

# BOCHK Hong Kong Dollar Income Fund Monthly Highlight



March 2024 (Data as of 29/2/2024)

## Key Features and Risk Disclosure:

- The BOCHK Hong Kong Dollar Income Fund (the "Sub-Fund") seeks to provide a stable income stream and long-term capital appreciation through investing at least 70% of its non-cash assets in a portfolio which mainly consists of Hong Kong dollar denominated investment grade bonds. The Sub-Fund may invest not more than 30% of its Net Asset Value in debt instruments with loss-absorption features (LAP).
- Investment involves risks and the Sub-Fund may not be suitable for anyone. Past performance is not indicative of future performance. The Sub-Fund is subject to market and exchange rate fluctuations and to the risks inherent in all investments. Price of Units and the income (if any) generated from the Sub-Fund may go down as well as up. Investors could face no returns and/or suffer significant loss related to the investments. There is no guarantee in respect of repayment of principal.
- The key risks to which the Sub-Fund is subject to include: general investment risk, currency risk, concentration risk, credit/ counterparty risk, credit rating risk, downgrading risk, interest rate risk, valuation risk, derivative instruments risk, risk in relation to distribution, RMB currency and conversion risks, risk relating to those class(es) of units denominated in a currency other than the base currency, cross-class liability risk and risk associated with instruments with loss-absorption features.
- In respect of Class A - HKD Dis Units, Class A - USD Dis Units and Class A - RMB Dis Units for the Sub-Fund, the Manager will normally make distributions out of net income received or receivable. However, in the event that the net income is insufficient to pay the distributions that it declares, the Manager may also, in its absolute discretion, determine that distributions be paid out of capital, or the Manager may, in its discretion, pay distributions out of the gross income while charging / paying all or part of the fees and expenses to / out of capital, resulting in an increase in distributable income for the payment of distributions and therefore, the Sub-Fund may effectively pay distributions out of capital. This may reduce the capital available for investment in future and may constrain capital growth.
- Investors should be aware that in circumstances where distributions are paid out of capital or effectively out of capital, this amounts to a return or withdrawal of part of the amount investors originally invested or from any capital gains attributable to that original investment. Any distributions involving payment of distributions out of capital or payment of distributions effectively out of capital (as the case may be) may result in an immediate decrease in the Net Asset Value per Unit of the relevant class.
- Please refer to the offering document of the Sub-Fund for further details including investment objectives and policies, charges and expenses, and risk factors, before making any investment decision.

## Market Comment and Fund Comment<sup>#</sup>

### Market Comment

- Hong Kong dollar (HKD) bond markets further weakened in February. Bond yields generally increased, following trend of its U.S. counterparts. Yield on the 10-year benchmark government bond increased by 28 basis points to end the month at 3.79%, while that of the 2-year tenor surged by 26 basis points to 3.65%.
- Investors scaled back policy rate-cut expectations, amid macro data strength in the U.S. The surprisingly strong payrolls report for January reinforced views that labor market in the U.S. has stayed resilient, while the latest inflation gauges came in hotter than expected. Against this macro backdrop, the Federal Reserve (Fed) officials, led by Chair Powell, called for patience in order to gain greater confidence over inflation to sustainably return towards target before cutting interest rates.

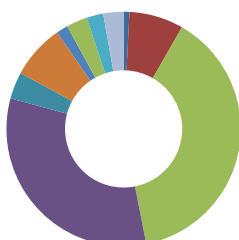
### Fund Comment

- With uncertainty surrounding both macro and central bank policy, market volatility should likely stay high in the near term. We adhere to a conservative approach towards duration management, whilst favoring high-quality credits for yield enhancement.

## Fund Features

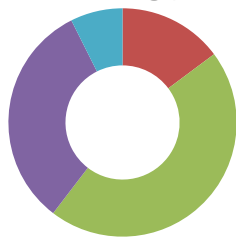
- ✓ Invest mainly in Hong Kong dollar denominated investment grade bonds, mitigating currency risk.
- ✓ Invest in bonds from private corporation and government, which invest across a spectrum of sectors, therefore achieving risk diversification and exposing to various opportunities from business cycle.
- ✓ As of 29/2/2024, Investment grade bonds rated grade A or above account for 60.4% of the portfolio\*.
- ✓ As of 29/2/2024, duration of the Sub-Fund is 2.1, the 3 years annualized standard deviation is 2.7364%.

