

Our Top Picks and Calls

BONDS

DOLLAR DENOMINATED

Bond	Coupon	Maturity/Call Date	YTM
Republic of Chile (CHILE)	3.125%	21-Jan-26	4.253%
Republic of the Philippines (ROP)	3.000%	01-Feb-28	4.532%
SK Hynix Inc (HYUELE)	5.500%	16-Jan-29	4.879%
SM Investments Corp (SMPM)	5.375%	24-Jun-29	5.042%
Republic of the Philippines (ROP)	1.648%	10-Jun-31	4.802%

PESO DENOMINATED

Bond	Coupon	Maturity/Call Date	YTM
FXTN 20-14	8.625%	06-Sep-27	5.735%
FXTN 7-64	3.625%	22-Apr-28	5.780%
RTB 5-18	6.250%	28-Feb-29	5.910%
FXTN 7-70	6.375%	27-Jul-30	5.965%
FXTN 10-69	6.750%	15-Sep-32	6.140%

Gross of 20% withholding tax

NOTES: Rates are indicative as of the previous banking day, March 25, 2025. Volume subject to availability for bonds. Rates are exclusive of fees and charges (gross).

STOCKS

DMCI Holdings, Inc. (DMC)

OVERWEIGHT
1.1% of PSEi

Despite market uncertainties, DMC is supported by its 10% trailing dividend yield, which offers compelling income stability. Furthermore, investors may look to position ahead of the April ex-dividend date to capitalize on either the payout or potential upward boost preceding the cutoff.

Puregold Price Club, Inc. (PGOLD)

NEUTRAL
0.7% of PSEi

The consumer retailer is poised to benefit from a potential resurgence in consumer spending tied to midterm elections-related tailwinds this year. However, sentiment remains muted, awaiting clarity from earnings to evaluate PGOLD's ability to capture the potential upside.

Bloomerry Resorts Corporation (BLOOM)

UNDERWEIGHT
0.3% of PSEi

BLOOM struggled in regaining traction last year as weak demand for onsite gaming persisted, a headwind likely to continue this year. While its move towards online gaming may offer cushion, investor sentiment remain subdued as its recent price action puts it at risk of index deletion.

Source: Metrobank Trust Banking Group

Index weights as of March 21, 2025

SPOTLIGHT

UITF

METRO SHORT TERM BOND FUND

Intends to achieve for its participants liquidity and higher potential returns than deposits by investing in peso-denominated deposits and fixed income securities.

Fund Classification	Risk Profile	Net Asset Value	Minimum Initial Investment
Peso-denominated Intermediate term Fixed Income Bond Fund	Suitable for investors with a Moderate risk profile	Php 25.08 Billion (As of February 28, 2025)	Php 10,000

Fund Performance as of March 24, 2025 (Net of Fees and Taxes)	Year to Date ROI	1.03%	Past 1 Year ROI	4.63%
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What's Inside the Fund?

Pillars of Stability of the Metro Short Term Fund

Government Securities

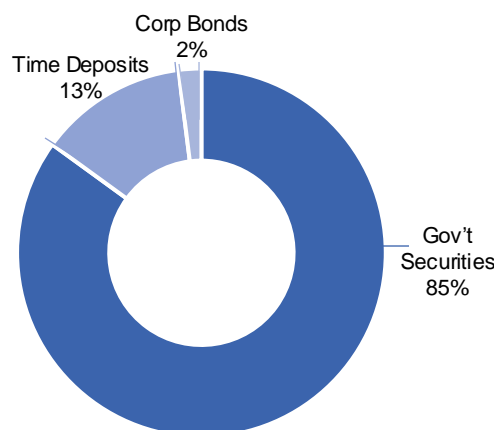
Acts as the fund's anchor, providing stability during market uncertainties. Backed by sovereign credit, offering minimal default risk.

Corporate Bonds

Acts as a layer of growth while minimizing credit risk. Even during market uncertainties, blue-chip Philippine corporates generally maintain regular coupon and principal payments.

Time Deposits

Acts as a cash buffer to provide flexibility and capitalize on market opportunities. Terms range from 1-12 months to align with client's liquidity needs.



Offers stability through its exposure to longer-term government securities and higher yields via access to corporate bonds making it ideal for today's market.

Being an investment product, there is no guaranty on the principal and income of the investments. UITFs are governed by BSP regulations but are not deposit products, hence are not covered by the PDIC.

Source: Metrobank Trust Banking Group



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