

RM1.55B IN ASNB PAYOUT

PNB says the group remains steadfast with its diversification strategies

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AMANAH Saham Nasional Bhd (ASNB) yesterday announced a total income distribution payout of RM1.55 billion for the financial year ending March 31, for five of its funds.

They are two fixed-price funds, namely Amanah Saham Bumiputera 2 (ASB 2) and Amanah Saham Malaysia (ASM), as well as three variable price funds which are ASN Equity 3, ASN Imbang 2 and ASN Sara 1.

ASNB is the wholly owned unit trust management company of Permodalan Nasional Bhd (PNB).

In a statement yesterday, PNB said ASB 2 declared a total income distribution payout of RM488.2 million benefiting 459,416 unit holders who currently hold 11.5 billion units.

ASM declared a total income

distribution payout of RM851.2 million benefiting 559,222 unit holders who currently hold 21.3 billion units.

Up to March 25, ASB 2 recorded a net realised income of RM499 million, while ASM recorded a net realised income of RM727.6 million.

“The performance of ASB 2 and ASM is benchmarked against the Maybank 12-month fixed deposit.

“ASB 2 and ASM recorded annual total returns of 4.25 per cent and four per cent, respectively, compared with the 1.95 per cent return of the Maybank 12-month fixed deposit.”

ASN Equity 3, ASN Imbang 2 and ASN Sara 1 registered double-digit total returns of 18.7 per cent, 17 per cent and 10.8 per cent, respectively, for the financial year ending March 31, driven largely by the recovery of the equity markets from last year’s lows.

PNB said given the challenges



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posed by the pandemic, the group remained steadfast with its diversification strategies, by increasing investment in global

markets and other asset classes such as real estate, private investments and fixed-income instruments.