### Sector allocation\*\*



0.8% Net Liquidity	7.5% Government
38.6% Financial Services	32.3% Property
3.7% Utilities	7.5% Industrials
1.6% Others - BOCIP China Bond Fund	
2.9% Others - BOCIP Flexi HKD Income Fund	
2.3% Others - BOCIP USD Short Duration Bond Fund	
2.8% Others - BOCIP Flexi USD Bond Fund	

### Credit rating (Bond)



0.0% AAA	14.8% AA
45.6% A	32.2% BBB
7.4% Others	

Source: BOCI-Prudential Asset Management

Class A - HKD Units, Class A - USD Units and Class A - RMB Units have been re-designated as Class A - HKD Dis Units, Class A - USD Dis Units and Class A - RMB Dis Units respectively from 1 January 2024 and such re-designated names of the distribution classes are used throughout this document.

# The manager's comment above solely reflects the opinion, view and interpretation of the fund managers as of the date of issuance of this document. Investors should not solely rely on such information to make any investment decision.

## Fund Distribution<sup>\*\*\*</sup>

(Class A - HKD Dis Units)				
Record Date	Distribution per Unit (HKD)	Fund Price on Record Date (HKD)	Distribution Rate	Annualized Yield
30/09/2021	0.0555	11.0948	0.50%	
31/12/2021	0.0550	10.9948	0.50%	
31/03/2022	0.0535	10.6961	0.50%	
30/06/2022	0.0526	10.5011	0.50%	
30/09/2022	0.0515	10.2818	0.50%	
31/12/2022	0.0516	10.3062	0.50%	
31/03/2023	0.0524	10.4731	0.50%	
30/06/2023	0.0522	10.4328	0.50%	
30/09/2023	0.0517	10.3243	0.50%	
31/12/2023	0.0532	10.6213	0.50%	
31/01/2024	0.0354	10.6162	0.33%	
29/02/2024	0.0354	10.5915	0.33%	4.01%

\* Source: BOCI-Prudential Asset Management Limited ("BOCI-Prudential Asset Management"); Credit ratings of debt securities are based on the credit rating announced by S&P and Moody

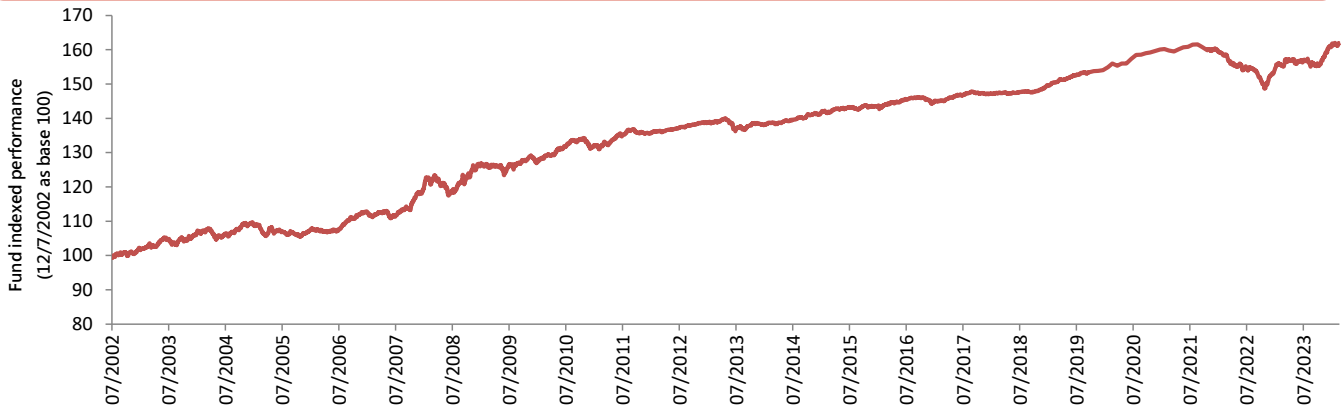
\*\* With effect from 17 December 2018, sector classification methodology for the Sub-Fund has been updated slightly. Accordingly, the sector allocation has been restructured and the sector named "Telecom" has been replaced by "Communication Services".

§ "Net Liquidity" was formerly named as "Cash & Deposit".

\*\*\* For Class A - HKD Dis Units, Class A - USD Dis Units and Class A - RMB Dis Units, the Manager may, subject to its discretion, declare distributions on a monthly basis (see note).

