# SBM PERPETUAL FUND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
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# Investment Manager's statement

Dear Unitholder,

The pandemic swept the globe in March 2020 causing unprecedented health and economic concerns. Although policymakers had recourse to unprecedented stimulus measures to limit the economic impact of the Covid-19 pandemic, the global economy went into a recession during the calendar year 2020. Globally, policy measures limited the negative spill-overs from the "real" economy to the financial markets.

In Mauritius, the closure of the domestic frontier presented significant headwinds to economic growth given the country's dependence on the leisure and hospitality sector. With easing of restrictions and an acceleration in the pace of vaccine roll-out, there was a positive shift in investor sentiment in 2021; the SEMDEX prolonged its 2021 bull-run after the budget speech held in June 2021 which among others, laid out the strategy in terms of easing of travel restrictions and paving the way for a bounce back of the tourism industry. Domestic yields increased significantly during that particular month.

Despite the uncertain conditions that prevailed during the year, we proved once again that we remain a reliable partner for all our stakeholders; our investment philosophy and processes ensured that our in-house funds delivered solid returns relative to their pre-set objectives. The Fund continued raised its exposure to cash and cash equivalent during the year, in anticipation of higher yields, and also increased its allocation to "quality" domestic corporate bonds. Funds were deployed in government securities in 2021 following the pick-up in yields.

Despite the domestic vaccination progress, economic conditions remain challenging, particularly for the tourism sector. At the same time, the weakening of the currency and global inflationary pressures from supply-chain disruptions are likely to threaten domestic price stability. The government has imposed price controls on certain basic goods, which are likely to dampen short-term inflationary pressures. At monetary policy level, the Bank of Mauritius has rejected bids on certain issuances, potentially indicating that yields may stabilize at current levels in the near-term. At the same time, excess liquidity may renew its upward trend as government securities mature. In the face of the market challenges, we remain focused on our funds' long-term objectives and believe that our strategy will continue to benefit from the prevailing market conditions.

We would like to thank the management team and all the stakeholders for their contribution towards enhancing the value of our funds as well as the unitholders for their confidence in us.

SBM Mauritius Asset Managers Ltd

September 2021

# **Investment Manager's Report**

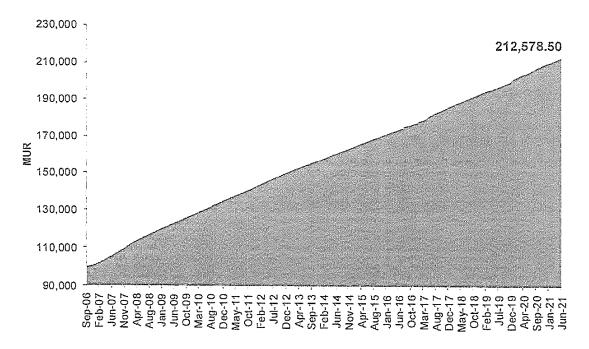
# Performance commentary

The net assets of SBM Perpetual Fund grew from MUR 2,628.6M to MUR 3,758.6M with net asset value per unit (NAV) increasing from MUR 204.73 to MUR 212.58 over the financial year 2021, equivalent to a return of 3.8%. As a comparison, its reference index (SBM Savings Rate + 1%) yielded 1.2% over the same period.

#### ANNUALISED RETURN

	1 YEAR	3 YEAR	5 YEAR	SINCE INCEPTION
SBM Perpetual Fund (%)	+3.8	+3.9	+4.1	÷5.2
Benchmark (%)	÷1.2	+2.1	÷2.5	+4.7
	FY 21	FY 20	FY 19	FY 18
SBM Perpetual Fund (%)	+3.8	±4.2	+3.6	+4.2
Benchmark (%)	÷1.2	÷2.3	÷2.8	÷2.8

# VALUE OF MUR 100,000 INVESTED SINCE INCEPTION



Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance and unit prices may fluctuate with prevailing market conditions and current performance may be higher or lower than the performance cited. For more information on the fund's objectives, risks, and strategy, please consult its Prospectus. Latest unit prices are available on the website: https://nbfc.sbmgroup.mu/mam/financial-products/funds-performance

The graph illustrates the performance of MUR 100,000 invested in the Fund at inception. The growth of investment amount assumes that dividends, if any, are re-invested and does not include sales charge but takes into account the running expenses of the Fund as well as taxes and other deductions.

# Positioning and strategy

SBM Perpetual Fund invests only in domestic fixed income securities. The investment strategy of the Fund is set according to its objective of maximising capital preservation, particularly.

During the year, the Fund raised its exposure to Government of Mauritius (GoM) securities from 68.5% as at 30 June 2020 to 71.3% as at 30 June 21. It maintained its barbell strategy when investing in GoM securities. With the yields falling to historical levels in the first half of the financial year, the Fund has been overweight in cash & cash equivalent. It increased exposure to GoM inflation-indexed bond in Oct-20, in anticipation of rising inflation. During the last quarter of the financial year, the Fund raised exposure to long-term GoM amid the rise in yields.

The corporate bond segment is well-diversified among domestic listed issuers and includes mainly investment grade issuers, based on a domestic rating scale. During the year, the allocation to corporate bonds was raised from 22.4% to 23.7%. The focus has been on "quality" corporate bonds; Main investments were Forty Two Point Two (GCR: AAA), CIM Financial Services Ltd (Care: MAU AA), Ascencia Limited (Care: MAU A+) and Gamma Civic Ltd (Care: MAU AA-).

On average, the Fund maintained an average cash and cash equivalent allocation of around 4% to mainly manage liquidity and interest rate risks.

ASSET	ALL	OCA	TION	(%	net assets)
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	30/06/20	30/06/21
Fixed income	95.2	96.7
Cash & cash equivalents	4.8	3.3

## GEOGRAPHICAL ALLOCATION (% net assets)

ł	Fund	index
Mauritius	100.0	100.0

# FIXED INCOME ALLOCATION (% net assets)

	30/06/20	30/06/21
Government of Mauritius	68.5	71.3
Corporate Bonds	22.4	23.7
Term Deposits	4.3	1.7

# SECTOR ALLOCATION (% net assets)

	Fund	Index
Government of Mauritius	68.5	71.3
Financial	13.3	10.4
Investment	3.3	8.6
Commerce	2.7	2.3
Leisure & Hotels	2.7	1.9
Property	2.2	1.5
Sugar	2.5	_
Industry	-	0.7

# TOP 5 HOLDINGS (% net assets)

_	30/06/20	30/06/21
Government of Mauritius Inflation- indexed Bond 04/05/34	_	9.6
Government of Mauritius 09/03/28	5.5	4.5
Government of Mauritius 17/03/37	7.2	4.2
Government of Mauritius 16/04/36	-	4.0
Government of Mauritius 22/01/33	5.7	4.0
TOTAL	18.4	26.3

# TOP 5 CORPORATE HOLDINGS (% net assets)

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	30/06/20	30/06/21	
Forty Two Point Two 27/04/28	-	2.4	
Forty Two Point Two 27/04/26	-	2.1	
SBM MUR Note Class A2 Series Bond 28/06/28	2.8	2.0	
Ciel 10Y Notes 24/06/29	2.3	1.6	
CIM Financial Services Ltd			
31/07/25	-	1.5	
TOTAL	5.1	9.6	

# **Economic Review**

# Economy

The global economy contracted in calendar year 2020 with the growth rate estimated at -3.3%, after a series of restrictions aimed at curbing the spread of the Covid-19 adversely impacted economic activity. Real GDP growth among developed nations is estimated at -4.6% with the US, Germany, France, Italy and Spain registering respective rates of -3.5%, -4.8%, -8.0%, -8.9% and -10.8%. Emerging and developing nations posted -2.1%, dragged by China (2.3%), India (-7.3%), Brazil (-4.1%) and Russia (-3.0%). Supply-chain disruptions significantly increased inflationary pressures in 2020 with global inflation estimated at 3.2%. Domestically, economic activity was impacted by the national lockdown in March and stringent travel restrictions; according to Statistics Mauritius, real GDP declined by 14.9% in 2020. The contraction was more severe in the tourism sector which adversely impacted foreign exchange flows, and the current account deficit. The MUR weakened over the year, by 6.2% against the USD, standing at 40.15/USD in June 2020 compared to 42.65/USD in June 2021.

REAL GDP GROWTH (IMF estimates, % YoY)

Group/ Country	Advanced	Euro Area	EM & Developing	Emerging Asia	Sub- Saharan Africa	United States	China	India	Mauritius
2020	-4.6	-6.5	-2.1	-0.9	-1.8	-3.5	2.3	-7.3	-15.8
2021(F)	5.6	4.6	6.3	7.5	3.4	7.0	8.1	9.5	6,6
2022(F)	4.4	4.3	5.2	6.4	4.1	4.9	5.7	8.5	5.2

In 2021, economic conditions significantly improved with the continued support of policymakers, the ongoing vaccination progress and easing of restrictions in several economies. The International Monetary Fund (IMF) revised upwards its 2021 real GDP growth projection for the US to 7.0%, 0.6 percentage point higher than its projections in April 2021, reflecting the relatively advanced pace of vaccines rollout and additional fiscal stimulus. The Biden administration has proposed two multi-year spending packages equivalent to 18% of 2021 GDP: the American Families Plan (USD 2T) and the American Jobs Plan (USD 2.3T); aimed at supporting vulnerable households, strengthening the recovery and improving labour productivity.

Growth projections for 2021 in the Eurozone have been reviewed to 4.6% by the IMF, 0.3 percentage point higher than its April 2021 World Economic Outlook (WEO) projection. As confinement measures are gradually lifted, economic growth is projected to rebound strongly in the second half of 2021 boosted by private consumption, substantial fiscal support and strong external demand. Germany, France, Italy and Spain, are projected to grow by 3.6%, 5.8%, 4.9% and 6.2%, respectively.

# **Economic Review (Cont'd)**

# Economy (Cont'd)

Real GDP growth in developing and emerging economies is projected to outpace advanced economies with a forecast of 6.3% in 2021, against 6.7% in IMF's April 2021 forecast. The relatively higher projections among emerging nations are likely to be led by the strong rebounds in India and China, which are projected to grow by 9.5% and 8.1%, respectively. However, lack of access to vaccines and challenges in controlling renewed waves of the pandemic are likely to dictate the growth path among those nations.

On the domestic economy, the IMF projects real GDP to grow by 6.6% in 2021 and 5.2% in 2022. The recovery is expected to be driven by the construction and manufacturing sectors alongside accommodation and food service activities. Monetary policymakers are likely to maintain the accommodative monetary policy stance in the short term to support economic activity and cushion against the likely disruptive effects of the second wave of Covid-19.

According to the July 2021 WEO, inflation rates in developed economies and emerging market and developing economies are estimated to be at 2.4% and 5.4% respectively. Higher inflation is expected in some emerging markets and developing economies on account of elevated food prices. Inflation is expected to return to its pre-pandemic levels in most nations in 2022. In the US, the PCE inflation rate is expected to hover above 2% in the near term driven primarily by transitional factors, pent-up demand and on-going supply-chain disruptions. Statements from central banks regarding outlook for monetary policy remain key in shaping inflation expectations

# Financial markets review

# **Equity markets**

After hitting a 4-year low in March 2020 following the declaration of Covid-19 as a pandemic and implementation of lockdown measures in several countries, markets recovered most of the losses by August 2020, supported by unprecedented monetary and fiscal stimuli by policymakers, globally. Near-zero Federal Funds rate, trillions of dollar of fiscal support and positive vaccine news pushed US equities in record territories during the first half of the financial year. Growth stocks outperformed the broader indices, aided by technology and software stocks. During the second half of the year, rising inflation concerns raised 10Y US yields which dented the performance of growth stocks and the Nasdaq witnessed a correction in February 2021. Investors rotated into value and smaller caps, which outperformed the broader market up to May. As an indication, the S&P 500 index registered +14.4% over the period Jan-Jun 21 compared to the S&P 500 Value index and Russell 2000 index which posted +17.0%. Falling yields towards the end of the financial year and higher earnings expectations pushed key equity markets to record highs; overall, the MSCI World index recorded +37.0% YoY.

