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# Annual Report

# Senfin Growth Fund

# FY 2023



Trustee and Custodian HNB Bank PLC

# **Fund Manager**

Senfin Asset Management (Pvt) Ltd

# **Senfin Growth Fund**

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# **Profile of the fund management company**

# The Company

Senfin Asset Management (Pvt) Ltd (SFAM) was incorporated in 2010 and licensed by the Securities & Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka (SEC) to manage unit trust funds and thirdparty portfolios/private portfolios for institutional clients, private provident funds, insurance funds, and high net worth individuals.

SFAM (formally Candor Asset Management (Pvt) Ltd) is a wholly owned subsidiary of Senkadagala Finance PLC, a finance company licensed by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka. Senkadagala Finance PLC commenced operations in the city of Kandy in 1968 and since then has steadily gained momentum, leveraging on the varied partnerships it nurtured throughout the years.

# **Board of Directors**

# Dr. Prathap Ramanujam - Chairman

Dr. Prathap Ramanujam, was previously Chairman of Panasian Power PLC and has extensive experience in the public sector. During the last 14 years in the Public Sector, he was the Permanent Secretary to several Ministries and was responsible for the establishment of the Secretariat for Infrastructure Development & Investments (SIDI), which was instrumental in initiating the first mini hydro project as a Public Private sector project as far back as 1993.

Dr. Ramanujam has previously served on the Boards of several financial services institutions including the National Savings Bank, the State Mortgage and Investment Bank and Senkadagala Finance PLC., during his career. He also served as a Director in Panasian Power PLC, Manelwela Hydro Power Pvt. Ltd, Panasian Investment Pvt. Ltd, Paddiyapallela Hydropower Pvt. Ltd, and associated companies.

Dr. Ramanujam currently serves as director of Ceylon Grain Elevators PLC, Three Acre Farm PLC and Iconic Development Pvt. Ltd.

Dr. Ramanujam has a First Class B.Sc. (Hons.) degree from the University of Peradeniya Sri Lanka, a M.Sc. degree in Economics from the University of Bristol, U.K and a Ph.D. in Economics from the Australian National University, Canberra, Australia. He worked as a Post-Doctoral Fellow at the Faculty of Economics at the University of Glasgow U.K.

# Mr. Sanath Divale Bandaranayake – Director

Mr. Bandaranayake served at Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC, the largest and the most awarded bank in Sri Lanka, for 36 years. He has served Commercial Bank in various capacities such as Branch Manager (Kandy, City Office), Chief Manager, Assistant General Manager and Deputy General Manager (Operations) and was a core member of the Management teams which led the Bank to important milestones such as introducing Banking Software to improve the bank's operations (which is very successfully used even today), Holiday Banking and Supermarket Banking. During his career at the Commercial Bank, he was appointed as Director at LankaClear and also served as Director of Commex Sri Lanka S R L (subsidiary of Commercial Bank based in Italy) and ONEzero Company Ltd., (subsidiary of Commercial Bank engaged in the business of Information Technology).

Mr. Bandaranayake currently serves as an Executive Director / Additional CEO of Senkadagala Finance PLC. Mr. Bandaranayake is also a director of Senfin Securities Ltd, Senkadagala Insurance Brokers (Pvt) Ltd, Sobhadanavi (Pvt) Ltd & Lakdhanavi (Pvt) Ltd

Mr. Bandaranayake holds a Bachelor's Degree in Physical Sciences from the University of Sri Lanka, Vidyodaya Campus.

## Mr. Sonal Balasuriya -Director

Mr. Sonal Balasuriya has gained 3 years of work experience in both the United Kingdom and Sri Lanka before starting his own practice Sonal Balasuriya Architects in 2016. He is the principal architect at Sonal Balasuriya Architects and Design Studio.

Mr. Sonal Balasuriya holds a First-Class B.Sc. (Hons) degree from the University of Westminster and a Distinction in MA. Architecture from the Bartlett School of Architecture, University College London. He is also a SLIA qualified Chartered Architect.

# Mr. Tilak Collure - Director

Mr. Tilak Collure is a former Sri Lanka Administrative Service Special Grade officer who has held senior positions during 35 years in Government service mainly in the areas of trade, commerce, and logistics. Mr. Tilak Collure has served as the Secretary to the following Cabinet level Ministries: Ministry of Industry and Commerce, Ministry of Transport, Ministry of Shipping, Ports and Aviation. During his career, Mr. Collure has also headed several major public sector corporate institutions as their CEO/ Chairman. Mr. Tilak Collure served as a Member of the independent National Police Commission from 2015 to 2020. Mr. Tilak Collure has functioned as an Independent Non-Executive Director of Senkadagala Finance PLC, prior to the present appointment.

Mr. Collure holds a BSc in Natural Sciences (University of Sri Lanka, Colombo) and a Master's in Public Administration (Postgraduate Institute of Management/University of Sri Jayewardenepura).

## Mr. Keshav Balasuriya - Director

Mr. Keshav Balasuriya has been instrumental in initiating and acquiring Candor Asset Management (Pvt) Ltd from Eagle Proprietary Investment Limited in 2020. Mr. Keshav Balasuriya serves as a member of the Investment Committee of Senfin Asset Management (Pvt) Ltd.

Mr. Keshav Balasuriya is an Investment/Portfolio Manager at E.W. Balasuriya & Co (Pvt) Ltd., covering Listed Equities, Fixed Income and Real Estate asset classes since 2013. Mr. Keshav Balasuriya is a Treasury Analyst at Senkadagala Finance PLC, since 2016 covering funding and proprietary investments of Senkadagala Finance PLC which has been operating over 50 years.

Mr. Keshav Balasuriya holds an MSc (Hons) degree in Computer Science from the University of Bristol and a Master of Finance (MFin) from the University of Cambridge.

# **Key Personnel**

## Mr. Jeevan Sukumaran – Chief Executive Officer

Mr. Sukumaran has in total, experience of over 15 years in Sri Lankan Capital Markets, covering Unit Trusts, Portfolio Management, Equity Analysis and Research, Corporate Finance and Financial Advisory with over 10 years of experience in the Unit Trust Industry. Prior to joining SFAM, Mr. Sukumaran was the General Manager/Head of Operations at CT CLSA Asset Management (Pvt) Ltd (CAM), during which time he also acted as the fund manager for all of CAM's Fixed Income Funds. Mr. Sukumaran is also experienced in Corporate Finance and Investment Banking, having worked at CT CLSA Capital, an Investment Bank.

Mr. Sukumaran is an Associate Member (ACMA) of the Charted Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA-UK) and a Charted Global Management Accountant (CGMA). Mr. Sukumaran is also an Associate Member (ACIM) of the Chartered Institute of Marketing (CIM) holding a Professional Diploma in Marketing.

