

MARKET REVIEWS



Economic Review

The country's trade deficit narrowed to USD -2.48bn compared to the previous month's deficit of USD - 2.68bn, reflecting a decrease of 6%. Remittances were posted at USD 3.14bn, a slight decrease of -2.4% from the previous month.

After touching a multi-year low, the national CPI increased to 5.61% for the month of September 2025, influenced by post-flood adjustments. Despite this, the country's forex reserves saw a marginal improvement, standing at USD 19.79 bn.

Economic Indicators	
CPI Inflation Rate	5.61%
SBP Interest Rate	11.00%
Net Tax Collection (PKR bn)	1,228 bn
Forex Reserves (USD bn)	19.79 bn
Remittances (USD bn)	03.14 bn



Money Market Review

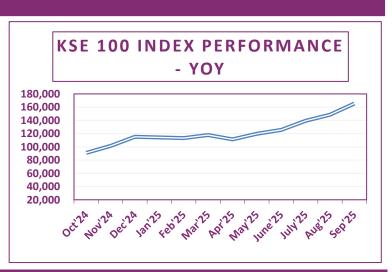
The treasury bill auction by the SBP received bids worth PKR 2,548 bn, while PKR 717 bn were accepted. In the auction of floating-rate bonds, total participation amounted to PKR 946 billion, significantly exceeding the target; however, the Ministry of Finance accepted only PKR 37 bn in the earlier auction and rejected all bids in the latest one. Similarly, during the month, the State Bank of Pakistan conducted a fixed-rate PIB auction. Bids were received worth PKR 1,283 billion and bids worth PKR 654 billion were accepted. The State Bank maintained the policy rate at 11%, though secondary market yields corrected upwards during the month.



Stock Market Review

The KSE-100 index surged to a record high, gaining 16,876 points (11%), and closed at 165,494. The market's stellar performance was driven by significant geopolitical developments, including the signing of a strategic defense agreement with Saudi Arabia and a confidence-boosting meeting with the U.S. President, alongside the domestic finalization of a circular debt resolution plan.

The sectors that were the top contributors to the index's historic performance were Commercial Banks (+4,143 points), Oil & Gas Exploration Companies (+2,414 points), and Power Generation & Distribution (+2,265 points).



UNIVERSAL LIFE INVESTMENT FUND



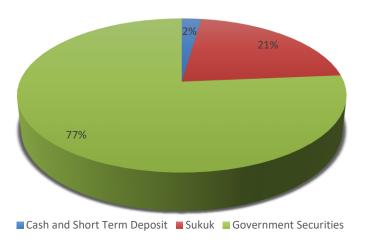
Investment Objective

Achieve a high rate of return through market risk management, liability hedging, portfolio construction, comprising both income and capital appreciation for the policyholders of Askari Life Assurance Company Limited.

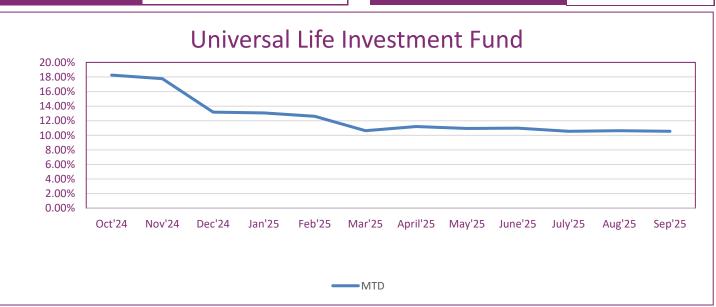
Investment Committee	
Members	Designation
Malik Riffat Mahmood	Chairman
Maj. Gen Kamran Ali (Retd)	Member
Jehanzeb Zafar	CEO (Member)
Rehan Mobin	CFO (Member)
Muhammad Azmatullah Sharif	COO (Member)

Terms and Conditions		
Name of Fund	Universal Life Investment Fund	
Category	Balanced Fund	
Risk Profile	Medium	
Fund Launch Date	Jan 9 th , 2007	
Fund Size	PKR 858,402,003	
Auditor	BDO Ebrahim & Co.	
	(chartered accountants)	
Legal Advisor	M/s Saiduddin & Co.	

Asset Mix	
Cash and Short-Term Deposit	2.28%
Sukuk	21.35%
Government Securities	76.37%



Investment Return	
1 Month	10.55%
3 Months	10.58%
12 Months	12.53%



UNIVERSAL LIFE PARTICIPANT INVESTMENT FUND (UL-PIF)



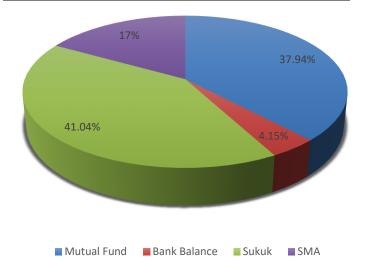
Investment Objective

Achieve a high rate of return through market risk management, liability hedging, portfolio construction, comprising both income and capital appreciation for the participants of Askari Life – Window Takaful Operations.

Investment Committee	
Members	Designation
Malik Riffat Mahmood	Chairman
Maj. Gen Kamran Ali (Retd)	Member
Jehanzeb Zafar	CEO (Member)
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Muhammad Azmatullah Sharif	COO (Member)

Terms and Conditions		
Name of Fund	Universal Life Participant Investment Fund (UL-PIF)	
Category	Balanced, Shariah Compliant Fund	
Risk Profile	Medium	
Fund Launch Date	May 11 th , 2020	
Fund Size	PKR 1,466,842,631	
Auditor	BDO Ebrahim & Co.	
	(chartered accountants)	
Legal Advisor	M/s Saiduddin & Co.	

Asset Mix	
Mutual Fund	37.94%
Bank Balance	4.15%
Sukuk	41.04%
SMA	16.87%



Investment Return	
1 Month	18.71%
3 Months	12.97%
12 Months	13.11%