In Mauritius, the SEMDEX did not track the recovery of global indices mainly on account of exacerbating economic conditions, the uncertainty surrounding the full opening of borders and potential spillovers from the tourism sector to other sectors. Following the budgetary measures in June and the announcement of the reopening of borders, the SEMDEX posted relatively strong growth aided by tourism-related stocks. A strong growth of +8.8% was registered during the month of June 2021 only, driving a YoY rise of 12.2% in the index

EQUITY INDEX PERFORMANCE (% local currency)

Index	1 M	3M	6M	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y
S&P 500	<b>÷2.2</b>	+8.2	÷14.4	+14.4	+38.6	÷58.1	+104.8
MSCI World	÷1.4	÷7.3	+12.2	+12.2	+37.0	÷44.4	+82.5
MSCI World Small Cap	÷0.1	+4.6	÷14.1	+14.1	÷51.0	+35.0	÷81.9
MSCI Europe	÷1.6	÷5.4	+13.6	+13.6	÷25.1	÷17.2	+34.4
MSCI EM	-0.1	+4.4	÷6.5	+6.5	+38.1	+28.5	+64.8
MSCI AC Asia	~0.5	+2.2	÷4.0	÷4.0	÷31.7	+25.3	÷61.3
SEMDEX	+8.8	÷16,6	+13.1	+13.1	÷12.2	-16.9	+6.4
DEMEX	+7.7	+23.4	+33.0	+33.0	+37.5	+18.6	+46.7

TOP INDEX LEADERS (% local currency)

Global equities	1Y	Domestic equities	1Y
Apple Inc	÷51.2	MCB Group	÷15.7
Microsoft Corp	+34.4	LimitedAlteo Limited	÷69.7
Tesla Inc	+214.7 +24.7 +77.3	Ciel Limited SBM Holdings Ltd	÷46.6 ÷15.0
		Gamma Civic Ltd	÷39.7

# Financial markets review (Cont'd)

#### Bond markets

The Barclays Global Aggregate Bond index registered USD returns of ÷2.6% during the financial year 2021. During the second and third quarters of FY21, the global bond market sold off following the global rollout of vaccines, passage of the USD 1.9 trillion fiscal stimulus package in the US and higher inflationary pressures. In the last quarter of FY21, however, global bonds rallied as markets shrugged off inflation concerns and the rapid spread of the more contagious Delta variant threatened the global economic recovery. Emerging market debt performed particularly well during the fourth quarter while inflation-protected Treasury securities posted strong returns amid higher inflation readings.

During the financial year, the Fed maintained its monthly asset purchase of USD 80Bn of Treasury securities and USD 40Bn of mortgage-backed securities while keeping the Fed Funds rate in the range of 0.0%-0.25%. It shifted to a more hawkish outlook in June 2021 with the Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) anticipating two interest-rate hikes by the end of 2023. Faster than expected vaccine rollout combined with the large fiscal stimulus drove 10-year US Treasury yield higher by 108 bps from 0.66% in June 2020 to 1.74% in March 2021. However, US Treasuries rallied over Q4:FY21 primarily due to concerns over the spread of the Delta variant; with 10-year US Treasury yield tumbling to 1.47% in June 2021.

The European Central Bank (ECB) kept the interest rate unchanged on the main refinancing operations, the marginal lending facility and the deposit facility at 0.00%, 0.25% and -0.50%, respectively. The Governing Council conducted net purchases under the pandemic emergency purchase programme (PEPP) at a significantly higher pace during the last quarter of FY21. Bond yields were generally on the uptrend mainly on account of Europe's vaccine catch-up and ratification of the EU Covid Recovery Fund - NextGenerationEU. The corresponding yields on 10-year German and Spanish bonds surged by 24 bps and 39 bps to -0.21% and 0.41%. Conversely, yields on 10-year Italian bond ticked lower in FY 2021 from 1.26% to 0.82%; amid optimism that the newly appointed Prime Minister of Italy. Mario Draghi, will push for key structural reforms.

Yields on the domestic bond market trended upward during the FY21 amid the shift in sentiment from the pandemic-related shock, decrease in MUR excess liquidity and sovereign rating downgrade. On the secondary market, yields on the 91D Treasury Bills increased by 27 bps to 1.01% over the year. Yields on 182D Treasury Bills and 364D Treasury Bills increased by 36 and 42 bps to reach 1.22% and 1.48%, respectively. 3Y GOM Notes yield increased from 1.56% to 2.54% while 5Y GOM Bonds traded at 3.12% against 1.89% in June 2020. Long-term yields rose more aggressively with 10Y GOM Bond trading at 4.34% as at June 2021, equivalent to an increase of 186 bps. The yield on 15Y GOM bonds was also on the upward trend standing at 4.76% against a preceding reading of 2.81%. The 20Y GOM Bond yields increased from 3.05% to 5.14%.

# Financial markets review (Cont'd)

# Bond markets (Cont'd)

BOND INDEX PERFORMANCE (% loca	al currency,	)					
Index	1M	31/1	6M	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y
Barclays Global Aggregate Bond	-0.9	÷1,3	-3.2	-3.2	÷2.6	+13.2	÷12.3
Barclays US Aggregate Bond	÷0.7	+1.8	-1.6	-1.6	-0.3	÷16.9	÷16.1
Barclays US Govt Inflation-Linked All Maturities Index	+0.7	÷3.5	÷1.6	÷1.6	÷6.5	÷21.5	÷23.4
Barclays High Yield bond	+0.2	÷3.1	÷2.1	+2.1	+14.6	+21.0	+36.9
JP Morgan EMU IG Bond	+0.4	-0.7	-3.1	-3.1	-0.1	+9.4	÷7.5
JP Morgan EM Bond	+0.9	+4.5	-1.0	-1.0	÷7.5	+22.6	÷26.4
FTSE Asian Broad Bond	+0.5	÷1.4	-0.2	-0.2	+4.1	+21.9	+24.7

MARKE	T YIELDS	6 (%)								
Tenor	United	States	Gerr	nany	In	dia	Ch	ina	Mau	ritius
	Jun-	Jun-	Jun-	Jun-	Jun-	Jun-	Jun-	Jun-	Jun-	Jun-
	21	20	21	20	21	20	21	20	21	20
91D	0.05	0.13	-0.67	-0.63	3.80	3.74	-	•	1.01	0.74
182D	0.04	0.16	-0.65	-0.61	3.89	3.75	2.06	-	1.22	0.86
364D	0.08	0.15	-0.66	-0.63	4.19	3,86	2,31	2.09	1.48	1.06
3Y	0.45	0.17	-0.67	-0,72	5.18	4.68	2.75	2.33	2.54	1.56
5Y	0.88	0.30	-0.59	-0.7	5.87	5.35	2.92	2.55	3.12	1.89
10Y	1.47	0.62	-0.26	-0.49	6.62	6.24	3.08	2.85	4.34	2.48
15Y	1.65	0.84	-0.01	-0.31	6.88	6.52	-	-	4.76	2.81
20Y	1.96	1.12	0.06	-0.20	7.00	6.61	3.31	3.45	5.14	3.05

# Commodity markets

The S&P GSCI index registered a USD performance of +57.4% over the financial year 2021, mainly led by the rebound in oil prices from about USD 40/Bbl in the mid-2020 to above USD 70/Bbl as at June 2021. Brent and WTI prices rallied by more than 80% during FY21 mainly supported by stronger demand conditions amid easing of lockdown restrictions and supply measures from OPEC. Natural gas gained strongly as demand outpaced supply. Precious metals registered mixed performances with Silver advancing by +43.5% on the back of its dual precious metals and industrial uses while Gold posted -0.6%. Gold initially edged higher as investors hedged against the rising inflation threat but the bull run came to an end with the resurgence of the USD and strong economic data.

# Financial markets review (Cont'd)

# Commodity markets (Cont'd)

#### COMMODITIES

	Jun-21	Jun-20	FY21 (% YoY)
WTI S/Bbl	73.47	39.27	÷87.1
Brent \$/Bbl	75.13	41.15	÷82.6
Natural gas USD S/mmBtu	3.65	1.75	+108.5
Copper \$/Oz	429.65	271.35	+58.3
Silver Spot \$/Oz	26.13	18.21	+43.5
Gold Spot S/Oz	1,770.11	1,780.96	-0.6

# **Forex**

The U.S. Dollar Index (DXY) traded sideways over FY21 with the USD initially strengthening on the back of stimulus and higher long-term rates but eventually lost ground against other major currencies as longer US yields eased. The weakening of the dollar was also attributable to investors pricing in an early Fed tightening while the inflation outlook and higher oil prices presented headwinds.

The euro appreciated against the US dollar, buoyed by easing Covid-19 restrictions, rising consumer confidence and the vaccination programme. The pound sterling strengthened, backed by hopes that the UK would ease its lockdown restrictions sooner than expected amid the fast vaccine rollout. The pound was also supported by a post-Brexit trade deal with the EU.

Among Asian markets, the Japanese Yen depreciated against the dollar, unwinding an advance spurred by demand for safe-haven assets during the pandemic. The acceleration in the vaccine rollout across the world drove investors into riskier assets. The CNY strengthened in FY21 driven by a broadening US dollar weakness amid China's strong economic rebound. Robust exports growth resulted in a current account surplus and supported the yuan. The Indian rupee appreciated against the US dollar amid the improved risk appetite in the region. The strengthening of the INR was also attributable to foreign inflows through FDI and FPI.

In Mauritius, the MUR depreciated by 6.2% YoY against the USD; the central bank sold USD 25M at Rs 42.50/USD on 28 June 21 against a sale of USD 25M at Rs 40.70/USD on 10 June 2. The currency continued to be under pressure amid the widening current account deficit and travel restrictions.

# FOREX

	Jun-21	Jun-20	FY21 (% YoY)
Dollar index	92.44	97.39	-5,1 ´
EUR-USD	1.19	1.12	÷5.6
GBP-USD	1.38	1,24	+11.5
USD-JPY	111.11	107.93	+2.9
USD-CNY	6.46	7.07	-8.6
USD-INR	74.33	75.51	-1.6
USD-MUR	42.65	40.15	÷6.2

## Market Outlook

The market environment remains highly uncertain with the spread of the delta variant and the rise in inflationary pressures. International equity markets may be entering a phase of transition as earnings, economic growth and policy stimulus peak. High inflationary pressures and an improving labour market may result in the Fed tapering its monthly asset purchases in 2021. The latest labour market data showed a drop in the unemployment rate; 934,000 jobs were added during the month of July against consensus estimates of 870,000. 10Y yields increasingly likely to test the 1.60% - 1.70% range by the end of 2021.

The trajectory of recovery in domestic economic activity in 2021 is reliant on tourism given its double digit direct and indirect contributions to economic output. So far, the policymakers have supported the sector through the moratoriums on loans. Government Wage Assistance Scheme and lending from the Mauritius Investment Corporation Ltd. In its last budget, it was announced that as from October 1, there will not be any entry restriction on vaccinated travelers provided that their PCR tests are negative within 72 hours before departure. A prospective rebound in this sector's output during the upcoming peak season is likely to ease pressure on the MUR and on the debt-to-GDP ratio.

Yields tumbled in July after gaining significant grounds following the issuances of 20Y and 15Y GoM bonds in June. It is expected that the Bank of Mauritius will maintain its accommodative monetary policy amid the uncertainty surrounding the pick-up in economic activity. The pursuit of this policy is likely to be supported by the relatively low reading of 2.6% for headline inflation in July; according to BoM projections, domestic inflation continues to be subject to transitory supply-side pressures and is forecast to stand at about 3.5% for 2021. It is expected that domestic fixed income allocations will maintain a barbell strategy in managing interest rate and re-investment risks. Subject to availability and credit spreads, the exposure to "quality" corporate credit will be increased in the portfolios.

The Trustee and Manager of SBM Perpetual Fund ("the Fund") are pleased to submit their Corporate Governance Report for the year ended 30 June 2021, inclusive of other statutory disclosures.

#### INTRODUCTION

SBM Perpetual Fund is an open-ended collective investment scheme which was previously incorporated as a public limited liability company pursuant to the Companies Act 2001 and is licensed by the Financial Services Commission.

