# SEC FORM 20-IS

# INFORMATION STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 20 OF THE SECURITIES REGULATION CODE

1.

Check the appropriate box:

	[ ] Preliminary Information Statement [x] Definitive Information Statement				
2.	Name of Registrant as specified in its "Fund")	charter Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. ("PSIF" or the			
3.	Philippines Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization				
4.	SEC Identification Number CS2002-617	<u>'02</u>			
5.	BIR Tax Identification Number 222-870-	<u>053</u>			
6.	19/F BPI Buendia Center , Sen. Gill P Address of principal office	Puyat Ave., Makati City 1209 Postal Code			
7.	Registrant's telephone number, includin	g area code <u>(632) 8580-0900</u>			
8.	Date, time and place of the meeting of security holders July 14, 2023 11:00 a.m. via Zoom				
9.	Approximate date on which the Information Statement is first to be sent or given to security holders June 23, 2023				
10.	Proxy Solicitation Name of Person filing the Statement/So Address and Telephone No.: 19/F, BPI (632) 858	Buendia Center, Sen. Gil J. Puyat Ave., Makati City			
11.		ions 8 and 12 of the Code or Sections 4 and 8 of the RSA mount of debt is applicable only to corporate registrants):			
	Title of Each Class	Number of Shares of Common Stock Outstanding or Amount of Debt Outstanding (as of 15 May 2023)			
	Common Shares	11,595,009			
12.	Are any or all of registrant's securities listed in a Stock Exchange?				
	Yes No <u>X</u>				
	If yes, disclose the name of such Stock Exchange and the class of securities listed therein:				
	The fund is not listed with Philippine Stock Exchange				

#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

Please be informed that the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of PHILIPPINE STOCK INDEX FUND, CORP. (the "Company" or the "Fund") will be conducted virtually via **Zoom** on **July 14, 2023 at** 

[https://us05web.zoom.us/j/81934636798?pwd=Y0NYaGh1eHZJS0cxdEoyOHpHVldFUT09].

The agenda for the Annual Stockholders' Meeting shall be as follows:

- 1. Call to Order
- Certification of Notice
- 3. Determination and Declaration of Quorum
- 4. Reading and approval of the minutes of the Annual Stockholders' Meeting held on 30 September 2022
- 5. Presentation and approval of the 2022 Annual Report of the Fund Manager
- 6. Approval and confirmation of all acts of the board of directors and the fund manager, for 2022
- 7. Election of directors
- 8. Confirmation of BPI Wealth as Fund Manager (continuing term unless expressly terminated)
- Confirmation of BPI Investment Management as principal distribution and transfer agent (continuing term unless expressly terminated)
- 10. Re-appointment of Isla Lipana and Co. as external auditor
- 11. Amendments of Articles of Incorporation
- 12. Other Business
- 13. Adjournment

The Board of Directors has fixed the **15 May 2023** (the "Record Date") as the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders. Only holders of shares of common stock as at the Record Date will be entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders.

Given the restrictions posed by the community quarantine, stockholders may only attend the meeting through remote communication.

In order that your stock may be represented at the meeting, please accomplish the enclosed Proxy Form and return it via mail / email / fax on or before **04 July 2023** to the Office of the Corporate Secretary through the following:

Via Mail: 19/F BPI Buendia Center, Sen. Gil J. Puyat Ave., Makati City

Via Email: alfm\_asm@bpi.com.ph

Via Fax: (02) 8580-4682

Stockholders who intend to participate in the meeting through remote communication shall notify the Corporate Secretary by sending an email to alfm\_asm@bpi.com.ph before **04 July 2023**. Registered Stockholders will receive an email confirmation containing the details about joining the webinar. Stockholders may exercise the right to vote through remote communication or *in absentia*, subject to validation.

