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ASNB DECLARES COMPETITIVE RETURNS OF 5.50 SEN PER UNIT FOR ASB 2 AND 5.00 SEN PER UNIT FOR ASM
Funds deliver strong performance with RM2.18 billion total income distribution benefitting 1.35 million Unitholders

- Permodalan Nasional Berhad's wholly-owned unit trust management company, Amanah Saham Nasional Berhad (ASNB), today announced the income distribution for two fixed price funds, namely Amanah Saham Bumiputera 2 (ASB 2) and Amanah Saham Malaysia (ASM) for the financial year ending 31 March 2025.
- ASB 2 declared a total income distribution payout amounting to RM0.73 billion benefitting 614,309 Unitholders. This return of 5.50% exceeds the benchmark return of 2.56% recorded by Maybank 12-Month Fixed Deposit by 294 bps.
- For the same period, ASM also declared a total income distribution amounting to RM1.45 billion, which is equivalent to 5.00 sen per unit to 740,513 Unitholders. This return of 5.00%, outperforms the same benchmark by 244 bps.

Kuala Lumpur, 27 March 2025: Permodalan Nasional Berhad's (PNB) wholly-owned unit trust management company, Amanah Saham Nasional Berhad (ASNB) today announced a total income distribution payout of RM2.18 billion for the financial year ending 31 March 2025 for two fixed price funds namely Amanah Saham Bumiputera 2 (ASB 2) and Amanah Saham Malaysia (ASM).

ASB 2 declared a total income distribution payout of RM0.73 billion, equivalent to 5.50 sen per unit to 614,309 Unitholders who currently own 14.12 billion units and ASM declared a total income distribution payout of RM1.45 billion, which is equivalent to 5.00 sen per unit to 740,513 Unitholders with 29.14 billion units. As of 20 March 2025, ASB 2 recorded a net realised income of RM0.80 billion, whilst ASM recorded RM1.55 billion.

Despite the challenging global capital market environment characterised by tariff tensions, elevated inflation and uncertain economy, the income distributions for ASB2 at 5.50 sen per unit and ASM at 5.00 sen per unit mark an increase of 0.25 sen per unit compared to last year. The funds have also seen progressive improvements over the past three years, reflecting PNB's commitment to enhance returns and strengthen portfolio resilience.

The distributions of ASB 2 and ASM translate to total returns of 5.50% and 5.00% respectively, both outperforming the benchmark of Maybank's 12-Month Fixed Deposit at 2.56% by 294 basis points for ASB 2 and by 244 basis points for ASM.

The strong performance of these two fixed price funds is driven by positive domestic and global equity returns as well as continued asset diversification strategy across geographies and asset classes. Going forward, PNB will continue with assets diversification particularly into fixed income to ensure a stable and consistent stream of income.

PNB and ASNB, as part of their continued focus on encouraging financial literacy and helping Malaysians grow their wealth, will launch two upcoming campaigns. 'Labur Tanda Kasih' rewards investors who set up Auto Labur on myASNB, while 'Labur Ceria Si Cilik', starting on 1 April 2025, encourages parents to invest in ASB or ASB 2 for their children's minor accounts to instill the habit of saving from a young age.

Computation of Income Distribution and Suspension of Funds

The computation of income distribution for ASB 2 and ASM is based on the average minimum monthly balance held throughout the financial year of each fund. The distribution declared by these funds will be automatically reinvested into Unitholders' accounts on 1 April 2025.

Transactions for ASB 2 and ASM at ASNB branches and agents, including all online channels and internet banking, will be suspended temporarily from 28 to 31 March 2025 to facilitate the computation of income distribution. Unitholders may resume transactions at myASNB portal (www.myasnb.com.my) or via myASNB mobile application on 1 April 2025, or at any ASNB branches or agents nationwide on 2 April 2025 (Subject to the changes of Hari Raya Aidilfitri).

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Amanah Saham Nasional Berhad (ASNB)

Amanah Saham Nasional Berhad (ASNB) is the wholly owned unit trust management company of PNB with 32 branch offices and more than 2,600 agents nationwide namely Affin Bank, Ambank, Alliance Bank, Bank Islam, Bank Muamalat, Bank Simpanan Nasional, CIMB Bank, Hong Leong Bank, Maybank, RHB Bank and Pos Malaysia. ASNB currently manages 18-unit trust funds with units in circulation (UIC) of approximately 280 billion units over 15 million accounts. For more information, please visit www.asnb.com.my or contact ASNB Customer Service Centre at 03-7730 8899.

Amanah Saham Bumiputera 2 (ASB 2)

Amanah Saham Bumiputera 2 is a fixed price fund launched on 2 April 2014. It is a mixed-asset fund suitable for Bumiputera investors who understand investment risk and rewards and are seeking a fund with a potential annual yield.

Amanah Saham Malaysia (ASM)

Amanah Saham Malaysia is a fixed price fund launched on 20 April 2000. It is a mixed-asset fund suitable for investors who understand investment risk and reward and expect to benefit from long-term growth of the fund through reinvestment of distribution (if any) as well as to receive regular income (if any) on their capital.

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