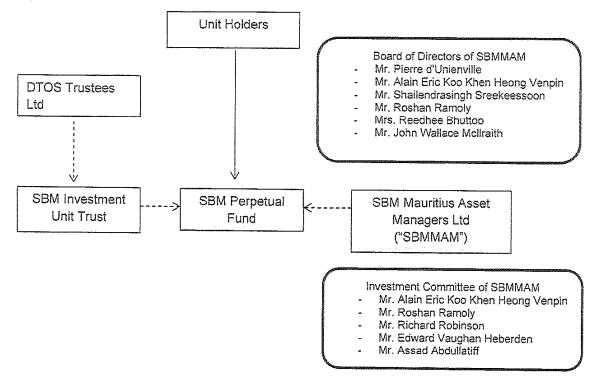
Following a restructuring exercise, the Fund has been restructured under the SBM Investment Unit Trust, whilst keeping their investment objectives and strategies by a Supplemental Deed of Amendment of the Trust Deed of the SBM Investment Unit Trust dated 31 December 2019 between the Manager and DTOS Trustees Ltd.

The Fund's objective is to achieve long term growth by investing in a diversified portfolio of local fixed income instruments, including government issued instruments, cash, and term deposits. This Fund is suitable for investors seeking a relatively high level of capital preservation.

The Fund is a public interest entity as defined under the Financial Reporting Act 2004.

SBM Perpetual Fund's corporate governance framework includes its Trustee, Investment Committee, Manager, the board of the Manager, Unitholders, and other stakeholders.

The organisation's structure is as follows:



#### INTRODUCTION (CONTINUED)

The Trustee, the Manager and the board of the Manager are fully committed to achieving and sustaining the highest standards of corporate governance with the aim of maximising long-term value creation for the Unitholders of the Fund and all the stakeholders at large. Much emphasis is on the conduct of business practices that display characteristics of good corporate governance namely discipline, transparency, independence, integrity, accountability, social responsibility, professionalism, and fairness.

In addition, the Trustee, the Manager, and the board of the Manager of the Fund continuously review the implications of corporate governance principles and practices in light of their experience, regulatory requirements and investor expectations. They hereby confirm that the Fund, as set out in this report, has strived to comply in all material aspects with the following legal and regulatory framework:

- Trust deed and subsequent Supplemental Deeds;
- Terms of reference of the Trustee and sub-committee;
- The National Code of Corporate Governance for Mauritius 2016 (the "Code");
- The Trust Act, 2001;
- The Securities Act, 2005; and
- The Securities (Collective Investment Schemes and Closed-end Funds) Regulations, 2008.

The main roles as described under Principle 2, 3 and 4 of the Code of Corporate Governance are fulfilled by the Board of the Manager.

The Board of the Manager has attempted to create the right balance and composition to better meet the objectives of the organisation. The Board is unitary and comprises of six Directors, of which four are Independent and two are Executive Directors. The Independent Directors do not have any relationship with the majority Shareholders, therefore a sufficient number of directors do not have any relationship with the organisation. The Board is led by Mr. Pierre Marrier d'Unienville and all Board members currently reside in Mauritius.

There exists a transparent procedure in place regarding the appointment of prospective Directors which is made in accordance with the skills, knowledge and expertise required on the Board. The re-election of Directors is made on an annual basis at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders. New Board members are provided with an induction pack to provide them with sufficient knowledge and understanding of the Fund's business.

All Board members are fully apprised of their fiduciary duties as laid out in the Companies Act 2001.

# TRUST DEED AND SUPPLEMENTAL DEEDS

The Trust Deed and subsequent Supplemental Deeds of the Fund comply with the provisions of the Trust Act, 2001, The Securities Act, 2005 and The Securities (Collective Investment Schemes and Closed-end Funds) Regulations, 2008. The Deed is available upon written request to the Manager at the Registered Office of the Fund.

Salient features of the documents are:

No Unitholder shall be entitled to:

- require the transfer to him of any of the assets comprised in the Fund;
- interfere with or question the exercise or non-exercise by the Trustee or the Manager of the rights and powers of the Trustee and the Manager in their dealings with the Fund or its assets or any part thereof;
- attend meetings whether as Unitholders or otherwise, or to vote or to take part in or consent to any
  action concerning any property of any entity in which the Fund holds an interest.

# TRUST DEED AND SUPPLEMENTAL DEEDS (CONTINUED)

A Unitholder is entitled to any distribution as approved and declared by the Manager as per provisions of the Trust Deed.

## THE TRUSTEE AND THE MANAGER

# Corporate Profile of the Trustee - DTOS Trustees Ltd

DTOS Trustees Ltd is a private company incorporated in Mauritius on 23rd May 2003. DTOS Trustees Ltd is a wholly owned subsidiary of DTOS Ltd and is duly licensed by the Financial Services Commission to act as a qualified trustee. It offers a complete and comprehensive range of trust services including trust formation / migration, corporate trusteeship, advice on tax, regulatory and statutory matters, accounting, administration, and tax filings, where required.

#### Role of the Trustee

The Trustee has been appointed in order to ensure that the affairs of the Fund are being managed and administered for the benefit of the Unitholders and to their best interests along the following principles:

# International best standards and regulatory compliance

Overseeing the conduct of the Fund's business and monitoring whether the business is being properly managed at all levels according to international best standards and in accordance to provisions of its regulatory regime:

# · Accounts and risk management

Reviewing and, where appropriate, approving risk policy, financial statements, annual budgets, business plans and internal reports.

# · Supervision of fund intermediaries

Supervising the fund intermediaries in their delivery of services to the Fund and ensure that such delivery is done diligently and creates most value for the Unitholders of the Fund.

# Corporate Profile of the Manager - SBM MAM

SBM Mauritius Asset Managers Ltd ("SBM MAM") is licensed and regulated by the Financial Services Commission of Mauritius and holds a CIS Manager license. It is 100% owned by SBM Capital Markets Ltd. SBM MAM offers investment management services across a number of asset classes including equities, fixed income, private and alternative investments.

# Role of the Manager and its obligations

The Manager is appointed by the Trustee and under the supervision of the Trustee, manages and administers the Fund for the benefit of the Unitholders of the Fund in accordance with the Trust Deed and Prospectus of the Fund.

Its obligations cover but are not restricted to the following:

# Conduct of Business

It shall conduct its business in a proper and efficient manner to ensure that any undertaking in the affairs of the Fund is carried out in a proper, ethical, and efficient manner.

## Supervision of assets

The Manager shall manage and supervise all assets of the Fund to the best interest of the Unitholders.

# THE TRUSTEE AND THE MANAGER (CONTINUED)

Role of the Manager and its obligations (continued)

#### · Trade in units of the Fund

It shall sell and issue units of the Fund in accordance to the provisions of the Trust Deed and Prospectus and in so doing shall ensure that the interests of unit-holders are protected at all times.

#### THE INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

The Trust Deed provides for the establishment of an Investment Committee composed of at least 3 persons and not more than 6 persons. The main purpose of the committee is to issue guidelines and advise the Manager on investments.

Currently, the committee is composed of 5 members and meets on a quarterly basis. It reviews the performance of the Fund, ensures that the investment strategy complies with the provisions of the Trust Deed and Prospectus.

# Managing Conflict of Interest and Related Party Transactions

The Fund adheres to the Group Conflict of Interest and Related Party Transactions policy to assist the Board of the Trustee and Manager in identifying and disclosing actual and potential conflicts and help ensure the avoidance of conflicts of interest, where necessary.

For the related party transaction, please refer to Note 19 to the Financial Statements.

# Information, information technology and information security policy

The Trustee and Manager confirm that information, information technology and information security policy exist within the Group.

# RISK GOVERNANCE AND INTERNAL CONTROL

### RISK MANAGEMENT

The Manager is responsible for the risk management practice and procedures in place within the operating structure of the Fund for risk management. The Manager also defines the overall strategy for risk tolerance and is responsible for the design, implementation and review of a risk management framework, processes and day-to-day management of risk as performed by the intermediaries and service providers of the Fund. Part of the responsibility to monitor the framework and processes has been delegated to the Investment Committee which conducts reviews on a quarterly basis.

The Fund's policy on risk management encompasses all business risks including operational, technology, business continuity, financial, compliance and reputational risks which could influence the achievement of the Fund's objectives. In context, a due diligence exercise is undertaken in collaboration with nominated intermediaries to ensure that they have the capability to commit on the implementation of appropriate customised procedures and controls for the purpose of the Fund.

The risk management mechanisms in place include:

## RISK GOVERNANCE AND INTERNAL CONTROL (CONTINUED)

#### RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

- A system for the ongoing identification and assessment of risk;
- Development of strategies in respect of risk and definition of acceptable and non-acceptable levels of risk;
- The communication of risk management policies across the multiple parties and functionaries involved in the processes;
- The implementation of a documented system of processes with appropriate controls and approval mechanism that closely align the control effort to the nature and importance of the risk;
- Processes to reduce or mitigate identified risks and contain them within the levels of tolerance defined and agreed by the Board of the Manager;
- Compliance reports are prepared and presented to the board of the Manager on a quarterly basis; and
- Internal audit functions exist at the level of the Manager and Fund Administrator whereby the processes
  pertaining to the affairs of the Fund are scrutinised and undergo audit reviews. Quarterly reports are
  prepared and presented to the boards of the Manager and Fund Administrator.

Risk exposure of the Fund falls within the following areas:

#### Operational risks

Operational risk is defined as risk of direct or indirect loss resulting from inadequate or failed internal process, people, and systems or from external events. Assets of the Fund are properly safeguarded, and reporting infrastructures are adequate and effective for timely and accurate data collection.

## Compliance risks

Compliance risk is defined as risk of loss from failure to comply with regulations governing the conduct of an organisation's business. It is a composite risk made up of risk of legal or regulatory sanctions, financial loss, or loss of reputation.

## Technology risks

Technology risks include hardware and software failures, system development and infrastructure issues. To varying degrees, the Fund is reliant upon certain technologies and systems for the smooth and efficient running of its operations. Disruption to these technologies could adversely affect its efficiency.

# Business continuity risks

This relates to losses from failed transaction processing and process management.

#### Reputational risks

This relates to losses due to unintentional or negligent failure to meet a professional obligation to specific clients or from the nature or design of a product.

#### Financial risks

The primary sources of financial risks faced by the Fund are risks inherent to its investment activities. Investment values and returns are dependent on the performance of financial markets and may adversely affect the Fund's financial results. The financial risks faced by the Fund and management of these risks are further discussed in the notes to the financial statements.

# RISK GOVERNANCE AND INTERNAL CONTROL (CONTINUED)

#### INTERNAL CONTROL

The Manager and the board of the Manager acknowledge their responsibility for internal control and work closely together and with the Fund Administrator to put in place a system of internal controls which is designed to provide the Trustee with reasonable assurance that the assets are safeguarded; that operations are carried out effectively and efficiently; that the financial controls are reliable and in compliance with applicable laws and regulations and that material frauds and other irregularities are either prevented or detected within a reasonable time.

The Manager and Fund Administrator prepare compliance and risk monitoring reports that are submitted to the Investment Committee and Board of the Manager on a quarterly basis for their review, following which recommendations are made to the Manager on an on-going basis. Preventive and corrective actions are then duly implemented to address internal control deficiencies and opportunities for improving the systems.

#### WHISTLEBLOWING POLICY

In order to enhance good governance and transparency, the Group has a Whistleblowing policy. The main aims of the policy are to provide an avenue for raising concerns related to fraud, corruption, and any other misconduct. The policy addresses the following:

- Protection of and Remedies for Whistle blowers and Complainants;
- Channels and Procedures:
- Hotline, Email and PO Box facilities

#### REPORTING WITH INTEGRITY

The Manager is required to ensure that adequate accounting records are maintained so as to disclose at any time, and with reasonable adequacy, the financial position of the Fund. The Manager is also responsible for taking reasonable steps to safeguard the assets of the Fund to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

The Manager must present financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the affairs of the Fund, and the results for that period. In preparing such financial statements, the Manager is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them on a consistent basis using reasonable and prudent judgment
- state whether or not the Trust Act, 1989, the Trust Act, 2001 and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) have been adhered to and explain material departures thereto
- · use the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate.

The Manager acknowledges its responsibility for ensuring the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with IFRS and the responsibility of external auditors to report on these financial statements. The Manager is responsible for ensuring the maintenance of adequate accounting records and an effective system of internal controls and risk management and the selection of appropriate accounting policies.

Nothing has come to the Manager's attention, to indicate any material breakdown in the functioning of the internal controls and systems during the period under review, which could have a material impact on the business. The financial statements are prepared from the accounting records on the basis of consistent use of appropriate accounting records supported by reasonable and prudent judgments and estimates that fairly present the state of affairs of the Fund.