## Mr. Murugiah Rajendran – Head of Compliance

Mr. Murugiah Rajendran has in total over 41 years of experience in banking. Mr. Murugiah Rajendran has acquired a skill sets in Risk Management (including Credit Approval, Credit Monitoring, Remedial Management etc.), Client Coverage, Operational Risk Management, Business Compliance Management and Internal Audit. Mr. Rajendran started banking career with Commercial Bank of Ceylon Ltd, the largest and most awarded bank in SL and served the bank for 16 years mainly in Corporate Banking. He then moved to overseas and worked as Marketing Manager, National Bank of Oman, Abu Dhabi (for 2 years), Director, Standard Chartered Bank, Dubai (12 years) and Vice President, Mashreq bank plc, Dubai (11 years).

Mr. Rajendran has completed The Credit Skills Component' of the Standard Chartered Bank Credit Programme conducted by the external agency and designated a 'Credit Professional'. Mr. Rajendran is an Associate Member of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants – UK (ACMA), Chartered Global Management Accountant (CGMA) and an Associate Member in the Institute of Bankers, Sri Lanka (AIB).

# Mr. Surath Perera – Chief Investment Officer

Mr. Surath Perera is a Senior Fund Manager who has been in the unit trust industry for over twelve (12) years, of which, eight (8) years have been as a Fund Manager. Mr. Surath Perera joined Senfin in January 2021 and was previously employed at CT CLSA Asset Management (Pvt) Ltd. (CAM), a pioneer asset management company during which time he managed the Comtrust Equity Fund, the flagship fund and one of the first mutual funds launched in Sri Lanka. In addition to managing equity mutual funds, he is also experienced in managing high net worth client portfolios and fixed income portfolios etc.

Mr. Surath Perera has a Second-Class Upper Bachelor of Business Administration (Hons) degree specializing in Accounting from the University of Colombo, Sri Lanka. Mr. Surath Perera is an Associate

Member (ACMA) of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA-UK) and Chartered Global Management Accountant (CGMA). Mr. Surath Perera also has Dip.M (CIM) from the Chartered Institute of Marketing (CIM-UK) and has completed Level 1 of the Charted Financial Analyst (CFA) Program

## Rajitha Kapil Rathwatta Elapata – Senior Fund Manager

Mr. Rajitha is recruited by Senfin Asset Management Private Ltd in November 2023 as a Senior Fund Manager and to deal with the Company's Collective Investment Schemes (Unit Trusts).

Mr. Rajitha brings over nine years of working experience as an analyst and fund manager. His previous working experience included Working on investment strategy, asset allocations policies and specific individual investment for all funds managed by Namal (for both Mutual and Private Portfolios), Generating key investment recommendations, Fund reporting, Origination, structuring, pricing and negotiation with investee companies, brokers, intermediaries and investment banks for debt, equity etc., Continuous monitoring of investments, the Capital & Money Market and their performance, market values & intrinsic values, Conduct macro-economic and political analysis, Performing industry and company specific analysis, Liaising with the regulators, the trustees, and the custodians to facilitate proper adherence of fund management activities, discussing with clients and trustees to understand their requirements, In-house research, Financial modelling, Portfolio management, Tracking liquidity position, Analysing return on portfolios, Product development and Worked as banking assistant – dealing with corporate and personal customers

Mr. Rajitha's previous employments include As a Fund Manager - Namal Asset Management, Analyst -Ceybank Asset Management Ltd, Senior Executive - Product Development & Operations at Entrust Wealth Management Ltd, Senior Executive Dealing & Front Office Sales - Entrust Securities Plc, Investment Analyst - Capital Trust Securities (Pvt) Ltd, Banking Assistant - HSBC, and Assistant Manager (Sports Dept) - as part time in University of Greenwich, UK.

Mr. Rajitha's academic and professional educational qualifications are Bachelor of Arts – Business with Economics at University Greenwich and presently attending the second semester for Master's (MFE) at the University of Colombo

# Mr. Nilanka Gamaethige - Head of Client Services & Marketing

Mr. Nilanka Gamaethige has over fifteen years of experience in both international banks and a local bank. While working at both HSBC and Standard Chartered Bank he covered aspects mainly such as Portfolio Management, Proposition Management, PFS Lending, Brand Marketing, Operations, recoveries, branch management, strategic planning. While at Standard Chartered Bank he also worked as a Teller Service Manager and thereafter as the acting Branch Manager at the Negombo branch and a Relationship Manager at the Lipton Circle Branch, Colombo.

In 2016, Mr. Nilanka Gamaethige moved to DFCC Bank PLC and worked for 5 plus years at retail banking handling the affluent client segment. Mr. Nilanka Gamaethige was assigned the task of setting up and operating the Negombo Premier center and acquiring affluent clients, which he successfully achieved within a short period of time. Mr. Nilanka Gamaethige also well contributed to the growth of SME and Corporate sector of the Negombo branch.

Mr. Nilanka Gamaethige got the opportunity to complete a SME Workshop at JNIBF Hydrabad India.

# **Investment Committee**

SFAM's investment philosophy is based on fundamental research, long-term focus and strong price discipline. The principle of intelligent investing, through quality decisions based on thorough research and knowledge means that the investment approach is simple and based on understanding fundamentals. SFAM also utilizes the expertise of the investment committee to make industry and entity investment decisions. The Investment Committee consists of experts in the field of asset management and includes the following external members:

# Mr. Alastair Corera, CFA

Mr. Alastair Corera is an Executive Director of Orion Fund Management (Pvt) Ltd., a position he has held since 2006. Previously, he was at Fitch Ratings Lanka Ltd. where he headed the Financial Institutions team and was its Country Head from 2004 to 2006. Prior to that he was General Manager at Forbes ABN AMRO Securities (Pvt) Ltd.

Mr. Corera is a Chartered Financial Analyst, USA and a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants, UK. He is the Chairman/Independent Non-Executive Director at Citizens Development Business Finance PLC and an Independent Non-Executive Director in Citizens Development Business Finance PLC

### Mr. Mahendra Jayasekera

Mr. Mahendra Jayasekera is a Director of Lanka Walltiles PLC, Lanka Tiles PLC, Swisstek (Ceylon) PLC, Lanka Ceramic PLC and Swisstek Aluminium Limited. He is also a Director of Uni Dil Packaging Limited and Uni Dil Packaging Solutions Limited.

Mr. Jayasekera holds a BSc Special (Hons) degree in Business Administration from the University of Sri Jayawardenapura and is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka.

## Mr. Keshav Balasuriya

see profile above

# **Risk Management Committee**

- 1. Mr. Sanath Divale Bandaranayake Chairman of the Risk Management Committee
- 2. Mr. Murugiah Rajendran
- 3. Mr. Keshav Balasuriya
- 4. Mr. Jeevan Sukumaran

# **FUND MANAGER'S REPORT**

Dear Valued Investors,

I am pleased to present the Integrated Annual Report and the Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2023 (FY 2023).

