

SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Unit Holders of
SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Scotia Premium Money Market Fund ("the Fund"), set out on pages 4 to 32, which comprise the statement of financial position as at October 31, 2024, the statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, changes in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes, comprising material accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at October 31, 2024, and of its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IFRS Accounting Standards).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Fund in accordance with International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants Including International Independence Standards (IESBA Code), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IESBA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

To the Unit Holders of
SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Fund or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Fund's financial reporting process.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

To the Unit Holders of
SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (Continued)

- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Fund to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Chartered Accountants
Kingston, Jamaica

February 12, 2025

SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND
**Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income
Year ended October 31, 2024**
(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Revenue			
Interest income calculated using the effective interest method		1,881,354	1,559,275
Net foreign exchange (loss)/gain on financial assets at amortised cost		(92)	794
Total revenue		<u>1,881,262</u>	<u>1,560,069</u>
Expenses			
Impairment reversal on financial assets measured at amortised cost		1,017	(607)
Management fees	4,17(d)	350,294	297,729
Other expenses	5	<u>42,476</u>	<u>40,739</u>
Total operating expenses		393,787	337,861
Less: expenses reimbursed	4	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,981)</u>
Net operating expenses		<u>393,787</u>	<u>332,880</u>
Profit for the year, being increase in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units		<u>1,487,475</u>	<u>1,227,189</u>

The accompanying notes on pages 8 to 32 form an integral part of these financial statements.

SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND**Statement of Financial Position****October 31, 2024***(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)*

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	6	2,424,914	2,148,115
Financial assets at amortised cost	8	15,184,706	12,240,483
Resale agreements	9	6,400,225	3,829,694
Accounts receivable		8,310	3,993
Balances due from brokers	7	-	115,018
Total assets		<u>24,018,155</u>	<u>18,337,303</u>
LIABILITY			
Accounts payable, being total liability	11	<u>177,185</u>	<u>145,266</u>
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	12	<u>23,840,970</u>	<u>18,192,037</u>

The financial statements on pages 4 to 32 were approved for issue by the Board of Scotia Investments Jamaica Limited on February 12, 2025, and signed on its behalf by:

 Director
Eric Crawford

 Director
Audrey Richards

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SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND**Statement of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Units
Year ended October 31, 2024***(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)*

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Balance at the beginning of the year	12	18,192,037	16,936,478
Profit for the year, being increase in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units		<u>1,487,475</u>	<u>1,227,189</u>
		<u>19,679,512</u>	<u>18,163,667</u>
Contributions and redemptions by holders of redeemable units:			
Issue of units during the year	12	7,758,957	3,564,100
Reinvestments	12	1,018,810	848,210
Redemption of units during the year	12	(3,124,949)	(3,156,022)
Distributions	12	(1,491,360)	(1,227,918)
Net redemptions by holders of redeemable units		<u>4,161,458</u>	<u>28,370</u>
Balance at end of the year	12	<u>23,840,970</u>	<u>18,192,037</u>

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SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND**Statement of Cash Flows**
Year ended October 31, 2024*(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)*

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Increase in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units		1,487,475	1,227,189
Adjustments for:			
Interest income circulated under the effective interest method		(1,881,354)	(1,559,275)
		(393,879)	(332,086)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Balance due from brokers		(2,941,641)	(115,018)
Financial assets at amortised cost		(2,423,217)	324,138
Resale agreements		115,018	(1,407,362)
Other payables		31,919	(1,293)
Proceeds from new units available for investments	12,16	7,758,957	3,564,100
Payments for units encashed	12,16	(3,124,949)	(3,156,022)
Proceeds from income reinvested	12	1,018,810	848,210
Income distribution	12	(1,491,360)	(1,227,918)
		(1,450,342)	(1,503,251)
Interest received		<u>1,727,141</u>	<u>1,438,321</u>
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities, being net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		276,799	(64,930)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year		<u>2,148,115</u>	<u>2,213,045</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year		<u>2,424,914</u>	<u>2,148,115</u>

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SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended October 31, 2024

(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)

1. The Scotia Premium Money Market Fund

The Scotia Premium Money Market Fund ("the Fund"), is registered in Jamaica as a unit trust scheme under the Unit Trusts Act. The Fund is managed by Scotia Investments Jamaica Limited ("Fund Manager"), and the Trustee is JCSD Trustee Services Limited. Both the Fund Manager and the Trustee are incorporated and domiciled in Jamaica. The registered office of the Fund is located at 7 Holborn Road, Kingston 10.

The Fund Manager is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Scotia Group Jamaica Limited. ("Scotia Group").

The Scotia Premium Money Market Fund is an open-ended investment fund primarily involved in investing in a fixed income portfolio denominated in Jamaican dollars. The investment objective of this portfolio is to provide unit holders with quarterly income, liquidity and preservation of capital.

The income of the Fund is exempt from income tax, under Section 13(t) of the Income Tax Act.

2. Material accounting policy

(a) Statement of compliance and basis of preparation

(i) Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards, as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IFRS Accounting Standards).

New and amended standards and interpretations that became effective during the year

Effective November 1, 2023, the Fund adopted the amendments to IAS 1, which resulted in the Fund disclosing material accounting policies, rather than significant accounting policies, based on the following definition from the amended standard.

"Accounting policy information is material if, when considered together with other information included in an entity's financial statements, it can reasonably be expected to influence decisions that the primary users of general-purpose financial statements make on the basis of those financial statements".

Other pronouncements under IFRS Accounting Standards did not result in any changes to amounts or disclosed in the financial statements.

Details of the Fund's material accounting policies are included in note 2.

SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND**Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)****Year ended October 31, 2024*****(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)*****2. Material accounting policy (continued)****(a) Statement of compliance and basis of preparation (continued)****(i) Statement of compliance (continued)****New and amended standards and interpretations issued but are not yet effective**

At the date of authorisation of these financial statements, certain new and amended standards and interpretations were in issue but were not yet effective and had not been early-adopted by the Fund. The Fund has assessed their relevance with respect to its operations and has determined that the following may have an effect on its financial statements:

- Amendments to IAS 1 *Presentation of Financial Statements*, will apply retrospectively for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2024. The amendments promote consistency in application and clarify the requirements on determining if a liability is current or non-current.