# REPORTING WITH INTEGRITY (CONTINUED)

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis and there is no reason to believe that the Fund will not continue as a going concern in the next financial year.

The Manager confirms that in preparing the financial statements, it has:

- selected suitable accounting policies and applied them consistently
- · made judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- · followed the International Financial Reporting Standards
- prepared the financial statements on the going concern basis
- adhered to the Code of Corporate Governance in all material aspects and reasons have been provided for non-compliance.

The Manager is responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Fund and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Trust Act 1989, the Trust Act 2001, the Securities Act 2005, the Securities (Collective Investment Schemes and Closed-end Funds) Regulations 2008 and have been prepared in accordance with the International Reporting Standards. The Manager is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Fund and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Annual report is published in full on the website of the Manager of the Fund.

#### **AUDIT**

#### Internal Audit

The Non-Banking Financial cluster ('NBFC') of the SBM Group has its own permanent Internal Audit function reporting to the Risk Committee of SBM (NBFC) Holdings Ltd, the holding Company of NBFC. The internal audit team comprises of three fully qualified accountants. The internal auditors provide assurance about the effectiveness of the risk management and control processes in place and they maintain their independence by reporting to the Risk Committee. The Head of Internal Audit has regular access to the Trustee and Manager and the chairperson of the Risk Committee. There were no restrictions on access by the internal auditors to records or members of the management team.

The Audit and Risk Committees of NBFC are chaired by a Chartered Accountant and the Committee comprises of independent members with more than 30 years' experience in the Financial Services industry. The Risk Committees reviews and approves Internal Audit's plan and resources and evaluates the effectiveness of the function. The Audit and Risk Committees ensure that a consistent risk-based audit methodology is applied. The audit reports are thereafter tabled at the Committee and the findings and methodologies are reviewed and discussed by the Risk Committee.

As the third line of defense, the role of internal audit is to provide independent, objective assurance services designed to add value and improve NBFC entities' operations. Audits are carried out to review the adequacy and effectiveness of the group's system of internal controls, as per the Board approved risk-based audit plan. In conducting reviews, the Internal Auditors are alert to indicators of fraud and opportunities that could allow fraud, such as control weaknesses. In doing so, the Internal Auditors obtain reasonable assurance that business objectives for the process under review are being achieved and material control deficiencies are detected. Upon completion of each review, a formal report detailing the audit findings and the appropriate recommendations are issued to the chairperson of Risk committee and the Chief Executive Officer. Any deviation in policies and non-performance of internal controls are duly reported and discussed at Risk Committee level. Corrective actions are promptly taken and regular follow ups as well as reporting performed by Internal Audit until complete resolution.

# AUDIT (CONTINUED)

#### External Audit

Deloitte was appointed as statutory auditors of the Fund for the financial year ended 30 June 2021. The Trustee and Manager assess and review on a regular basis the independence of the external auditor.

The fees paid to the external auditors for audit services were MUR 126,500 (2020: MUR 123,625). The external auditors did not provide any non-audit services during the financial year.

# RELATIONS WITH SHAREHOLDERS AND OTHER KEY STAKEHOLDERS

#### SHAREHOLDING

# Holding Structure - 30 June 2021

As at 30 June 2021, the Fund had issued 17,681,188.51 units for a total fund size of Rs 3,758.640,440.54. The NAV per unit of the Fund as at 30 June 2021 was Rs. 204.74.

The NAV per unit for the past years are as follows:

Year	NAV per unit
June 2020	204.74
June 2021	212.59

# Unit-holders' Relations and Communication

Unitholders are strongly encouraged to visit the website of the Manager to remain updated on the Fund's initiatives/projects, goals, and prices.

# Analysis of ownership

The Fund had 1,528 unit-holders as at 30 June 2021. A breakdown of the category of Unitholders and the unit ownership as at 30 June 2021 are set out below:

Market Value (MUR)	Number of Unitholders	Number of shares owned	% Holdings
0-59,999	16	281,626.77	1.60%
60,000 - 99,999	1	2,808.44	0.02%
100,000 - 124,999	68	351,880.15	2.00%
125,000 - 199,999	51	34,816.67	0.20%
200,000 - 499,999	265	2,054,054.70	12.0%
500,000 - 999,999	320	3,233,916.66	18.20%
1M - 1,499,999	289	2,351,482.26	13.30%
1.5M - 1,999,999	100	767,891.11	4,40%
2M - 2,999,999	159	2,795,761.78	15.80%
3M - 5,999,999	171	3,016,616.83	17.10%
6M - 10M	41	607,105.19	3.50%
10M-20M	34	407,653.70	2.30%
ABOVE 20M	13	1,469,574.24	8.40%
Total	1,528	17,681,188.51	100.00%

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#### RELATIONS WITH SHAREHOLDERS AND OTHER KEY STAKEHOLDERS (CONTINUED)

# Unit-holders' Agreement

To the best knowledge of the Manager and Trustee, there has been no such agreement with any of its Unitholders for the year under review.

#### Unit-holders' Calendar

The Fund has planned the following forthcoming events:

Reporting date	30 June 2021
Publication of year end results	Within 90 days from end of 30 June 2021
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#### OTHER STATUTORY DISCLOSURES

#### SIGNIFICANT CONTRACTS

The following agreements have been approved by the Trustee and Manager and are still effective as at end of the financial year 2021:

- Custody Agreement with the SBM Bank (Mauritius) Limited.
- · Administration Agreement with SBM Fund Services Ltd.
- · Fund Management Agreement with SBM Mauritius Asset Managers Ltd.

#### Employee Share Option Scheme

The Fund has no share option plans.

# Directors and Officers Liability Insurance

The Fund has subscribed to a Directors and Officers Liability Insurance policy in respect of legal actions or liability which may arise against its Trustee, Manager, and officers. The cover does not provide insurance against freudulent, malicious, or wilful acts or omissions.

# Ethics and Business Conduct

Under regulatory supervision of the Financial Services Commission, all officers and agents of the Fund are expected to maintain a high level of ethics in their behaviour and business transactions. The transactions of the Fund are carried out as per its Manager's and Fund Administrator's Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, applicable to all direct and indirect employees who deal with the matters of the Fund.

The Fund is involved in the provision of services and its operations do not materially impact on the environment. Investing strategies include investment in sound, ethical and environmental friendly entities.

On behalf of the Trustee and Manager

On behalf of the Frustee

Date:

On behalf of the Manager

# Trustee's and Manager's Responsibilities in respect of the Financial Statements

The Trustee and Manager are required to ensure that adequate accounting records are maintained so as to disclose at any time, and with reasonable adequacy, the financial position of the Fund. They are also responsible for taking reasonable steps to safeguard the assets of the Fund to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

They must present financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the affairs of the Fund, and the results for that period. In preparing such financial statements, they are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them on a consistent basis using reasonable and prudent judgment
- state whether or not the Trust Act, 2001 and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) have been adhered to and explain material departures thereto
- use the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate.

The Manager acknowledges its responsibility for ensuring the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with IFRS and the responsibility of external auditors to report on these financial statements. The Manager is responsible for ensuring the maintenance of adequate accounting records and an effective system of internal controls risk management and the selection of appropriate accounting policies.

Nothing has come to the Trustee's and Manager's attention, to indicate any material breakdown in the functioning of the internal controls and systems during the period under review, which could have a material impact on the business. The financial statements are prepared from the accounting records on the basis of consistent use of appropriate accounting records supported by reasonable and prudent judgments and estimates that fairly present the state of affairs of the Fund.

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis and there is no reason to believe that the Fund will not continue as a going concern in the next financial year.

The Trustee and Manager confirm that in preparing the financial statements, they have:

- selected suitable accounting policies and applied them consistently
- made judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- followed the International Financial Reporting Standards
- prepared the financial statements on the going concern basis
- adhered to the Code of Corporate Governance in all material aspects and reasons have been provided for non-compliance.

The Trustee and Manager are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Fund and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Trust Act, 1989, the Trust Act, 2001, the Securities Act, 2005, the Securities (Collective Investment Schemes and Closed-end Funds) Regulations, 2008 and have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Fund and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

On behalf of the Trustee and Manager

Mr. On behalf of the Trustee

Date

On behalf of the Manager

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# STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE (Section 75 (3) of the Financial Reporting Act)

Name of PIE: The SBM Perpetual Fund

Reporting Period: Year ended 30 June 2021

We, the Trustee and Manager of the SBM Perpetual Fund (the "Fund") confirm that to the best of our knowledge, the Fund has complied with most of its obligation and requirements under the Code of Corporate Governance except for Principle 2, 3 and 4 of the Code of Corporate Governance.

The reason for non-compliance is that the Fund is set-up as a Trust and not a company. In this context, it has no board of directors, no board committees, and no company secretary.

However, the main roles as described under Principle 2, 3 and 4 of the Code of Corporate Governance are fulfilled by the Board of the Manager, SBM Mauritius Asset Managers Ltd, as described above.

On behalf of the Trustee and Manager

On behalf of the Trustee

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On behalf of the Manager



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# <u>Independent auditor's report to the Members of</u> SBM Perpetual Fund

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#### Report on the audit of the financial statements

## Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of **SBM Perpetual Fund** (the "Fund") set out on pages 6 to 33, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2021, and the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in net assets and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 30 June 2021, and of its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) and comply with the requirements of the Mauritius Companies Act 2001 and the Financial Reporting Act 2004.

#### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those Standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Fund in accordance with the International Ethics Standard Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) (the "IESBA Code"), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IESBA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Corporate Information, the Manager's Report, and the corporate governance report, but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

# Corporate Governance Report

Our responsibility under the Financial Reporting Act 2004 is to report on the compliance with the Code of Corporate Governance disclosed in the annual report and assess the explanations given for non-compliance with any requirement of the Code. From our assessment of the disclosures made on corporate governance in the annual report, the Public Interest Entity has, pursuant to section 75 of the Financial Reporting Act 2004, complied with the requirements of the Code.

# Responsibilities of trustee and manager for the Financial Statements

The trustee and the manager are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and in compliance with the requirements of the Mauritius Companies Act 2001 and the Financial Reporting Act 2004 and they are also responsible for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustee and the manager are responsible for assessing the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Fund or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The trustee and the manager are responsible for overseeing the Fund's financial reporting process.

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# Independent auditor's report to the Members of SBM Perpetual Fund (cont'd)

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#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are
  appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the
  Fund's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the trustee and the manager' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Fund to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and
  whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair
  presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

# Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

Mauritius Companies Act 2001

In accordance with the requirements of the Mauritius Companies Act 2001, we report as follows:

- we have no relationship with, or interest in, the Fund other than in our capacity as auditor and tax advisor;
- we have obtained all information and explanations that we have required; and
- in our opinion, proper accounting records have been kept by the Fund as far as appears from our examination of those records.

#### Use of this report

This report is made solely to the Fund's members, as a body, in accordance with section 205 of the Mauritius Companies Act 2001. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Fund's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Fund and the Fund's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Deloitte

**Chartered Accountants** 

20 September 2021

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	Notes	2021 MUR'000	2020 MUR'000
ASSETS		MICK 000	11,011,000
Cash and cash equivalents		289,283	161,320
Other receivables	5	140	1,284
Financial assets held at amortised cost	6	3,053,822	2,143,270
Financial assets measured at fair value through other			
comprehensive income	7	581,992	359,103
		3,925,237	2,664,977
LIABILITIES			
Other payables	10	164,317	34,687
Income tax liability	11(a)	2,280	1,840
		166,597	36,527
UNITS			
Redeemable units	12(i)	3,054,372	2,046,291
Retained earnings		702,048	584,905
Fair value reserve		2,220	(2,746)
	12	3,758,640	2,628,450
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		3,925,237	2,664,977

Approved by the Trustee and the Manager and authorised for issue on 20 SEP 2021

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GROSS INCOME	Notes	Year ended 30 June 2021 MUR'000	Period from 01 January 2020 to 30 June 2020 MUR'000
Interest Income at EIR Other income	13	155,624	67,358 1,722
		155,624	69,080
FUND EXPENSES			
Manager's fees Administrator's fees Registry fees Custodian fees Trustee fee Audit fees Professional fees General expenses Expected credit losses Provision no longer required written back	14 15 16 17 18	24,714 3,707 3,707 1,801 676 119 93 4 (587)	9,830 1,475 1,475 715 300 68 52 3 (201) (1,573)
Income tax expense	12 (b)	121,390 (4,247)	56,935 (1,840)
PROFIT AFTER TAXATION	, = (0)	117,143	55,095
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME			
Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss			
Net fair value gain/(loss) on financial assets at FVOCI	7	4,966	(6,063)
Change in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units		122,109	49,032

The notes on pages 10 to 33 form part of these financial statements.