FY 2023 marks the recovery for Colombo Stock Exchange's (CSE) indices, recording a significant recovery for both All Share Price Index (ASPI) and S&P SL20 Index, resulting in increases of 25.5% and 16.4% respectively. The fund's benchmark All Share Total Return Index (ASTRI) also increased by 28.2%. During 1Q2023, indices displayed a positive momentum due to the expectation of the IMF Board Level Agreement. However, following the confirmation of the Board Level Agreement, the uncertainty over the possible Domestic Debt Optimization (DDO) took a toll on the indices. Subsequently, DDO was announced with mainly impacting CBSL G-Sec holdings and Superannuation Funds. Since the severity of DDO was much lesser than anticipated, especially with no major impact to the banking system, it resulted in a significant upward momentum in the equity market. In addition, the overall sentiment on equity largely improved on the back of the decline in market interest rates which is likely to direct fund inflows to equity from fixed income, seeking better returns. Furthermore, notable improvement in macro-economic variables during the course of 2023 too assisted the upward momentum in equites. However, during the last few months of FY2023, indices displayed some negativity mainly due to profit taking, delayed approval of IMF 2nd tranche and tax hikes introduced.

Market capitalization of CSE increased 10.4% YoY from LKR 3,847.2 Bn to LKR 4,248.9 Bn. It's worth to note that this increase accounted for the delisting of Nestle Lanka PLC. The Price Earnings Ratio (PER) at the year-end recorded at 11.1x when compared to the heavily discounted PER of 5.0x at the end of 2022. This was mainly due to both the price appreciation of listed counters as well as decline in earnings.



#### ASPI Performance and Turnover

Source: Colombo Stock Exchange

During 1H2023, the Monetary Board of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka (CBSL) increased policy rates by 100 basis points prior to IMF Board Level Agreement in March 2023. However subsequent to that, with inflation coming down and favorable macro-economic variables as well as to revive economic growth, CBSL executed an expansionary monetary policy stance with reducing policy rates by a total of 650 bps starting from June 2023 up to the last policy meeting held in November

2023. Consequently, the Standing Deposit Facility Rate (SDFR) stood at 9.0% as at 31 Dec 2023 compared to 14.5% as at 31 Dec 2022 and the Standing Lending Facility Rate (SLFR) stood at 10.0% compared to 15.5% as at 31 Dec 2022. Similarly, the Statutory Reserve Ratio was also cut down to 2.0% during 2H2023 compared to 4.0% maintained up to July 2023.

Treasury bill yields witnessed a significant decline during FY2023 with benchmark 3, 6 and 12-month yields decreased from 32.64%, 32.20% and 29.27% respectively as at 31 Dec 2022 to 14.51%, 14.16% and 12.93% respectively as at 31 Dec 2023.



**Treasury Bill Rate Movement in 2023** 

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka



Treasury Bond Rate Movement

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka



Movement of Average Weighted Fixed Deposit Rate (AWFDR) and Average Weighted Prime Lending Rates (AWPR) of Commercial Banks (% p.a.) at month-end

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

From as high as 57.2% recorded Inflation (measured by the year-on-year change in the Colombo Consumer Price Index – CCPI) in December 2022, Policy makers were successful enough to bring the inflation down to 4.0% in December 2023. Single digit inflation numbers started to report from July 2023. Further, Inflation measured by Year-on-Year change in the National Consumer Price Index (NCPI) decreased to 4.2% in December 2023 from 59.2% in December 2022.



Movement in the CCPI and NCPI

Source: Department of Census & Statistics

On the back of IMF Extended Fund Facility, other foreign inflows, improved worker remittances and improved tourism earnings, the Gross Official Reserves witnessed a notable increase. As a result of those factors, LKR appreciated 11.5% against USD during FY2023.



Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

#### **Fund Performance**

#### Fund Performance as at 31st Dec 2023

	Six Months Performance	One Year Performance	5 Year Performance	Cumulative Return since fund inception	Annualized Return since inception (CAGR)
Senfin Growth Fund	20.11%	34.53%	-0.16%	27.80%	2.08%
All Share Total Return Index (ASTRI)	14.69%	28.17%	81.21%	115.69%	6.66%

Source: Senfin Asset Management (Pvt) Ltd

#### Note:

1. All returns in the table are non-annualized, except for the last column which shows the annualized return since inception.

2. Performance data is net of management fees and taxes.

#### Asset Allocation as a percentage of Net Asset Value as at 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2023



Source: Senfin Asset Management (Pvt) Ltd

Equity Holding by Sector as at 31 Dec 2023 (as a percentage of Net Asset Value)



#### Source: Senfin Asset Management (Pvt) Ltd

We witness a recovery in key macro-economic variables with correct policies in place. Factors such as single digit inflation, LKR appreciation against the dollar, remarkable improvement in tourism arrivals, increasing remittances, positive GDP growth, low interest rate environment etc. are expected to improve positive sentiment towards equities. Therefore, we look forward bullishly on equity in the medium to long run. We continue to analyze and invest in counters that are expected to perform well in the medium / long run as well as counters that are expected to survive through the economic recovery phase, while remaining committed to the overall aim of capital appreciation.

#### **Investment Team**



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE UNIT HOLDERS OF SENFIN GROWTH FUND

# Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements Opinion

We have audited the Financial Statements of **SENFIN GROWTH FUND** (the Fund) which comprise the Statement of Financial Position as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023, and the Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Movement in unit holders Fund and Statement of Cash Flows for the year then ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023, and notes to the Financial Statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies exhibited on pages 3 to 22.

In our opinion, the accompanying Financial Statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023 in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Sri Lanka Auditing Standards (SLAuSs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Fund in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Code of Ethics issued by Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka that are relevant to our audit of the Financial Statements and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of Financial Statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards and for such internal control as management determines 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, management is 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 management either intends to liquidate the Fund or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so. Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Fund's financial reporting process

#### 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 Sri Lanka Auditing Standards 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.

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Branches Anuradhapura, Badulla, Batticalos, Hatton, Jaffna, Kandy, Negombo, Nuwara Eliya, Trincomalee

As part of an Audit in accordance with Sri Lanka Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgment 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 management's 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**

The Financial Statements are prepared and presented in accordance with and comply with the requirements of the Unit Trust Deed and Collective Investment Scheme Code of 2022 set by the Securities and Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka.

