

Peso Wealth Optimizer Fund 2026

An investment fund option for variable life insurance products of **The Manufacturers Life Insurance Co., (Phils), Inc.**

Investment Objective

The Fund seeks to maximize long-term capital growth while managing the risk of capital erosion as the target date approaches through a dynamic rebalancing of exposure to diversified portfolios of peso-denominated fixed income securities and securities listed on the Philippine Stock Exchange and/or pooled funds that invest in these securities and other liquid fixed income instruments.

Fund Information

Inception Date June 2016	Fund Size PHP 497.62 million	Fund Currency Philippine peso	Dealing/Valuation Daily
Price (NAV/unit) PHP 0.966	Management Fee 2.25% per annum (of which 0.18% will go to the Investment advisor, Manulife Investment Management (HK) Limited.)		Bloomberg Ticker MPPHWTN

Performance Return (November 30, 2024)

Peso Wealth Optimizer Fund 2026 (net of management fee)	1 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception
Absolute	-3.01%	3.76%	5.92%	0.52%	-5.39%	-3.40%
Annualized	n.a.	n.a.	5.92%	0.17%	-1.10%	-0.41%

Past performance is not an indication of future results. Information about the portfolio's holdings, asset allocation, or country diversification is historical and is not an indication of future portfolio composition, which will vary.

Why Peso Wealth Optimizer Funds?

Investing through a target date approach simplifies asset allocation for an average investor. The asset mix changes over time, becoming more conservative as the investor's financial milestone draws closer.

The change in asset allocation over time is called the **glide path** which Manulife designed specifically for these funds.



The glide path's objectives include:

- To maximize wealth accumulation prior to target date
- To minimize risk as the target date approaches
- To make wealth last long enough to support any financial needs beyond the chosen target date

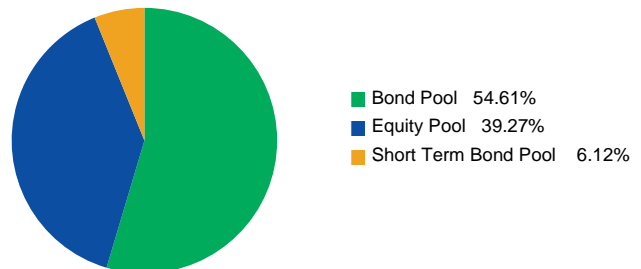
Top Five Holdings

Bond Pool		Short-Term Bond Pool	
Manulife Income Builder Fund Class I	6.26%	Manulife Stable Income Fund Class I	40.84%
FXTN 07/19/31	6.25%	Manulife Money Market Fund Class I	10.83%
FXTN 02/28/29	6.07%	FXTN 04/08/26	6.85%
FXTN 09/15/32	5.95%	FXTN 03/04/27	6.34%
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Equity Pool			
SM INVESTMENTS CORPORATION	13.90%		
INTERNATIONAL CONTAINER TERMINAL SERVICES INC	10.39%		
Manulife Equity Wealth Fund Class I	9.54%		
BDO UNIBANK INC	9.25%		
BANK OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS	8.93%		

Notes:
 FXTN - Fixed Treasury Notes or Peso-denominated debts of the Philippine Government
 RTB - Retail Treasury Bonds of the Philippine Government

Portfolio Breakdown

Asset Allocation (at Market Value)



As per the fund's Investment Policy Statement, initial subscriptions are invested in fixed 78.23% Equities, 21.3% Long term bonds, 0.47% Short term bonds. The investments of these pools consist of the following:
 -Peso Bond Pool: Peso-denominated bonds of the Republic of the Philippines and term deposits.
 -Short Term Bond Pool: Peso-denominated bonds of the Republic of the Philippines with a term of up to three years and term deposits.

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Market Review

The Philippine market lost ground in November, following the conclusion of the US presidential elections and the third-quarter earnings reporting season for local companies. The benchmark Philippine Stock Exchange Index (PSEi) declined by 7.26% for the month, putting its year-to-date performance at 5.19%. In US dollar terms, however, the PSEi is marginally lower for the year at 0.63%, as the Philippine peso reached a low of 59.004 PHP/USD during the month.

Third-quarter GDP surprised negatively as output grew by 5.2% for the period, with weather disturbances crimping agriculture and construction activity. Domestic demand remained resilient, while encouraging signs in household consumption helped offset any further slowdown as it quickened again after a two-quarter slowdown. Meanwhile, November inflation slightly accelerated to 2.5%, in line with market expectations.

Market sentiment was also negatively affected by third-quarter earnings results, which showed some weakness. The property sector continued to be affected by concerns over residential sales weakness and the exit of Philippine offshore gaming operators (POGOs), while revenues of consumer discretionary and staples names remained impacted by down trading as prices remained relatively high.

The sell-off in local bonds intensified in November, led by the short-end to belly part of the curve as the market digested the implications of President-elect Donald Trump's victory in the U.S. election. While the U.S. Federal Reserve (Fed) delivered its planned 25bps rate cut mid-December, expectations on rate cuts next year were scaled back, with the Fed's dot plot now showing just 2 cuts next year. The Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas also delivered a 25bps rate cut, while signaling to continue monetary easing early next year.

Outlook

The market's decline in November has increased the attractiveness of Philippine shares. Buying opportunities are emerging as investors prepare for 2025. Despite pressures on the local currency, manageable price pressures are likely to keep the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas on track to deliver additional rate cuts in 2025, which may help offset offshore volatility as US trade and economic policies take front and center in 1Q2025 when Donald Trump begins his second presidential term.

Looking ahead, we expect global market developments to continue to drive the local market in the short-term. We maintain our view at slight positive over the medium-term on expectations of benign local inflation and a continuation of monetary easing through next year. Nevertheless, we expect heightened volatility in the short-term to persist as the market digests the implications of another Trump regime. These uncertainties are also reflected in the elevated U.S. yields and weakness in Philippine Peso.

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