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# The Gist

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## **Our Top Picks and Calls**

#### BONDS

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lssuer	Coupon	Maturity/Call Date	ΥТМ	Bond	Coupon	Maturity/Call Date	ΥТМ
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA)	5.125%	13-Jan-28	4.666%	RTB 5-18	6.250%	28-Feb-29	5.800%
SK Hynix Inc (HYUELE)	5.500%	16-Jan-29	5.006%	FXTN 7-70	6.375%	27-Jul-30	5.930%
Bank of the Philippine Islands (BPIPM)	5.000%	07-Apr-30	4.595%	FXTN 10-69	6.750%	15-Sep-32	6.030%
Republic of the Philippines (ROP)	1.648%	10-Jun-31	4.715%	FXTN 10-72	6.250%	25-Jan-34	6.150%
Republic of the Philippines (ROP)	1.950%	06-Jan-32	4.844%	FXTN 10-73	6.375%	28-Apr-35	6.250%

Gross of 20% withholding tax

NOTES: Rates are indicative as of the previous banking day, May 15, 2025. Volume subject to availability for bonds. Rates are exclusive of fees and charges (gross).

#### AREIT, Inc. (AREIT)

**OVERWEIGHT** 1.3% of PSEi

AREIT's robust earnings growth, fueled by accretive infusions and sector-leading occupancy rate, underpins a sustainable 5.8% dividend yield. Additionally, its defensive positioning and long weightedlease expiries reinforce cash flow visibility, supporting appeal in volatile markets.

**NEUTRAL** 14.0% of PSEi

#### SM Investments Corporation (SM)

The conglomerate's earning growth, driven by key subsidiaries and capital return initiatives (special dividends, buybacks) reflect proactive management. However, its 1% trailing dividend yield remains below peers, while limited near-term catalyst may temper sentiment upside.

#### SM Prime Holdings, Inc. (SMPH)

UNDERWEIGHT 6.9% of PSEi

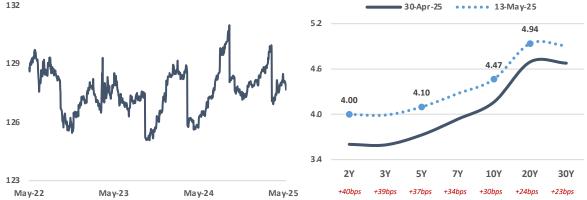
The country's leading mall developer continues to capitalize on rebounding consumer activity, with 1Q25 mall revenue rising 7% YoY. However, the persistent decline in presales from its residential segment may weigh on sentiment despite the retail momentum.

Source: Metrobank Trust Banking Group

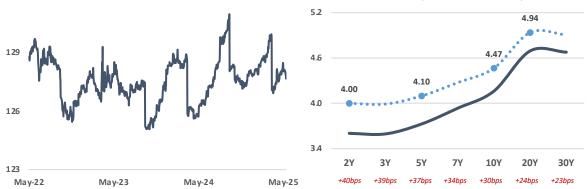
Index weights as of May 2, 2025

#### iShares \$ Treasury Bond 1-3yr UCITS ETF | NAV Total Return (YoY): 5.56%





U.S. Treasury Yield Curve (%)



#### Outlook and Strategy: Capitalize on recent surge in Treasury yields before further easing

Clients may invest in the iShares \$ Treasury Bond 1-3yr UCITS ETF to enhance their U.S. Treasury exposure and capitalize on current yield levels before the Fed resumes its monetary policy easing in the coming months.

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