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS COLOMBO 26<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2024 ST/UA/sk ST-Senfin Growth Fund(31.12.2023)-C8



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT		31.12.2023 Rs.	31.12.2022 Rs.
	Notes		
ASSETS			
Cash & Cash Equivalents	4	8,516,200	59,972,083
Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	5	2,519,500,396	1,552,325,356
Financial Assets at Amortised Cost	6	135,141,473	142,828,127
TOTAL ASSETS		2,663,158,069	1,755,125,566
UNIT HOLDERS' FUNDS & LIABILITIES			
LIABILITIES			
Accrued and Other Payable	8	5,523,744	3,320,631
Total Liabilities (Excluding net assets attributable to Unit	Holders)	5,523,744	3,320,631
UNIT HOLDERS FUNDS			
Net Assets Attributable to Unit Holders		2,657,634,325	1,751,804,935
		2,663,158,069	1,755,125,566

The Accounting Policies and the Notes on pages 7 to 22 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.

The Fund Management Company and the Trustee are responsible for the preparation and presentation of these ancial statements in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards. These financial statements were proved by the Fund Management Company and adopted by the Trustee.

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#### STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

FOR THE YEAR ENDED	Notes	31.12.2023 Rs.	31.12.2022 Rs.
Investment Income Dividend Income Interest Income Realized Gain/(Loss) on Financial Assets Fair value through Profit and (Loss) Unrealised Gain / (Loss) on Financial Assets held at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	9.1 9.2 10.1 10.2	69,925,800 64,811,832 64,985,255 459,441,010	71,610,766 30,149,580 148,762,044 (311,547,464)
Total Investment Income		659,163,897	(61,025,074)
Less: Expenses Management and Registrar Fees Trustee and Custodian Fees Audit Fees Other Expenses		(38,357,306) (4,165,468) (211,700) (7,844,144)	(28,923,985) (3,045,730) (235,750) (8,684,390)
		(50,578,618)	(40,889,855)
Net Profit / (Loss) before tax	-	608,585,279	(101,914,929)
Less : Income Tax Expense Net Profit / (Loss) for the year	11 _	- 608,585,279	- (101,914,929)
Other Comprehensive Income	_	-	-
Total Comprehensive Income	_	608,585,279	(101,914,929)
Increase / (Decrease) in Net Assets Attributable to Unit Holders	_	608,585,279	(101,914,929)

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#### SENFIN GROWTH FUND

#### STATEMENT OF MOVEMENT IN UNITHOLDERS' FUNDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED	2023 Rs.	2022 Rs.
Unitholders' Funds as at 1 January	1,751,804,935	1,713,736,309
Received on Creation of Units	335,047,392	288,909,520
Paid on Redemption of Units	(37,803,281)	(148,925,965)
Increase / (Decrease) in net assets attributable to Unit Holders	608,585,279	(101,914,929)
Net Increase / (Decrease) due to Unit holders' Transactions	2,657,634,325	1,751,804,935
Income Distribution for the year	-	-
Unitholders' Funds as at 31 December	2,657,634,325	1,751,804,935

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#### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED	Notes	2023 Rs.	2022 Rs.
Cash Flows from Operating Activities Interest received Dividend received Management Fees, Registrar Fees, Custodian Fees and Trustee Fees paid Other Expenses paid Net Investment in Treasury Bill / Bond repurchase agreements Net Investment in Unit Trust Sale proceeds from Sale of Equity Securities Purchase of Equity Securities Net cash used in Operating Activities	_	64,459,320 69,925,800 (41,097,582) (7,783,426) (64,413,457) (165,000,000) 227,706,237 (432,496,885) (348,699,994)	24,048,583 71,610,766 (31,704,857) (8,899,074) (191,698,706) - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -
Cash Flows from Financing Activities Cash received on creation of Units Cash paid on redemption of Units Net cash generated from Financing Activities	-	335,047,392 (37,803,281) 297,244,111	288,909,520 (148,925,965) 139,983,555
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year Cash and Cash Equivalents at the end of the year	4 - 4 =	(51,455,883) 59,972,083 8,516,200	(31,305,943) 91,278,026 59,972,083
Analysis of Cash and Cash Equivalents at the end of the year Cash & Bank Balances	=	8,516,200	59,972,083

The Accounting Policies and the Notes on pages 7 to 22 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.



#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **NOTE 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### NOTE 1.1 - GENERAL

Senfin Growth Fund (the "fund") is an open-ended unit trust fund approved by the Securities and Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka. The fund was launched on 02 February 2012.

The fund is managed by Senfin Asset Management (Private) Limited which is incorporated and domiciled in Sri Lanka. The registered office of the management company is located at 267, Galle Road, Colombo 3. The trustee and custodian of the Fund is Hatton National Bank (HNB) having its place of business at No 481, T.B. Jayah Mawatha, Colombo 10.

The investment objective of the fund is to achieve long term capital growth by investing in a well-diversified portfolio of equity securities listed on the Colombo Stock Exchange.

#### NOTE 1.2 - DATE OF AUTHORIZATION FOR ISSUE

The financial statements of the fund for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023 were authorized for issue by the fund management company and the trustee on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

#### **NOTE 2 - PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

#### **NOTE 2.1 - BASIS OF PREPARATION**

The financial statements are prepared and presented in accordance with and comply with the relevant Sri Lanka Accounting Standards issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka. The statement of financial position is presented on a liquidity basis and assets and liabilities are presented in decreasing order of liquidity and are not distinguished between the current and non-current. The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis unless otherwise indicated. The financial statements are presented in Sri Lankan rupees (LKR).

#### NOTE 2.1.1 - STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

The financial statements which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2023, statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of movement in unitholders' Funds and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information have been prepared and presented in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards.

#### NOTE 2.2 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS, ESTIMATED AND ASSUMPTIONS

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affects the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses.

In the selection and application of the fund's accounting policies, which are described below, the fund management company is required to make judgements and assumptions and use assumptions in measuring items reported in the financial statements. These estimates are based on management's knowledge of current facts and circumstances, and assumptions based on such knowledge and expectations of future events. Actual results may differ from such estimates.



#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTD.)

#### NOTE 2.2 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS, ESTIMATED AND ASSUMPTIONS (CONTD.)

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimates were revised if the revision affects only that period or in the period of the revision and future periods as well, if the revision affects both the current and future periods.

There were no significant accounting estimates, judgments and assumptions made during the year in preparing the financial statements.

Management considers credit, liquidity and market risks and assesses the impact on valuation of investments when determining the fair value.

Fair value of the quoted equity investments are determined by quoted prices (Level 1).

#### **NOTE 2.3 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements.

#### NOTE 2.3.1 - FINANCIAL ASSETS

#### (i) Recognition and initial measurement

Debt securities issued are initially recognised when they are originated. All other financial assets and financial liabilities are initially recognised when the fund becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

A financial asset is initially measured at fair value plus or minus, for an item not at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL), transaction costs that are directly attributable to its acquisition or issue.

