

## **FUND PROFILE**

07-Dec-18

Redemption Notice Period

MetrobankTrust

### **MARKET UPDATE**

July saw local bond yields trade within a narrow range, as markets digested recent supply pressures while positioning ahead of anticipated policy easing. Front-end yields declined by 3-11 bps month-on-month, supported by dovish guidance from BSP Governor Remolona, who signaled that an additional 25-50 bps of policy rate cuts remains possible should inflation continue to trend favorably. Meanwhile, long-dated bonds benefited from lighter supply in the 10-15 year sector, prompting investors to reestablish positions across the curve while excluding the belly, which faced headwinds from the expected jumbo issuance of another Retail Treasury Bond (RTB).

June inflation ticked slightly higher to 1.40% (vs. previous month's 1.30%, but still below market consensus of 1.50%) but remained comfortably below the BSP's 2-4% target range. The marginal increase was driven primarily by the higher annual gains in housing, utilities, and gas indices. Importantly, the latest print did little to alter the disinflation narrative, with forward expectations still anchored toward the lower bound of target, providing additional space for policy easing.

On the monetary policy side, the BSP chief provided positive guidance citing that the current inflation dynamics allow the central bank to push for a more accommodative stance. Nonetheless, monetary authorities will continue to closely monitor emerging downside risks to growth emerging from the ongoing tariff dispute.

While near-term volatility from the BTr's Q3 issuance schedule may keep yields range-bound, our positioning allows a reallocation opportunity for our fund to catch yields at a more attractive level via auctions and also to the upcoming RTB. We maintain a proactive stance for our local fixed income portfolios, balancing tactical opportunities during weekly auctions and our strategic outlook for local bond yields.

Looking ahead, we continue to expect a downward shift in the yield curve mainly due to benign inflation conditions combined with the BSP's more aggressive stance on rate cuts. In this dynamic environment, we remain agile and ready to adjust our positioning as

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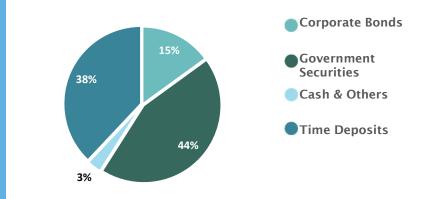
# FIRST METRO SAVE AND LEARN MONEY MARKET FUND



FUND FACT SHEET - AS OF JULY 31, 2025

#### **FUND BASICS**

The Fund seeks stable returns by investing in fixed income instruments/securities or investment in a portfolio with an average duration of one (1) year or less. This fund is suitable for conservative investors with short term (<1 yr) investment horizons.

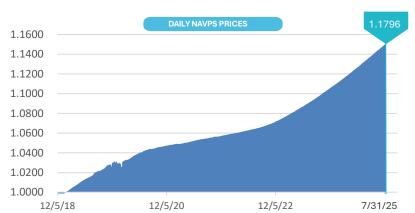


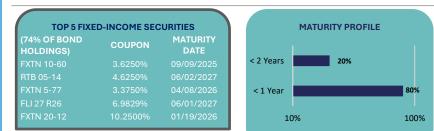
#### **CUMULATIVE RETURNS<sup>1</sup>**

	30D	180D	YTD	1-year	3-year	5-year	<b>S.I.</b> <sup>2</sup>
SALMMF	0.31%	1.96%	2.20%	4.07%	10.78%	13.09%	18.36%
Benchmark <sup>3</sup>	0.55%	2.94%	3.74%	6.22%	17.98%	21.60%	33.70%

#### CALENDAR YEAR RETURNS<sup>4</sup>

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
SALMMF	4.01%	3.24%	1.47%	0.95%	1.77%	2.98%





- Cumulative returns as of July 31, 2025.
- <sup>2</sup> Since Inception as of 12/28/18.
- <sup>3</sup>Benchmark BPI Phil. Government Money Market.
- <sup>4</sup>Calendar Year Return is computed by getting the change on NAVPS from the first business day of the calendar year to the last business day of same year (Jan 01 - Dec 31 of a given year).

Note: Year-to-date (YTD) return refers to the amount of profit made by an investment since the first day of the current









