

## Economic Review

New Year 2021 started with promising development on economic front as inflation numbers for the month recorded at 5.66%YoY as compared to 7.97%YoY last month. On monthly basis, CPI reported a decline of 0.21% in January as compared to a decline of 0.69% last month. Inflation eased predominantly due to base effect and reduction in food prices, due to seasonal decline in food prices. Going forward, we expect inflation to average around in the range of SBP inflation target of 7-8% for FY21.

Balance of Payment (BoP) position showed a dreary picture as Current Account posted a deficit of USD 662mn in December 2020 after five consecutive surpluses. This decline decreased the cumulative current account surplus to USD 1.1bn (0.8% of GDP) as compared to a deficit of USD 2.0bn (1.5% of GDP) in 1HFY20. On the trade front, country recorded a trade deficit of USD 2.89bn, up 53.47%YoY. This deterioration in trade deficit is due to USD 5.77bn imports, up 27.03%YoY, as imports are increasing due to rebound in the demand side of the country. Cumulatively, trade deficit clocked in at USD 12.38bn for 1HFY21, up 8.23%YoY. On the other hand, remittances are continuously providing cushion to BoP as remittances recorded at USD 2.43bn in January 2021, up 16.21%YoY.

State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) announced its Monetary Policy during the month and kept the policy rate unchanged at 7%, and most importantly gave forward guidance for the first time in country's history. SBP expects unchanged rates in the near future and gave indication of the gradual shift, if necessary. This will definitely help in reducing uncertainty and will also help in decision making for the corporate sector.

Government issued Fixed GoP Ijara sukuk at 9.45% and raised PKR 8.3bn against the target of PKR 15bn. SBP also conducted the auction of floating rate Ijara and raised 67.2bn at 6M PKRV minus 10bps, against the target of PKR 35bn.

## Equity Market Review

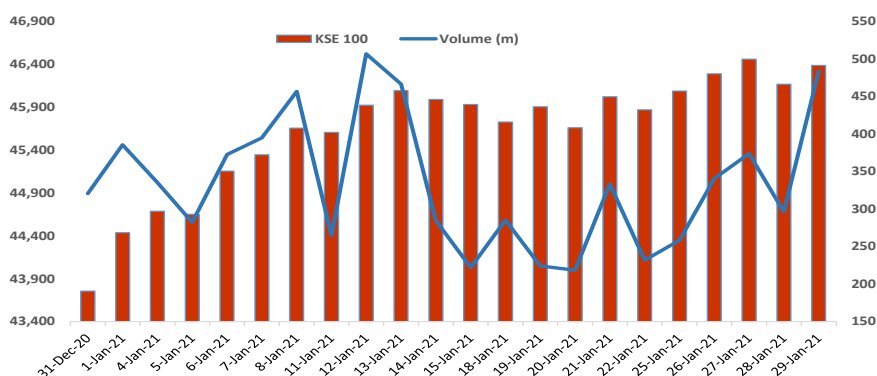
KSE-100 started the year on a robust note by posting gain of 2,630 points (or 6.0%MoM) and closed at 46,386 points. This took the 7MFY21 return to 34.7%. Average trade volume went up by 27%MoM to 624mn shares while trade value swelled by 9%MoM to USD 144mn. Low inflationary pressure and stable outlook of monetary policy helped in boosting investor's confidence in the market.

Foreign investors continued their selling spree and sold shares worth of USD 1.8mn. Their selling came down sharply during the month as they sold shares worth of USD 96mn last month. On the domestic front, individuals and companies bought massively with a net buying of USD 44mn and USD 15mn respectively.

The increase in the index was led by Banking Sector, due to attractive valuations and healthy dividend expectations, and technology sector on the back of potential re-rating of the sector due to better growth outlook. Power sector also contributed positively to the index as the government and IPPs finalized the agreement to clear circular debt.

Future outlook of the index looks promising as Large Scale Manufacturing (LSM) is showing healthy growth in numbers and local liquidity is well enough to absorb foreign selling. Corporate results are also encouraging which will attract investors. We advise our participants, whose maturities are longer, to stay in our Aggressive strategy but the participants, whose maturities are approaching should mitigate risk as precaution as market volatility enhances at higher index levels.

Country	Index	Jan-21	Dec-20
UK	FTSE-100	-0.82%	3.10%
USA	Nasdaq	1.42%	6.54%
USA	Dow 30	-2.04%	3.27%
China	Shanghai	0.29%	2.40%
Hong Kong	Hang Seng	3.87%	3.38%
Japan	Nikkei-225	0.80%	3.82%
India	BSE-30	-3.07%	8.16%
Pakistan	KMI All	4.26%	6.87%
Pakistan	KMI 30	4.29%	7.31%
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## PQFT Banca-BT Growth