#### (ii) Classification

On initial recognition, a financial asset is classified as measured at: amortised cost or FVTPL. Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition unless the fund changes its business model for managing financial assets in which case all affected financial assets are reclassified on the first day of the first reporting period following the change in the business model.

A financial asset is measured at amortised cost if it meets both of the following conditions:

- it is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets 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.

All financial assets not classified as measured at amortised cost as described above are measured at FVTPL. This includes derivative financial assets if any.



#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTD.)

#### NOTE 2.3 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTD.)

#### (iii) Subsequent measurement and gains and losses

Financial assets at amortised cost	These assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The amortised cost is reduced by impairment losses, if any. Interest income, foreign exchange gains and losses and impairment are recognised in profit or loss. Any gain or loss on derecognition is recognised in profit or loss.
Financial assets at FVTPL	These assets are subsequently measured at their fair value. Net gains and losses, including any interest or dividend income, are recognised in profit or loss. Net change in unrealised gains/losses on equity investments includes the accumulated gains/losses on realised equity investments as well, since the realised gain/losses are computed on the difference between weighted average cost of purchase and the selling price.

# NOTE 2.3.2 - FINANCIAL LIABILITIES – CLASSIFICATION, SUBSEQUENT MEASUREMENT AND GAINS AND LOSSES

Financial liabilities are classified as measured at amortised cost. Other financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Financial liabilities include accrued expenses and other payables.

#### **NOTE 2.3.3 - DERECOGNITION**

#### **Financial Assets**

The fund derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or it transfers the rights to receive the contractual cash flows in a transaction in which substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred or in which the fund neither transfers nor retains substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership and it does not retain control of the financial asset.

The fund enters into transactions whereby it transfers assets recognised in its statement of financial position but retains either all or substantially all of the risks and rewards of the transferred assets. In these cases, the transferred assets are not derecognised.

#### **Financial Liabilities**

The fund derecognises a financial liability when its contractual obligations are discharged or cancelled or expire. The fund also derecognises a financial liability when its terms are modified and the cash flows of the modified liability are substantially different, in which case a new financial liability based on the modified terms is recognised at fair value.



#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTD.)

#### NOTE 2.3 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTD.)

On derecognition of a financial liability, the difference between the carrying amount extinguished and the consideration paid (including any non-cash assets transferred, or liabilities assumed) is recognised in profit or loss.

#### NOTE 2.3.4 - OFFSETTING OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset, and the net amount reported in the statement of financial position if, and only if:

- There is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognised amounts and
- There is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

#### **NOTE 2.3.5 - IMPAIRMENT**

The fund drecognises loss allowances for expected credit losses (ECLs) on financial assets measured at amortised cost.

The fund measures loss allowances at an amount equal to lifetime ECL, except for bank balances for which credit risk (i.e. the risk of default occurring over the expected life of the financial instrument) has not increased significantly since initial recognition which are measured as 12-month ECL.

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 default events that are possible within the 12 months after the reporting date (or a shorter period if the expected life of the instrument is less than 12 months). The maximum period considered when estimating ECLs is the maximum contractual period over which the fund is exposed to credit risk.

#### Presentation of allowance for ECL in the statement of financial position

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

#### Write-offs

The gross carrying amount of a financial asset is written off (either partially or in full) to the extent that there is no realistic prospect of recovery.



#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTD.)

#### **NOTE 2.4 - RECOGNITION OF INCOME**

Income is recognized to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the fund and the income can be reliably measured. The following specific criteria must also be met before income is recognized.

#### (i) Interest income

For all financial instruments measured at amortized cost, interest income is recorded using the effective interest rate (EIR), which is the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash payments or receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument or a shorter period, where appropriate, to the net carrying amount of the financial asset.

#### (ii) Dividend income

Dividend income is recognized when the fund's right to receive payment is established.

#### (iii) Unrealised gains/(losses) on financial assets at FVTPL

Unrealised gains/(losses) on financial assets at FVTPL includes all gains and losses that arise from changes in fair value of the financial assets at FVTPL as at the reporting date.

#### (iv) Realised gains/(losses) on financial assets at FVTPL

Realised gains/(losses) on financial assets at FVTPL includes results of buying and selling of quoted equity securities.

#### NOTE 2.5 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents in the statement of financial position comprise of cash at bank.

The cash flow statement has been prepared using the direct method.

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents consist of cash and cash equivalents as defined above.

#### NOTE 2.6 - INCOME TAX

The fund is not liable to pay income tax as at the reporting date in accordance with Inland Revenue Act No. 24 of 2017 as amended by the Inland Revenue (Amendment) Act No. 10 of 2021.. The fund's income generated through investment business are treated as "pass through vehicles" under the provisions of Inland Revenue Act No. 24 of 2017 as amended by the Inland Revenue (Amendment) Act No. 10 of 2021.



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#### NOTE 2.7 - EXPENSES

The management, trustee and custodian fees of the fund as per the trust deed is as follows,

Management Fee	-	1.5% p.a of net asset value of the fund calculated on daily basis
Trustee Fee	-	0.15% p.a of net asset value of the fund calculated on daily basis
Registrar Fee	-	0.25% p.a of net asset value of the fund calculated on daily basis
Custodian Fee	-	Flat fee of Rs. 20,000 per month

#### NOTE 2.8 - UNITHOLDERS' FUNDS

Unitholders' funds have been calculated as the difference between the carrying amounts of the assets and the carrying amounts of the liabilities, other than those due to unit holders as at the reporting date.

#### **NOTE 3 - FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT**

Risks arising from holding financial instruments are inherent in the fund's activities, and are managed through a process of ongoing identification, measurement and monitoring. The fund is exposed to credit risk, market risk, and liquidity risk.

Financial instruments of the fund comprise investments in quoted equity securities and short term fixed income securities for the purpose of generating a return on the investment made by unitholders, in addition to cash at bank and other financial instruments such as receivables and payables, which arise directly from its operations.

The fund manager is responsible for identifying and controlling the risk that arise from these financial instruments. The fund manager agrees policies for managing each of the risks identified below.

The risks are measured using a method that reflects the expected impact on the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income and statement of financial position of the Fund from reasonably possible changes in the relevant risk variables. Information about these risk exposures at the reporting date, measured on this basis, is disclosed below.

The fund manager also monitors information about the total fair value of financial instruments exposed to risk, as well as compliance with established investment mandate limits. These mandate limits reflect the investment strategy and market environment of the fund, as well as the level of risk that the fund is willing to accept, with additional emphasis on selected industries. This information is prepared and reported to relevant parties within the fund manager on a regular basis as deemed appropriate, including the fund manager, other key management, investment committee, and ultimately the trustee of the fund.

