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# Manulife Asset Management Services Berhad Declares Income Distribution for Four Funds

**Kuala Lumpur** – Manulife Asset Management Services Berhad (MAMSB) today declared income distributions for four of its unit trust funds namely Manulife Investment Dividend Fund, Manulife Investment Shariah Progress Fund, Manulife Shariah-Dana Ekuiti and Manulife Shariah-Dana Sukuk:

Fund Name	Gross Distribution (sen per unit)	Gross Distribution Yield	Type of Distribution	For the Financial Year/Period Ended
Manulife Investment Dividend Fund	0.91	2.62% <sup>*</sup>	Second Semi-Annual	30 April 2018
Manulife Investment Shariah Progress Fund	2.30	5.80% <sup>**</sup>	Annual	30 April 2018
Manulife Shariah-Dana Ekuiti	1.00	1.58%**	Annual	30 April 2018
Manulife Shariah-Dana Sukuk	1.70	3.14%**	Annual	30 April 2018
Based on average net asset value per unit from 1 November 2017 to 30 April 2018				

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All unit holders who maintained their units in the four Funds as at 25 April 2018 are entitled to receive the distributions.

For Manulife Investment Dividend Fund, it is the second semi-annual income distribution declared for the financial year ended 30 April 2018. This brings the total annual income distribution to 2.51 sen per unit, which amounts to a distribution yield of 7.15%. The first semi-annual income distribution of 1.60 sen per unit for the Fund was declared on 26 October 2017.

Jason Chong, Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director of MAMSB, said "We are pleased that Manulife Investment Dividend Fund and Manulife Investment Shariah Progress Fund have managed to deliver five-year returns of 30.48% and 59.14% respectively<sup>#</sup>; while Manulife Shariah-Dana Ekuiti and Manulife Shariah-Dana Sukuk have delivered three-year returns of 10.91% and 10.44% respectively<sup>#</sup>. These results underline our continuous commitment in providing investors with the potential for a reasonable and consistent rate of return over the medium to long term."

Manulife Investment Dividend Fund is an equity, income Fund which aims to provide a steady recurring income that is potentially higher than the prevailing fixed deposit rates. At the same time, the Fund also attempts to attain medium- to long-term capital appreciation.

Manulife Investment Shariah Progress Fund is an Islamic equity, growth Fund which seeks to provide unit holders with steady long-term capital growth at a reasonable level of risk by investing in a diversified portfolio of small- to medium-capitalised Shariah-compliant equities and equity-related instruments. The Fund is designed for investors who are willing to accept a higher level of risk and seek capital appreciation from their investments. These investors should also have a low income stream requirement and a medium- to long-term investment horizon of between 3 and 5 years.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Based on average net asset value per unit from 1 May 2017 to 30 April 2018.

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Manulife Shariah-Dana Ekuiti is a Shariah equity, growth Fund which aims to achieve capital growth over the medium to long term by investing primarily in Shariah-compliant equities and/ or equity-related securities. It is suitable for investors who have a medium to long term investment horizon and a high risk tolerance.

Manulife Shariah-Dana Sukuk is an Islamic bond, income and growth Fund which seeks to maximise return through a combination of income and capital appreciation over the medium to long term by investing primarily in sukuk. It is suitable for investors who have moderate risk tolerance with a medium to long term investment horizon and seek a combination of income and capital appreciation from their investments.

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#### Important notes / remarks:

- Investment involves risk. Investors should not make investment decisions based on this material
  alone and should read the offering document for details, including the level of risk, risk factors,
  fees and charges, and features of the funds.
- Fund prices may go down as well as up. Past performance figures shown are not indicative of future performance.
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Manulife Asset Management is the global asset management arm of Manulife Financial Corporation ("Manulife"). We provide comprehensive asset management solutions for investors across a broad range of public and private asset classes, as well as asset allocation solutions. We also provide portfolio management for affiliated retail Manulife and John Hancock product offerings.

Our investment solutions include public and private equity and fixed income, real estate and infrastructure equity and debt, timberland and farmland, oil and gas, renewable energy, and mezzanine financing. We operate in the United States, Canada, Brazil, the United Kingdom, New Zealand, Australia, Japan, Hong Kong, Singapore, Taiwan, Indonesia, Thailand, Vietnam, Malaysia, the Philippines, as well as through a China joint venture, Manulife TEDA. We also serve investors in select European, Middle Eastern, and Latin American markets.

As at December 31, 2017, assets under management for Manulife Asset Management were approximately C\$491 billion (US\$392 billion, GBP£290 billion, EUR€327 billion). Additional information may be found at ManulifeAM.com.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>#</sup> Lipper, total returns as at 30 April 2018.

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