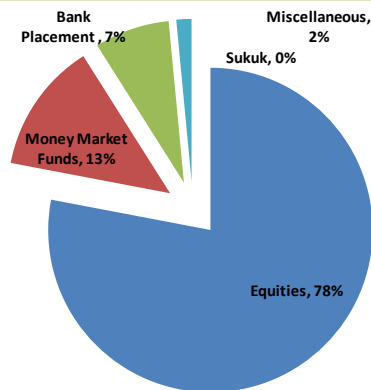
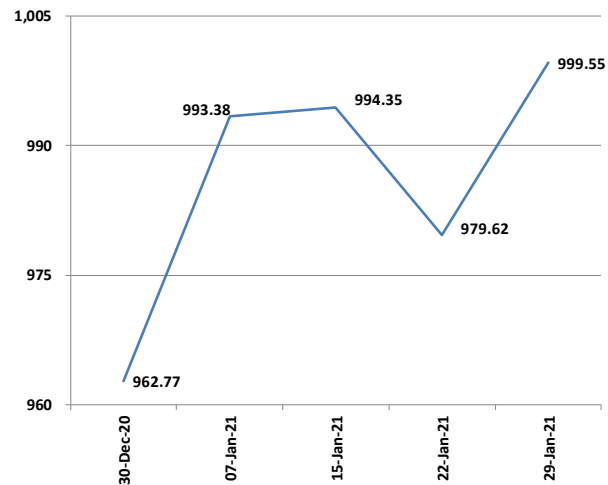
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### Fund Objective

The objective of investments is to enhance returns through a well-diversified, prudently invested portfolio while considering Customer needs, regulatory restrictions and overall corporate strategy of PQFTL. The Fund intends to achieve capital appreciation with medium to long term investment horizon by taking enhanced exposure to equities and fixed income investments.

### Fund Information

<b>Fund Name</b>	PQFT-Banca Growth
<b>Fund Size</b>	PKR 6,797,041,906
<b>Unit Price</b>	PKR 999.5522
<b>Category</b>	Capital Growth
<b>Pricing Mechanism</b>	Forward
<b>Pricing Days</b>	Official Working Days
<b>Auditors</b>	EY Ford Rhodes , Chartered Accountants
<b>Benchmark</b>	Composite of (Average of (KMIAII & KMI-30 ) & Average Return on Islamic Bank) based on actual allocation
<b>Appointed Actuary</b>	Abdul Rahim Abdul Wahab
<b>Investment Committee</b>	
Zahid Hussain Awan	Chairman
Said Gul	Member
Azeem Iqbal Pirani	Member
Muhammad Kamran Saleem	Member
Muhammad Ahsan Qureshi	Member
Abdul Rahim Abdul Wahab	Member
Farhan Shaukat	Secretary



	Jan'21	Dec'20
Equities	78%	77%
Money Market Funds	13%	11%
Bank Placement	7%	8%
Sukuk	0%	0%
Miscellaneous	2%	4%

Fund Returns	Return
1-month (absolute net of IMC)	3.82%
Benchmark - (1-month absolute net of IMC)	3.45%
Calendar YTD (absolute net of IMC)	3.82%
Benchmark CYTD (absolute net of IMC)	3.45%
365 Days (absolute net of IMC)	22.29%
Since Inception* (annualized net of IMC)	10.5%
3-Years (absolute net of IMC)	22.29%
Since Inception (absolute net of IMC)*	99.91%

\*Since Aug'11

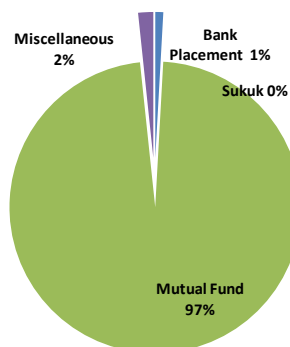
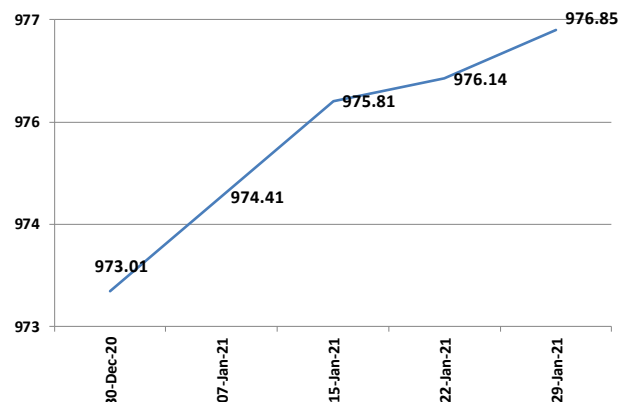
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## Fund Information

<b>Fund Name</b>	PQFT-Banca Conservative
<b>Fund Size</b>	PKR 5,973,303,073
<b>Unit Price</b>	PKR 976.8540
<b>Category</b>	Capital Preservation
<b>Pricing Mechanism</b>	Forward
<b>Pricing Days</b>	Official Working Days
<b>Benchmark</b>	Average Return on three Islamic Bank as stated on MUFAP
<b>Auditors</b>	EY Ford Rhodes , Chartered Accountants
<b>Appointed Actuary</b>	Abdul Rahim Abdul Wahab
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	Jan'21	Dec'20
Bank Placement	1%	0%
Sukuk	0%	1%
Mutual Fund	97%	97%
Miscellaneous	2%	2%

Fund Returns	Annualized Return
1-month	4.80%
Benchmark (1-month)	3.4%
3-months	5.31%
Calendar YTD	4.80%
Benchmark (CYTD)	3.40%
365 Days	8.13%
Since Inception*	10.06%
3-Years (absolute net of IMC)	19.51%
Since Inception (absolute net of IMC)*	95.37%

\*Since Aug'11

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