	Issued units MUR'000	Retained earnings MUR'000	Non- distributable reserve Fair value reserve	Total
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At 01 January 2020 balance b/f from SBM Perpetual Fund Ltd	2,056,237	529,810	3,317	2,589,364
Issue of units	80,778	-	-	80,778
Redemption of units	(90,724)	-	-	(90,724)
Change in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units for the period	•	55,095	(6,063)	49,032
As at 30 June 2020	2,046,291	584,905	(2,746)	2,628,450
At 01 July 2020	2,046,291	584,905	(2,746)	2,628,450
Issue of units	1,426,402	-	•	1,426,402
Redemption of units	(418,321)	-	•	(418,321)
Change in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units for the year	-	117,143	4,966	122,109
As at 30 June 2021	3,054,372	702,048	2,220	3,758,640

# Note:

As per the Fund's prospectus, capital gains arising from changes in the value of investments, both realised and unrealised are credited to non-distributable reserve and shall not be available for distribution as dividends. Capital losses arising from changes in the value of investments will be debited to the said reserve and shall not be offset against income received.

The notes on pages 10 to 33 form part of these financial statements.

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	Notes	Year ended 30 June 2021 MUR'000	Period from 01 January 2020 to 30 June 2020 MUR'000
Profit before taxation  Adjustment for: Interest Income Expected credit losses Provision no longer required written back Other income	13 8	121,390 (155,624) (587) -	56,935 (67,358) (201) 1,573 (1,722)
Operating loss before working capital changes Decrease in other receivables Increase in other payables Purchase of financial assets held at amortised cost Purchase of financial assets held at FVOCI Proceeds on maturity of financial assets held at amortised cost Proceeds on maturity of financial assets held at FVOCI Proceeds on disposal of financial assets held at FVOCI Interest received	6 7 6 7 7	(34,821) 1,144 129,630 (973,149) (287,000) 40,000 20,000 66,700 161,185	(10,772) 70,619 24,037 (100,090) (174,181) 32,339 175,255 - 71,253
Net cash (used in)/ generated from operations  Taxation paid	11(a)	(876,311) (3,140)	88,549 (826)
CSR paid  Net cash (used in)/generated from operating activities	, , , , ,	(880,118)	87,723
CASHFLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			07,720
Issue of redeemable units Redemption of redeemable units		1,426,402 (418,321)	80,778 (90,724)
Net cash generated from/(used in) financing activities		1,008,081	(9,946)
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		127,963	77,777
Balance b/f from SBM Perpetual Fund Ltd		•	83,543
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT START OF YEAR! PERIOD CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR! PERIOD	טנ	161,320 289,283	161,320

The notes on pages 10 to 33 form part of these financial statements.

#### 1 LEGAL FORM AND PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

SBM Perpetual Fund Ltd ("the Fund") was incorporated on 28 September 2006 as a Public Company Limited by share. Its registered office is situated at SBM Tower, 1 Queen Elizabeth II Avenue, Port Louis, Mauritius. The Fund was authorised to operate as a Collective Investment Scheme under Section 97 of the Securities Act 2005.

The Fund is authorised to operate as a unit trust under the Securities Act 2005 and the Securities (Collective Investment Schemes and Closed-end Funds) Regulations 2008 (the "Securities Laws of Mauritius").

SBM Perpetual Fund Ltd operated as a domestic Fund until 31 December 2019. On 01 Jan 2020, a restructuring exercise was performed whereby all the assets and liabilities previously held under SBM Perpetual Fund Ltd were transferred to a Sub Fund of SBM Investment Unit Trust known as "SBM Perpetual Fund", pursuant to a Supplement of the Trust being executed between the Trustee and the Manager.

The principal activity of the Fund is to invest in long term securities and other instruments. The Fund's investment activities are managed by SBM Mauritius Asset Managers Ltd.

# 2 APPLICATION OF NEW AND REVISED INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (IFRSs)

In the current year, the Fund has applied all the new and revised standard and interpretations issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") and the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee ("IFRIC") of the IASB that are relevant to its operations and effective for accounting periods beginning on 1 July 2020.

# 2.1 NEW AND REVISED STANDARDS IN ISSUE BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE

# (a) Standards and amendments to existing standards effective 1 July 2020

refer to a different version of the Conceptual Framework

The following relevant revised standard has been applied in these financial statements. Their applications have not had any material impact on the amounts reported for current and prior years.

IAS 1	Presentation of Financial Statements - Amendments regarding the definition of material
IAS 8	Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors - Amendments regarding the definition of material
IAS 39	Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement - Amendments regarding pre- replacement issues in the context of the IBOR reform
IFRS 7	Financial Instruments: Disclosures - Amendments regarding pre-replacement issues in the context of the IBOR reform
IFRS 9	Financial Instruments - Amendments regarding pre-replacement issues in the context of the IBOR reform
Conceptual Framework	Amendments to IFRS 2, IFRS 3, IFRS 6, IFRS 14, IAS 1, IAS 8, IAS 34, IAS 37, IAS 38, IFRIC 12, IFRIC 19, IFRIC 20, IFRIC 22, and SIC-32 to update those pronouncements with regards to references to and quotes from the framework or to indicate where they

# 2 APPLICATION OF NEW AND REVISED INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (IFRSs) (CONTINUED)

#### 2.1 NEW AND REVISED STANDARDS IN ISSUE BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE (CONTINUED)

(b) New standards, amendments and interpretations effective after 1 July 2020 and have not been early adopted

At the date of authorisation of these financial statements, the following relevant new and revised Standards were in issue but effective on annual periods beginning on or after the respective dates as indicated:

- IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements Amendments regarding the classification of liabilities (effective 1 January 2023)
- IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements Amendments regarding the disclosure of accounting policies (effective 1 January 2023)
- IAS 8 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Error Amendments regarding the definition of accounting estimates (effective 1 January 2023)
- IAS 12 Income taxes Amendments regarding deferred tax on leases and decommissioning obligations (effective 1 January 2023)
- IAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement Amendments regarding replacement issues in the context of the IBOR reform (effective 1 January 2021)
- IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures Amendments regarding replacement issues in the context of the IBOR reform (effective 1 January 2021)
- IFRS 9 Financial Instruments Amendments resulting from replacement issues in the context of the IBOR reform (effective 1 January 2021)
- IFRS 9 Financial Instruments Amendments resulting from Annual Improvements to IFRS Standards 2018-2020 (fees in the '10 per cent' test for derecognition of financial liabilities) (effective 1 January 2022)

The Fund anticipates that these amendments will be applied where applicable in the financial statements at the above effective dates in future periods. No potential impact is expected upon application of these amendments.

#### 3 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 3.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB").

The financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis, except for financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income, which are measured at fair value.

The financial statements are presented in Mauritian Rupee ("MUR'000") and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand, except when otherwise indicated.

# 3.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### (a) Taxes

# Current income tax

Current income tax assets and liabilities are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the taxation authorities. The tax rates and tax laws used to compute the amount are those that are enacted or substantively enacted, by the reporting date.

#### 3.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### (a) Taxes (Continued)

# Current income tax (Continued)

Current income tax relating to items recognised directly in equity is recognised in equity and not in profit or loss. Management periodically evaluates positions taken in the tax returns with respect to situations in which applicable tax regulations are subject to interpretation and establishes provisions where appropriate.

#### Deferred tax

Deferred tax is provided using the liability method on temporary differences between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes at the reporting date.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for all taxable temporary differences, except:

- Where the deferred tax liability arises from the initial recognition of goodwill or of an asset or liability
  in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects
  neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss;
- In respect of taxable temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries, associates
  and interests in joint ventures, where the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences can be
  controlled and it is probable that the temporary differences will not reverse in the foreseeable
  future.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for all deductible temporary differences, carry forward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences, and the carry forward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses can be utilised, except:

- Where the deferred tax asset relating to the deductible temporary difference arises from the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss.
- In respect of deductible temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiarles, associates and interests in joint ventures, deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that the temporary differences will reverse in the foreseeable future and taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each reporting date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax asset to be utilised. Unrecognised deferred tax assets are reassessed at each reporting date and are recognised to the extent that it has become probable that future taxable profits will allow the deferred tax asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the year when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date.

Deferred tax relating to items recognised outside profit or loss is recognised outside profit or loss. Deferred tax items are recognised in correlation to the underlying transaction either in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.

#### 3.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### (a) Taxes (Continued)

#### Deferred tax (Continued)

Deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities are offset, if a legally enforceable right exists to set off current tax assets against current income tax liabilities and the deferred taxes relate to the same taxable entity and the same taxation authority.

Tax benefits acquired as part of a business combination, but not satisfying the criteria for separate recognition at that date, would be recognised subsequently if new information about facts and circumstances changed. The adjustment would either be treated as a reduction to goodwill (as long as it does not exceed goodwill) if it incurred during the measurement period or in profit or loss.

#### (b) Financial instruments

IFRS 9 sets out requirements for recognising and measuring financial assets, financial liabilities and some contracts to buy or sell non-financial items. This standard replaces IAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement.

As a result of the adoption of IFRS 9, the Fund has adopted consequential amendments to IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements, which require:

- Impairment of financial assets to be presented in a separate line item in the statement of comprehensive income; and
- Separate presentation in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income of interest revenue calculated using the effective interest method.

## Financial assets

#### Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets are classified, at initial recognition, as subsequently measured at amortised cost and fair value through other comprehensive income (OCI).

The classification of financial assets at initial recognition depends on the financial asset's contractual cash flow characteristics and the Fund's business model for managing them. The Fund initially measures a financial asset at its fair value plus, in the case of a financial asset not at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs.

In order for a financial asset to be classified and measured at amortised cost or fair value through OCI, it needs to give rise to cash flows that are 'solely payments of principal and interest (SPPI)' on the principal amount outstanding. This assessment is referred to as the SPPI test and is performed at an instrument level.

The Fund's business model for managing financial assets refers to how it manages its financial assets in order to generate cash flows. The business model determines whether cash flows will result from collecting contractual cash flows, selling the financial assets, or both,

Management has made an assessment on the basis of the facts and circumstances that existed at the date of initial application to determine whether to classify the debt instruments held at amortised cost or financial assets at fair value through OCI. The determination of the business model within which a financial asset is held at amortised cost needs to meet the objective ,which is to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows and its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

#### 3.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

## (b) Financial instruments (Continued)

#### Financial assets (Continued)

#### Initial recognition and measurement (Continued)

Purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within a time frame established by regulation or convention in the market place (regular way trades) are recognised on the settlement date for debt instruments, i.e., the date that the Fund settles the purchase or sale of the asset.

#### Subsequent measurement

For purposes of subsequent measurement, financial assets are classified in four categories:

- Financial assets at amortised cost (debt instruments)
- Financial assets at fair value through OCI with recycling of cumulative gains and losses (debt instruments)
- Financial assets designated at fair value through OCI with no recycling of cumulative gains and losses upon derecognition (equity instruments)
- Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

#### Financial assets at amortised cost

The Fund measures financial assets at amortised cost if both of the following conditions are met:

- The financial asset is held within a business model with the objective to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows; and
- The contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

Financial assets at amortised cost are subsequently measured using the effective interest rate (EIR) method and are subject to impairment. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the asset is derecognised, modified or impaired.

The Fund's financial assets at amortised cost include financial assets at amortised cost, cash and cash equivalents and other receivables.

# Financial assets at fair value through OCI

The Funds measure debt instruments at fair value through OCI if both of the following conditions are

- The financial asset is held within a business model with the objective of both holding to collect contractual cash flows and selling; and
- The contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

For debt instruments at fair value through OCI, interest income, foreign exchange revaluation and impairment losses or reversals are recognised in profit or loss and computed in the same manner as for financial assets measured at amortised cost. The remaining fair value changes are recognised in OCI. Upon derecognition, the cumulative fair value change recognised in OCI is recycled to profit or loss. The Fund's debt instruments at fair value through OCI include financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income.