Under existing IAS 1 requirements, entities classify a liability as current when they do not have an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the end of the reporting period. As part of its amendments, the requirement for a right to be unconditional has been removed and instead, now requires that a right to defer settlement must have substance and exist at the end of the reporting period. An entity classifies a liability as non-current if it has a right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting period. It has now been clarified that a right to defer exists only if the entity complies with conditions specified in the loan agreement at the end of the reporting period, even if the lender does not test compliance until a later date.

With the amendments, convertible instruments may become current. In light of this, the amendments clarify how an entity classifies a liability that includes a counterparty conversion option, which could be recognised as either equity or a liability separately from the liability component under IAS 32. Generally, if a liability has any conversion options that involve a transfer of the entity's own equity instruments, these would affect its classification as current or non-current. It has now been clarified that an entity can ignore only those conversion options that are recognised as equity when classifying liabilities as current or non-current.

The Fund does not expect the amendments to have a significant impact on its financial statements.

- Amendments to IAS 21 *Lack of Exchangeability* for periods beginning on or after January 1, 2025. The amendments provide clarification for situations where market participants are unable to buy and sell currency to meet their needs at the official exchange rate and turn instead to unofficial, parallel markets. The amendments contain no specific requirements for estimating a spot rate.

The Fund is assessing the impact the amendments will have on its future financial statements.

SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND**Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)****Year ended October 31, 2024*****(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)*****2. Material accounting policy (continued)****(a) Statement of compliance and basis of preparation (continued)****(i) Statement of compliance (continued)****New and amended standards and interpretations issued but are not yet effective (continued)**

- IFRS 18 *Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements*, is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2027. Under current IFRS Accounting Standards, companies use different formats to present their results, making it difficult for investors to compare financial performance across companies. IFRS 18 promotes a more structured income statement. In particular, it introduces a newly defined 'operating profit' subtotal and a requirement for all income and expenses to be allocated between three new distinct categories (Operating, Investing and Financing) based on a company's main business activities.

All companies are required to report the newly defined 'operating profit' subtotal – an important measure for investors' understanding of a company's operating results – i.e. investing and financing activities are specifically excluded. This means that the results of equity-accounted investees are no longer part of operating profit and are presented in the 'investing' category.

IFRS 18 also requires companies to analyse their operating expenses directly on the face of the income statement – either by nature, by function or using a mixed presentation. Under the new standard, this presentation provides a 'useful structured summary' of those expenses. If any items are presented by function on the face of the income statement (e.g. cost of sales), then a company provides more detailed disclosures about their nature.

IFRS 18 requires some 'non-GAAP' measures to be reported in the financial statements. It introduces a narrow definition for management performance measures (MPMs), requiring them to be a subtotal of income and expenses, used in public communications outside the financial statements and reflective of management's view of financial performance. For each MPM presented, companies will need to explain in a single note to the financial statements why the measure provides useful information, how it is calculated and reconcile it to an amount determined under IFRS Accounting Standards.

Companies are discouraged from labelling items as 'other' and will now be required to disclose more information if they continue to do so.

The Fund is assessing the impact that the standard will have on its future financial statements.

SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND**Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)****Year ended October 31, 2024*****(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)*****2. Material accounting policy (continued)****(a) Statement of compliance and basis of preparation (continued)****(ii) Basis of measurement**

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, except for financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss.

(iii) Use of estimates and judgments

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS Accounting Standards requires the use of certain assumptions and critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Fund's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements, are disclosed in note 3.

(iv) Functional and presentation currency

These financial statements are presented in Jamaica Dollars, which is the Fund's functional currency. Except where indicated to be otherwise, financial information presented in Jamaica Dollars has been rounded to the nearest thousand.

(b) Foreign currency translation

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Jamaican dollars at the exchange rates prevailing at the reporting date, being the mid-point between Bank of Jamaica's weighted average buying and selling rates at that date. Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies that are measured at fair value are translated into Jamaica dollars at the exchange rate at the date that fair value is calculated.

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated to Jamaican dollars at the rates of exchange ruling at the dates of those transactions. Gains and losses arising from exchange rate fluctuations are included in profit or loss.

(c) Interest

Interest income is recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method.

The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash flows through the expected life of the financial asset to the carrying amount of the financial asset. When calculating effective rate, the Fund estimates future cash flows considering all contractual terms of the financial asset, but not future credit losses. Interest received or receivable is recognised in profit or loss as interest income.

The 'amortised cost' of a financial asset or liability is the amount at which the financial asset is measured on initial recognition minus the principal repayments, plus or minus the cumulative amortisation using the effective interest method, of any difference between that initial amount and the maturity amount and, for financial assets, adjusted for any expected credit loss allowance.

SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND**Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)****Year ended October 31, 2024*****(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)*****2. Material accounting policy (continued)****(c) Interest (continued)**

The 'gross carrying amount of a financial asset' is the amortised cost of a financial asset before adjusting for any expected credit loss allowance.

The effective interest rate of a financial asset is calculated on initial recognition. In calculating interest income, the effective interest rate is applied to the gross carrying amount of the asset (when the asset is not credit-impaired) and is revised as a result of periodic re-estimation of cash flows of floating rate instruments to reflect movements in market rates of interest.

However, for financial assets that have become credit-impaired subsequent to initial recognition, interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the amortised cost of the financial asset. If the asset is no longer credit-impaired, then the calculation of interest income reverts to the gross basis.

Interest income calculated using the effective interest method presented in the statement of profit or loss and OCI, includes interest on financial assets measured at amortised cost.

(d) Financial assets and financial liabilities**(i) Recognition and initial measurement**

Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are recognised initially on the trade date at which the Fund becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Other financial assets and liabilities are recognised on the date they are originated.

Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are measured initially at fair value, with transaction costs recognised in the profit or loss. Financial assets and liabilities not at fair value through profit or loss are measured initially at fair value, plus transaction costs that are directly attributable to its acquisition or issue.

(ii) Classification

Assessment whether contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest (SPPI)

On initial recognition, the Fund classifies financial assets as measured at amortised cost or FVTPL.

- it is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows; and
- its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are SPPI.

