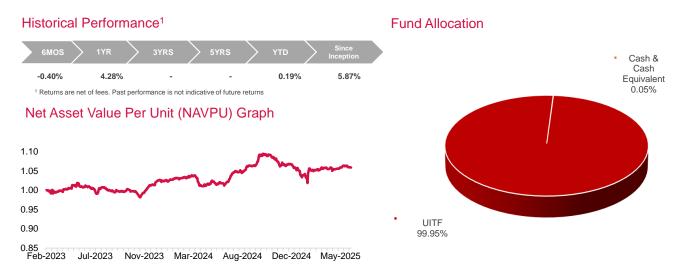


# **AIA PESO CONSERVATIVE FUND**

May 30, 2025

## **Fund Description**

The AIA Peso COnservative Fund (the "Fund") is a Philippine peso-denominated fund created for peso variable life insurance contracts issued by AIA Philippines Life and General Insurance Company Inc., (formerly The Philippine American Life and General Insurance Company). The Fund seeks to achieve long-term total return, which is a combination of income and capital growth with conservative risk and at the same time minimize capital risk by investing in a portfolio comprising primarily of bonds and money market instruments. The Fund will invest in shares of Collective Investment Schemes established by AIA including Unit Investment Trust Funds (UITFs) that are managed by either AIA Investment Management and Trust Corporation Philippines (AIAIM PH) or reputable third-party investment managers.



# Key Figures and Statistics

NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT (NAVPU)	1.0567	
INCEPTION DATE	20 February, 2023	
FUND CLASSIFICATION	Equity Fund	
RISK PROFILE	Conservative	
FUND CURRENCY	Philippine Peso	
DOMICILE	Philippines	

## **Top Holdings**

Name	Investment Type	% of Fund
AIA PESO LONG-TERM BOND FUND	UITF	77.09%
AIA PESO MONEY MARKET FUND	UITF	18.94%
AIA PESO EQUITY FUND	UITF	3.92%
Philippine Peso	CC	0.05%

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## **Commentary:**

## Macro Update

Philippine inflation hits a six-year low as economic growth slows and government debt climbs to a ten-quarter high.

Headline inflation dropped to 1.3% year-on-year in May 2025, the lowest since 2019 and below the BSP's 2–4% target for the third straight month. Latest price movement is mainly driven by a 12.8% decline in rice prices, a strong Philippine Peso, and lower global oil costs. Core inflation remained stable at 2.2% for the third consecutive month, indicating subdued underlying price pressures.

Meanwhile, GDP growth slowed to 5.4% in Q1-below the government's 6-8% target-due to weaker private investment and a widening trade deficit, which rose 23% to USD 4.13 billion.

National Government debt surged 11.6% year-on-year to Php16.75 trillion by end-April, pushing the debt-to-GDP ratio to a tenquarter high of 62%, fueled by strong domestic and external borrowings.

#### **Bond Market Update**

In May, Peso bond yields steepened for the month with soft economic data fueling expectations of a BSP rate cut in June, with the 2-year closing at 5.71% (down by 0.05%), 5-year at 5.90% (down by 0.01%), 10-year at 6.26% (down by 0.0047%), and 20-year at 6.60% (up by 0.24%).

## Equity Market Update

Easing global trade tensions and hopes for rate cuts drove the PSEi to rally in most parts of the month. However, end-of-month MSCI rebalancing brought the index lower, closing -0.2% versus the previous month.

 With the flip-flopping on US tariffs, global investors started to discount Trump's aggressive tariff policy. Coining the narra tive TACO (Trump Always Chickens Out).

• April PH CPI rose 1.4% YoY, below the 1.8% consensus. This drove investors to price-in a 25bps cut in the June monetary board meeting.

 For May 30 day of MSCI rebalancing alone, foreign investors recorded a USD274m net outflow. Covering whole month of May, foreign investors were net sellers of USD259m.

#### Positioning, Outlook, and Strategy

Performance: The AIA Peso Conservative Fund gained 0.15% gross of fees in May. It trailed its benchmark by 0.07% due to its underweight position in its equity allocation, which outperformed bonds. Security selection also detracted from fund returns with underlying equity and bond funds underperforming its benchmark.

Positioning, Outlook, and Strategy: With Philippine inflation expected to remain within the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas' (BSP) target range, the central bank is likely to continue easing policy rates to support economic growth. This environment is favorable for fixed income investments. In the near term, volatility in asset prices may arise from US policy concerns as well as geopolitical and global trade developments. As such, the fund favors an overweight in fixed income and an underweight in equities.

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