(signature page follows)

Very truly yours,

ATTY. SABINO B. PADILLA IV

Corporate Secretary

#### PART I.

#### INFORMATION REQUIRED IN INFORMATION STATEMENT

# A. **GENERAL INFORMATION**

1. Date, time and place of meeting of security holders

Date: 14 July 2023 Time: 11:00AM

Place: Virtual meeting via Zoom

Registration for voting in absentia: https://forms.office.com/r/eu2KSw8N9q

Registrant's Mailing Address: 197/F, BPI Buendia Center, Sen. Gil J. Puyat Ave., Makati City

The date on which the Information Statement is first to be sent or given to stockholders is 23 June 2023.

#### 2. Dissenters' Right of Appraisal

As provided by Title X of the Revised Corporation Code of the Philippines (Republic Act No. 11232) ("Revised Corporation Code"), any stockholder of a corporation shall have the right to dissent and demand payment of the fair value of his shares in the following instances:

- 2.1 In case an amendment to the Articles of Incorporation has the effect of changing or restricting the rights of any stockholders or class of shares, or of authorizing preferences in any respect superior to those of outstanding shares of any class, or of extending or shortening the term of corporate existence;
- 2.2 In case of sale, lease, exchange, transfer, mortgage, pledge or other disposition of all or substantially all of the corporate property and assets as provided in the Revised Corporation Code;
- 2.3 In case of merger or consolidation; and
- 2.4 In case of investment of corporate funds for any purpose other than the primary purpose of the corporation.

In order for the stockholder to exercise the right, he or she must vote against any of the enumerated instances which the corporation will pursue. The procedures in the exercise of the right are the following:

- 2.5 Written demand on the corporation within 30 days after the date that the vote was taken.
- 2.6 Submission of the shares of the dissenting stockholder to the corporation for notation within 10 days from the written demand. The corporation has to pay the stockholder with the fair value of the shares within 30 days after demanding payment for his or her shares.
- 2.7 Failure to make the demand within 30 days after the date on which the vote was taken shall be deemed a waiver of the appraisal right.

There will be no matters that will be taken up at the meeting which may warrant the exercise of this right.

# 3. Interest of Certain Persons in or Opposition to Matters to be Acted Upon

There is no person who has been a director or officer of Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. at any time since the beginning of the last calendar year, or who is a nominee for election as director, who has a substantial interest in any matter to be acted upon at the Annual Stockholders' Meeting. No member of the Board of Directors (the "Board") has informed Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. that he intends to oppose any action to be taken by Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. at the Annual Stockholders' Meeting.

### B. CONTROL AND COMPENSATION INFORMATION

# 4. Voting Securities and Principal Holders Thereof

(a) The total number of outstanding shares as of May 15, 2023 is 11,595,009 all of which are common and voting. Each share shall be entitled to one vote with respect to all matters to be taken up during the Annual Stockholders' Meeting.

A stockholder entitled to vote at the Annual Stockholders' Meeting shall have the right to vote in person or by proxy the number of shares registered in his name in the stock and transfer book of Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. as of the Record Date. With respect to the election of directors, said stockholder may vote such number of shares and give one candidate as many votes as the number of directors to be elected multiplied by the number of his shares shall equal, or he may distribute them on the same principle among as many candidates as he shall see fit, provided, that the total number of votes cast by him shall not exceed the number of shares owned by him multiplied by the whole number of directors to be elected.

(b) All stockholders of record as of May 15, 2023 are entitled to receive this Information Statement, and to receive notice of, and vote during the Annual Stockholders' Meeting. Stockholders are entitled to cumulative

voting in the election of the members of the Board of Directors, as provided in the Revised Corporation Code. More specifically, each stockholder shall be entitled to elect five members to the Board of Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. and he or she may vote the number of shares standing in his or her name in the books Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. for each of the five persons whom he or she may choose from the list of nominees. Alternatively, he or she may cumulate said shares and give one candidate as many votes as the number of his or her shares multiplied by five shall equal, or he or she may distribute these votes on the same principle among as many candidates as he shall see fit, provided that the total number of votes cast by him or her shall not exceed the number of shares owned by him or her multiplied by 5.

