

## BRIEF OVERVIEW

The Meristem Money Market Fund is an actively managed open-ended collective investment scheme whose primary objective is the steady distribution of current income to investors/participants of the scheme, while maintaining liquidity and stability of the principal. Such Income will be derived from investments in short term, high quality, naira denominated money market instruments with an investment grade rating from a recognized local rating agency registered with the SEC. The fund is equally duly authorized by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). The mode of investment management shall be full discretionary. All interest earned during the portfolio shall be distributed to unit holders of MMMF as documented in the Prospectus.

## RETURN OBJECTIVE

The fund represents money market investments with capital preservation being the primary goal. The fund will therefore target preservation of fund's principal and providing a return in line with the interest rates of money market instruments. To this end, the minimum required return shall be the average 91-day Treasury Bill yield.

## Fund Performance

The Meristem Money Market Fund generated a Weighted Average Yield (WAY) of 9.16% (7.49% net of fees) outperforming its benchmark by c.499bps for the period under review and closed the month at 9.17% gross (7.50% net).

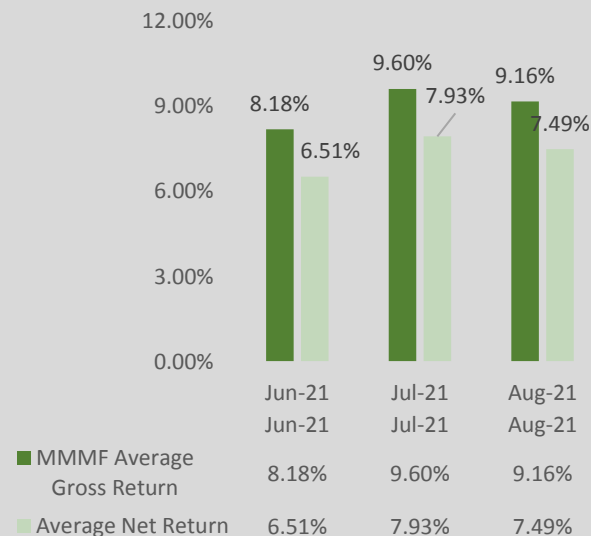
The primary market auction experienced further decline in stop rates. The 91 day and 182 day stop rates remained unchanged while the 364 day stop rate declined by 140bps from 8.2% to close at 6.8% at the last auction. Consequently, the secondary market experienced a decline in yields as unmet demand at the primary auction filtered into the market putting pressure on yields.

The period witnessed few issuances of commercial papers providing relatively higher yields to investors when compared to sovereign yields however, when compared to the previous month yields declined marginally. Barring any adverse significant news, we expect yield to continue in this downward trajectory.

The fund manager will continue to rebalance the fund strategically to take advantage of the improvement in yields further reinforcing our commitment to generating competitive and optimal returns for the fund's shareholders.

	August-21	July-21
Gross Return	9.16%	9.60%
Net Return	7.49%	7.93%
Expense Ratio	1.67%	1.67%
Weighted Average Maturity	89.96days	78.32days
Rating	A+(f)	A+(f)
Minimum Entry	NGN10,000	NGN10,000
Minimum Holding Period	30 Days	30 Days
Benchmark	91-Day T-Bills	91-Day T-Bills
Benchmark Average Rate	2.50%	2.50%
Income Distribution	Quarterly	Quarterly
Investment Objective	Income	Income

## FUND PERFORMANCE



## Asset Allocation

In seeking to achieve fund objectives, the Fund Manager has set the target asset allocation within identified risk levels. The distribution of funds between asset classes may be an important factor in determining the investment performance over time. In the event of extreme market conditions, the Fund Manager may revise the asset allocation to preserve the value of the Fund for the benefit of Unitholders

Assets	Lower Limit %	Upper Limit %	Current Weight %
Short term Government Instruments	25	80	28.39
Other Money Market Securities	10	75	68.31
Cash	0	5	3.29

## MMMF ASSET ALLOCATION

