Pangolin Asia Fund April NAV

As at the 30th of April 2015 the NAV of the Class A shares of the Pangolin Asia Fund was US\$396.82 net of all fees and expenses, up 1.88% from US\$389.48 in March.

Please see the table at the end of this letter for further detail.

As of today, the fund is about 90% invested with the split being approximately as follows:

Singapore 23% Malaysia 27% Indonesia 31% Thailand 19%

No names I'm afraid but some details of the individual holdings are always available to investors on request.

Overview

To put the month into some perspective, please see the tables below:

Return (in local currencies, except MSCI Asia Ex-Japan)

	Period	DOW	S&P 500	JSE	KLSE	STI	SET	Shanghai	Hang Seng	Sensex	MSCI ex JP	PAF
ſ	Apr 15	0.4%	0.9%	-7.8%	-0.7%	1.2%	1.4%	18.5%	13.0%	-3.4%	4.8%	1.9%

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% Change in Currency Vs USD

Month	MYR	SGD	IDR	ТНВ
Apr 15	3.93%	3.67%	0.86%	-1.43%

If we thought we could make money in China, we'd invest there. But it is not our area of expertise.

After months of moaning about currency fluctuations it is nice to have a month in which they move in our favour. Our stocks aren't doing a lot and the retail spending numbers out of Malaysia, Thailand and Indonesia remain weak.

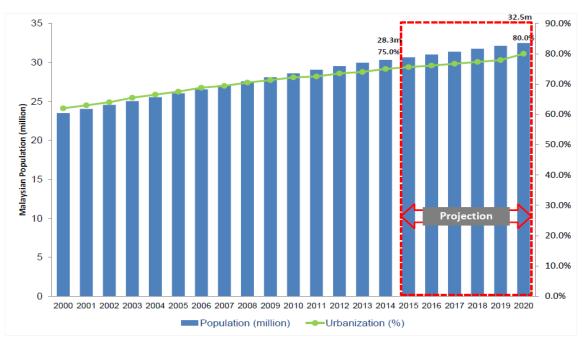
One of our larger Malaysian holdings has just announced a rights issue. The company is not in need of cash but wants to raise money to increase its land bank. The company's share price is falling on this news but this only highlights the difference in outlook between stock market investors and business owners. Currently the property market is soft in Malaysia. This company knows that – it has been a Malaysian property developer for ages – and is obviously taking the view that the market remains attractive for those prepared to invest for years rather than months.

As you know, at Pangolin we try to match our investment horizon with that of business owners, so we'll probably take up our rights.

Outlook

Things are slow but they should pick up again. Below are some slides stolen from a retail conference I attended. They refer to Malaysia but the trends are region wide. And the good news is that the Retail Group of Malaysia expects retail sales to pick up again later this year.

Malaysia - Population and Urbanisation



Market Study Consultancy Services for Nusajaya and Gerbang Nusajaya, January 2015

Source: Statistics Department, Trading Economics

Factors Driving Supply - Growth in Household Income

Mean Household Income

States	Mean Ho	Annual Growth Rate (%)			
	2009	2012	2014 (e)	2009 - 2012	
Kuala Lumpur	5,488	8,586	11,335	14.9	
Putrajaya	6,747	8,101	9,119	6.1	
Selangor	5,962	7,023	7,817	5.5	
Labuan	4,407	6,317	7,924	12.0	
Penang	4,407	5,055	5,531	4.6	
Melaka	4,184	4,759	5,177	4.3	
Johor	3,835	4,658	5,283	6.5	
Negeri Sembilan	3,540	4,576	5,397	8.6	
Sarawak	3,581	4,293	4,824	6.0	
Sabah	3,102	4,013	4,733	8.6	
Terengganu	3,017	3,967	4,722	9.1	
Pahang	3,279	3,745	4,082	4.4	
Perak	2,809	3,548	4,123	7.8	
Perlis	2,617	3,538	4,289	10.1	
Kedah	2,667	3,425	4,017	8.3	
Kelantan	2,536	3,168	3,654	7.4	
Malaysia	4,025	5,000	5,746	7.2%	

Median Household Income

States	Median	Annual Growth Rate (%)		
	2009	2012	2014 (e)	2009 - 2012
Kuala Lumpur	4,409	5,847	6,998	9.4
Putrajaya	5,450	6,486	7,260	5.8
Selangor	4,306	5,353	6,163	7.3
Labuan	3,498	5,063	6,385	12.3
Penang	3,200	4,039	4,694	7.8
Melaka	3,005	3,923	4,652	8.9
Johor	2,958	3,650	4,179	7.0
Negeri Sembilan	2,711	3,575	4,263	9.2
Sarawak	2,394	3,047	3,554	8.0
Sabah	2,066	2,860	3,511	10.8
Terengganu	2,096	3,034	3,826	12.3
Pahang	2,479	3,067	3,518	7.1
Perak	2,094	2,665	3,108	8.0
Perlis	1,832	2,387	2,826	8.8
Kedah	1,966	2,633	3,169	9.7
Kelantan	1,713	2,276	2,729	9.5
Malaysia	2,841	3,626	4,237	8.1%