# Security Ownership of Certain Record and Beneficial Owners

On June 5, 2014, the SEC en banc approved the confidential treatment of the Fund's list of top 20 shareholders and/or beneficial owners of more than five percent (5%) of the Fund's outstanding securities, which is submitted separately to SEC. This is for the security of the shareholders and for the protection of their privacy.

#### (c)(i) Security Ownership of Management as of 30 April 2023

Title of Class	Name of Beneficial Owner	Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership	Citizenship	Percent of Class
Common	Romeo L. Bernardo Unit 1603 A. Belvedere, San Miguel Avenue, Ortigas Center, Pasig City	50 (beneficial)	Filipino	0.00043%
Common	Adelbert A. Legasto 3 Building Ayala Avenue, Makati City /F, Makati Stock Exchange	10,383 (record,beneficial)	Filipino	0.08926%
Common	Simon R. Paterno 58 McKinley Road, Forbes Park, Makati City)	50 (beneficial)	Filipino	0.00043%
Common	Mario Antonio V. Paner 24 Winchester st. Hillsborough Alabang Village Cupang Muntinlupa City	50 (beneficial)	Filipino	0.00043%
Common	Raymund Martin T. Miranda 12 Evening News st. West Triangle Homes, West Triangle, Quezon City,	50 (beneficial)	Filipino	0.00043%
Common	Fernando J. Sison III 3 Jocson St., Xavierville 1, Loyola Heights, Quezon City (Treasurer)	15,945 (record)	Filipino	0.13707%
Common	Atty. Sabino Padilla IV 1678 Dasmarinas Ave., Dasmarinas Village, Quezon City (Corporate Secretary)	0	Filipino	0.0000%
Common	Meriza R. De Guzman Unit 2010 Kai Garden Residences M. Vicente St. Brgy Malamig Mandaluyong City (Compliance and Risk Officer)	0	Filipino	0.0000%
	TOTAL	26,528	Filipino	0228%

# (c)(iii) Voting Trust Holders of 5% or more

As of 15 May 2023, there is no voting trust or similar arrangement for 5% or more of Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. There are no arrangements which may result in a change of control in Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp.

#### (d) Change of Control

There was no change in control in Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. that occurred since the beginning of the last calendar year.

#### 5. Directors and Executive Officers

The following are the current directors and officers of Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp.:

Name Age Citizenship Position Term
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Romeo L. Bernardo	68	Filipino	Chairman of the Board	1 year (2022-2023)
Simon R. Paterno	63	Filipino	President and Director	1 year (2022-2023)
Adelbert A. Legasto	75	Filipino	Director	1 year (2022-2023)
Mario Antonio V. Paner	64	Filipino	Independent Director	1 year (2022-2023)
Raymund Martin T. Miranda	60	Filipino	Independent Director	1 year (2022-2023)
Fernando J. Sison III	71	Filipino	Treasurer	1 year (2022-2023)
Atty. Sabino Padilla IV	62	Filipino	Corporate Secretary	1 year (2022-2023)
Meriza R. De Guzman	31	Filipino	Compliance and Risk Officer	1 year (2022-2023)