Concentration of risk arises when a number of financial instruments or contracts are entered in to with the same counterparty, or where a number of counterparties are engaged in similar business activities, or activities in the same geographic region, or have similar economic features that would cause their ability to meet contractual obligations to be similarly affected by changes in economics, political or other conditions.



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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTD.)

#### NOTE 3 - FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTD.)

#### a) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that the counterparty to the financial instruments will fail to discharge an obligation and cause the fund to incur a financial loss of interest and/or principal.

The fund's exposure to credit risk from its financial assets arises from default of the counterparty, with the current exposure equal to the carrying amount of financial assets as at the reporting date. It is the fund's policy to enter into contracts with reputable counterparties.

2023 Counterparty	Credit rating	Rating agency
Hatton National Bank PLC	А	Fitch
Union Bank PLC	BBB-	Fitch

2022 Counterparty	Credit rating	Rating agency
Hatton National Bank PLC	A	Fitch
Senkadagala Finance PLC	BBB+	Fitch
Union Bank PLC	BBB-	Fitch

The fund is also subject to credit risk on its bank balance and bank money market balances. The credit risk exposure on these instruments is not deemed to be significant.

#### b) Market risk

Market risk represents the risk that the value of the fund's investments portfolios will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices. While market risk cannot be eliminated the fund manager will attempt to reduce this risk by diversifying the fund's investment portfolio in line with investment objectives of the fund.

#### c) Price risk

Price risk is the risk that the fair value of the fund's investment in trading securities will fluctuate as a result of changes in the price of the fund's investments in trading securities. Price risk exposure arises from the fund's investment portfolios.

The table below shows the impact on the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income and statement of financial position due to a reasonably possible change in the price of the fund's investment in financial assets held at fair value through profit or loss in note 7, with all other variables held constant:



#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTD.)

#### NOTE 3 - FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTD.)

	2023	2022
	Increase/ (decrease) on profit before tax and amounts attributable to Unitholders Rs.	Increase/ (decrease) on profit before tax and amounts attributable to Unitholders Rs.
Change in price of the fund's investments in financial assets - at fair value through profit or loss		
+10%	251,950,040	155,232,536
-10%	(251,950,040)	(155,232,536)

#### d) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of a financial instruments will fluctuate as a result of changes in market interest rates.

The fund's interest bearing financial assets expose it to risks associated with the effects of fluctuations in the prevailing levels of market interest rates on its financial position and cash flows. The risk is measured using sensitivity analysis. Since the fund had not held financial instruments with variable interest rates as at 31 December 2023 and 31 December 2022, it was not exposed to interest rate risk. Hence, a sensitivity analysis has not been presented.

The table below summarises the fund's exposure to interest rate risks.

31 December 2023	Floating Interest Rate Rs.	Fixed Interest Rate Rs.	Non- interest bearing Rs.	Total Rs.
Financial Assets				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	-	8,511,200	5,000	8,516,200
Financial asset held at fair value through profit or loss	165,714,703	212,346,057	2,141,439,636	2,519,500,396
Financial asset at Amortised cost	-	135,141,473	-	135,141,473
Total exposure	165,714,703	355,998,730	2,141,444,636	2,663,158,069



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### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTD.)

### NOTE 3 - FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTD.)

31 December 2022	Floating Interest Rate Rs.	Fixed Interest Rate Rs.	Non- interest bearing Rs.	Total Rs.
Financial Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents Financial asset held at fair	-	59,967,083	5,000	59,972,083
value through profit or loss	-	88,373,113	1,463,952,243	1,552,325,356
Financial asset at amortised cost	-	142,828,127	-	142,828,127
Total exposure	-	291,168,323	1,463,957,243	1,755,125,566

#### e) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the fund will encounter difficulty in raising funds to meet its obligation to pay unitholders. 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. Units are redeemable at the unitholder's option based on the fund's net asset value per unit at the time of redemption.

The fund manages its obligation when required to do so and its overall liquidity risk by:

- investing primarily in marketable securities and other financial instruments, which under normal market conditions are readily convertible to cash
- investing within established limits to ensure there is no concentration of risk
- Maintaining sufficient cash and cash equivalents to meet normal operating requirements and expected redemption requests. The Code requires a minimum of 3% of the deposited property to be maintained in cash or near cash. (near cash means investments such as bank/call deposits, repurchase agreements with maturities of less than 3 months, commercial paper endorsed or guaranteed by a Licensed Commercial Bank or Licensed Specialized Bank with maturities of less than 3 months and government securities including government bonds with maturities of less than one year which can be readily convertible into cash.)
- Requiring at least 14 days prior written notice for Unitholder redemption equal to or greater than 3% of the net asset value of the fund
- Searching for new investors

The time frame for return of cash to investors is five business days in which time investments may be recalled for redemption payouts. In addition, as per the Code and the Trust Deed, if the redemption value is 3% or more of the net assets value of the fund, the unitholder is required to give a minimum of 14 days prior notice. Further, the fund is also permitted to borrow up to 15% of the deposited property for redemption payouts. No such borrowings have arisen during the period.



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#### NOTE 3 - FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTD.)

Other Financial liabilities have no contractual maturities. Due to the short-term nature of these financial instruments, carrying value approximates fair value.

The table below summarises the fund's non derivative financial assets and liabilities with contractual maturities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the end of the reporting period.

31 December 2023	Less than 30 days	31 - 90 days	91 - 180 days	181 - 365 days	More than 365 days	Total
Financial Assets	2,450,812,012	-	-	-	212,346,057	2,663,158,069
Financial Liabilities	5,181,505	342,239	-	-		5,523,744
31 December 2022						
Financial Assets	1,666,752,453	26,742,859	-	-	61,630,254	1,755,125,566
Financial Liabilities	2,953,564	367,068	-	-	-	3,320,631

#### f) Capital risk management

Unitholders' funds has been calculated as the difference between the carrying amounts of the assets and the carrying amounts of the liabilities.