All other financial assets of the Fund are measured at FVTPL.

SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND**Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)****Year ended October 31, 2024*****(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)***2. Material accounting policy (continued)**(d) Financial assets and financial liabilities (continued)****(ii) Classification (continued)**

In making an assessment of the objective of the business model in which a financial asset is held, the *Fund* considers all of the relevant information about how the business is managed, including:

- the documented investment strategy and the execution of this strategy in practice. This includes whether the investment strategy focuses on earning contractual interest income, maintaining a particular interest rate profile, matching the duration of the financial assets to the duration of any related liabilities or expected cash outflows or realising cash flows through the sale of the assets;
- how the performance of the portfolio is evaluated and reported to the Fund's management;
- the risks that affect the performance of the business model (and the financial assets held within that business model) and how those risks are managed.
- how the investment manager is compensated: e.g. whether compensation is based on the fair value of the assets managed or the contractual cash flows collected; and
- the frequency, volume and timing of sales of financial assets in prior periods, the reasons for such sales and expectations about future sales activity.

Transfers of financial assets to third parties in transactions that do not qualify for derecognition are not considered sales for this purpose, consistent with the Fund's continuing recognition of the assets.

The Fund has determined that it has only a *"Held-to-collect" business model*, which includes cash, debt securities and resale agreements. These financial assets are held to collect contractual cash flow.

Assessment whether contractual cash flows are SPPI

For the purposes of this assessment, 'principal' is defined as the fair value of the financial asset on initial recognition. 'Interest' is defined as consideration for the time value of money and for the credit risk associated with the principal amount outstanding during a particular period of time and for other basic lending risks and costs (e.g. liquidity risk and administrative costs), as well as a profit margin.

For the purposes of this assessment, 'principal' is defined as the fair value of the financial asset on initial recognition. 'Interest' is defined as consideration for the time value of money and for the credit risk associated with the principal amount outstanding during a particular period of time and for other basic lending risks and costs (e.g. liquidity risk and administrative costs), as well as a profit margin.

SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND**Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)****Year ended October 31, 2024*****(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)***2. Material accounting policy (continued)**(d) Financial assets and financial liabilities (continued)****(ii) Classification (continued)***Assessment whether contractual cash flows are SPPI (continued)*

In assessing whether the contractual cash flows are SPPI, the Fund considers the contractual terms of the instrument. This includes assessing whether the financial asset contains a contractual term that could change the timing or amount of contractual cash flows such that it would not meet this condition. In making this assessment, the Fund considers:

- contingent events that would change the amount or timing of cash flows;
- leverage features;
- prepayment and extension features;
- terms that limit the Fund's claim to cash flows from specified assets (e.g. non-recourse features); and
- features that modify consideration of the time value of money (e.g. periodical reset of interest rates).

Reclassifications

Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition unless the Fund were to change its business model for managing those financial assets, in which case all affected financial assets would be reclassified on the first day of the first reporting period following the change in the business model.

(iii) Amortised cost measurement

The amortised cost of a financial asset or liability is the amount at which the financial asset or liability is measured at initial recognition, minus principal repayments, plus or minus the cumulative amortisation using the effective interest method of any difference between the amount recognised and the maturity amount, minus any reduction for impairment.

(iv) Fair value measurement

'Fair value' is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date in the principal or, in its absence, the most advantageous market to which the Fund has access at that date. The fair value of a liability reflects its non-performance risk.

When available, the Fund Manager measures the fair value of an instrument using the quoted price in an active market for that instrument. A market is regarded as active if transactions for the asset or liability take place with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND**Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)****Year ended October 31, 2024*****(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)*****2. Material accounting policy (continued)****(d) Financial assets and financial liabilities (continued)****(iv) Fair value measurement (continued)**

If there is no quoted price in an active market, then the Fund Manager uses valuation techniques that maximise the use of relevant observable inputs and minimise the use of unobservable inputs. The chosen valuation technique incorporates all of the factors that market participants would take into account in pricing a transaction.

The best evidence of the fair value of a financial instrument at initial recognition is normally the transaction price - i.e. the fair value of the consideration given or received. If the Fund Manager determines that the fair value at initial recognition differs from the transaction price and the fair value is evidenced neither by a quoted price in an active market for an identical asset or liability nor based on a valuation technique that uses only data from observable markets, then the financial instrument is initially measured at fair value, adjusted to defer the difference between the fair value at initial recognition and the transaction price. Subsequently, that difference is recognised in profit or loss on an appropriate basis over the life of the instrument but no later than when the valuation is wholly supported by observable market data or the transaction is closed out.

If an asset or a liability measured at fair value has a bid price and an ask price, then the Fund Manager measures the asset and long positions at a bid price and the liability and short positions at an ask price.

Portfolios of financial assets and financial liabilities that are exposed to market risk and credit risk that are managed by the Fund Manager on the basis of the net exposure to either market or credit risk are measured on the basis of a price that would be received to sell a net long position (or paid to transfer a net short position) for a particular risk exposure. Those portfolio-level adjustments are allocated to the individual assets and liabilities on the basis of the relative risk adjustment of each of the individual instruments in the portfolio.

The Fund recognises transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy as of the end of the reporting period during which the change has occurred.

(v) Derecognition

The Fund derecognises a financial instrument when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or it transfers the rights to receive the contractual cash flows on the financial asset in a transaction in which substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred. Any interest in transferred financial assets that is created or retained by the Fund is recognised as a separate asset or liability on the statement of financial position.

On derecognition of a financial asset, the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the consideration received is recognised in the profit or loss.

SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND**Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)****Year ended October 31, 2024*****(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)*****2. Material accounting policy (continued)****(d) Financial assets and financial liabilities (continued)****(v) Derecognition (continued)**

The Fund is engaged in transactions whereby it transfers assets recognised on its statement of financial position, but retains either all risks and rewards of the transferred assets or a portion of them. If all or substantially all risks and rewards are retained, then the transferred assets are not derecognised. Transfers of assets with retention of all or substantially all risks and rewards include, for example, securities lending and repurchase transactions.

The Fund derecognises a financial liability when its contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

(vi) Offsetting

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the statement of financial position only when the Fund has a legal right to set off the recognised amounts and it intends to settle on a net basis or to realise the assets and settle the liability simultaneously.