# (a) The following are the names of the persons who are nominees for election for year 2023-2024:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS	AGE	CREDENTIALS
Romeo L. Bernardo (Incumbent Chairman of the Board)	68	Mr. Romeo L. Bernardo, Filipino, born in 1954, 68 years old, is the Chairman of the fund since 2009. He is also the Chairman of ALFM Peso Bond Fund, Inc. from 2003 to present, ALFM Growth Fund, Inc. from 2007 to present, ALFM Dollar Bond Fund, Inc. from 2003 to present, ALFM Euro Bond Fund, Inc. from 2005 to present, Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. from 2007 to present, and ALFM Global Multi-Asset Income Fund, Inc. from 2018 to present. He is also a director of ALFM Retail Corporate Fixed Income Fund, Inc. and ALFM Principal Preservation Fund, Inc. since 2019. He is currently the Managing Director of Lazaro Bernardo Tiu & Associates, Inc. and Global Source economist in the Philippines. Mr. Bernardo is likewise a director of several companies and organizations including Aboitiz Power, BPI, Globe Telecom Inc., RFM Corporation, Philippine Investment Management, Inc. (PHINMA), Foundation for Economic Freedom, and Financial Executives Institute of the Philippines (FINEX) Foundation. Mr. Bernardo was an Alternate Executive director of the Asian Development Bank from 1997 to 1998 and Undersecretary for International Finance, Privatization & Treasury Operations of the Department of Finance of the Republic of the Philippines from 1990 to 1996. Mr. Bernardo received a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Economics (magna cum laude) from the University of the Philippines and a Masters in Development Economics degree from Williams College in Williamstown, Massachusetts.
Simon R. Paterno (Incumbent Director and President)	63	Mr. Simon R. Paterno, Filipino, born in 1959, 63 years old, served as Head of the Financial Products and Services Group of the Bank of the Philippine Islands. He was responsible for managing the product businesses of the Bank, including Investment Banking, Corporate Loans, Transaction Banking, Retail Lending, Cards and Payments, Asset Management and Trust, Electronic Channels, and Deposits. He also supervised subsidiaries and affiliates in insurance, leasing, and merchant acquiring. He was a member of the Management Committee of BPI. Mr. Paterno is the former President and CEO of the Development Bank of the Philippines, serving from 2002-2004. He worked for 18 years at the New York, Hong Kong, and Manila offices of J.P. Morgan, serving finally as Managing Director in charge of sovereign clients during the Asian Financial Crisis of 1997-98, and as Country Manager for the Philippines until 2002. He also worked for 8 years at Credit Suisse as Managing Director and Country Manager for the Philippines. Mr. Paterno obtained his MBA from Stanford University in 1984. He was awarded his A.B., cum laude, Honors Program in Economics from Ateneo de Manila University in 1980. In 2005, he was elected President of the Management Association of the Philippines. He serves on the boards of the Foundation for Economic Freedom and Ateneo Scholarship Foundation. He was named a TOYM awardee for Investment Banking in 1999.
Raymund Martin T. Miranda (Incumbent Independent Director)	60	Mr. Raymund Martin T. Miranda, Filipino, born in 1962, 60 years old, and has been an Asia-Pacific media executive and strategist for more than 37 years. He is currently the Chief Strategy Officer, Chief Risk Management Officer, Compliance Officer of ABS-CBN Corporation, having served as Chief Strategy Officer since 2012. Before his appointment with ABS-CBN, Mr. Miranda formed a consulting firm and served as co-founder of the Dolphin Fire Group Asia. Previously, he was the Managing Director, Global Networks Asia-Pacific of NBC Universal from 2007 to 2011, based in Singapore, heading the entertainment channels division of NBC Universal across 33 countries. Before that, Mr. Miranda spent a year in Manila as the President/CEO of Nation Broadcasting Corporation (92.3xFM) and Head of Strategy and Content for Media quest Holdings, Inc. From 1998 to

