



## NIT ISLAMIC EQUITY FUND

### FUND MANAGER REPORT - March 2019

#### NIT-IEF Objective

The objective of the Fund is to provide investors with long term capital growth from an actively managed portfolio of Shariah Compliant listed equities.

#### Profile of Investment Managers

National Investment Trust Ltd. (NITL) is the first and the largest Asset Management Company of Pakistan, formed in 1962. The size of total Funds under management by NITL is approximately Rs. 85 billion as of March 31, 2019. The family of Funds of NIT comprises of 10 funds including 4 equity Funds 2 fixed income nature Funds, 1 Islamic Income Fund, 1 Money Market Fund, 1 conventional Pension Fund and 1 Islamic Pension Fund. NIT's tally of nationwide branches is 24, no other Mutual Fund in Pakistan has such a vast network of nationwide branches. Further to cater to the matters relating to investments in NIT and day to day inquiries/issues of its unit holders, a state of the art Investors' Facilitation Centre is also in place. The Board of Directors of NITL consists of representatives of leading financial institutions, prominent industrialists and nominee of Govt. of Pakistan. The Company has been assigned an Asset Manager rating of "AM2++" by PACRA, which reflects the company's very strong capacity to manage the risks inherent in the asset management business and the asset manager meets very high investment management industry standards and benchmarks. All Investment decisions are taken by the Investment Committee of NITL.

#### Fund's Information

<b>Fund Type</b>	Open-End	<b>Trustee</b>	Central Depository Company
<b>Category</b>	Islamic Equity	<b>Auditors</b>	A.F. Ferguson & Co. Chartered Accountants
<b>Launch Date</b>	18th May 2015	<b>Pricing Mechanism</b>	Forward Pricing
<b>Management Fee</b>	2.00%	<b>Dealing Days*</b>	Daily (Monday to Friday)
<b>Front End Load</b>	0% - 3%	<b>Valuation Days*</b>	Daily (Monday to Friday)
<b>Back End Load</b>	0.00%	<b>AMC Rating</b>	AM2++ (PACRA)
<b>Benchmark</b>	KMI-30	<b>Risk Profile</b>	Moderate / High
<b>Par Value</b>	PKR 10.00	<b>Fund Manager</b>	Wasim Akram
<b>Minimum Investment</b>	PKR 5,000	<b>Cut-off timing**</b>	9:00 AM to 3:30 PM (Mon to Fri)
<b>Selling and Marketing Expenses</b>	0.11% per annum	*except public holiday ** Ramadan Timing 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM (Mon to Thur), 8:00 AM to 12:30 Noon (Fri)	

#### Fund Commentary & Performance Review

The benchmark KMI-30 index posted a return of -3.35% during March, 2019. Market sentiment continued to remain negative with border tension with India lingering. Questions over the macro direction of the economy also remained unclear with issues such as FATF, Pakistan's entry into an IMF program and the future direction of interest rates resulted in weak sentiment among investors. Volumes dropped substantially and stood at 106 million shares during the month, down 29% on a MoM basis. This lack of interest can also be attributed to investors awaiting the announcement of the monetary policy towards the end of the month whereby SBP raised policy rate by another 50 bps. Foreign investors remained net sellers and sold off positions worth USD 18 million during the month.

NIT IEF posted a return of -2.70% during the month of March, 2019 as against a benchmark return of -3.35% showing an outperformance of 0.65%.

#### Future Outlook

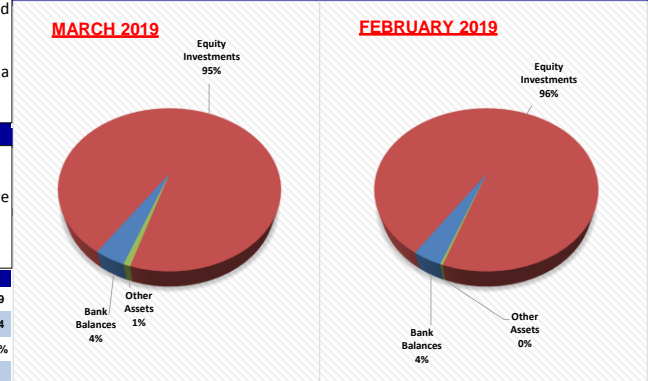
Outcome of the FATF review and negotiations with the IMF will determine the future direction of the market.

