

# PORT LOUIS FUND LTD

BLOOMBERG TICKER: PLFFUND MP

## **Investment Objective**

The Fund seeks long-term income and capital appreciation by investing in several asset classes

PLF is an open-ended fund which operates as a Collective Investment Scheme under the Securities Act 2005. It is a multi-asset fund, the largest among its peers in Mauritius in terms of net asset value.

#### **Fund Information**

Fund Manager

Launch date

18 July 1997

Valuation frequency

Price publication

Trading in PLF shares

Registrar and Transfer office

Ground Floor, Air Mauritius Building
Telephone: 212 4040

Or contact any stockbroker

Complaints/Queries

#### **Fund Load**

Entry Fee Exit fee Nil

Telephone: 2132727

Nil (Otherwise 1% if held for less than 1 month)

#### **Fund Data**

 Fund size
 Rs 1928.7M

 NAV -31 Dec 2021
 Rs 38.4

 Total Expenses ratio
 1.10%

**Dividend per share FY2021** Rs 0.50 (Ex-div 28 Jun 21)

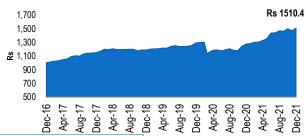
Asset Allocation	MUR 'M	%Net Assets
Local stock market	486.7	25.2%
Unquoted shares	721.8	37.4%
Foreign investments	693.0	35.9%
Fixed income securities	27.2	1.4%

Top 10 Holdings	MUR 'M	%Net Assets
SICOM	651.7	33.8%
MCB	130.5	6.8%
ASCENCIA	57.5	3.0%
Franklin Templeton 799 US Opportunity Fund	49.8	2.6%
Maurinet	42.9	2.2%
T.Rowe Price US Blue Chip	39.6	2.1%
SBM	36.8	1.9%
T.Rowe Price European Smaller Companies	36.1	1.9%
IBL	35.8	1.9%
Fidelity World Fund	35.3	1.8%

Risk/Return Statistics							
		Total Return <sup>1</sup>	Ann Return	Ann Std dev			
5-yr		50.7%	8.6%	8.3%			
3-yr		27.0%	8.3%	10.2%			
1-yr		18.4%	18.4%	7.7%			
6-month		5.0%	-	-			
3-month	1	3.2%	-	-			
Cal Yr to date		18.4%	-	-			
Fin Yr to date		5.0%	-	-			
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<sup>1.</sup> Calculation of total return assuming that dividends are reinvested at the end of each financial year

## Growth of Rs 1,000 (dividend reinvested) 5 yrs



Country Allocation		Sector Allocation				
Mauritius		64.5%		Financial		51.6%
Foreign		35.5%		Consumer		16.3%
North America		10.8%		Others		7.9%
India		11.8%		Diversified		6.6%
Europe	ī	5.0%		Tech & Com		10.6%
Asia Pacific	i i	5.7%		Industrial	1	3.1%
Africa/Middle East	Ī	1.7%		Energy	L	2.2%
C.Asia ex. India		0.3%		Basic Materials		1.7%
Latin America		0.1%				

### Commentary

The "Net Asset Value" (NAV) per share of the Fund increased by 2.5% from Rs 37.39 to Rs 38.40 during the month of December. The portfolio of domestically listed equities rose by 5.1%, on the back of gains registered by the SEMDEX (+4.3%) whilst the DEMEX registered a positive return of 0.4% during the month.

On the local front National Investment Trust and Cim Finance have declared a dividend of MUR 0.70 and MUR 0.20 per share respectively. Under the Note Programme of Innodis Ltd, 800M notes will be listed on the SEM. In respect of the scrip dividend scheme by MCB, a total of 857,408 new ordinary shares have been issued in December 2021.

The total portfolio of foreign investments hiked by 1.3%. During the month under review, both the MSCI World Index and the MSCI Emerging Market Index surged by 4.4% and 1.9% respectively in MUR terms. The USD appreciated by 0.23% whilst the EUR and GBP appreciated by 1.15% and 2.03% respectively against MUR. US markets ricocheted in December with governments not imposing economically crippling lockdowns following the surging Omicron outbreak. The Federal Reserve has executed a hawkish move during mid-December to keep a lid on inflation by rising interest rates. It expects to shrink its balance sheet currently at \$8.7 trillion by winding down its bond buying programme. This would fuel higher yields on T-Bills and Treasury Inflation Protected Securities (TIPS) but deter stock investment.

The Fund's direct investments in the Indian equity market weighed approximately 32.9% of the foreign portfolio. In MUR terms, the portfolio of Indian investments grew by 2.64%. The SENSEX gained 2.08% in INR terms, translating into a return of +3.26% in MUR terms. The INR appreciated by 1.14% against the MUR during the month.

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