		2006, he was with The Walt Disney Company in Singapore and Manila as Managing Director South East Asia for Walt Disney International, Managing Director for South East Asia/Korea for Walt Disney Television International, and the Head of Radio Disney Asia. He started his career in FM radio before joining the GMA Network group in 1987. He was named Vice-President, Creative Services of GMA Network, Inc. in 1992. Mr. Miranda attended college at the University of the Philippines, Diliman, and is a grade school and high school alumni of the Ateneo de Manila.
Adelbert A. Legasto (Incumbent Director)	75	Mr. Adelbert A. Legasto, Filipino, born in 1947, 75 years old, is a director of ALFM Peso Bond Fund, Inc., ALFM Dollar Bond Fund, Inc., ALFM Euro Bond Fund, Inc., ALFM Money Market Fund, Inc., ALFM Growth Fund, Inc., the Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp., ALFM Global Multi-Asset Income Fund, Inc., ALFM Retail Corporate Fixed Income Fund, Inc., ALFM Principal Preservation Fund, Inc., and BPI Investment Management, Inc. He has served as Governor of the Philippine Stock Exchange 1994-96, Governor of the Makati Stock Exchange 1994-97, was an incorporator of the Philippine Central Depository (PCD), and served as President of the Trust Officers Association of the Philippines in 1998-99. He graduated from the Ateneo de Manila University with an A.B. Economics degree and completed his M.B.A. academics at the Ateneo Graduate School of Business. He completed the Pension Funds and Money Management from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, and Investment Management at the CFA Institute at the Harvard Business School in Boston, Massachusetts.
Mario Antonio V. Paner (Incumbent Independent Director)	64	Filipino, 64 years old, Mr. Paner served as Treasurer and head of BPI's Global Markets Segment. As such, he was responsible for managing the interest rate and liquidity gaps, as well as the fixed income and currency market-making, trading, and distribution activities of BPI and its subsidiaries and affiliates—in the Philippines and abroad. Before retirement, Mr. Paner was Chairman of the Bank's Asset & Liability Committee and was a member of the Management Committee and Asset Management Investment Council.  After working with Ayala Investments and Development Corporation (1979) and Family Savings Bank (1981), Mr. Paner joined BPI in 1985, when the Bank acquired Family Savings Bank and performed various Treasury and Trust positions until 1989. Between 1989 and 1996, he worked at Citytrust, then the consumer banking arm of Citibank in the Philippines, which BPI acquired in 1996. At BPI, he has been responsible for various businesses of the bank, including Risk Taking, Portfolio Management, Money Management, Asset Management, Remittance and Private Banking.  Mr. Paner served as President of the Money Market Association of the Philippines (MART) in 1998 and remains in its Board of Advisers up to now. He also served as Vice Chairman of the Bankers Association of the Philippines, (BAP) Open Market Committee and lecturer for the BAP/Ateneo School of Banking. He was also a member of the Makati Business Club, Management Association of the Philippines, British Chamber of Commerce, and the Philippine British Business Council. He was an Independent Director and member of the Corporate Governance and Audit Committees of Ayala Energy Phils from 2020 until 2021.  He obtained an A.B. Economics degree from Ateneo de Manila University in 1979 and completed various courses in Business and Finance, including Strategic Financial Management in 2006 and the Advanced Management Program in 2009, both at the Harvard Business School.  Mr Paner retired from BPI in 2019. Aside from ALFM, he is also presently an independent director of ACE

The Nomination Committee is in charge of reviewing and evaluating the qualifications of all persons nominated to the Board as well as those nominated to other positions requiring appointment by the Board and provide assessment on the Board's effectiveness in directing the process of renewing and replacing Board members. The Head of the Committee is Mr. Simon R. Paterno with Mr. Adelbert A. Legasto and Mr. Romeo L. Bernardo as members. Mr. Adelbert A. Legasto, as Director, nominated Mr. Miranda as an Independent Director. Mr. Legasto and Mr. Miranda nominated Mr. Mario Antonio V. Paner as Independent Director. Mr. Legasto and Mr. Miranda are not related to Mr. Paner. Independent Directors are nominated and elected in the process prescribed by SRC Rule 38 and in accordance with the Company's manual of corporate governance

There is no person who is not an officer and is expected by Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. to make significant contribution to the Fund.

The Nomination Committee pre-screened candidates and came up with a shortlist of nominees to be presented to the shareholders. Candidates must have the following qualifications to become a member of the Board:

- Every director shall own at least one (1) share of the capital stock of Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp.., which share shall stand in his or her name in the books of Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp.
- Be a college graduate;
- Have adequate competency and an understanding of the business of an open-end investment company;
- At least 21 years of age;

- Proven to possess integrity and probity; and
- Must be assiduous.

The Nomination Committee selected the independent directors in accordance with Rule 38 of the Securities Regulation Code ("SRC") and the SEC Memorandum Circular No. 24, Series of 2019 Code of Corporate Governance for Public Companies and Registered Issuers.

