

## NAFA ISLAMIC MULTI ASSET FUND (NIMF) Monthly Report

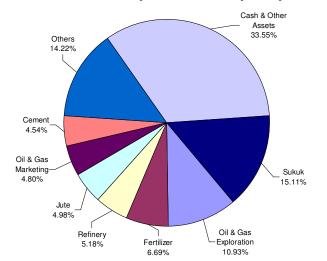
NAV per unit (31/01/2008): Rs. 9.8088

January 2008

Investment Objective		Performance			
To provide investors with a combination of capital growth and income by investing in Shariah compliant investments. NIMF aims to achieve attractive returns at moderate levels of risk by investing in a variety of Shariah compliant securities, instruments and avenues such as Equities, Musharakah, Murabahah, Ijarah etc.	Return (%) *	November 2007	December 2007	January 2008	Since Launch October 29, 2007
	NAFA Islamic Multi Asset Fund	-0.28%	-2.15%	0.75%	-1.91%
	Benchmark (50% Dow Jones Islamic Pakistan Index – 50% Average 1-month deposit rate of 4 Islamic Banks)	-0.78%	-0.72%	1.04%	-0.10%
	* Returns are net of management fee & all other expenses				

General Ir	formation	
Launch Date:	October 29, 2007	
Fund Size:	Rs. 825.10 million	
Type:	Shariah Compliant - Open-end Balanced Fund	
Dealing:	Daily	
Settlement:	2-3 business days	
Load:	Front end – 3%, Back end - 0%	
Management Fee:	3% per annum	
Listing:	Lahore Stock Exchange	
Trustee:	Central Depository Company	
Auditors:	A. F. Ferguson & Co.	
	Chartered Accountants	
Benchmark:	50% Dow Jones Islamic Pakistan	
	Index – 50% Average 1-month	
	deposit rate of 4 Islamic Banks	
Fund Manager(s):	Abdul Rehman Warraich	
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Minimum Subscription:	Growth Unit: Rs. 10,000/-	

## Asset Allocation (as on 31st January 2008)



**Disclaimer:** The price of units may go down as well as up. Please refer to respective offering document(s).

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## **Fund Manager Commentary**

The stock market remained very choppy throughout the month. The market experienced quick downswings as well as upswings without consistently following a particular direction. Despite the strength in corporate earnings in certain sectors (e.g. oil & gas) and the promising prospects in certain other sectors (e.g. cement), the investor sentiment continued to shift almost on a daily basis. Political uncertainty and concerns regarding law & order situation loomed large over investors' minds.

Our Fund showed a positive return during the month despite the erratic behavior of the market. We are quite confident that business prospects in certain sectors are good and their expected performance warrants upside in their stock prices. At the same time, we also realize that political uncertainty can keep investors bogged down for a while. Our strategy has been simple – we decided not to panic and adopt a neutral profile in the short term i.e. we should neither be overweight nor underweight in equities. Thus we managed to avoid over-trading (that results from panic selling and panic buying) that usually happens when the market keeps outguessing the investors by turning bullish and bearish after quick intervals. Our exposure in equities remained close to 50%, on average, during the month.

We are keen to increase our investment in sukuks. We expect some of the new sukuks, that we have already subscribed, to be issued during the month of February. This will improve the yield on our income portfolio. Our investment in spread transactions remained above 5% during the month. We continue to explore opportunities for spread transactions that can improve the return on our income portfolio.

Going forward, we are keeping our fingers crossed that the elections will be held, a democratic government be formed and the law & order situation will improve. This will create a favorable, and much needed, socio-political environment where investments will flourish.

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