

Guardian Acuity Money Market Fund

Open Ended Money Market Fund

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HIGHLIGHT

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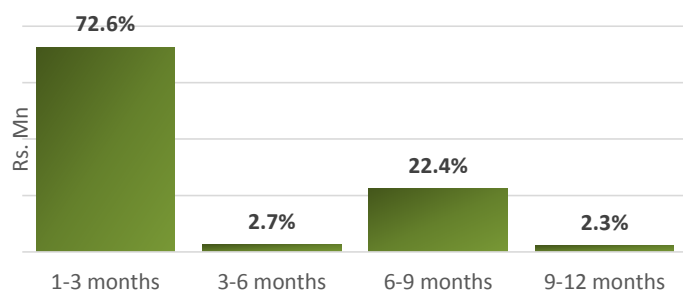
COMMENTARY
By Fund Manager,
Sashika Wickramaratne

RETURNS			
PERIOD	FUND	NDBIB-CRISIL 91 T-BILL INDEX	ANNUALISED FUND RETURN
2016 September	0.85%	0.84%	10.35%
3 Months	2.64%	2.29%	10.47%
YTD 2016	7.01%	5.80%	9.33%
Since Inception Cum.	53.54%	44.57%	11.65%

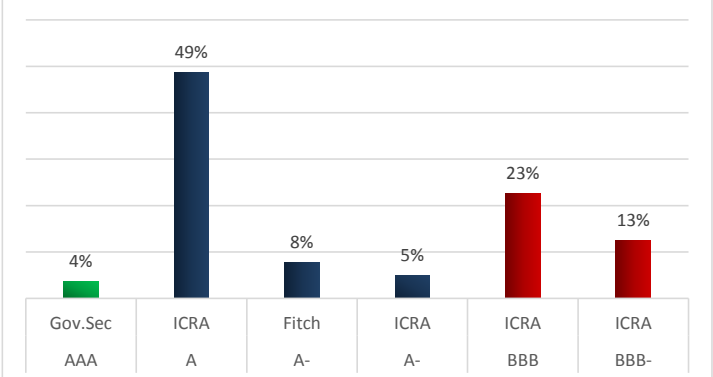
* Performances are based on month end prices

KEY INDICATORS			
Average Maturity	(Months)		2.84
Duration	(Months)		0.17
Expense Ratio	%		0.78%
Unit Price as at 30 Sept. 2016	Rs.		13.3329

MATURITY PROFILE



FUND CREDIT QUALITY



ASSET ALLOCATION

Fixed Deposits	%	49%
Commercial Papers	%	41%
Securitization	%	6%
Government Securities	%	4%

FUND PERFORMANCE

The fund gave a return of 0.85% for the month of September while the 91 day Treasury bill index increased by 0.84% for the same period. The fund is currently providing a tax free current yield of 10.36% p.a. to its investors.

INTEREST RATES AND THE ECONOMY

Forex reserves rose to 6,598 million dollars in August 2016, from 6,485 million in July, following the issue of the USD 1.5 dollar sovereign bond. Private sector credit growth touched 28.5% in July on a year on year basis from 25% in January this year, however it is expected to decelerate following the recent policy rate hike by 50 basis points. CBSL has injected Rs.54 billion at the end of September 2016 as opposed to 20 billion net absorption in August 2016. The October 2016 T bond maturity value of Rs.34 billion will reduce the CBSL net liquidity injection requirement but it is not sufficient to cover the liquidity requirement in the market, hence, we expect the market rates to adjust upwards in line with the policy rate hike, given the lower liquidity level in the system.

After Brexit, due to the quantitative easing program in Japan and the delay in US Fed rate hike, we are currently seeing inflows into the local government security market due to higher yields. Based on the CBSL data the government has to settle USD 6.5 billion worth of foreign loans over the next 1 year period. If the Sri Lankan government successfully raises foreign debt in the next year, aided by the prevailing favored emerging markets environment and reduces private sector credit growth by maintaining the prevailing liquidity levels, the possibility of another policy rate hike is remote.

ABOUT THE FUND

Guardian Acuity Money Market Fund is an open ended unit trust which invests in a portfolio of investment grade securities that are maturing within 365 days.

FUND SNAPSHOT

Inception Date
Bloomberg Code
Fund Size 30 Sept. 2016
Minimum Investment

27th February 2012
GUAACFI SL Equity
LKR 5,206.70Mn
LKR 1,000

FUND FEES

Management Fee*
Custodian & Trustee Fee*
*As a percentage of NAV

0.6% p.a.
0.15% p.a.

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