitra Sathkumara Executive Director/ CEO August 2019

## **CEYBANK SURAKUM FUND**

## **Statement of comprehensive income**

## (all amounts in Sri Lanka Rupees)

(all amounts in Sri Lanka Rupees)	Period from 1 January to 30 June 2019	Period from 1 January to 30 June 2018
Income		
Net income on financial Assets	6,846,854	12,715,983
Total investment income	6,846,854	12,715,983
Operating Expenses	(684,106)	(9,587,080)
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Net operating profit before tax	6,162,748	3,128,903
Income tax expense	-	(815,050)
Increase in net assets attributable to unitholders	6,162,748	2,313,853

## **CEYBANK SURAKUM FUND**

## Statement of financial position

(all amounts in Sri Lanka Rupees)

_	30 June	
	2019	2018
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents Financial assets at FVTPL Financial assets at Amortized Cost	438,484 73,255,805 62,465,629	775,319 19,325,153 105,580,637
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Total assets	136,159,918	125,681,108
UNITHOLDERS' FUNDS AND LIABILITIES  Liabilities		
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Other payables	1,184,378	1,626,770
Total liabilities (excluding net assets attributable to unitholders)	1,184,378	1,626,770
Net assets attributable to unitholders – liability	134,975,540	124,054,338
Total unitholders' funds and liabilities	136,159,918	125,681,108

## Statement of changes in unitholders' funds

(all amounts in Sri Lanka Rupees)

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	2019	2018
Unitholders' funds at beginning of the year	129,135,101	412,224,479
(Decrease)/Increase in net assets attributable to unit he	6,162,748	2,313,853
Received on unit creations	-	3,995,214
Paid on unit redemptions	(322,309)	(280,867,599)
Distributions to unitholders	-	(13,611,609)
Unitholders' funds at 30th June	134,975,540	124,054,338