#### 3.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### (b) Financial instruments (Continued)

# Financial assets (Continued)

# Initial recognition and measurement (Continued)

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- The contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

#### 3.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### (b) Financial instruments (Continued)

#### Financial assets (Continued)

#### Derecognition

A financial asset (or, where applicable, a part of a financial asset or part of a Fund of similar financial assets) is primarily derecognised (i.e., removed from the Fund's statement of financial position) when:

- . The rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired; or
- The Fund has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset or has assumed an
  obligation to pay the received cash flows in full without material delay to a third party under a 'passthrough' arrangement; and either
  - (a) the Fund has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, or
  - (b) the Fund has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

When the Fund has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from an asset or has entered into a pass through arrangement, it evaluates if, and to what extent, it has retained the risks and rewards of ownership. When it has neither transferred nor retained substantially all of the risks and rewards of the asset, nor transferred control of the asset, the Fund continues to recognise the transferred asset to the extent of its continuing involvement. In that case, the Fund also recognises an associated liability. The transferred asset and the associated liability are measured on a basis that reflects the rights and obligations that the Fund has retained.

Continuing involvement that takes the form of a guarantee over the transferred asset is measured at the lower of the original carrying amount of the asset and the maximum amount of consideration that the Fund could be required to repay.

# Impairment of financial assets

The Fund recognises loss allowances for ECLs on financial assets measured at amortised cost.

The Fund measures loss allowances at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs, except for the following, which are, measured at 12-months ECLs:

- Financial assets that are determined to have low credit risk at the reporting date; and
- Other financial assets for which credit risk (i.e the risk of default occurring over the expected life of the asset) has not increased significantly since initial recognition.

When determining whether the credit risk of a financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition and when estimating ECLs, the Fund considers reasonable and supportable information that is relevant and available without undue cost or effort. This includes both quantitative and qualitative information and analysis, based on the Fund's historical experience and informed credit assessment and including forward-looking information.

The Fund assumes that the credit risk on a financial asset has increased significantly if it is more than 30 days past due.

The Fund considers a financial asset to be in default when the financial asset is more than 30 days past due.

#### 3,2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### (b) Financial instruments (Continued)

Financial assets (Continued)

## Impairment of financial assets (Continued)

The Fund considers a financial asset to have low credit risk when the credit rating of the counterparty is equivalent to the globally understood definition of 'investment grade'. The Fund considers this to be Baa3 for Moody's rating or BBB- as per Standard and Poor's rating. (See Note 20).

Lifetime ECLs are the ECLs that result from all possible default events over the expected life of a financial instrument.

12-month ECLs are the portion of ECLs that result from the default events that are possible within the 12 months after the reporting date (or shorter period if the expected life of the instrument is less than 12 months).

The maximum period considered when estimating the ECLs is the maximum contractual period over which the Fund is exposed to credit risk.

#### Measurement of ECLs

ECLs are a probability-weighted estimate of credit losses. Credit losses are measured as the present value of all cash shortfalls (i.e. the difference between the cash flows due to the entity in accordance with the contract and cash flows that the Fund expects to receive).

#### Credit-impaired financial assets

At each reporting date, the Fund assesses whether financial assets carried at amortised cost are creditimpaired. A financial asset is 'credit-impaired' when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset have occurred.

Evidence that a financial asset is credit-impaired includes the following observable data:

- Significant financial difficulty of the borrower or issuer;
- A breach of contract such as default or being more than 30 days past due; or
- It is probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation.

Presentation of allowances for ECLs in the statement of financial position

Presentation of allowances for financial assets measured at amortised cost are deducted from the gross carrying amount of assets

#### Write off policy

A financial asset is written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovering the contractual cash flows. Financial assets written off may still be subject to enforcement activities under the Fund's recovery procedures. Any recoveries made are recognised in profit or loss.

# Financial liabilities

# Initial recognition and measurement

Financial liabilities comprise of other payables, which are measured at amortised cost.

#### 3.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### (b) Financial instruments (Continued)

Financial liabilities (Continued)

#### Subsequent measurement

The measurement of financial liabilities depends on their classification, as described below:

#### Other payables

Accounts payable are stated at their amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### Effective interest method

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial liability and of allocating interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments (including all fees and points paid or received that form an integral part of the interest rate, transaction costs and other premium or discounts) through the expected life of the financial liability, or (where appropriate) a shorter period, to the net carrying amount on initial recognition.

## Derecognition

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled or expires. When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as the derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability. The difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

# Offsetting of financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the statement of financial position if there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

# (d) Interest income calculated using effective interest method

Interest revenue and expense are recognised in the statement of other comprehensive income for all interest-bearing financial instruments using the effective interest method.

#### (e) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents consist of cash at bank.

## (f) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Fund has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation. Where the Fund expects some or all of a provision to be reimbursed, the reimbursement is recognised as a separate asset but only when the reimbursement is virtually certain. The expense relating to any provision is presented in statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income net of any reimbursement.

#### 3.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### (f) Provisions (Continued)

If the effect of the time value of money is material, provisions are discounted using a current pre-tax rate that reflects, where appropriate, the risks specific to the liability. Where discounting is used, the increase in the provision due to the passage of time is recognised as a finance cost.

## (g) Redeemable participating shares

Redeemable units are classified as equity instruments when:

- The redeemable units entitle the holder to a pro rata share of the Fund's net assets in the event of the Fund's liquidation.
- The redeemable units are in the class of instruments that is subordinate to all other classes of instruments.
- All redeemable units in the class of instruments that is subordinate to all other classes of instruments have identical features.
- The redeemable units do not include any contractual obligation to deliver cash or another financial asset other than the holder's rights to a pro rata share of the Fund's net assets.
- The total expected cash flows attributable to the redeemable units over the life of the instrument are based substantially on the profit or loss, the change in the recognised net assets or the change in the fair value of the recognised and unrecognised net assets of the Fund over the life of the instrument.

In addition to the redeemable units having all the above features, the Fund must have no other financial instrument or contract that has:

- Total cash flows based substantially on the profit or loss, the change in the recognised net assets
  or the change in the fair value of the recognised and unrecognised net assets of the Fund;
- The effect of substantially restricting or fixing the residual return to the holders of redeemable units.

The Fund classified its redeemable units as equity as it meets the above features and also the Fund does not have any contractual obligation to repurchase or redeem for cash or other financial asset.

The Fund continuously assesses the classification of the redeemable units. If the redeemable units cease to have all the features or meet all the conditions set out to be classified as equity, the Fund will reclassify them as financial liabilities and measure them at fair value at the date of reclassification, with any differences from the previous carrying amount recognised in equity. If the redeemable units subsequently have all the features and meet the conditions to be classified as equity, the Fund will reclassify them as equity instruments and measure them at the carrying amount of the liabilities at the date of the reclassification.

The issuance, acquisition and cancellation of redeemable units are accounted for as equity transactions. Upon issuance of shares, the consideration received is included in equity.

## (h) Related parties

Parties are considered to be related to the Fund if they have the ability, directly or indirectly, to control the Fund or exercise significant influence over the Fund. Related parties may be individuals or other entities.

#### 4 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS, ESTIMATES AND ASSUMPTIONS

The preparation of the Fund's financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities, and the disclosure of contingent liabilities. Uncertainties about these assumptions and estimates could result in outcomes that require a material adjustment to the carrying amount of the asset or liability affected in future periods.

#### Judgements

In the process of applying the Fund's accounting policies, management has made the following judgement, which has the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements:

#### (a) Determination of functional currency

The primary objective of the Fund is to generate returns in MUR, its capital-raising currency. The liquidity of the Fund is managed on a day-to-day basis in MUR. The Fund's performance is evaluated in MUR. Therefore, the management considers MUR as the currency that most faithfully represents the economic effect of the underlying transactions, events and conditions.

#### (b) Going concern

The Manager of the Fund has made an assessment of its ability to continue as a going concern and is satisfied that the Fund has the resources to continue in business for the foreseeable future. Furthermore, the Manager is not aware of any material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt upon the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern. Therefore, the financial statements has been prepared on the going concern basis.

#### (c) Business model assessment

Classification and measurement of financial assets depends on the results of the SPPI and the business model test (see financial assets sections of note 3). The Fund determines the business model at a level that reflects how groups of financial assets are managed together to achieve a particular business objective. This assessment includes judgement reflecting all relevant evidence including how the performance of the assets is evaluated and their performance measured, the risks that affect the performance of the assets and how these are managed and how the managers of the assets are compensated. The Fund monitors financial assets measured at amortised cost or fair value through other comprehensive income that are derecognised prior to their maturity to understand the reason for their disposal and whether the reasons are consistent with the objective of the business for which the asset was held. Monitoring is part of the Fund's continuous assessment of whether the business model for which the remaining financial assets are held continues to be appropriate and if it is not appropriate whether there has been a change in business model and so a prospective change to the classification of those assets. No such changes were required during the year presented.

# Estimates and assumptions

The key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjournment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year, are discussed below. The company based its assumptions and estimates on parameters available when the financial statements were prepared.

#### Expected credit losses (ECLs)

To calculate the ECL, the Fund has applied judgements that have a significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements and include the classification of financial instruments into financial assets measured at amortised cost category. Estimated ratings have been used for the calculation (Note 20).

5.	OTHER RECEIVABLES				
				2021	2020
				MUR'000	MUR'000
	D				22
	Prepayments			23	23
	Interest receivable			117	117
	Application monies receivable		-	*	1,144
				140	1.284
6.	FINANCIAL ASSETS HELD AT AMORTIS	SED COST			
				2021	2020
			•	MUR'000	MUR'000
	At 01 July			2,143,270	-
	Balance brought forward from SBM Perper	tual Fund Ltd		-	2,080,810
	Reclassification from amortised cost to FV	OCI		(14,946)	-
	Additions			973,149	100,000
	Maturity			(40,000)	(32,339)
	Net interest amortised			(7,929)	(5,162)
	Allowance for expected credit loss (Note 8	)		278	86
	Unrealised gain			*	(125)
	At 30 June		:	3,053,822	2,143,270
	(a) The breakdown of financial assets hel-	d at amortised cost is a	s follows:		
	<u>2021</u>	Interest rate	Mat	urity	MUR'000
	Government bonds	3.9%-11.75%	Sept 21	May 41	2 200 024
	Term deposits with other financial	3.50% - 6.25%	Apr 22	-	2,680,834 114,866
	Other local bonds	4.30% - 6.80%	Apr 24		258,122
				200 00	230,122
	•			;	3.053.822
	<u>2020</u>	Interest rate	Mat	urity	MUR'000
	Government bonds	4,82%-11.75%		- Feb 39	1,801,432
	institutions	3.50% - 6.75%	Feb 20 -	- Mar 23	161,978
	Other local bonds	4.15% - 6.50%	Nov 22	- Jun 29	179,860
					2.143,270
				:	2.740.270
	(b) Financial assets held at amortised cos	t are further analysed a	s follows:		
				2021	2020
				MUR'000	MUR'000
	Non-current assets				
	Current assets			3,017,737	2,095,264
	Oditelit appelp			36,085	48,006
			_	3.053.822	2,143,270
			-		

<sup>(</sup>c) Details of financial assets held at amortised cost classified under term deposits with other financial institutions and other local bonds are as follows:

# 6. FINANCIAL ASSETS HELD AT AMORTISED COST (CONTINUED)

(c)	2021	2020
	MUR'000	MUR'000
Government bonds	2,680,834	1,801,432
Term deposits with other financial institutions		
La Prudence Leasing Finance Co Ltd	64,818	74,156
Bank One Notes	50,048	50,014
Mauritius Housing Company Ltd	***	37,808
	114,866	161,978
Other local bonds		
Ciel Note	84,455	84,198
SIT Bond	55,324	55,198
Ignite Fitness Global Ltd	25,502	25,518
Ascencia Ltd	64,843	· <del>-</del>
Gamma Civic	27,998	-
Alpha Capital Protected Note - Series 1	-	14,946
	258,122	179,860
	3.053,822	2.143,269

# 7 FINANCIAL ASSETS MEASURED AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	2021	2020
	MUR'000	MUR'000
At 01 July	359,103	
Balance b/f from SBM Perpetual Fund Ltd	-	365.847
Reclassification from amortised to FVOCI	14,946	-
Additions	287,000	174,181
Maturity	(20,000)	(175,255)
Disposals	(66,700)	-
Interest accrued	2,368	153
Allowance for expected credit loss (Note 8)	309	115
Fair value movement	4,966	(5,938)
At 30 June	581.992	359,103

