



Permodalan Nasional Berhad

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ASNB DECLARES INCOME DISTRIBUTION FOR AMANAH SAHAM NASIONAL 3 IMBANG (ASN 3)

- Amanah Saham Nasional Berhad (ASNB) announces an income distribution of 6.00 sen a unit for its variable price fund, Amanah Saham Nasional 3 Imbang (ASN 3) for the financial year ending 30 November 2016. The total distribution of RM70.78 million would benefit more than 38,000 unit holders holding over 1.17 billion units of ASN 3.
- Despite the challenging equity market performance, low interest rate environment, depressed commodity prices and volatile currencies, ASN 3 managed to record a gross income of RM84.45 million, as at 28 November 2016. ASN 3 is a balanced fund that aims to generate capital growth over the medium to long-term period by investing in a balanced portfolio of investments.
- Profit from the sale of shares contributed RM39.65 million or 47.0%, while dividend income from investee companies contributed RM26.16 million or 31.0% to the total gross income. Meanwhile, the remaining RM18.64 million or 22.0% were derived from investments in short term instruments and other income.

29 NOVEMBER 2016, KUALA LUMPUR-Amanah Saham Nasional Berhad (ASNB), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Permodalan Nasional Berhad (PNB) announces an income distribution of 6.00 sen a unit for its variable price fund, Amanah Saham Nasional 3 Imbang (ASN 3) for the financial year ending 30 November 2016. ASN 3 provides the opportunity for unit holders to generate capital growth over the medium to long-term period through a balanced portfolio of investments.

The income distribution will involve a total payment of RM70.78 million, which would benefit more than 38,000 unit holders whom currently hold over 1.17 billion units of ASN 3.

It has been a challenging period for ASN 3 considering that in the current financial year, the KLCI had remained relatively flat, moving sideways from 1,672.16 points on 30 November 2015 to 1,628.66 points as of 28 November 2016. This translates into a negative return of 2.6%, in line with that of the global

equity markets. Further, asset returns have been affected by depressed commodity prices, increased volatility in major global currencies and low interest rates where the 3-month KLIBOR decreased by 37 bps to 3.40% over the same period.

Notwithstanding these challenges, ASN 3 managed to declare the income distribution of 6.00 sen a unit out of a gross income of RM84.45 million, as at 28 November 2016. Profit from the sale of shares contributed RM39.65 million or 47.0%, while dividend income from investee companies contributed RM26.16 million or 31.0% to the total gross income. Meanwhile, the remaining RM18.64 million or 22.0% were derived from investments in short term instruments and other income.

The calculation of the income distribution for ASN 3 will be based on the units held on 30 November 2016. The income distribution will be re-invested into additional units and will be automatically credited into the unit holders' accounts on 1 December 2016 based on the Net Asset Value (NAV) of ASN 3 as at 30 November 2016.

Meanwhile, unit holders who subscribed to ASN 3 through the Employees Provident Fund (EPF) Members' Investment Scheme will have the income distribution credited directly into their respective EPF accounts.

All transactions for ASN 3 at all ASNB branches and agents have been temporarily suspended from 23 November 2016 until 30 November 2016 to facilitate the computation of income distribution. Unit holders may update their passbook when transactions resume beginning 1 December 2016 at any ASNB branches or agents nationwide.

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