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## **6.60 SEN PER UNIT FOR ASD INCOME DISTRIBUTION**

**KUALA LUMPUR** :- Amanah Saham Nasional Berhad (ASNB), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Permodalan Nasional Berhad (PNB) has announced an income distribution of 6.60 sen per unit for Amanah Saham Didik (ASD) for the financial year ended 30 June 2015.

PNB Chairman, Tun Ahmad Sarji Abdul Hamid said the income distribution will involve a total payment of RM336.53 million, an increase of 7.3 percent compared to the total distribution of RM313.66 million last year.

Up until 23 June 2015, ASD has recorded a gross income of RM446.77 million. Profit from the sale of shares contributed RM246.65 million or 55.2 percent, meanwhile dividend income from investee companies contributed RM128.38 million or 28.7 percent to the total gross income.

The remaining income of RM71.74 million or 16.1 per cent is derived from investments in short term instruments and other income.

The income distribution will benefit a total of 318,221 unit holders who collectively owned 5.11 billion units of ASD.

In view of the current economic situation and challenging market, the income distribution of ASD this year which is similar to 2014 is reasonable, and comparable with other investment instruments with similar features.

The calculation of the income distribution is based on the average monthly minimum balance held throughout the financial year of ASD.

All transactions for ASD at the ASNB offices and agents has been suspended from 24 June 2015 to 30 June 2015 to facilitate the calculation of income distribution.

The income distribution of ASD will be automatically re-invested in the form of units and credited into the unit holders' accounts on 1 July 2015. Unit holders will be able to update their accounts at ASNB offices and agents nationwide beginning 1 July 2015 when transactions resume.

Unit holders who subscribed ASD through the Employees Provident Fund (EPF) Members' Investment Scheme will have the income distribution credited directly into their respective EPF accounts.

The income distribution statement and fund's annual report will be sent to unit holders beginning middle of August 2015.

Launched on 20 April 2001, ASD is a fixed price equity growth fund aimed at providing investment opportunity which can generate long term growth and competitive returns to unit holders.

ASD is suitable for investors who are building a financial plan to meet future financial needs for education expenses for themselves or those of their families.

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