#### Fund Returns\*

	NIT-IEF	KMI-30
<b>Mar-19</b>	-2.70%	-3.35%
<b>Since Inception</b>	3.31%	16.99%
<b>YTD</b>	-12.82%	-10.90%
<b>5 yrs</b>	N/A	N/A
<b>Leverage</b>	Nil	

\* The returns are calculated inclusive of dividend.

#### Fund's Asset Allocation



#### Technical Information 31-03-2019

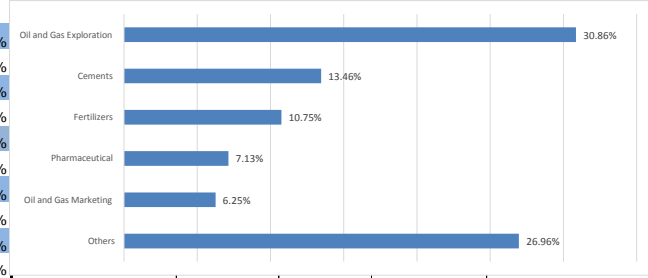
<b>Net Assets NIT-IEF (PKR Million)</b>	3,519
<b>Nav per Unit NIT-IEF (PKR)</b>	8.64
<b>Total Expense Ratio (Incl. Govt Levy)*</b>	2.78%

\*This includes 0.37% representing Govt. levy, Sind Worker's Welfare Fund and SECP Fee

#### Top Ten Holdings

(As % of Total Assets)	
Oil & Gas Development Company Ltd.	10.80%
Pakistan Petroleum Limited.	10.34%
Lucky Cement Limited.	7.20%
Pakistan Oilfields Limited.	6.07%
Hub Power Company Limited.	5.08%
Engro Corporation Limited.	5.02%
D. G. Khan Cement Co. Ltd.	3.81%
Mari Petroleum Company Ltd.	3.65%
Indus Motor Company Ltd.	3.56%
The Searle Company Ltd.	3.34%

#### Sector Allocation (As % of Total Assets)



#### WWF Disclosure:

The Scheme has maintained provisions against Sind Workers' Welfare Fund's liability to the tune of Rs. 8.79 million, if the same were not made the NAV per unit/ year to date return of the Scheme would be higher by Rs. 0.02/ 0.25%. For details investors are advised to read the latest Financial Statement of the Scheme.

#### Compliance with Circular # 16 of 2010 / Non-compliant Investments

N/A
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Performance Period	FY18	FY17	FY16	FY15***
<b>NIT-IEF</b>	-16.37%	18.38%	5.78%	2.70%
<b>Benchmark</b>	-9.59%	18.80%	15.53%	1.98%

\*\*\*Launched on May 18,

#### Members of the Investment Committee

<b>Adnan Afridi - Managing Director</b>	<b>Manzoor Ahmed - Chief Operating Officer</b>	<b>Amir Amin - Head of Finance</b>
<b>Wasim Akram - Fund Manager</b>	<b>Faisal Aslam - Head of Compliance</b>	<b>Raza Abbas Jaffery - Head of Trading</b>
<b>Salman H. Chawala - Manager / Incharge Risk</b>	<b>Ali Kamal - Head of Research</b>	<b>Syed Ali Raza Bukhari - Head of Marketing</b>

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Note: Performance data does not include the cost incurred directly by an investor in the form of sales load.

Note: All the figures given in the report are being under Full Year Audit review.