

QNB Debt Fund - Monthly Report for February 2024

Investment Objective

To provide investors with competitive, investment returns from selected bonds issued by reputable companies located in Qatar and the other member nations of the Gulf Cooperation Council and their entities in any region with a fund's maximum average portfolio duration of four years.

Total Net Asset value (in QAR)	February - 24 (in QAR)	January - 24 (in QAR)	
37,227,398.28	13.234	13.219	
	Fund	Benchmark	
1 Month	0.11 %	0.48 %	
Year to Date	0.23 %	1.00 %	
1 year	4.11 %	6.01 %	
3 Years	3.19 %	9.87 %	
Since Inception	32.34 %	22.83 %	
Annualised Returns (%)			
2023	4.95 %	5.83 %	
2022	-4.32 %	2.28 %	
2021	4.22 %	0.61 %	
2020	-1.19 %	1.13 %	
2019	8.04 %	2.83 %	
2018	0.48 %	2.55 %	
2017	4.32 %	1.61 %	
2016	6.52 %	1.01 %	
2015	-0.48 %	0.70 %	
2014	4.39 %	0.66 %	
2013	1.89 %	0.64 %	
Risk Indicators			
St. Deviation (3 years)	2.83 %	0.67 %	

Sharpe (3 years)	-0.8	
Fund Information	Particulars	Fund Manager Comment
Fund type	Open-End Fund	
Category	Fixed Income	Feb '24 was not favorable for fixed income, similar to the preceding
Style	Active	month, with US treasury yields moving higher across the curve. This
Geography	Qatar	resulted from the strong economic data and resilient inflation figures,
Subscription/Redemption	Monthly	which moved the rate cut expectation further down in 2024. Even though
Minimum	QR 20,000	the year started with seven rate cut expectations, the current expectation
Investment Management Fee	0.75 % p.a	is reduced to a mere 3. Inflation was 3.1% higher than expected, with PN data reflecting an expanding economy. In addition, the labor market als
Subscription / Redemption Fee	Nil	proved to be resilient, with the addition of 353K in January.
Benchmark	Libor + 50 bps	
Performance Fee	n/a	During February, the US-10-year Treasury yield elevated to 4.25% from
Inception	January 2013	3.88% resultant to the strong economic data, higher inflation print, and
Fund Currency	Qatari Riyal	resilient labor market. As per Bloomberg, a meaningful probability for a
Auditor	Deloitte & Touche	rate cut is in June and beyond for this year. Overall, a soft landing scenario
Regulator Founder	QCB – Qatar Central Bank	has been growing in probability during the year so far.
Founder	QNB	
Investment Manager	QNB Suisse SA	During the month, Brent ended higher at c. USD 83.6 from c. USD 81.7.
Custodian	HSBC	The increase came amid growing conflicts in the Middle East and Russia. Unless resolved, it will add significant volatility for energy prices during
Top 5 Holdings		the year. However, the regional IG and HY space remains favorable to
Issuer Name	Weight (%)	their global counterparts and will continue attracting flows from yield-
1 Public Investment Fund	6.88 %	seeking investors.
2 Government of Oman	6.80 %	
3 Bank of Bahrain & Kuwait	4.85 %	As of February 2024, QNB Debt Fund held 29 holdings with a long-term
4 Government of Bahrain	4.84 %	gross yield of c. 6.5 % p.a and a duration of c. 3.1 Years.
5 Sharjah Islamic Bank	4.72 %	

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Sector Allocation



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