- (b) Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. does not maintain any employees nor does it maintain any payroll.
   Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. does not expect in the foreseeable future to have any employees.
- (d) The incumbent directors, officers, and nominees for director are not related to each other up to the fourth civil degree either by consanguinity or affinity.
- (e) None of the directors, officers and nominees for director has been involved in the following legal proceedings within the past 5 years:
  - Any bankruptcy petition filed by or against any business of which such person was a
    general partner or executive officer either at the time of the bankruptcy or within two
    years prior to that time;
  - Any conviction by final judgment, including the nature of the offense, in a criminal proceeding, domestic or foreign, or being subject to a pending criminal proceeding, domestic or foreign, excluding traffic violations and other minor offenses;
  - Being subject to any order, judgment, or decree, not subsequently reversed, suspended or vacated, of any court of competent jurisdiction, domestic or foreign, permanently or temporarily enjoining, barring, suspending or otherwise limiting his involvement in any type of business, securities, commodities or banking activities; and
  - Being found by a domestic or foreign court of competent jurisdiction (in a civil action), the Commission or comparable foreign body, or a domestic or foreign Exchange or other organized trading market or self-regulatory organization, to have violated a securities or commodities law or regulation, and the judgment has not been reversed, suspended, or vacated.
- (f) There was no transaction or proposed transaction during the last 2 years to which Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. was or is to be a party.

#### 6. Compensation of Directors and Executive Officers

There is no existing Compensation Committee. Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. does not maintain any employees nor does it maintain any payroll. Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. does not expect in the foreseeable future to have any employees. Additionally, none of the directors or officers is given any compensation. However, the directors receive per diems and other reimbursements for their attendance at board meetings. There are no other arrangements, standard or otherwise, being paid to the directors. Directors are not compensated in any manner for committee participation, special assignments, or any other arrangements.

There are no compensatory plans or arrangements for any officer that will result in or will result from the resignation, retirement or any other termination of such officer in any amount.

For every board meeting attended by each director, he or she will receive a per diem of Php100,000 and 120,000 for the funds President/per meeting. The directors received the following amounts:

#### **EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

Payment Period	Aggregate Amount Received (in Php)
2021	148,500
2022	597,283
2023 (estimate)	411,423

# 7. Independent Public Accountants

The Board of Directors has appointed Isla Lipana & Co. (formerly Joaquin Cunanan & Co.), a member firm of PricewaterhouseCoopers, as independent public accountant of the company with respect to its operations for the year 2023, subject to ratification by the majority holders of Common Stock of the Company. Isla Lipana & Co. has been the external auditor of the company since 2001. Representatives of the firm will be present at the Annual Meeting to make a statement of the desire to do so and to answer appropriate questions that may be asked by stockholders. A proposal will be presented at the Annual Meeting for the ratification of this appointment, which the Board of Directors believe is advisable and in the best interests of the stockholders. If the appointment of Isla

Lipana & Co. is not ratified, the matter of the appointment of the independent public accountants will be considered by the Board of Directors.

Ms. Blesilda A. Pestaño was the signing partner for the external auditor from fiscal year 2009 to 2013. For the Fund's Financial Statements as of December 31, 2014, December 31, 2015, December 31, 2016, December 31, 2017, December 31, 2018, December 31, 2019, and December 31, 2020 the signing partner was John-John Patrick V. Lim. For the fund's Financial Statement as of December 31, 2021 and 2022 the signing partner is Mr. Zaldy Aguirre. The corporation is compliant with Revised SRC Rule 68 Part 1(3)(B)(ix) re: rotation of external auditors. In taking this action, the members of the Board of Directors considered carefully Isla Lipana & Co.'s performance, its independence with respect to the services to be performed and its general reputation for adherence to professional auditing standards.

There is no disagreement in the past five (5) years on any matter of accounting principles and financial statement disclosures between the fund and the Accountant.

The Audit Committee which oversees the corporation's external audits is headed by Mr. Mario Antonio V. Paner with Mr. Adelbert A. Legasto and Mr. Raymund Martin T. Miranda as members.

#### 8. Compensation Plans

No action is to be taken with respect to Item 8 during the Annual Stockholders' Meeting.