# (a) The breakdown of financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income is as follows:

<u>2021</u>	Interest rate	Maturity	MUR'000
SBM bonds Term deposits with other financial Other local bonds	3.20%-5.75% 1.85%-4.75% 2.70% - 6.00%	Mar 24 - Jun 28 Jan 23 - Jul 30 Nov 21 -April 28	129,960 145,763 306,269
2020	Interest rate	Maturity	<u>581,992</u> MUR'000
SBM bonds Term deposits with other financial Other local bonds	3.20%-5.75% 3.50% 4.35% - 6.80%	Mar 24 - Jun 28 Jan 23 Jun 21 - Jun 25	127,307 45,890 185,906
			<u>359,103</u>

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2021

# 7 FINANCIAL ASSETS MEASURED AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (CONTINUED)

(b) Financial assets measured at fair value through OCI are further analysed as follows:

		MUR'000	MUR'000
	Non-current assets	540,779	323,737
	Current assets	41,213	35,366
	=	581,992	359,103
(c)	Details of financial assets measured at fair value through OCI are as follows:		
		2021	2020
	-	MUR'000	MUR'000
	MCB Group Ltd Notes	47,024	45,890
	SBM MUR Note Class A2 series	74,610	74,600
	SBM Bond	55,350	52,707
	IBL Ltd Notes	20,675	20,725
	IBL Ltd Floating Rate Notes	50,319	50,070
	Ascencia Ltd	2,199	2,099
	NMHL Note	5,039	5,039
	Sun Limited Notes	41,213	41,213
	Forty Two Point Two Notes	171,022	-
	Alpha Capital Protected Note - Series 1	15,801	-
	CIM Financial Services Ltd	98,740	-
	Omnicane Bond	-	66,760

# 8. ALLOWANCE FOR EXPECTED CREDIT LOSSES (ECLs)

	Financial assets at amortised cost MUR'000	Financial assets at FVOCI MUR'000	Total allowance MUR'000
At 01 July 2020	3,270	1,919	5,189
Reclassification	(136)	136	-
Movement during the year	(278)	(309)	(587)
At 30 June 2021	2,856	1,746	4,602
Balance brought forward from SBM Perpetual Fund Ltd	3,356	2,034	5,390
Movement during the period	(86)	(115)	(201)
At 30 June 2020	3,270	1,919	5,189

All financial assets are classified under stage 1 at reporting date (2020: Stage 1).

# 9. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT HIERARCHY

IFRS 13 requires disclosures relating to fair value measurement using a three level fair value hierarchy. The level within which the fair value measurement is categorised in its entirety is determined on the basis of the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Assessing the significance of a particular input requires judgement, considering factors specific to the asset or liability.

## 9. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT HIERARCHY (CONTINUED)

Level 1 fair value measurements are those derived from quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 fair value measurements are those derived from inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices).

Level 3 fair value measurements are those derived from valuation techniques that include inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

<u>2021</u>	Level 1	Level 2	Total
	MUR'000	MUR'000	MUR'000
Financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income	179,183	402,809	581,992
2020	Level 1	Level 2	Total
Financial assets measured at fair value	MUR'000	MUR'000	MUR'000
through other comprehensive income	175,297	183,806	359,103

There has been no transfers between levels.

## 10. OTHER PAYABLES

	2021	2020
	MUR'000	MUR'000
Audit fees Manager's fee payable (Note 14) Administrator fee payable (Note 15)	127 2,343	124 1,736
Custodian fees payable (Note 16) Registry fees payable (Note 17)	351 176	260 130
Trustee fees payable (Note 18) Entry and exit fees payable (Note 19)	351 115	260 300
Tax filing fees payable Other professional fees payable	479 21 13	177 30
Redemption payable Advance subscription refundable	138,241 22,100	31,503
CSR share payable to SBM Foundation		167
	<u>164.317</u>	34.687

The carrying amount of other payables approximate their fair value. Other payables are unsecured, interest free and repayable within 3 months.

#### 11. TAXATION

Income tax is calculated at the rate of 15% on profit for the year as adjusted for income tax purposes.

(a) Income tax liability	2021	2020
	MUR'000	MUR'000
At 01 July Balance brought forward from SBM Perpetual Fund Tax charge	1,840	826
Tax paid in advance Income Tax paid	3,625 (1,346)	1,840 (826)
Over provision in previous year	(1,794) (45)	
At 30 June	2,280	1 840

### 11. TAXATION (CONTINUED)

(b) Reconciliation of tax charge	2021 MUR'000	2020 MUR'000
Profit before taxation	121,390	56,935
Tax reconciliation at the tax rate of 15% (2020: 15%)  Tax effect of:	18,209	8,540
Exempt income	(18,675)	(8,083)
Non-taxable income	` ,	(288)
Non deductible expenses	4,091	1,671
Over provision in previous year	(45)	-
CSR paid	667	
Income tax expense	4,247	1,840
Income tax charge	3,625	1,840
CSR paid	667	-
Over provision in previous year	(45)	-
Income tax expense	4,247	1,840

#### 12. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

As a result of the ability to issue, repurchase and resell units, the capital of the Fund can vary depending on the demand for redemption and subscriptions to the Fund. The Fund is not subject to externally imposed capital requirements and has no legal restrictions on the issue, repurchase or resale of redeemable units beyond those included in the Fund's prospectus.

The investment objective of the Fund is to achieve attractive risk-returns through a combination of long-term capital appreciation and current income by making portfolio investments.

The Fund's objectives for managing capital are:

- To invest the capital in investments, meeting the description, risk, exposure and expected return indicated in its prospectus.
- To maintain sufficient liquidity to meet the expenses of the Fund, and to meet redemption requests as they arise.
- To maintain sufficient size to make the operation of the Fund cost efficient.

The capital of the Fund consist of redeemable participating shares denominated in Mauritian Rupees. The redeemable participating shares are redeemable at the option of the shareholder based on net asset value.

Unitholders have undivided rights in the Fund pro-rata to the number of Units held by them.

Upon the Fund being terminated, the Fund shall sell all the Fund property vested in it in accordance with the terms of the Trust Deed. It shall apply the proceeds of the sale to repay any liability by the Fund and shall distribute all net cash proceeds to the Unitholders pro-rata to their number of Units after deduction of expenses as provided for in the Trust Deed.

Unitholders shall be entitled to vote at meetings of Unitholders.

# 12. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

<ul><li>(i) Movement during the year / per</li></ul>	erioc	ne	vear /	the	ment durina	ťΥ	
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(i)	Movement during the year / period					
	- , ,	2021		202	.0	
		No. of		No. of		
		redeemable	NAL (DIAAA	redeemable	MURIODO	
		units	MUR'000	units	MUR'000	
	At 01 July Balance brought forward from SBM	12,838,658	2,046,291	-	-	
	Perpetual Fund Ltd	-	_	12,885,468	2,056,237	
	Units issued	6,828,146	1,426,402	398,888	80,778	
	Units redeemed	(1,985,615)	(418,321)	(445.698)	(90,724)	
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	At 30 June	<u>17,681,189</u>	3,054,372	12,838,658	2,046,291	
(ii)	Net asset value per unit					
` '				2021	2020	
	Net asset attributable to holders of units (ML	JR'000)	;	3,758.640	2,628,450	
	Net asset value per unit (MUR)		:	212.58	204.73	
(iii)	Prices per unit					
				2021	2020	
	Issue price		:	213.64	205.77	
	Redemption price			210.45	202.70	
				-		
INT	EREST INCOME					
			_	2021	2020	
				MUR'000	MUR'000	
Bor				142,330	55.451	
Dep	osits with financial institutions			13,294	11,907	
			-	155,624	67,358	
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inte	rest income earned on financial assets analys	sed by category	of assets is as	foliows:		
			_	2021	2020	
			-	MUR'000	MUR'000	
Fina	incial assets held at amortised cost			134,729	60,415	
Fina	encial assets held at fair value through other o	comprehensive in	ncome	20.895	6,943	
			-		9,0-10	

# 14. MANAGER'S FEES

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Manager's fees are computed daily based on 0.75% p.a of net asset value (2020: 0.75% of NAV) of the Fund and are payable monthly in arrears.

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#### 15. ADMINISTRATOR FEES

Administrator's fees are computed daily based on 0.1125% p.a of net asset value (2020: 0.1125% of NAV) of the Fund and are payable monthly in arrears.

#### 16. REGISTRY FEES

Registry's fees are computed daily based on 0.1125% p.a of net asset value (2020: 0.1125% of NAV) of the Fund and are payable monthly in arrears.

#### 17. CUSTODIAN FEES

Custodian's fees are computed daily based on 0.06% on investment value (2020: 0.06% on investment value) of the Fund plus transaction charges of MUR 100 for each local trade and EUR 20 for each foreign trade (2020: MUR 100 for each local trade and EUR 20 for each foreign trade) and are payable monthly in arrears.

## 18. TRUSTEE FEES

The Trustee will receive a trustee fee of 0.023% per annum of the Net Asset Value of the Fund (the "Trustee Fee") (2020: 0.023% of NAV) subject to a minimum of MUR 35,000 per month and a maximum of MUR 50,000 per month. The Trustee fees are calculated on a daily basis payable monthly in arrears.

#### 19. ENTRY AND EXIT FEES

Entry fees of up to 0.50% (2020: up to 0.50%) on the units subscribed are retained by the Investment Manager to meet any administration costs in relation to subscription of units.

Exit fees of 1.00% in year 1, 0.75% in year 2, 0.50% in year 3 and nil after year 3 (2020: 1.00% in year 1, 0.75% in year 2, 0.50% in year 3 and nil after year) will be applicable at the time of redemption. The redemption proceeds will be reduced by the amount of the exit fees and the net amount paid to the Unitholder.

### 20. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

# Categories of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities

	2021	2020
Financial assets	MUR'000	MUR'000
Financial assets held at fair value through OCI	581,992	359,103
Financial assets held at amortised cost	3,053,822	2,143,270
Cash and cash equivalents at amortised cost	289,283	161,320
Other receivables at amortised cost	117	1,261
Financial liabilities	3,925,214	2.664,954
Other payables at amorfised cost	164,317	34,687

# Significant accounting policies

Details of the significant accounting policies and methods adopted, (including the criteria for recognition, the basis of measurement and the basis on which income and expenses are recognised) in respect of each class of financial asset and financial liability and equity instruments are disclosed in note 3 to the Financial Statements.

## Financial risk management

Risk is inherent in the Fund's activities and is managed by the directors through a process of ongoing identification, measurement and monitoring subject to risk limits and other controls put in place. The Fund is exposed to market risk (which includes interest rate risk and currency risk), credit risk and liquidity risk arising from the financial instruments it holds. The Fund has investment guidelines that set out its overall business strategies and its tolerance for risk.

## Risk management

The Fund's credit risk is managed by the Investment manager subject to the Fund's established policy, procedures and controls. The credit exposure is monitored by the investment team and reported to the Fund's board and Investment Committee on a quarterly basis. There are internal limits with respect to single issuer exposure, maximum sector exposure and the Fund will hold a diversified portfolio of securities in mitigating overall portfolio credit risk. Investment—grade securities are mostly targeted in managing credit risk but credit migration is monitored.

#### Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of financial instruments will fluctuate due to changes in market variables such as interest rates, foreign exchange rates and equity prices. The Fund is exposed mostly to risk relating to changes in interest rates. This has been detailed under interest rate risk.

#### Currency risk

At the reporting date, there were no financial assets or liabilities denominated in foreign currencies. As such, the Fund is not exposed to currency risk.

## Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk arises from the possibility that changes in interest rates will affect future cash flows or the fair value of financial instruments.

At the reporting date, the interest rate profile of the Fund's interest bearing financial instruments was:

	2021	2020
	MUR'000	MUR'000
Variable rate assets		
Deposits with financial institutions	102,373	136,407
Government bonds	507,763	146,824
Other local bonds	490,395	224,333
Balance with bank	289,283	161,320
	1,389,814	668,884
Fixed rate assets		
Deposits with financial institutions	158,256	71,461
Government bonds	2,173,071	1,654,609
Other local bonds	203,956	268,739
	2,535,283	1,994,809
The Fund is exposed to interest rate risk on its variable rate assets		

The Fund is exposed to interest rate risk on its variable rate assets.