Malaysia Retail Sales Growth Rate

YEAR	% GROWTH RATE
2004	8.0
2005	6.2
2006	8.4
2007	12.8
2008	5.0
2009	0.8
2010	8.4
2011	8.1
2012	5.5
2013	4.5
2014	3.4



Quarterly Growth Rate 2014

Quarter	% GROWTH
	RATE

First	4.9
Second	5.3
Third	2.0
Fourth	-0.8
Whole Year	3.4

-OPR rose to
3.25%
-Hari Raya festival

-Petrol price
increase
-Global stock
market crisis
-Year-end holidays

Malaysia Retail Sales Growth Rate

YEAR	% GROWTH	RATE
2008		5.0
2009	-Higher prices from 1/1/15 (eg. Hike	0.8
2010	in bus and taxi fares) -GST	8.4
2011	-Fuel subsidy rationalisation	8.1
2012	-Increase electricity tariff -OPR to rise further	5.5
2013	-World economic performance	4.5
2014		3.4
201	5	4.9

Quarterly Growth Rate 2015

Quarter	% GROWTH RATE (estimate)
First	3.8
Second	3.5
Third	4.8
Fourth	6.9
Whole Year	4.9

Mipsterz – A New Social Trend

Who are Mipsterz?

- A growing subculture of vivacious, happy and dynamic young Muslims (primarily female).
- Highly educated & career driven.
- Shine as forefronts of the latest music, fashion, art, critical thought, food, and creative fields.
- Avid followers of fashion stylish while maintaining modesty.
- They live life to the fullest without compromising any aspect of their faith.



James Hay 11th May 2015

I don't like to discuss stocks publicly but I am always happy to talk to existing investors and those interested in investing. The Pangolin Asia Fund is most suitable for investors who are happy when markets falling.

Year	Details	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2015	NAV	382.31	391.18	389.48	396.82									5.46%
2013	% chg	1.60%	2.32%	-0.43%	1.88%									3.40%
2014	NAV	370.08	388.25	398.79	410.89	423.38	423.84	436.37	425.85	413.36	408.97	395.23	376.28	-0.52%
2014	% chg	-2.16%	4.91%	2.71%	3.03%	3.04%	0.11%	2.96%	-2.41%	-2.93%	-1.06%	-3.36%	-4.79%	-0.32%
2013	NAV	343.47	350.86	364.04	374.14	395.94	375.98	382.69	361.54	378.56	394.53	384.87	378.24	11.48%
2013	% chg	1.23%	2.15%	3.76%	2.77%	5.83%	-5.04%	1.78%	-5.53%	4.71%	4.22%	-2.45%	-1.72%	11.40%
2012	NAV	290.78	311.15	303.35	313.01	301.88	312.18	316.87	323.01	323.75	334.08	332.63	339.29	24.85%
2012	% chg	7.00%	7.01%	-2.51%	3.18%	-3.56%	3.41%	1.50%	1.94%	0.23%	3.19%	-0.43%	2.00%	24.85%
2011	NAV	261.86	258.03	271.83	283.00	290.51	291.75	310.23	289.05	260.46	278.31	269.95	271.75	0.85%
2011	% chg	-2.82%	-1.46%	5.35%	4.11%	2.65%	0.43%	6.33%	-6.83%	-9.89%	6.85%	-3.00%	0.67%	0.85%
2010	NAV	201.91	205.09	213.68	227.44	213.93	227.45	234.62	238.78	253.28	258.37	260.53	269.47	37.58%
2010	% chg	3.08%	1.57%	4.19%	6.44%	-5.94%	6.32%	3.15%	1.77%	6.07%	2.01%	0.84%	3.43%	
2009	NAV	95.67	96.38	98.12	133.22	145.25	151.32	159.71	167.99	173.21	174.49	182.60	195.87	95.34%
2009	% chg	-4.59%	0.74%	1.81%	35.77%	9.03%	4.18%	5.54%	5.18%	3.11%	0.74%	4.65%	7.27%	95.34%
2008	NAV	157.49	156.55	150.63	154.03	146.18	136.23	132.58	125.09	113.55	90.36	85.98	100.27	20.040/
2008	% chg	-3.89%	-0.60%	-3.78%	2.26%	-5.10%	-6.81%	-2.68%	-5.65%	-9.23%	-20.42%	-4.85%	16.62%	-38.81%
2007	NAV	136.43	140.75	144.17	153.68	157.90	159.36	159.56	150.23	158.13	163.17	160.72	163.86	27 100/
2007	% chg	5.90%	3.17%	2.43%	6.60%	2.75%	0.92%	0.13%	-5.85%	5.26%	3.19%	-1.50%	1.95%	27.19%
2006	NAV	104.53	106.09	109.42	116.62	108.82	106.34	107.96	110.76	112.41	117.94	125.81	128.83	24.740/
2006	% chg	6.89%	1.49%	3.14%	6.58%	-6.69%	-2.28%	1.52%	2.59%	1.49%	4.92%	6.67%	2.40%	31.74%
2005	NAV	99.24	99.37	97.77	98.86	96.77	97.05	100.14	94.90	96.99	97.05	96.14	97.79	2 570/
2005	% chg	-1.13%	0.13%	-1.61%	1.11%	-2.11%	0.29%	3.18%	-5.23%	2.20%	0.06%	-0.94%	1.72%	-2.57%
2004	NAV	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.37	
2004	% chg	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.37%	

Best monthly return 35.77%
Worst monthly return -20.42%
Maximum drawdown -47.53%
% of positive months 68.00%
Annualised return 14.15%

By Sector