(vii) Identification and measurement of impairment

The Fund recognises loss allowances for expected credit losses (ECLs) on financial assets measured at amortised cost.

Based on lifetime ECLs, except for the following, which are measured at 12-month ECLs:

- financial assets that are determined to have low credit risk at the reporting date; and
- other financial assets for which credit risk (i.e. the risk of default occurring over the expected life of the asset) has not increased significantly since initial recognition.

When determining whether the credit risk of a financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition and when estimating ECLs, the Fund considers reasonable and supportable information that is relevant and available without undue cost or effort. This includes both quantitative and qualitative information and analysis, based on the Fund's historical experience and informed credit assessment and including forward-looking information.

SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND**Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)****Year ended October 31, 2024*****(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)*****2. Material accounting policy (continued)****(d) Financial assets and financial liabilities (continued)****(vii) Identification and measurement of impairment (continued)**

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The Fund assumes that the credit risk on a financial asset has increased significantly if it is more than 30 days past due.

The Fund considers a financial asset to be in default when:

- the borrower is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the Fund in full, without recourse by the Fund to actions such as realising security (if any is held); or
- the financial asset is more than 90 days past due.

The Fund considers a financial asset to have low credit risk when the credit rating of the counterparty is equivalent to the globally understood definition of 'investment grade'. The Fund considers this to be as follows:

- (a) Credit Ratings issued by Standard and Poor's as BBB- or above;
- (b) Credit Ratings issued by Fitch Rating Agency as BBB- or above;
- (c) Credit Ratings issued by Moody's Rating Agency as Baa3 or above;
- (d) Credit Ratings issued by Caribbean Information and Credit Rating Services Limited as CariBBB- or above.

The maximum period considered when estimating ECLs is the maximum contractual period over which the Fund is exposed to credit risk.

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ECLs are a probability-weighted estimate of credit losses. Credit losses are measured as the present value of all cash shortfalls (i.e. the difference between the cash flows due to the entity in accordance with the contract and the cash flows that the Fund expects to receive).

ECLs are discounted at the effective interest rate of the financial asset.

Credit-impaired financial assets

A financial asset is 'credit-impaired' when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset have occurred.

Evidence that a financial asset is credit-impaired includes the following observable data:

- significant financial difficulty of the borrower or issuer;
- a breach of contract such as a default or being more than 90 days past due; or
- it is probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation.

Presentation of allowance for ECLs in the statement of financial position

Loss allowances for financial assets measured at amortised cost are deducted from the gross carrying amount of the assets.

Write-off

The gross carrying amount of a financial asset is written off when the Fund has no reasonable expectations of recovering a financial asset in its entirety or a portion thereof.

(e) Resale agreements

A resale agreement ("reverse repo") is a short-term transaction whereby an entity buys securities and simultaneously agrees to resell the securities on a specified date and at a specified price. Title to the security is not actually transferred, unless the counterparty fails to comply with the terms of the contract.

Reverse repos are accounted for as short-term collateralised lending and are classified as loans and receivables and measured at amortised cost. The difference between the purchase and resale price is recognised as interest over the life of the agreements using the effective interest method.

SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND**Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)****Year ended October 31, 2024*****(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)*****2. Material accounting policies (continued)****(f) Accounts receivable**

Trade and other receivables are measured at amortised cost, less impairment losses.

(g) Other payables

Other payables are measured at amortised cost.

(h) Redeemable units

The Fund classifies financial instruments issued as financial liabilities or equity instruments in accordance with the substance of the contractual terms of the instruments. The redeemable units issued by the Fund provide investors with the right to require redemption for cash at a value proportionate to the investor's share in the Fund's net assets at the redemption date and also in the event of the Fund's liquidation. The redeemable units are therefore classified as equity.

(i) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are measured at amortised cost which approximates fair value. This represents current account, call deposit balances and terms deposits at bank with maturities three months or less.

3. Critical accounting estimates and judgements in applying accounting policies

The Fund Manager makes estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of, and disclosures relating to assets, liabilities, income and expenses reported in these financial statements. Estimates and judgments are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

In the absence of quoted market prices, the fair value of the Fund's financial investments was determined using a generally accepted alternative method. The method includes the use of yield on securities with similar risks and tenure at the reporting date. There is however, no single accepted market yield, and therefore the resultant fair value estimates may not reflect the prices at which these instruments would trade in actual arm's length transactions.

The measurement of the expected credit loss allowance for financial assets measured at amortised cost is an area that requires the use of complex models and significant assumptions about future economic conditions and credit behaviour (e.g. the likelihood default and the resulting losses). Explanation of the inputs, assumptions and estimation techniques used in measuring ECLs is further detailed in notes 2(d)(vii) and 13(a), which also sets out key sensitivities of the ECLs to changes in these elements.

4. Management fees

The Manager is entitled to a fee (the "management fee") from the classes of Redeemable Investment Shares as disclosed in the table below.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Management fee per annum</u>
A	1.50%
I	Nil

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No management fees are charged on Class I units. Instead, Class I investors negotiate a separate fee that is paid directly to the Manager. The Company also incurs certain operating expenses. Such expenses may include, but are not limited to, administrative costs, interest on borrowed funds, auditing expenses, legal expenses, insurance, licensing, accounting, fees and disbursement of transfer agents, registrars, custodians, sub-custodians and escrow agents and the annual registration fee payable in Jamaica. The Manager may at its sole discretion choose to absorb any of these expenses, at any time.

For the year ended October 31, 2024, the Manager voluntarily applied an expense ratio cap of 2.00% for Class A units (2023: 2.00%), and 2.00% for Class I units (2023: 2.00%). As a result of the expense ratio cap, total operating expenses reimbursed by the Manager for the year ending October 31, 2024 was \$nil (2023: \$4,981). The Manager may decide to change or cease the expense ratio cap at any time.

5. Other expenses

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Auditors' remuneration	3,306	5,869
Transfer agent fees	12,438	11,824
Trustee fees	12,453	10,229
Administration fees	14,279	12,622
Bank fees	-	195
	<u>42,476</u>	<u>40,739</u>

6. Cash and cash equivalents

This represents current account balances and call deposits at bank with maturities three months or less.