#### C. ISSUANCE AND EXCHANGE OF SECURITIES

#### 9. Authorization or Issuance of Securities Other than for Exchange

No action is to be taken with respect to Item 9 during the Annual Stockholders' Meeting.

#### 10. Modification or Exchange of Securities

Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. does not intend to modify any class of its securities, or issue or authorize the issuance of one class of securities in exchange for outstanding securities of another class.

#### 11. Financial and Other Information

Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. has incorporated by reference the following as contained in the Management Report (attached as Annex A), SEC Form 17-A (Annual Report) (attached as Annex B), and SEC Form 17-Q (Quarterly Report) for the period ended March 31, 2023 (Quarterly Report) (attached as Annex C).

#### 12. Mergers, Consolidations, Acquisitions and Similar Matters

Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. has no plans to merge or consolidate with any entity and plans to acquire the securities form other entity.

#### 13. Acquisition or Disposition of Property

Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. does not own any real property and does not intend to acquire any real property.

# 14. Restatement of Accounts

Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. does not intend to restate any of its asset, capital or surplus accounts.

#### D. OTHER MATTERS

# 15. Action with Respect to Reports

The minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting of Stockholders held last 30 September 2022 shall be submitted to the stockholders for approval. Also to be submitted for approval and/or ratification is the Annual Report and the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022, and confirmation of all acts of the Board of Directors and Fund Manager.

# 16. Matters Not Required to be Submitted

All matters or actions to be taken up in the Annual Stockholders' Meeting require the vote of the stockholders.

#### 17. Amendment of Charter, Articles of Incorporation, By-laws or Other Documents

The stockholders shall also vote to amend Article III of the Fund's Articles of Incorporation to change the principal office address of the Fund to "7/F, BPI Buendia Center, Sen. Gil J. Puyat Ave., Makati City, Metro Manila, Philippines" in order to indicate the Fund's new location.

The Fund will submit below amendment of the funds' other pertinent documents related to the changes of the fund's address.

#### 1. Change in address

	Current	Proposed
Name	Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp	Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp
Address	19/F, BPI Buendia Center, Sen. Gil J. Puyat Ave., Makati City, Metro Manila, Philippines	7/F, BPI Buendia Center, Sen. Gil J. Puyat Ave., Makati City, Metro Manila, Philippines

#### 18. Other Proposed Action

None

#### 19. Voting Procedures

Unless otherwise provided by law, each stockholder shall, at every meeting of the stockholders, be entitled to one vote, in person or by proxy, for each share with voting rights held by such stockholder. Stockholders may also exercise the right to vote through remote communication or *in absentia* as authorized by resolution of the majority of the Board of Directors of the Fund.

All elections and all questions, except as otherwise provided by law, shall be decided, either by majority or 2/3 votes in accordance with the Revised Corporation Code, of the stockholders present in person or by proxy entitled to vote thereat, a quorum (majority of the issued and outstanding capital stock having voting powers) being present.

Unless required by law, or demanded by a stockholder present in person or by proxy at any meeting and entitled to vote thereat, the vote on any question will not be by ballot. In case of a vote by ballot, each ballot shall be signed by the stockholder voting in his name or by his proxy if there be such proxy, and shall state the number of shares voted by him. The Corporate Secretary of Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. will count and tabulate the votes.

#### **UNDERTAKING**

UPON WRITTEN REQUEST OF A STOCKHOLDER, THE COMPANY WILL PROVIDE, WITHOUT CHARGE, A COPY OF THE COMPANY'S ANNUAL REPORT ON SEC FORM 17-A DULY FILED WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION. SUCH WRITTEN REQUEST SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO:

# Institutional Business Division BPI Wealth-A Trust Corporation

7F, BPI Buendia Center, Sen. Gil J. Puyat Ave. Makati City, Philippines

Email: alfm\_asm@bpi.com.ph

At the discretion of management, a charge may be made for exhibits, provided such charge is limited to reasonable expenses incurred by the registrant in furnishing such exhibits.