Disclosures relevant to unitholders' funds are as follows;

The movement in the unitholders' funds for the year 2023 and 2022:

I. In terms of value

	2023	2022
	Rs.	Rs.
Unitholders' funds as at 01 January	1,751,804,935	1,713,736,309
Creations during the year	335,047,392	288,909,520
Redemptions during the year	(37,803,281)	(148,925,965)
Increase/ (decrease) in net assets attributable to unitholders	608,585,279	(101,914,929)
Unitholders' funds as at 31 December	2,657,634,325	1,751,804,935
II. In terms of number of units		
Opening number of units as at 01 January	184,464,334	169,537,090
Unit creations during the year	26,523,857	29,501,334
Unit redemptions during the year	(3,050,637)	(14,574,090)

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NOTE 5.1 (a) - MARKET VALUE AS AT (CONTD.)		2023			2022	
Company	No. of shares	Market value	Holdings as a % of net asset value	No. of shares	Market value	Holdings as a % of net asset value
Health Care Equipment & Services						
Asiri Hospitals PLC	2,000	49,200	0.0%	2,000 _	51,400	0.0%
		49,200	0.0%	-	51,400	0%
Insurance						
Ceylinco Insurance PLC - Non Voting	83,800	68,716,000	2.6%	54,800	56,265,900	3.2%
		68,716,000	2.6%		56,265,900	3%
Materials						
Haycarb PLC	301,288	19,372,818	0.7%	301,288	17,354,189	1.0%
Toykyo Cement Lanka PLC	73,221	3,368,166	0.1%	66,565	2,196,645	0.1%
		22,740,984	0.9%	-	19,550,834	1%
Real Estate						
Overseas Realty (Ceylon) PLC	460,000	6,900,000	0.3%	460,000	6,854,000	0.4%
		6,900,000	0.3%	-	6,854,000	0%
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Telecommunication Services	6,505,908	E0 EE2 172	2.20/	6 E0E 000	EE 200 218	3.2%
Dialog Axiata PLC	0,505,900	58,553,172	2.2%	6,505,908 -	55,300,218	3.2%
		56,553,172	2.270	-	55,500,218	376
Utilities						
Vidullanka PLC	4,000,000	26,800,000	1.0%	4,000,000	24,400,000	1.4%
LVL Energy Fund PLC	4,673,096	25,702,028	1.0%	4,673,096 -	28,038,576	1.6%
		52,502,028	2.0%	-	52,438,576	3%
Total value of quoted equity securities (At Market Value)		2,141,439,636	81%	-	1,463,952,243	82%
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					31.12.2023 Rs.	31.12.2022 Rs.
					K5.	K5.
NOTE 5.2 - INVESTMENT IN TREASURY BILLS						
Cost					-	26,620,061
Appreciation/Depreciation of market value Treasury Bill	s			12		122,798
Market value as at 31 st December					-	26,742,859
NOTE 5.3 - INVESTMENT IN TREASURY BOND						
Cost					167,183,941	
Appreciation/Depreciation of market value Treasury Bo	nd			-	45,162,116	
Market value as at 31 st December				-	212,346,057	
NOTE 5.4 - INVESTMENT IN UNIT TRUSTS						
Cost					165,000,000	-
Appreciation/Depreciation of market value Unit trust				-	714,703	-
Market value as at 31 st December					165,714,703	-

#### NOTE 6 - FINANCIAL ASSET AT AMORTISED COST

Treasury bill/bond Repurchase Agreements	135,141,473	142,828,127
	135,141,473	142,828,127
NOTE 6.1 - TREASURY BILL / BOND REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS		

Acuity Securities Limited Union Bank of Colombo PLC

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142,828,127

135,141,473

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 7 - FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

#### Determination of fair value and fair value hierarchy

The Fund uses the following hierarchy for determining and disclosing the fair value of financial instruments by valuation technique:

Level 1 – An investment in a fund is classified in Level 1 of the hierarchy when that investment is quoted in an active market and measured at the unadjusted quoted price at the reporting date.

Level 2 – An investment in a fund is classified in Level 2 of the hierarchy when that investment is measured using inputs that are directly observable at the reporting date.

Level 3 – An investment in a fund is classified in Level 3 of the hierarchy when the investment is measured using unobservable inputs at the reporting date.

The following table shows an analysis of financial instruments recorded at fair value by level of the fair value hierarchy:

	Level 1 Rs.	Level 2 Rs.	Level 3 Rs.	Total Rs.
As at 31 December 2023 Financial assets at fair value thorough profit or loss				
Quoted equity securities	2,141,439,636	-	-	2,141,439,636
Treasury Bond	212,346,057	-	-	212,346,057
Unit Trusts	-	-	165,714,703	165,714,703
	2,353,785,693		165,714,703	2,519,500,396
As at 31 December 2022 Financial assets at fair value thorough profit or loss				
Quoted equity securities	1,463,952,243	<u></u>	-	1,463,952,243

88,373,113

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Liabilities

Accrued and Other Payable

1,552,325,356

#### Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities not carried at fair value

Assets for which fair value approximates carrying value:

For financial assets and financial liabilities that have a short term maturity (original maturities less than a year), it is assumed that the carrying amounts approximate their fair values.

Accordingly, the following is a list of financial instruments whose carrying amount is a reasonable approximation of fair value.

#### Assets

Other receivables Financial assets - at amortised cost Cash and cash equivalents

Treasury Bills & Treasury Bond

#### NOTE 8 - ACCRUED AND OTHER PAYABLE

Management fee and registrar fee payable Trustee fee and custodian fee payable Audit and tax consultancy fee payable CDS payable



2,655,093
298,470
367,068
-
3,320,631

88,373,113

1,552,325,356

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	2023	2022
NOTE 9 - INVESTMENT INCOME	Rs.	Rs.
NOTE 9.1 - DIVIDEND INCOME		
Dividend Income	69,925,800	71,610,766
NOTE 9.2 - INTEREST INCOME		
Treasury Bill / Bond repurchase agreements Bank Deposits HNB Money Market Account Discount on Treasury Bills / Bond	52,921,534 - 5,822,246 6,068,052	16,504,563 1,224,800 10,366,598 2,053,619
	64,811,832	30,149,580

# NOTE 10. 1 - REALISED GAINS/(LOSSES) ON FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

Proceeds on sale of Equity Shares	227,706,237	382,345,883
Average cost of Equity Shares sold	(162,720,982)	(233,583,839)
	64,985,255	148,762,044

# NOTE 10.2 - NET CHANGE IN UNREALIZED GAINS ON FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

Quoted Equity Securities Surplus(Deficit) T.Bond Surplus/(Deficit) T.Bills Surplus/(Deficit) Unit Trust	406,908,739 51,940,366 (122,798) 714,703	(304,892,012) (6,778,250) 122,798 -
	459,441,010	(311,547,464)
NOTE 11 - INCOME TAX EXPENSE		
Tax Expense for the year	-	-

As per the Inland Revenue Act No. 24 of 2017 as amended by the Inland Revenue (Amendment) Act No. 10 of 2021, the fund is deemed as conducting eligible investment business and is treated as a tax pass through vehicle. Hence, no provision for the income tax was made in the financial statements.

#### NOTE 11.1 - INCOME TAX RECEIVABLE

Income tax receivable	206,502	206,502
Impairment for income tax receivable	(206,502)	(206,502)

The net income tax receivable comprised of notional tax credit receivable amounting to Rs.1,849,277 and Withholding Tax (WHT) of Rs. 206,502. The Fund Manager intends to claim the WHT recoverable by means of a refund. Due to uncertainties in recoverability an impairment provision is made against the WHT receivable balance. Notional Tax credit of Rs. 1,849,277 is written off during the year of assessment 2020/2021 since there was no income tax liability payable for the previous year of assessment from 2018/2019.