7. Balances due from brokers

This represents cash receivable from the brokers.

8. Financial assets at amortised cost

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Government and Bank of Jamaica Securities:		
GOJ VR Benchmark Investment Notes	3,618,587	4,439,844
GOJ VR Benchmark Investment Notes 8.66%	1,969,258	-
BOJ 8.50% 2026	1,885,233	-
BOJ 7.00% 2024	1,400,056	-
GOJ FR 4.50% 2025	246,167	247,028
GOJ FR 10.00% 2028	235,803	-
BOJ FR 8.50% 2025	198,815	197,668
BOJ 7.75% 2026	101,197	-
GOJ 273 - Day Treasury Bill 0.00% 2025	48,910	-
GOJ FR 4.50% BMI 2025	35,072	20,271
GOJ US FR 2025 Global Bond 7.62%	5,283	10,930
BOJ FR 8.00% 2024	-	400,235
BOJ 7.50% 2023	-	199,974
BOJ 7.50%	-	198,360
GOJ 1% 2024	-	49,053
	<u>9,744,381</u>	<u>5,763,363</u>
Balance carried forward to page 21		

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	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Balance brought forward from page 20	9,744,381	5,763,363
Corporate bonds:		
JN Bank Term Deposit 9.00% 2025	1,094,370	-
JMMB Bank Term Deposit 9.25% 2025	975,173	-
FCIB Bank Term Deposit 9.50% 2025	598,318	-
JMMB Bank Term Deposit 7.50% 2025	365,907	-
JMMB Bank Term Deposit 9.00% 2025	341,029	-
SFC JMD 10.75% 2025	300,218	-
FCIB Bank Term Deposit 9.25% 2025	245,552	-
JMMB 11.75% 2027	225,000	-
JMMB Bank Term Deposit 7.65% 2025	179,316	-
NCB Financial Group 11.25% 2026	175,000	-
SVL BOND 11.25% 2026	150,500	150,500
NCB Financial Group 10.75% 2025	150,000	150,000
JMMB Bank Term Deposit 8.50% 2025	144,356	-
JMMB Group 11.40% Bond 2024	125,000	125,000
JMMB Bank Term Deposit 9.40% 2025	99,848	-
JN Bank Term Deposit 8.50% 2025	44,841	-
JN Bank Term Deposit 10.00% 2024	21,386	-
JN Bank Term Deposit 10.00% 2024	-	1,358,948
FCIB Bank Term Deposit 10.00% 2024	-	1,257,006
NCB Financial Group 6.00% 2023	-	550,000
JMMB Bank Term Deposit 10.00% 2024	-	434,267
JMMB Bank Term Deposit 9.50% 2024	-	366,048
VMBS Term Deposit 9.90% 2024	-	280,660
VMBS Term Deposit 9.75% 2024	-	329,526
SFC JMD BOND 10.50% 2024	-	300,368
JMMB 10.50% 2024	-	225,000
JN Bank Term Deposit 9.50% 2024	-	203,966
JMMB Bank Term Deposit 9.65% 2024	-	134,290
JN Bank Call Deposit 9.75% 2024	-	100,000
VMBS Term Deposit 9.95% 2024	-	85,113
VMBS Term Deposit 10.00% 2024	-	81,001
VMBS Term Deposit 9.85% 2024	-	54,889
JN Bank Term Deposit 9.75% 2024	-	45,273
Access Financial Services Ltd 3.25% 2024	-	27,500
JN Bank Call Deposit 10% 2024	-	15,000
	<u>14,980,195</u>	<u>12,037,718</u>
Accrued interest	220,064	217,482
Expected credit losses	(15,553)	(14,717)
Total	<u>15,184,706</u>	<u>12,240,483</u>

SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND**Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)****Year ended October 31, 2024*****(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)*****9. Resale agreements**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Resale agreements	6,157,928	3,734,511
Accrued interest	242,506	95,192
Expected credit losses	(209)	(9)
Total	<u>6,400,225</u>	<u>3,829,694</u>

The fair value of underlying securities used to collateralise resale agreements is \$28,395,948 (2023: \$4,286,187).

10. Due from Fund Manager

This represents a balance due from the Fund Manager, net of commission, on account of amounts collected from unit holders for sale of units or amounts reimbursable for expenditure on behalf of the Fund.

11. Other payables

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Accrued expenses	39,454	35,281
Distribution income payable	<u>137,731</u>	<u>109,985</u>
	<u>177,185</u>	<u>145,266</u>

12. Redeemable units

The Fund's capital is represented by the redeemable units outstanding.

The objective of the Fund is to provide investors with a diversified money market fund offering liquidity and preservation of capital. The Fund invests in a wide range of securities, including stable, short-term instruments such as Government of Jamaica securities, Certificates of Deposit and corporate paper issued by creditworthy institutions in Jamaica and overseas. Unit holders may take advantage of the Fund's tax-exempt status by maintaining their investments in the Fund for a minimum period of 5 years.

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Increase in net assets attributable to the holders of redeemable units	1,487,475	1,227,189
Proceeds from new units issued	7,758,957	3,564,100
Proceeds from reinvestments	<u>1,018,810</u>	<u>848,210</u>
Total inflows	10,265,242	5,639,499
Units encashed and repaid during the year	(3,124,949)	(3,156,022)
Units distributions during year	<u>(1,491,360)</u>	<u>(1,227,918)</u>
Increase in net assets for the year	5,648,933	1,255,559
Balance at the beginning of the year	<u>18,192,037</u>	<u>16,936,478</u>
Balance as at October 31	<u>23,840,970</u>	<u>18,192,037</u>

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	Number of units	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Class A		
Redeemable units:		
Opening balance	179,394,270	167,249,236
Issued during the year	67,869,472	43,705,719
Reinvested during the year	9,926,368	-
Redeemed during the year	(31,007,377)	(31,560,685)
Balance as at October 31	<u>226,182,733</u>	<u>179,394,270</u>
Class I		
Redeemable units:		
Opening balances	2,533,457	2,115,620
Issued during the year	9,720,097	417,837
Reinvested during the year	261,728	-
Redeemed during the year	(242,111)	-
Balance as at October 31	<u>12,273,171</u>	<u>2,533,457</u>

Class A Units are available to all investors. Class I Units are available only to eligible institutional investors and other qualified investors. No management fees are charged by the Fund Manager to the Funds on Class I Units of the Funds. Instead, Class I Unit Holders negotiate a separate fee that is paid directly to the Fund Manager.

