

# United Capital Children Investment Fund

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## FUND OBJECTIVE

The United Capital Children Investment Fund is a long-term investment vehicle designed to enable parents, guardians and investors to accumulate wealth over a long term. The Fund is targeted at investors who seek to build a financial reserve for their children future needs, including education, healthcare and other significant life events. The Fund's objective is to provide unit holders with long-term capital appreciation and steady income flow through a diversified portfolio. The Fund aims to leverage a mix of fixed-income securities, equities and money market instruments, providing a balanced risk-return profile. The equity portion of the Fund has exposures to stocks of companies with stable growth.

## MARKET REVIEW, OUTLOOK AND STRATEGY

In November 2025, the Nigerian equity market recorded a weak performance. Investors lost approximately N6.56trillion compared with N7.25trillion gained in October as market capitalisation depreciated. The overall market loss in November was driven majorly by steep declines in the Industrial Goods and Insurance sectors. The financial sector also added to the drag, with the Banking Index posting a month-on-month decline amid sustained profit-taking in major bank stocks. Notably, the major stocks that dragged the local bourse lower include DANGCEM (-19.09% month-on-month – m/m), TRANSCORP (-16.00% m/m), BUACEMENT (-11.11% m/m), and MTNN (-9.63% m/m). As a result, the NGX-All Share Index (NGX-ASI) lost 6.88% m/m to close at 143,530.53 points. Consequently, year to date returns weakened significantly to 39.44% from 49.74% recorded in October. Market capitalisation also closed at N91.27 trillion from N97.83 trillion recorded in October.

At the primary market, CBN conducted two NTBs auctions during the month. The first auction had an offer size of N650.00bn worth of bills across the 91-day, 182-day, and 364-day tenors. Investors' demand was strong, with total subscriptions amounting to N1.177 trillion, representing a subscription rate of 1.8x. Bids were heavily skewed toward the longer-tenored 364-day bill, which attracted a total of N1.135tn in bids. Notably, the Apex Bank under-allotted, selling just N546.24bn worth of bills. Following the auction, the stop rates on the 91-day, 182-day and 364-day bills climbed by 0.30%, 0.25% and 0.27% settling at 15.30%, 15.50% and 16.04% respectively.

At the second auction, CBN offered a total of N300bn worth of bills across the 91-day, 182-day, and 364-day tenors. Investors' demand was strong, with total subscriptions amounting to N750billiion, representing a subscription rate of 2.50x. Bids were heavily skewed toward the longer-tenored 364-day bill, which attracted a total of N674billion in bids. Notably, the Apex Bank over-allotted, selling N455.59bn worth of bills. The stop rates on the 91-day, 182-day and 364-day bills fell by 0.30%, 0.20% and 0.64%, settling at 15.30%, 15.50% and 16.14%, respectively. In the secondary market, the monthly average yield on the 91-day fell by 0.04% to settle at 16.06%. While yields in the 182-day and 364-day bills climbed by 0.14% and 0.16% to settle at 16.93% and 19.01%, respectively.

In the secondary money market, the financial system opened in

November 2025 with a surplus balance of N2.47 trillion. There were mop-up activities during the month (due to primary market sales by the Apex Bank), inflows from Federation Account Allocation Committee (FAAC), and Open Market Operations (OMO) helped support liquidity. Nonetheless, the financial system closed the month with a surplus balance of N1.96 trillion. Due to the drop in liquidity, the monthly average Open Repo Rate (OPR) and Overnight Rate (O/N) fell by 2.00% month-on-month (m/m) and 2.11% m/m to close at 22.50% and 22.75% from 24.500% and 24.86%, respectively.

In the secondary bond market, we observed mixed sentiments amongst investors due to the Monetary Policy Rate (MPR) held decision by the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC). Thus, the monthly average yields on the 2030 and 2035 bonds closed lower by 0.44% and 0.28% in November to 15.45% and 15.30% respectively, while 2032 bonds closed higher by 0.12% in November to close at 15.96%. Similarly, we observed bullish movements in corporate bonds, as average yields in Nov-2025 fell by 4.69% m/m to close at 13.83% (previously, 18.52% in Oct-2025). Likewise, the FGN Sukuk bonds market closed bullish as average yields on Sukuk bonds reduced by 0.52% m/m to close at 15.71% in Oct-2025 compared to the previous month's close of 16.23%.

