

# NAFA Islamic Income Fund (NIIF)

Unit Price (30/04/2008): Rs. 10.2034

Rs. 3,987

### Investment Objective Performance

To seek maximum possible preservation of capital and a reasonable rate of return via investing primarily in Shariah-compliant money market & debt securities having good credit rating and liquidity.

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Annualized Performance (%)*	Nov - Apr (07 - 08)	Feb - Apr 2008	April 2008	Since Launch October 29, 2007
NAFA Islamic Income Fund:	8.04%	8.53%	8.85%	8.13%
Benchmark: (Average 1-month deposit rate of Islamic banks)	5.34%	5.38%	5.32%	5.31%

<sup>\*</sup>Returns are net of management fee & all other expenses

#### **General Information**

Launch Date: Fund Size: Type: Dealing: Settlement:

Management Fee:

Custodian & Trustee: Auditors:

Benchmark:

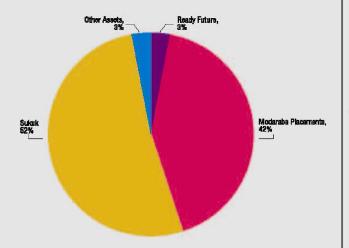
Fund Manager(s) Min. Subscription: October 29, 2007 Rs. 1.13 billion Open-end – Fixed Income Fund Daily 2-3 business days Front end - 1.0% 1.5% per annum

Profit on Rs. 100,000 invested

Lahore Stock Exchange
Central Depository Company (CDC)
A. F. Ferguson & Co.
Chartered Accountants
Average 1-month deposit rate of
Islamic banks
Sajjad Anwar, CFA
Growth Unit: Rs. 10,000/-

Rs. 100,000/-

#### Asset Allocation (as on 30th April, 2008)



## Fund Manager's Commentary

Rs. 2,080

During the month of April, NAFA Islamic Income Fund (NIIF) offered an annualized return of 8.85% as against 8.11% during the month of March, resulting in an improvement of 0.74%. The annualized rate of return of 8.85% generated by NIIF during the month of April is 3.53% higher than the average annualized return of 5.32% offered by Islamic banks. During the month, the Fund size increased by around 5.6% to close at Rs. 1.13 billion as compared to Rs. 1.07 billion the previous month.

Rs. 727

Rs. 4,121

During the month we have been able to invest in some high yielding and good credit quality sukuks. The attached chart shows the asset allocation. As at April 30, 2008 sukuks account for 52% of the Fund size as against 44% in the previous month. Allocation in modaraba placements decreased to 42% of the Fund size as compared to 52% last month, and spread transactions accounted for 3% of the Fund size.

The month of April saw a good number of sukuks offered by both Public and Private sectors, which helped improve the depth of Shariah-compliant sukuk market. Money supply remained tight during the outgoing month as evidenced by upward trend in Reporates. Inflation measured by CPI is showing high growth and was recorded at 14.1% during the month of March 2008. To contain inflation, we expect T-bill rates to increase further from the current level due to a hike in the discount rate while movement in KIBOR will be in tandem with the monetary growth rate.

Going forward, we expect further improvement in the Fund performance as we continue to avail good investment opportunities in the sukuks and spread transactions.