After the initial offering period, redeemable units are available for subscription and redemption on each business day at a price equal to the net asset value per unit. The net asset value per unit is calculated in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standard.

In the event of a winding-up of the Fund, holders of redeemable unit are entitled to receive a pro-rata share up to their par value if there are sufficient assets available. In the event of any surplus assets, they are entitled to a further pro-rata unit of the assets.

13. Financial risk management

The Fund's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks and those activities involve the analysis, evaluation, acceptance and management of some degree of risk or combination of risks. Taking risk is core to the financial business, and the operational risks are an inevitable consequence of being in business. The Fund Manager's aim is, therefore, to achieve an appropriate balance between risks and return and minimise potential adverse effects on the Fund's financial performance.

The Fund Manager's risk management policies are designed to identify and analyse these risks, to set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor the risks and adherence to limits by means of reliable and up-to-date information systems. The Fund Manager regularly reviews its risk management policies and systems to reflect changes in markets, products and emerging best practice.

The senior management investment team carries out risk management under policies approved by Scotia Group Investment Committee. The Investment Committee identifies and evaluates financial risks, as well as written policies covering specific areas, such as foreign exchange risk, interest rate risk, and credit risk in accordance with the Trust Deed, which provides written policies for overall risk management.

SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND**Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)****Year ended October 31, 2024*****(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)*****13. Financial risk management (continued)**

Financial instrument risks:

Exposure to credit, market, and liquidity risks arises in the course of the Fund's business. Derivative instruments are not presently used to manage, mitigate or eliminate financial instrument risks.

(a) Credit risk

The Fund takes on exposure to credit risk, which is the risk that a counterparty will cause a financial loss for the Fund by failing to discharge its obligation. Credit risk is the most important risk for the Fund's business; management therefore carefully manages its exposure to credit risk. Credit exposures arise principally on investment activities that bring debt securities and other bills into the Fund's asset portfolio. Credit risk management and control are managed by the Investment Committee which has the responsibility of ensuring risks are managed within the limits established by the Trust Deed. In addition, Internal Audit is responsible for the independent review of risk management and the control environment.

The Fund Manager monitors credit risk by establishing a credit committee which reviews and assesses the Fund's credit portfolios with a view to reducing and controlling this risk.

Concentration of credit risk is mainly with respect to investments in Government of Jamaica securities. The maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by the carrying amount of each financial asset on the statement of financial position.

(i) Credit risk measurement

The probabilities of default of counterparties are assessed by using internal rating tools developed by Scotia Group, tailored to the various categories of counterparty. They are validated, where appropriate, by comparison with externally available data. Scotia Group rating scale shown below reflects the range of default probabilities defined for each rating class.

<u>Scotia Group rating</u>	<u>External rating: Standard & Poor's equivalent</u>
Excellent	AAA to AA+
Very Good	AA to A+
Good	A to A-
Acceptable	BBB+ to BB+
Higher Risk	BB to B-

Credit quality analysis

The Fund's exposure to credit risk arises in respect of the following financial instruments:

- Cash and cash equivalents;
- Resale agreements; and
- Investment in Government of Jamaica securities and corporate bonds

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The Fund limits its exposure to credit risk by investing only with counterparties that have high credit ratings and in Government of Jamaica securities. Therefore, management does not expect any counterparty to fail to meet its obligations.

The Fund has documented investment policies in place, which guide the Fund in managing credit risk on investment securities and securities purchased under resale agreements. The Fund's exposure and the credit ratings of its counterparties are continually monitored, and the aggregate value of transactions concluded is spread amongst approved counterparties based on their credit ratings and limits set.

At October 31, 2024, the Fund invested in Government of Jamaica securities with a credit grade of B+, based on Standard and Poor's ratings.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents is held with reputable financial institutions and collateral is not required for such accounts, as the Investment Manager regards the institutions as strong.

Impairment

Impairment on cash and cash equivalents, and receivables has been measured on a 12-month expected loss basis. The Fund considers that these exposures have low credit risk based on the external credit ratings of the counterparties.

The Investment Manager monitors changes in credit risk on these exposures by tracking published external credit ratings of the counterparties and reviewing changes in bond yields, where available.

The amount of impairment allowance on resale agreements and Government and Corporate bonds are \$15,904 (2023: \$14,887).

(b) Market risk

The Fund takes on exposure to market risk, which is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risk arises from open positions in interest rate, currency and equity products, all of which are exposed to general and specific market movements and changes in the level of volatility of market rates or prices such as interest rates, credit spreads, foreign exchange rates and equity prices. The Fund's exposures to market risk are related to portfolios.

SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND**Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)****Year ended October 31, 2024****(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)**13. Financial risk management (continued)**(b) Market risk (continued)**

The market risk arising from trading and non-trading activities are determined by the investment managers and monitored by the Scotia Group's treasury teams separately. Regular reports are submitted to the Investment Committee for review. Trading portfolios include those positions arising from market-making transactions where The Fund acts as principal with clients or with the market.

(i) Interest rate risk:

Interest rate risk is the risk that the future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. Fair value interest rate risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Fund is exposed to the effects of fluctuations in the prevailing levels of market interest rates on both its fair value and cash flow risks. Interest margins may increase as a result of such changes but may reduce losses in the event that unexpected movements arise. The Investment Committee sets limits on the level of mismatch of interest rate repricing that may be undertaken, which is monitored daily by the Fund Manager.

The following tables summarise carrying amounts of assets, liabilities and the capital account in order to arrive at the Fund's interest rate gap based on the earlier of contractual repricing and maturity dates.