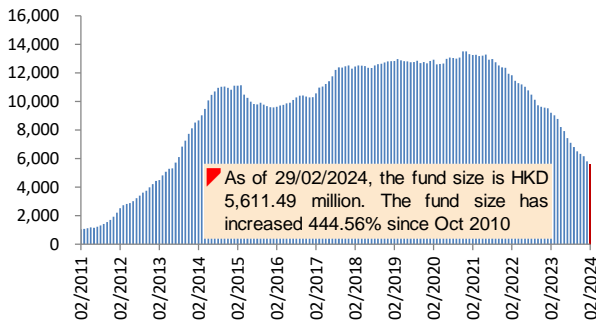
Distributions will normally be paid out of net income, and in the event that the net income is insufficient to pay the distributions, the Manager may determine in its discretion that distributions be paid out of capital, or the Manager may, in its discretion, pay distributions out of the gross income while charging/ paying all or part of the fees and expenses to/ out of capital, resulting in an increase in distributable income for the payment of distributions and therefore, the Sub-Fund may effectively pay distributions out of capital. The Manager has discretion as to whether or not to make any distributions for the Sub-Fund, the frequency of distributions, the dates and the amount of distributions. The Manager also has the discretion to determine if and to what extent distributions will be paid out of capital of the Sub-Fund. Please also refer to the Manager's website for the composition of the latest distribution (i.e. the relative amounts paid out of (i) net distributable income and (ii) capital). Information contained in the website of the Manager has not been reviewed by the SFC. (Note: Distribution frequency has been changed from quarterly to monthly basis with effect from 1 January 2024.) The annualized yield is defined as "total number of distribution per year x Distribution Rate as of the record date" with effect from 23 September 2014, where "Distribution Rate as of the record date" is defined as "Distribution per Unit / fund price on the record date x 100%".

### Fund Performance<sup>△</sup> (Since inception (12/7/2002) to 29/2/2024) (Class A - HKD Dis Units)



Source : Lipper

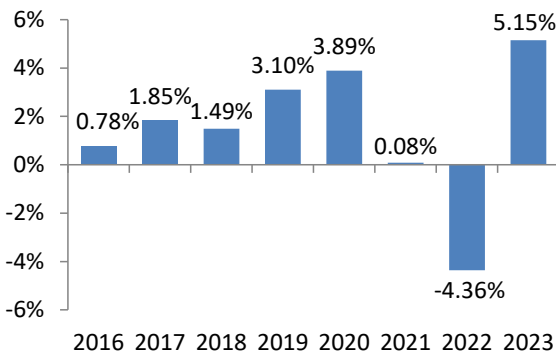
### Fund Size (Million HKD) (Class A - HKD Dis Units)



### Cumulative Performance<sup>△</sup> (HKD) (Class A - HKD Dis Units)

YTD	0.56%
1 month	0.10%
3 months	1.89%
6 months	3.88%
1 year	4.34%
3 years	1.38%
5 years	7.60%
Since Inception*	61.95%

### Calendar Year Performance<sup>△</sup> (HKD) (Class A - HKD Dis Units)



\* Since inception 12/7/2002 to 29/2/2024

Source : BOCI-Prudential Asset Management

<sup>△</sup> Investment involves risk. Fund performance is calculated in sub-fund's base currency on NAV-to-NAV basis with gross distribution reinvested. The Sub-Fund is subject to market fluctuations and exchange rate fluctuations in all investment. Investor should carefully consider their own investment objectives, risk tolerance level and other circumstances and seek independent financial and professional advice as appropriate before making any investments.

### Top Ten Holdings (as of 29/2/2024)

Investment	(%)	Issuer
CN OVRS FIN VIII 2.9% A 15JAN2025	5.3	China Overseas Finance (Cayman) VIII Limited
HSBC HOLDINGS 1.55% A 03JUN2027	4.7	HSBC Holdings PLC
STANDARD CHART 4% A 27JUN2025	4.3	Standard Chartered PLC
HK GOVT BOND PRO 2.02% S/A 07MAR2034	3.7	HK GOVT BOND PROGRAMME
HK MTGE CORP 0.8% A 04OCT2024	3.3	The Hong Kong Mortgage Corp Ltd
MIZUHO BANK/HK 0.7% A 15JUN2024	3.2	Mizuho Bank, Ltd. of Hong Kong
AIA GROUP 2.25% Q 28MAR2024	3.2	AIA Group Limited
HKCG FINANCE 0.7% Q 24SEP2024	3.1	HKCG Finance Ltd
MTR CORP LTD 3.95% Q 29MAY2025	3.1	MTR CORP LTD
WHARF REIC FIN 0.9% A 30JUN2024	3.0	Wharf REIC Finance (BVI) Limited

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