

United Capital Fixed Income Fund

Mutual Funds Factsheet | January 2026

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FUND OBJECTIVE

The main objective of the Fund is to achieve consistent income streams through investment in select portfolio of securities and investments specified in the Trust Deed. The Fund’s assets are invested in Federal Government bonds, Sub-national bonds, corporate bonds and high-quality money market securities. The Fund is not affected by the fluctuations in the equity markets. However, opportunities for capital appreciation are dependent on changes in interest rate.

MARKET REVIEW, OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY

The Debt Management Office (DMO) conducted the January 2025 bond auction with a total offer size of N900bn, split between the reopened 2031 (“7-year”), 2034 (“10-year”) and 2035 (“10-Year”) bond papers. Investors’ demand was strong, with total subscriptions reaching N2.52tn, representing a subscription rate of 2.5x. Notably, the DMO over-allotted, selling a total of N1.54tn worth of bills. The marginal rates on the 2031, 2034 and 2035 bond papers closed at 17.62%, 17.50 and 17.52% respectively.

In the secondary bond market, we observed positive sentiments as the bulls dominated. Thus, the monthly average yields on the 2030, 2032 and 2035 bonds fell by 0.26%, 0.42% and 0.12% in January to close at 16.80%, 16.69%, and 16.76% respectively.

Similarly, we observed bullish movements in corporate bonds, as average yields in Jan-2025 fell by 2.88% m/m to close at 14.29% (previously, 17.17% in Dec-2025). Nevertheless, the FGN Sukuk bonds market closed bullish as average yields on Sukuk bonds reduced by 0.05% to close at 19.97% in Jan-2026 compared to the previous month’s close of 17.02%.

At the money market, the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) conducted one NTB auction during the month. The auction had an offer size of N1.15tn worth of bills across the 91-day, 182-day, and 364-day tenors. Investors’ demand was strong, with total subscriptions amounting to N1.69tn, representing a subscription rate of 1.47x. Bids were heavily skewed toward the longer-tenored 364-day bill, which attracted a total of N1.56tn in bids. Notably, the Apex Bank over-allotted, selling N952.60bn worth of bills. Following the auction, the stop rates on the 91-day, 182-day and 364-day bills fell by 0.07%, 0.14% and 4.70% to close at 15.84%, 16.65% and 16.98% respectively.

Looking ahead to February, we expect yields to hover at current levels as investors await MPC’s decision in their upcoming meeting of 23 to 24 February. Similarly, a stable Naira could support foreign participation, keeping yields relatively modest.

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FUND FEATURES

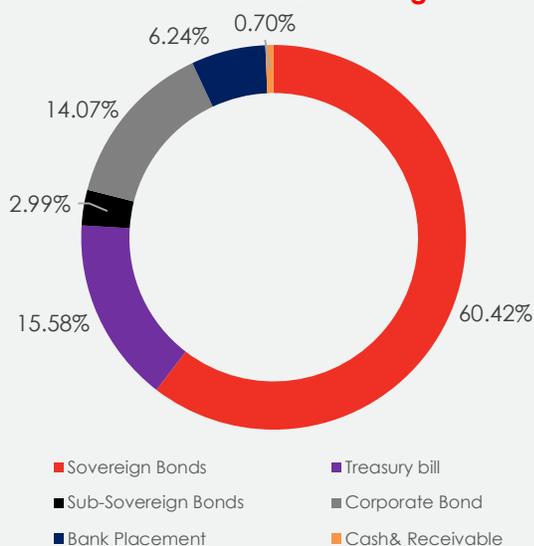
Fund Manager	United Capital Asset Management Ltd
Investment Manager Rating	A+(IM)
Base Currency/Start Year	Naira/2006
Fund Size (₦)	82.4bn
NAV Per Share (₦)	1.9899
Minimum Entry (₦)	10,000
Additional Investment (₦)	5,000
Structure	Open Ended
Minimum Holding Period	90 days
Management Fee	1.5%
Total Expense Ratio*	1.8%
Benchmark	3-Yr FGN Bond Yield
Risk Profile	Medium
Investment Style	Income Oriented

* Inclusive of management fee; Returns are net of all fees

MATURITY PROFILE OF ASSETS

<1yr	26.59%
1-3yr	32.38%
3-5yr	20.99%
5-10yr	16.13%
>10yr	3.91%

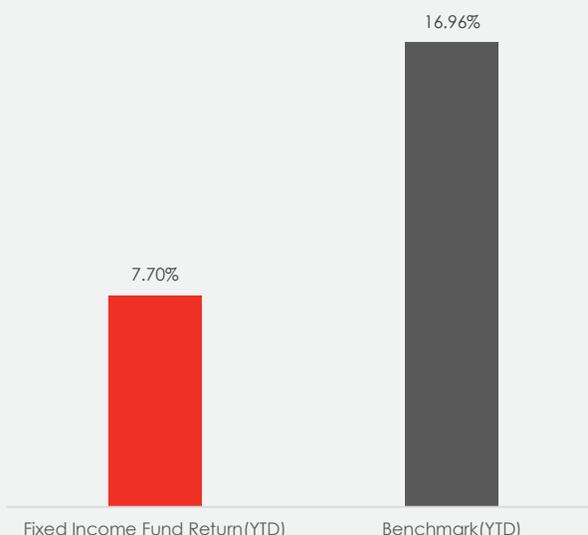
Current Portfolio Holdings



Governance Asset Allocation Ranges:

Money Market (10%-30%); Fixed Income: 70%-90%

Fixed Income Fund Return vs Benchmark (Annualized)



RETURN HISTORY

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026 YTD
UC Fixed Income Fund	6.40%	6.33%	6.88%	6.50%	8.31%	7.70%
Benchmark	9.45%	12.83%	13.30%	20.11%	16.60%	16.96%

*Represents the Fund's Annualized Return vs the Benchmark's Annualized Return

PERFORMANCE REVIEW

The United Capital Fixed Income Fund annualized YTD return as at January 2026 is 7.70% relative to 16.96% posted by the benchmark for the same period.

Market sentiments were largely mixed at the beginning of the year with yields hovering between 16% to 19% levels across various maturities (Treasury bills and bond assets).

The bond market was largely quiet with marginal movement in the yield curve. Slight uptick in several bond assets poised the fund for MTM gains.

The fund was also able to reposition using proceeds from Coupons and asset maturities to lock in to long term assets, maximizing all MTM opportunities.

Looking ahead to February 2026, we expect bullish sentiments to persist as investors continue to look for long-term positioning in the fixed income space to help preserve and improve the overall return which should encourage further inflows and better improve the funds AUM.

The portfolio remains invested in FGN Bonds, money market instruments and sub-sovereign bonds with decent yield. The fund is constantly monitoring the market to ensure optimal returns across all asset class while maintaining its current allocation to enhance the overall yield of the Fund.

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WHY CHOOSE THE FUND?

- Not exposed to equities market volatility
- Seamless entry and exit
- Low entry threshold
- Professional management with robust risk framework
- Long term capital preservation and growth

INVESTMENT RISK

- Market risk
- Macroeconomic instability
- Interest Rate Risk

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

1. Log in to our online platform www.investnow.ng
2. Click on Bond Fund
3. Click on "Open and account" and complete the online form
4. Fund your account online with a one-time payment or recurrent payments