**Looking ahead into December 2025, we expect investors to buy into the recent dip in the market as investors position for full year corporate earnings and dividend declarations. Consequently, the Nigerian equity market is expected to appreciate in the month of December 2025.**

**We expect the fixed income market to stay bullish, supported by strong demand and improved economic fundamentals. Robust liquidity in the financial system could sustain investor interest in sovereign bonds. Meanwhile, corporate bonds could face mild pressure as investors shift toward FGN Bonds to lock in at current rates in anticipation of further drop in rates.**

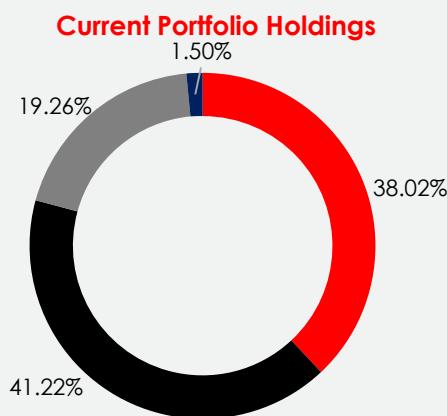
**FUND FEATURES**

<b>Fund Manager</b>	United Capital Asset Management Ltd
<b>Investment Manager Rating</b>	A+(IM)
<b>Base Currency/Start Year</b>	Naira/2025
<b>Fund Size (₦)</b>	167mm
<b>NAV Per Share (₦)</b>	1.0986
<b>Minimum Entry (₦)</b>	5,000,000
<b>Additional Investment (₦)</b>	1,000
<b>Structure</b>	Open Ended
<b>Entry/Exit Charges</b>	Nil
<b>Management Fee</b>	2.0%
<b>Total Expense Ratio*</b>	3.2%
<b>Benchmarks</b>	91-Day T-bills/NSE ASI/3-year FGN Bond
<b>Risk Profile</b>	Moderate
<b>Investment Style</b>	Market Oriented

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

**MATURITY PROFILE OF ASSETS**

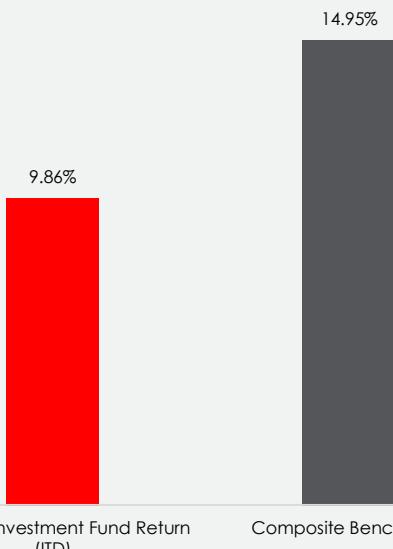
0-30days	2.55%
31-60days	0.00%
61-90days	0.00%
91-180days	64.67%
180-365 days	0.00%
>1 year	32.77%



■ Money market securities ■ Equities ■ Fixed Income Securities ■ Cash

**Governance Asset Allocation Ranges:**

Quoted Equities (20-50%), Fixed Income (5% - 200%); Money Market Instruments (20% - 40%)

**Children Investment Fund Return Vs Benchmark (ITD)**

ITD- Inception to date

**RETURN HISTORY**

	2025 ITD
UCAP Children Investment Fund	9.86%
Composite Benchmark	14.95%

\*Represents the Fund's Absolute Return vs the Benchmark's Absolute Return

**PERFORMANCE REVIEW**

The United Capital Children Investment Fund commenced in May 2025 and returned an inception to date return of 9.86% in November compared to 14.95% posted by the composite benchmark during the same period.

The Nigerian equities market ended its seven-month consecutive gain in November as the benchmark index lost 6.88% translating to a YTD return of 39.44%. The decline was largely driven by selloffs due to uncertainty surrounding the implementation of the new Capital Gains Tax (CGT) regime. Sectoral performance was broadly negative with the Industrial Goods sector leading the laggard list (-13.81%) closely followed by the Insurance sector (-12.06%).

Looking ahead, we expect that the market will recover in December as investors take advantage of the low-price and position in fundamentally sound stocks as well as the year-end positioning ahead to the Santa rally. The fund manager will continue to take position in tickers with good fundamentals as the opportunity presents and ensure a mix with money market instruments to take advantage of the attractive yield environment.

We will maintain our allocation in line with the investment policy objectives and the Trust Deed.

**WHY CHOOSE THE FUND?**

- Low volatility of Investment returns
- Well diversified portfolio
- Seamless entry and exit
- Professional management with robust risk framework
- Automatic rebalancing in times of rising or falling markets
- Ability to enjoy long term capital growth

**INVESTMENT RISK**

- Market risk of equity exposure
- Macroeconomic instability

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