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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **NOTE 12 - CAPITAL COMMITMENTS**

There were no material capital and financial commitments as at the reporting date.

#### NOTE 13 - EVENTS OCCURRING AFTER REPORTING DATE

There have been no significant events occurring after the reporting date that required adjustments to or disclosures in the Financial Statements.

#### **NOTE 14 - CONTINGENCIES**

There are no material contingencies existing as at the reporting date that require adjustments to, or disclosure in the Financial Statements.

# NOTE 15 - RECONCILIATION BETWEEN THE NET ASSET VALUE AS PER FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND THE PUBLISHED NET ASSET VALUE

	31.12.2023 Rs.	31.12.2022 Rs.
Net asset value as per financial statements Adjustments - Audit Fee under provision - REPO Interest Other	2,657,634,325 - - 355	1,751,804,935 45,109 9,392 -
Published net asset value	2,657,634,680	1,751,859,436
Number of units outstanding	207,937,553.8	184,464,333.8
Published net asset value per unit	12.78	9.50

#### NOTE 16 - UNITS IN ISSUE AND UNIT PRICE

Units in issue and deemed to be in issue as at 31 December 2023 is 207,937,553.8 (2022 - 184,464,333.8). Net Assets Value per unit as at the reporting date is Rs. 12.78 (2022 - Rs.9.50).



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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **NOTE 17 - RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

The following institutions have been identified as related parties to the Fund in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards LKAS 24 - Related Party Disclosures.

#### NOTE 17.1 - THE MANAGEMENT COMPANY AND THE TRUSTEE

The Management Company of Senfin Growth Fund is Senfin Asset Management (Private) Limited.

The Trustee to the fund is Hatton National Bank (HNB) PLC.

#### **NOTE 17.2 - KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL**

Key management personnel includes persons who were directors of Senfin Asset Management (Private) Limited during the financial year.

#### i) Directors

- Dr. Prathap Ramanujam
- Mr. Sanath Bandaranayake
- Mr. Sonal Balasuriya
- Mr. Darshan Ravindra Abesuriya (Up to 2nd November 2023)
- Mr. Keshav Balasuriya
- Mr. Tilak Collure

#### ii) Other key management personnel

Other persons with responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Fund, directly or indirectly during the financial year are given below;

- Mr.Jeevan Sukumaran-Chief Executive Officer
- Mr. Surath Perera Chief Investment Officer
- Mr. Murugiah Rajendran Head of Compliance
- Mr. Nilanka Gamaethige Head of Client Services & Marketing
- Ms. Monica Wanigasekara Fund Manager (Up to 30th November 2023)
- Mr. Ravinath Weerakoon Fund Manager (Up to 30th November 2023)
- Mr. Rajitha Elapatha Senior Fund Manager (From 1st December 2023)

#### **NOTE 17.3 - KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL COMPENSATION**

There were no payments made to the directors of Senfin Asset Management (Private) Limited during the year by the fund.

Other key management personnel are paid by Senfin Asset Management (Private) Limited. Payments made from the Fund to Senfin Asset Management (Private) Limited do not include any amounts directly attributable to the compensation of key management personnel.

#### NOTE 17.4 - OTHER TRANSACTIONS WITHIN THE FUND

Apart from those details disclosed in note 17.5 and 17.6, key management personnel have not entered any other transactions involving the fund during the financial year.





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#### NOTE 17.5 - RELATED PARTY UNIT HOLDING

The following are the units held by related parties of Senfin Growth Fund.

As at 31 December 2023	Relationship	No. of Units	Value of units held Rs.	Total interest held as a % of NAV
Unit Holder				
E W Balasuriya & Company (Pvt) Ltd Mr . Krishanth Jeeven Sukumaran Senkadagala Finance PLC Senfin Asset Management (Pvt) Ltd	Ultimate Parent Company of the Management Company Chief Executive Officer Parent Company of the Management Company Management Company	36,156,763.1 5,144.0 25,682,822.2 2,602,541.1	458,106,188 65,174 325,401,357 32,974,196	17.24% 0.00% 12.24% 1.24%
As at 31 December 2022				
Unit Holder				
E W Balasuriya & Company (Pvt) Ltd Senkadagala Finance PLC Senfin Asset Management (Pvt) Ltd Ms. Ineka Dunuwille Ms. Monica Wanigasekara	Ultimate Parent Company of the Management Parent Company of the Management Company Management Company Chief Executive Officer Fund Manager	34,835,030.0 25,682,822.2 2,077,439.9 20,005.5 1,000.0	327,797,632 241,675,357 19,548,709 188,252 9,410	18.71% 13.80% 1.12% 0.01% 0.00%

#### NOTE 17.6 - TRANSACTIONS WITH AND AMOUNTS DUE TO FROM RELATED PARTIES

Transactions with related parties are disclosed below:

	Charge for the period 31 December		Payables as at 31 December	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Management and registrar fees to Senfin Asset Management (Pvt) Ltd	38,357,306	28,923,985	3,953,913	2,655,093
Trustee and custodian fees to HNB PLC	4,165,468	3,045,730	424,841	298,470
Interest income on HNB PLC Money Market account	5,822,246	10,366,598	-	-
Interest income on Fixed Deposit on Senkadagala Finance	10 ACU #	1,224,800		-
			31.12.2023	31.12.2022
			Rs.	Rs.
The Bank Balance held at HNB			5,000	5,000
The Money Market Account balance held at HNB			8,511,200	59,967,083
Voting share investment at HNB PLC			95,550,426	19,996,732





Declaration by Trustees and Management Company as per SEC Circular No: 02/2009 on Guidelines for Trustees and Managing Companies of Unit Trusts Funds.

Hatton National Bank PLC, the Trustee and Senfin Asset Management (Private) Limited, the Managers of the Senfin Growth Fund hereby declare that

- 1. the requirements of the Guidelines for Trustees and Managing Companies of Unit Trust Funds set by the Securities and Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka have been complied with during the year.
- 2. the transactions were and will be carried out at an arm's length basis and on terms which are best available for the fund, as well as act, at all times, in the best interest of the fund's unit holders.

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Director Management Company

Director Management Company

Trustee of the Fund

# **Management Company Information**

# Managing Company

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Hatton National Bank PLC Head Office Branch,HNB Towers No 479, T B Jayah Mawatha P 0 Box 837 Colombo 10.

> Nations Trusts Bank PLC No 242, Union Place Colombo 02.

# **Auditors**

KPMG Sri Lanka Chartered Accountants 32A Sir Mohomad Macan Markar Mawatha, Colombo 03.

### Lawyers

Nithya Partners Attorneys-at-Law No. 97A, Galle Road Colombo 03.

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