

### Senfin Growth Fund (LKR)

# Monthly Report | Aug-2023

### **Fund Manager Comment**

The Colombo Stock Exchange indices declined during August 2023 with ASPI declining by 2.39% while the S&P SL20 Index declined 5.39%. The Fund's benchmark ASTRI too declined 2.13%. Despite that, the Fund gained of 4.02% during the same period. During first few trading days, the bourse continued the positive momentum from last month. However following that, indices witnessed a drop mainly as a result of profit realising by investors. In addition, weaker earnings reported by listed corporates and CBSL maintaining policy rates constant while the market expected a 13.8 Bn in Aug 2023 vs LKR 10.1 Bn in Jul 2023. Foreigners were net buyers with a net foreign inflow of LKR 1.8 Bn during the month. We anticipate interest rates to drop further and hence shift some fund inflows to equity from fixed income. In addition, with improved macro-economic fundamentals such as declining inflation, improving foreign reserves, increasing tourist arrivals, improved remittances etc. as well as forecasted rebound in economic activities due to declining lending rates, we believe there's further potential in equities to re-rate higher in the medium term.

\*Source: SFAM and CSE

### Performance Since May 2020

06/05/2020 to 31/08/2023

Growth of LKR 100 invested on 06.05.2020



The largest investor in the Fund (holding 98%) redeemed all its units in the Fund by end of June 2019, resulting in the Fund's total NAV falling to LKR 1.6Mn. With the takeover of the management company by Senkadagala Finance PLC in March 2020, the Fund's NAV gradually increased with new investors coming into the Fund. Therefore, in order to reflect the performance of the Fund after the takeover by the new management, the above graph depicts the Fund and Benchmark performances from 6th May 2020 onwards, when new investments began coming into the Fund.

### **Risk - Reward Indicator**

Low	Medium	High
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Investors should consider the following risks: Market risks, Currency risks, Liquidity risks, Operational risks and Political and Legal risks.

### Monthly Performance

Senfin Asset Management (Pvt) Ltd No. 267, Galle Road, Colombo 03, Sri Lanka

### Investment Objective

The objective of the Fund is to achieve long-term capital growth by investing in a well-diversified portfolio of equity securities listed on the Colombo Stock Exchange.

### **Key Facts**

Fund Type	Open-ended Growth Fund
NAV per unit (LKR)	12.93
Fund AuM (LKR Millions)	2,545
Inception	03-Feb-12
Fund Domicile	Sri Lanka
Distribution(s)	None
ISIN	LK0SGFU00003
Fund Currency	LKR
Benchmark*	ASTRI

\*All Share Total Return Index

Performance Summary	Fund	Benchmark
Last Month/ 1M	4.02%	-2.13%
YTD	36.11%	32.63%
3M	29.30%	31.53%
6M	26.89%	22.54%
1 Year p.a.	29.17%	24.12%
2 Year p.a.	19.07%	11.93%
3 Year p.a.	31.63%	28.44%
5 Year p.a.	-1.06%	13.30%
Since Inception p.a.	2.24%	7.18%

Only periods greater than 12 months are annualized.

### **Investment Terms**

Issue/Redemption	Daily
Minimum investment (LKR)	1,000
Front-End-Fee	1.50%
Management & Administration fee p.a.	1.75%
Trustee fee p.a.	0.15%
Custodian fee p.m. (charged to the Fund)	LKR 20,000
Total Expense Ratio (TER)*	1.95%
*as at 31 Dec 2022	

Year		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2023	SGF	4.4%	2.7%	1.2%	0.5%	-3.5%	6.4%	16.8%	4.0%					36.11%
	ASTRI	4.4%	3.6%	1.2%	-3.4%	-4.7%	10.8%	21.3%	-2.1%					32.63%
2022	SGF	6.9%	-8.2%	-17.8%	-9.4%	7.9%	-2.6%	9.5%	17.9%	2.7%	-7.5%	2.3%	-2.4%	-6.03%
	ASTRI	6.4%	-11.0%	-23.1%	-14.4%	6.3%	-9.4%	5.3%	17.3%	9.5%	-13.4%	0.6%	-1.9%	-30.56%
2021	SGF	27.3%	-10.8%	-2.2%	0.7%	1.4%	1.5%	2.9%	-2.1%	2.5%	1.6%	-0.3%	6.8%	28.30%
	ASTRI	28.0%	-13.7%	-4.7%	1.2%	2.7%	5.9%	3.6%	10.8%	5.1%	7.5%	12.7%	6.9%	80.91%

Past performance is not a guarantee, nor an indication of current or future performance. Fund performance data is calculated net of all fees and commissions on NAV to NAV. All performance data shown in the table are not annualized.



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Тор	10 Holdings	% of TNA*
1	John Keells Holdings PLC	11.39%
2	Aitken Spence PLC	10.75%
3	Teejay Lanka PLC	6.78%
4	Cargills (Ceylon) PLC	6.64%
5	Ceylon Grain Elevators PLC	6.08%
6	Gvt. Security REP0	5.32%
7	Treasury Bonds - 01/05/2027	4.80%
8	Hatton National Bank PLC - Voting	3.76%
9	Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC	3.73%
10	Lanka Milk Foods PLC	3.48%
* То	tal Net Assets	62.74%

Тор	10 Equity Sector Allocation	% of TNA
1	Capital Goods	25.59%
2	Food Beverage & Tobacco	19.54%
3	Banks	9.63%
4	Consumer Durable & Apparel	6.86%
5	Food & Staples Retailing	6.64%
6	Diversified Financials	4.85%
7	Energy	3.01%
8	Telecommunication Services	2.94%
9	Utilities	2.18%
10	Insurance	2.02%
		83.26%

#### Fund Indicators Fund **Benchmark** 1 Year Standard Deviation (%) 5.71 8.46 3 Year Standard Deviation (%) 8.34 10.28 1 Year Sharp Ratio -1.52 -1.62 3 Year Sharp Ratio 2.58 1.78 3 Year Beta 0.72 0.75 3 Year Alpha (%) **Fund Performance Analysis** 12 months Fund Turnover Ratio (%) 47.9 Max. Monthly Gain (%)\* (Jul '23) 16.8 Max. Monthly Loss (%)\* (Oct '22) -7.5 Hit Ratio Months Outperformance 5 Hit Ratio (%) 41.7

\*Maximum Gain/Loss returns for the last 12 months (non annualized return)

Asset Allocation	% of TNA
Equities	85.29%
Treasury Bonds	6.04%
Repo on Govt Securities	5.32%
Money Market Savings a/c	3.20%
Cash & Other Net Assets	0.14%
	100.00%

### Historical Total Net Assets (Fund currency in LKR Mn)



### **Regulatory Information**

Regulated by : Securities & Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka Trustee and Custodian : Hatton National Bank PLC - Head Office Branch Redemption Payment Days : Monday-Friday (Excluding holidays) Cut-off Time & Day : Before 3.00 pm on any working day

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