	2024						
	<u>Immediately rate sensitive</u>	<u>Within 3 months</u>	<u>3 to 12 months</u>	<u>1 to 5 years</u>	<u>Over 5 years</u>	<u>Non-rate sensitive</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	2,424,914	-	-	-	-	-	2,424,914
Financial assets at amortised cost	-	1,655,763	8,728,619	2,810,165	1,990,159	-	15,184,706
Resale agreements	-	2,525,136	3,875,089	-	-	-	6,400,225
Accounts receivable	-	8,310	-	-	-	-	8,310
Total assets	<u>2,424,914</u>	<u>4,189,209</u>	<u>12,603,708</u>	<u>2,810,165</u>	<u>1,990,159</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,018,155</u>
Accounts payable	-	-	-	-	-	177,185	177,185
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	-	-	-	-	-	23,840,970	23,840,970
Total liabilities and net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	-	-	-	-	-	24,018,155	24,018,155
Total interest rate sensitivity gap	<u>2,424,914</u>	<u>4,189,209</u>	<u>12,603,708</u>	<u>2,810,165</u>	<u>1,990,159</u>	<u>(24,018,155)</u>	<u>-</u>
Cumulative gap	<u>2,414,914</u>	<u>6,614,123</u>	<u>19,217,831</u>	<u>22,027,996</u>	<u>24,018,155</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND**Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)****Year ended October 31, 2024****(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)**13. **Financial risk management (continued)****(b) Market risk (continued)****(i) Interest rate risk (continued):**

	2023						
	Immediately rate sensitive	Within 3 months	3 to 12 months	1 to 5 years	Over 5 years	Non-rate sensitive	Total
Cash and cash equivalents	2,148,115	-	-	-	-	-	2,148,115
Financial assets at amortised cost	-	847,785	5,992,075	3,409,502	1,991,121	-	12,240,483
Resale agreements	-	743,982	3,085,712	-	-	-	3,829,694
Accounts receivable	-	3,993	-	-	-	115,018	119,011
Total assets	2,148,115	1,595,760	9,077,787	3,409,502	1,991,121	115,018	18,337,303
Accounts payable	-	-	-	-	-	145,266	145,266
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	-	-	-	-	-	18,192,037	18,192,037
Total liabilities and net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	-	-	-	-	-	18,337,303	18,337,303
Total interest rate sensitivity gap	2,148,115	1,595,760	9,077,787	3,409,502	1,991,121	(18,337,303)	-
Cumulative gap	2,148,115	3,743,875	12,821,662	16,231,164	18,337,303	-	-

The average interest rates of financial instruments are as follows:

	2024					
	Immediately rate sensitive	Within 3 months	3 to 12 months	1 to 5 years	Over 5 years	Average
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Cash and cash equivalents	3.25	9.29	-	-	-	6.27
Financial assets at amortised cost	-	8.15	8.76	9.69	8.23	8.63
Resale agreements	-	8.85	8.32	-	-	9.39

	2023					
	Immediately rate sensitive	Within 3 months	3 to 12 months	1 to 5 years	Over 5 years	Average
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Cash and cash equivalents	3.25	-	-	-	-	3.25
Financial assets at amortised cost	-	7.83	9.60	8.33	8.23	8.50
Resale agreements	-	9.14	9.63	-	-	9.39

Cash flows sensitivity analysis for variable rate instruments:

An increase of 25 (2023: 50) basis points in interest rates at the reporting date would have increased the net assets attributable to the holder of redeemable units by \$13,959 (2023: \$22,192). Similarly, a decrease of 100 (2023: 25) basis points in interest rates would have decreased net assets attributable to the holder of redeemable units by \$55,834 (2023: \$11,096).

(ii) Foreign currency risk:

Foreign currency risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in foreign exchange rates. The analysis is performed in the same manner on a consistent manner on a year-on-year basis.

SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND**Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)****Year ended October 31, 2024*****(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)***13. Financial risk management (continued)**(b) Market risk (continued)**

(ii) Foreign currency risk (continued):

The Fund incurs foreign currency risk on transactions that are denominated in a currency other than the Jamaica dollar. The main currency giving rise to this risk is the United States dollar (USD\$). The Fund ensures that the net exposure is kept within limits established by the Fund Manager.

At the reporting date, the Jamaican dollar equivalent of the Fund's financial assets and liabilities is as follows:

	<u>2024</u>		
	<u>JMD\$</u>	<u>USD\$</u>	<u>Total</u>
Financial assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	2,424,905	9	2,424,914
Financial assets at amortised cost	15,184,706	-	15,184,706
Resale agreements	6,400,225	-	6,400,225
Accounts receivable	<u>8,310</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,310</u>
Total financial assets	24,018,146	9	24,018,155
Financial liability			
Other payables	(<u>177,185</u>)	<u>-</u>	(<u>177,185</u>)
Net financial assets	<u>23,840,961</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>23,840,970</u>
	<u>2023</u>		
	<u>JMD\$</u>	<u>USD\$</u>	<u>Total</u>
Financial assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	2,148,089	26	2,148,115
Balance due from brokers	115,018	-	115,018
Financial assets at amortised cost	12,229,308	11,175	12,240,483
Resale agreements	3,829,694	-	3,829,694
Accounts receivable	<u>3,993</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,993</u>
Total financial assets	18,326,102	11,201	18,337,303
Financial liability			
Other payables	(<u>145,266</u>)	<u>-</u>	(<u>145,266</u>)
Net assets	<u>18,180,836</u>	<u>11,201</u>	<u>18,192,037</u>

The following significant exchange rates were applied during the year:

	<u>Average rate for the year</u>		<u>Reporting date spot rate</u>	
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
USD\$1	<u>156.1220</u>	<u>153.8055</u>	<u>158.3700</u>	<u>155.2496</u>

SCOTIA PREMIUM MONEY MARKET FUND**Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)****Year ended October 31, 2024*****(Expressed in thousands of Jamaican dollars unless otherwise stated)***13. Financial risk management (continued)**(b) Market risk (continued)**

(ii) Foreign currency risk (continued):

Sensitivity analysis

Changes in the J\$ against the US\$ at October 31, would have had a positive/(negative) on profit or loss by the amounts shown below:

Effect on the net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
US\$ increase by 4% (2023: 4%)	0.4	448
US\$ decrease by 1% (2023: 1%)	<u>(0.1)</u>	<u>(112)</u>

(c) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Fund is unable to meet its payment obligations associated with its financial liabilities when they fall due and to replace funds when they are withdrawn. The consequence may be the failure to meet obligations to repay unit holders and fulfill other commitments.

