



Permodalan Nasional Berhad

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ASN INCOME DISTRIBUTION 6.10 SEN PER UNIT

KUALA LUMPUR: Amanah Saham Nasional Berhad (ASNB), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Permodalan Nasional Berhad (PNB) has announced an income distribution of 6.10 sen per unit for Amanah Saham Nasional (ASN) for the financial year ended 31 December 2015.

According to PNB Chairman, Tun Ahmad Sarji Abdul Hamid, the allocation of the income distribution this year will involve a total payment of RM106.72 million that will benefit 1.25 million unit holders who currently hold a total of 1.75 billion ASN units.

Until 23 December 2015, ASN has recorded a gross income of RM126.27 million. From the amount, profit from the sale of shares contributed RM79.91 million or 63.3%, followed by dividend income from investment in companies which contributed RM35.37 million or 28.0%, while the balance of RM10.99 million or 8.70% was derived from other instruments.

The income distribution is calculated based on the units held on the last day of the ASN financial year ended 31 December 2015. The income distribution payment will be re-invested into additional ASN units and will be automatically credited into the unit holders' accounts based on the net asset value as at 31 December 2015. Unit holders will be able to update their ASN accounts beginning 4 January 2016 at any ASNB offices or ASNB agents nationwide.

All transactions for ASN at the ASNB headquarters, ASNB offices and agents have been suspended on 24 December 2015 until 3 January 2016 to facilitate the calculation of income distribution. Transactions for ASN will resume as usual on 4 January 2016.

Launched on 20 April 1981, ASN is a variable priced growth fund, with the objective to generate reasonable level of income distribution and capital appreciation to the unit holders through a diversified portfolio of investments.

ASN performance in terms of its total returns and yield is suitable for comparison with other instruments with similar features and risk levels.

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