The sensitivity analysis below assesses the impact of a change in interest rate over a 12-month period.

Change in		
interest rate	2021	2020
%	MUR'000	MUR'000
÷1	13,898	6,689

A decrease in interest rate by 1% would have resulted in an equal but opposite impact on profit before tax and net assets.

#### Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation or commitment that it has entered into with the Fund. The Fund seeks to mitigate its exposure to credit and counterparty risk by placing its cash, transacting in securities, placing deposits and bonds with reputable financial institutions. The Fund also has exposure to credit risk through other receivables.

The carrying amount of financial assets as disclosed in the statement of financial position represents the maximum credit exposure.

The Investment Manager's policy is to closely monitor the creditworthiness of the Fund's counterparties by reviewing their credit ratings, financial statements and press releases on a regular basis.

Credit risk disclosures are segmented into two sections based on whether the underlying financial instrument is subject to IFRS 9's impairment disclosures or not.

Impairment on cash and cash equivalents has been measured on a 12-month expected loss basis and reflects the short maturities of exposures. The Fund considers that these exposures have low credit risk based on the external credit rating of the counterparties.

Financial assets subject to IFRS 9's impairment requirements

The Fund's financial assets subject to the expected credit loss model within IFRS 9 are financial assets at amortised cost and financial assets as FVOCI. At 30 June 2021, the total financial assets was MUR 3,925,214,178 (2020: MUR 2,664,954,426) on which a loss allowance of MUR 4,601,760 (2020: MUR 5,188,696) has been provided.

There is not considered to be any concentration of credit risk within these assets. No assets are considered impaired and no amounts have been written off in the year.

Probabilities of default have been used to calculate the loss allowance. The 12-month and lifetime probabilities are based on historical data supplied by Moody or Standard and Poor for each credit rating and are recalibrated based on current market prices. Loss given default parameters generally reflect an assumed recovery rate of 55%. However, if the assets were credit-impaired, the estimate loss would be based on a specific assessment of expected cash shortfalls and on the original effectived interest rate. The loss on financial assets is detailed as follows:

2021 Financial assets	Rating	PD_1	LGD_1	MUR'000
Government Bonds Deposits with financial institutions Other local bonds	Baa2 Aa3 - Unrated AAA - Unrated	0.001329 0.004304 - 0.013666 0.004300 - 0.013666	45% 45% 37%-41%	1,604 1,098 1,900 4,602

#### Credit risk (Continued)

2020				
Financial assets	Rating	PD_1	LGD_1	MUR'000
Government Bonds	Baa1	0.001329	45%	1,216
Deposits with financial institutions	Baa1-Ba1	0.002753 - 0.008319	45%	237
Other local bonds	Aa2 - unrated	0.006544 - 0.015945	41%	3,736
				5,189

# Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is defined as the risk that the Fund will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset. Exposure to liquidity risk arises because of the possibility that the Fund could be required to pay its liabilities or redeem its units earlier than expected.

The Fund is exposed to cash redemptions of its redeemable shares on a regular basis. Units are redeemable at the holder's option based on the Fund's NAV per share at the time of redemption, calculated in accordance with the Fund's prospectus. A unitholder who makes full or partial request for redemption of units shall be paid the Redemption Price within 30 (thirty) Days of the applicable Dealing Day, or after receipt of the completed original redemption documentation, whichever is later. The Manager may limit the total number of Units in the Fund that may be redeemed on any Dealing Day to 5% of the outstanding Units in the Fund.

The Fund's policy is to satisfy redemption requests by the following means (in decreasing order of priority):

- Searching for new investors
- Withdrawal of cash deposits
- Disposal of highly liquid assets (i.e., short-term, low-risk debt investments)
- Disposal of other assets

The Fund invests primarily in fixed income securities and place deposits with financial institutions and other financial instruments which, under normal market conditions, are readily convertible to cash. In addition, the Fund's policy is to maintain sufficient cash and cash equivalents to meet normal operating requirements and expected redemption requests.

The following table summarises the maturity profile of the Fund's redeemable units and other financial liabilities based on contractual undiscounted cash flows. The table also analyses the maturity profile of the Fund's financial assets (undiscounted where appropriate) in order to provide a complete view of the Fund's contractual commitments and liquidity.

## Financial liabilities

The maturity grouping is based on the remaining period from the end of the reporting period to the contractual maturity date. When a counterparty has a choice of when the amount is paid, the liability is allocated to the earliest period in which the Fund can be required to pay.

# Financial assets

Analysis of equity and debt securities into maturity groupings is based on the expected date on which these assets will be realised. For other assets, the analysis into maturity groupings is based on the remaining period from the end of the reporting period to the contractual maturity date or, if earlier, the expected date on which the assets will be realised.

# Liquidity risk (Continued)

Financial assets (Continued)

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	Less than				
<u>2021</u>	1 year	1 to 2 years	2 to 5 years	Over 5 years	Total
	MUR'000	MUR'000	MUR'000	MUR'000	MUR'000
Cash and cash equivalents	289,283			-	289,283
Financial assets held at amortised cost	36,085	98,479	189,593	2,729,665	3,053,822
Financial assets held at FVOCI	41,213	88,540	246,271	205,968	581,992
Other receivables at amortised cost	117				117
Total financial assets	366,698	187,019	435,864	2,935,633	3,925,214
Other payables	164,317	-	-		164,317
Total financial liabilities	164,317		-	<u>.</u>	164,317
Liquidity gap	202,381	187,019	435,864	2,935,633	3,760,897
	Less than				
2020	1 year	1 to 2 years	2 to 5 years	Over 5 years	Total
	MUR'000	MUR'000	MUR'000	MUR'000	MUR'000
Cash and cash equivalents	161,320	-	_	-	161,320
Financial assets held at amortised cost	48,006	35,300	269,388	1,790,576	2,143,270
Financial assets held at FVOCI	35,356	41,213	205,825	76,699	359,103
Other receivables at amortised cost	1,261		_	<u> </u>	1,261
Total financial assets	245,953	76,513	475,213	1,867,275	2,664,954
Other payables	34,687	<u> </u>			34,687
Total financial liabilities	34,687		-	*	34,687
Liquidity gap	211,266	76,513	475,213	1.867,275	2.630,267

## Excessive risk concentration

Concentration indicates the relative sensitivity of the Fund's performance to developments affecting a particular industry or geographical location. Concentration of risks arises when a number of financial instruments or contracts are entered into with the same counterparty or when a number of counterparties are engaged in similar business activities, or activities in the same geographical region, or have similar economic features that would cause their ability to meet contractual obligations to be similarly affected by changes in econimic features that would cause their ability to meet contractual obligations to be similarly affected by changes in economic political or other conditions. Concentrations of liquidity risk may arise from repayment terms of financial liabilities. Concentrations of foreign exchange risk may arise if the Fund has a significant net open position in a single foreign currency. In order to avoid excessive concentration of risk. the Fund's policies and procedures include specific guidelines to focus on maintaining a diversified portfolio. The investment manager is instructed to reduce exposure to excessive risk concentrations. The Fund shall not purchase a security, other than a debt security issued by the Government of Mauritius or the Government of any other country, if, immediatley after the purchase more than 5% of its net assets, taken at market value at the time of purchase would be invested in securities of that issuer. The Fund shall also not purchase a security of an issuer where, immediately after the purchase, the Fund would hold more than 10% of a class of securities of that issuer.

#### 21. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

During the year ended 30 June 2021 and six months ended 30 June 2020, the Fund transacted with related entities. Details of the nature, volume of transactions and balances with the entities are shown below.

	Balances with related		Fund expense	
	2021	2020	Year ended 30 June 2021	Period from 01 January 2020 to 30 June 2020
	MUR'000	MUR'000	MUR'000	MUR'000
SBM Mauritius Asset Managers Ltd				
Manager's fees payable	2,343	1,736		
Manager's fees expense			24,714	9,830
SBM Fund Services Ltd				
Administrator's fees payable	351	260		
Administrator's fees expense	331	200	3,707	1,475
Registry fees payable	351	260	3,701	1,470
Registry fees expense	331	200	3,707	1,475
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SBM Bank (Mauritius) Ltd				
Custodian fees payable	176	130		
Custodian fees expense			1,801	715
Bank balances held with custodian	151,328	130,348		
Bank charges on custody account			1	1
DTOS Trustees Ltd				
Trustee fees payable	115	300		
Trustee expense	113	300	676	300
Trustee expense			070	300
SBM Holdings Ltd				
Investments in ultimate holding company	129,960	127,307		
Interest Income			6,040	3,119

Terms and conditions of transactions with related parties

Outstanding balances at the year end are unsecured, interest free and settlement occurs in cash. There have been no guarantees provided or received for any related party payables.

No compensation was paid to key management personnel for the year ended 30 June 2021 (Period ended 30 June 2020: nil).

#### 22 COVID 19 IMPACT ASSESSMENT

The global public health crisis, the Covid-19, led to the shutdown of the global economy and prompted a global equity market collapse in March 2020. The global policy response to cushion the coronavirus shock has been unprecedented in terms of speed and size as policymakers supported the economies by committing to keep rates low and enabling an increasingly accommodative monetary as well as fiscal policies.

The pandemic's near-term evolution, containment measures, vaccinations roll-out and dovish stance from central banks contributed to the positive market sentiment and pushed equity markets to all-time highs by the end of financial year 2021. Although unprecedented policy responses were required to cushion against the adverse impacts of the Covid-19, monetary and fiscal stimuli along with supply-chain disruptions raised inflationary pressures. Extended high inflation rates may impact the path of interest rates, and hence equity and debt markets, but drastic policy changes are not expected in the near-term.

#### 22 COVID 19 IMPACT ASSESSMENT (CONTINUED)

While markets have rebounded strongly in FY21, the potential impacts from further spread of the virus despite the vaccination roll-outs are difficult to assess and may vary across countries, markets and sectors. Any public health emergency, including any outbreak of Covid-19 mutations or other existing or new epidemic diseases, or the threat thereof, and the resulting financial and economic market uncertainty could have a significant adverse impact on the Fund including the fair value of its investments. External factors remain beyond the Investment Manager's control and cannot be forecasted but they have adverse impacts on the value of investments.

With respect to SBM Perpetual Fund, its strategic allocation is 100% domestic fixed income securities. Bonds generally carry lower volatility compared to stocks and usually include a condition to repay the original sum at a specified date in the future and normally provide a fixed level of income. However, the capital value of a bond fund and the level of its income may still fluctuate. Investments in higher yielding bonds issued by borrowers with lower credit ratings may result in a greater risk of default and have a negative impact on income and capital value. Income payments may constitute a return of capital in whole or in part. The impact of COVID-19 on investment value is outlined below:

#### GoM securities

Although Mauritius was downgraded by international agencies, the Investment Manager does not expect significant impact on the carrying value of GoM securities as no sovereign default risk is currently anticipated. The securities are valued under the hold-to-collect approach under IFRS 9 and expected capital losses are based on the rating of GoM which remains investment grade.

#### Corporate bonds

Most of the corporate bonds in the portfolio are issued by entities listed on the Stock Exchange of Mauritius. The bonds are valued at fair value through comprehensive income and their market prices on the SEM would reflect the underlying risks. Expected capital losses are based on the ratings of the issuer such that low-rated issuers would carry higher default probability and hence higher ECL, and vice-versa. Credit risks are managed through limits on issuer, diversified portfolio and limited concentrations. The underlying risks of the issuers are regularly monitored.

## Term deposits

The Investment Manager does not expect significant impact on the carrying value of these investments as they are held as term deposits with stable banking and non-banking institutions. Nevertheless, those instruments are valued using a hold-to-collect approach under IFRS9 and provisions for expected capital losses are based on issuer rating.

The Fund did not experience any disruption in terms of the operations during the year due to the work-fromhome practices from the different functionaries. There was no increase in direct costs as conditions under the existing contractual agreements continued to prevail.

Overall, the Fund has not been impacted in terms of significant redemptions as there has been more issue of units. The Investment Manager monitors closely the liquidity position of the Fund.

# 23 COMPARATIVES

The comparative figures relate to the period from 01 January 2020 to 30 June 2020. The figures disclosed in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the period ended 30 June 2020 are therefore not comparable.

# 24 EVENTS AFTER REPORTING DATE

There has been no other material events after the reporting date which would require disclosure or adjustment to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2021.