

Purpose-driven Investing

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A Weekly Newsletter for CLIMBS Mutual Fund

Net Asset Value: Php 3	352,851,155.19
Asset category: 95% Eq	uities; 5% Cash

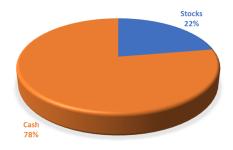
Horizon: Long-term

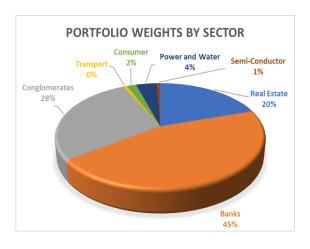
Portfolio Returns	21-Nov-12	21-Nov-5
YTD	-5.89%	-5.90%
Rolling 1 Year	-2.42%	6.47%
Rolling 3-Year	-3.33%	-4.63%

Benchmark Returns	21-Nov-12	21-Nov-5
YTD	15.15%	14.56%
Rolling 1-Year	17.89%	29.33%
Rolling 3-Year	8.61%	7.18%

PSEi	21-Nov-12	21-Nov-5
YTD	3.41%	2.82%
Rolling 1 Year	4.94%	15.87%
Rolling 3-Year	2.15%	0.58%

PORTFOLIO WEIGHTS BY ASSET CLASS





Net Asset Value Per Share (NAVPS): P 0.7571

A Word on the Market

The October inflation rate slowed at 4.6% compared to the previous month at 4.8% but still within the BSP's monthly forecast range of 4.5-5.3%. The year-to-date average inflation rate of 4.5%; remains above the government's annual inflation target of 2-4%. Overall, the easing inflation in October was mainly due to the slower increase in prices of food and nonalcoholic beverages, which rose by 5.3% in contrast to 6.2% in September.

Meanwhile, the 3Q21 GDP increased by 7.1%, beating the consensus growth expectation of 4.9%. It also improved by 3.8% on a seasonally adjusted basis. This was despite the tightening of lockdown restrictions starting early August up to late September. The growth of the industry sector was attributable to the rebound of the manufacturing and construction sub-sectors which increased by 6.3% and 16.8% respectively.

A Word on the Portfolio

Last week, the PSE index inched by 0.57% week-on-week to close at 7,382.84. Despite higher-than-expected U.S inflation, it has already increased by 5% since January 2021. The U.S Federal Reserve may be wary about the hike of the inflation they might be a chance that they will decide to increase the interest rate this November 25, 2021.

This week, we expect the market to trade in sideways with an upward momentum bias as investors remain bullish on the back of the extended Alert Level 2 status in Metro Manila until November 30, 2021. However, the PSE index is starting to have a divergence between the price in comparison to its indicators like the Relative Strength Index and the Commodity Channel Index.