A senior management investment team regularly reviews sources of liquidity and performs the following:

- Day-to-day funding, managed by monitoring future cash flows to ensure that requirements can be met. This includes replenishment of funds as they mature or encashment made by unit holders.
- Maintaining an active, highly marketable portfolio of assets/money markets and or equity (shares), which can be easily liquidated as protection against unforeseen disruption to cash flow;
- Managing the concentration and profile of debt maturities against internal and regulatory requirements; and
- Monitoring the liquidity ratios against internal and regulatory requirements.

The Fund's financial liabilities consist of other payables with contractual maturities of within three months from the reporting date.

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The redeemable shares issued by the Fund provide an investor with the right redeem shares for cash at a value proportionate to the investor's share in the Fund's net assets at each redemption date and are classified as equity. See note 10 for description of the redeemable shares issued by the Fund.

The Fund's objectives when managing the redeemable shares are to maintain a strong base to maximize returns to all investors and manage liquidity risk arising from redemptions.

The Fund is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements.

There were no changes to the Fund's risk management policies during the year.

14. Fair value of financial instruments

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction at the measurement date. Market price is used to determine fair value where an active market exists, as it is the best evidence of the fair value of a financial instrument.

For financial instruments for which no market price is available, fair value is estimated using present value or other estimation and valuation techniques based on market conditions existing at the reporting date.

The Fund measures fair value using the following fair value hierarchy, which reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements.

- Level 1: Inputs that are quoted market prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical instruments.
- Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices). This category includes instruments valued using quoted market prices in active markets that are considered less than active; or other valuation techniques in which all significant inputs are directly or indirectly observable from market data.
- Level 3: Inputs that are unobservable. This category includes all instruments for which the valuation technique includes inputs not based on observable data and the observable inputs have a significant effect on the instrument valuation. This category includes instruments that are valued based on prices for similar instruments for which significant observation adjustments or assumptions are done to reflect differences between the instruments.

The values derived from applying these techniques are significantly affected by the underlying assumptions used concerning both the amounts and timing of future cash flows and the discount rates. The following methods and assumptions have been used:

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- (i) the fair value of liquid assets and other assets maturing within one year is assumed to approximate their carrying amount.
- (ii) the fair value of variable rate financial instruments is assumed to approximate their carrying amounts.

Accounting classifications and fair values:

The following table shows the carrying amounts and fair values of financial assets and liabilities, including their levels in the fair value hierarchy.

	2024			
	Carrying amount		Fair value	
	Amortised cost	Total	Level 3	Total
Financial assets not measured at fair value:				
Cash and cash equivalents	2,425,056	2,425,056	2,425,056	2,425,056
Financial assets at amortised cost	15,200,259	15,200,259	15,282,928	15,282,928
Resale agreements	6,400,434	6,400,434	6,400,434	6,400,434
Accounts receivable	8,310	8,310	8,310	8,310
	<u>24,034,059</u>	<u>24,034,059</u>	<u>24,116,728</u>	<u>24,116,728</u>
Financial liabilities not measured at fair value:				
Other payables	<u>177,185</u>	<u>177,185</u>	<u>177,185</u>	<u>177,185</u>
	2023			
	Carrying amount		Fair value	
	Amortised cost	Total	Level 3	Total
Financial assets not measured at fair value:				
Cash and cash equivalents	2,148,276	2,148,276	2,148,276	2,148,276
Balance due from brokers	115,018	115,018	115,018	115,018
Financial assets at amortised cost	12,255,200	12,255,200	12,058,915	12,058,915
Resale agreements	3,829,703	3,829,703	3,829,703	3,829,703
Accounts receivable	3,993	3,993	3,993	3,993
	<u>18,352,190</u>	<u>18,352,190</u>	<u>18,155,905</u>	<u>18,155,905</u>
Financial liabilities not measured at fair value:				
Other payables	<u>145,266</u>	<u>145,266</u>	<u>145,266</u>	<u>145,266</u>

15. Units prices/yield

- (a) The yield of the Fund for the year ended October 31, 2024 was 7.39% (2023: 6.93%).

The calculation of yield is based on the annualised movement in unit price over the year.

- (b) The price per unit as at October 31, 2024 was:

Buying/selling - \$100 (2023: \$100)

The price per unit is arrived at by dividing the value of the net deposited property, less sales and fiscal charges, by the number of units in issue at a point in time.

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	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Proceeds of sale of new units	7,758,957	3,564,100
Less: amount paid over to trustee	<u>(7,758,957)</u>	<u>(3,564,100)</u>
	<u>NIL</u>	<u>NIL</u>
Encashment of units by clients	(3,124,949)	(3,156,022)
Payment by trustee	<u>3,124,949</u>	<u>3,156,022</u>
	<u>NIL</u>	<u>NIL</u>
	<u><u>NIL</u></u>	<u><u>NIL</u></u>

17. Related party balances and transactions

- (a) Parties are considered to be related if one party has the ability to control or exercise significant influence over, or be controlled and significantly influenced by, the other party or both parties are subject to common control or significant influence. A number of transactions are entered into with related parties, in the normal course of business. These include investment transactions.

Related party transactions with the Fund Manager, its subsidiary (previously, the Fund Manager) and its parent, include management fees and interest income.

- (b) Identity of related parties:

The Fund has related party relationships with its Fund Manager and parent and subsidiary of the Fund Manager.

- (c) The statement of financial position includes related party balances, arising in the ordinary course of business as follows:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Fund Manager and related party under common control:		
Cash	(5,507)	61
Due to Scotia Investments Jamaica Limited	<u>(32,861)</u>	<u>(26,367)</u>

- (d) The statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income includes the following expenses incurred in transactions with related parties in the ordinary course of business:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Management fee expense		
Scotia Investments Jamaica Limited	<u>350,294</u>	<u>297,729</u>

The following related parties are unit holders as at October 31 with balances as shown:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Key management personnel of the Fund Manager's ultimate parent:		
Scotia Investments Jamaica Limited	<u>25,760</u>	<u>11,401</u>