A copy of the Unaudited Interim Financial Statements (the "Unaudited Interim FS") of the Company as of and for the quarter ended [31 March 2023] with Management Discussion and Analysis will be provided to any requesting shareholder, as soon as said Unaudited Interim FS becomes available but in no case later than [23 June 2023]. Any request for a hard copy of the abovementioned Unaudited Interim FS should be sent to the abovegiven address.

#### PART II.

#### INFORMATION REQUIRED IN A PROXY FORM

#### 1. Identification

The proxy solicitation is made by PHILIPPINE STOCK INDEX FUND, CORP. (the "Company"), represented by Tomas S. Chuidian, the President of BPI Investment Management Inc.("BIMI"), The proxy solicitation is in favor of Tomas S. Chuidian or in case of his non-attendance, the Chairman of the Annual Stockholders' Meeting chosen in accordance with the Company's By-Laws.

All costs and expenses incidental to the proxy solicitation will be borne, directly or indirectly, by the Company.

#### 2. Instructions

- (a) The security holder is instructed to complete, and affix their signature on the attached form.
  - (i) If the securities are owned by two or more joint owners, the proxy form must be signed by all of the joint owners.
  - (ii) If the securities are owned in an "and/or" capacity, the proxy form must be signed by either one of the owners.
  - (iii) If the securities are owned by a corporation, association, partnership or unincorporated entity, the proxy form must be accompanied by a certification, signed by a duly authorized officer, partner or representative of such corporation, association, partnership or unincorporated entity, that designates and empowers an authorized signatory to sign the proxy form pursuant to the constitutive documents or duly approved policies of such corporation, association, partnership or unincorporated entity for this particular purpose.
- (b) The security holder appoints Tomas S. Chuidian, or in case of his non-attendance, the Chairman of the Annual Stockholders' Meeting, to represent and vote all shares registered in his or her name as proxy of the undersigned security holder.
- (c) The security holder shall clearly indicate the date of execution of the proxy form. A proxy form which is undated, post-dated, or which provides that it shall be deemed to be dated as of any date subsequent to the date on which it is signed by the security holder, shall not be valid.
- (d) The security holder shall sign the proxy form or have the form signed by a duly authorized representative, and file the same with the Corporate Secretary not later than 5:00 p.m. on July 04, 2023.
- (e) Retrieval and validation of all the proxy forms shall be administered by the Corporate Secretary and persons designated by the Corporate Secretary who shall be under his supervision and control from July 04, 2023.

#### MANNER OF VOTING.

The holders of common stock are entitled to one vote per share, but in connection with the cumulative voting feature applicable to the election of directors, each stockholder is entitled to as many votes as shall equal the number of shares held by such person at the close of business on the record date, multiplied by the number of directors to be elected. A stockholder may cast all of such votes for a single nominee or may apportion such votes among any two or more nominees. For example, when five directors are to be elected, a holder of 100 shares may cast 500 votes for a single nominee, apportion 250 votes each to two nominees, or apportion 500 votes in any other manner by so noting in the space provided on the accompanying Voting Ticket.

#### 3. Revocability and Validity of Proxy

The proxy form in favor of the Company shall be irrevocable and shall be effective and valid for a period of five (5) years from the date of its execution. There is no formal procedure or limitation for the right of revocation of a proxy before it is exercised.

#### 4. Persons Making the Solicitation

Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. is not soliciting any votes. Neither is Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. aware of any director who intends to oppose any action intended to be taken by Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp.

# 5. Interest of Certain Persons in Matters to be Acted Upon

There is no person who has been a director, independent director, or nominee for election as director, or independent director, or officer of the Company and, to the best knowledge of the Company, no associate of a director or independent director, or officer, or nominee for election as a director or independent director, or officer of the Company, at any time since the beginning of the last calendar year, has any substantial interest in any matter to be acted upon at the Annual Stockholders' Meeting.

PART III.

# SIGNATURE PAGE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this report is true, complete, and correct. This report is signed in the City of Makati on \_\_\_\_\_\_ 2023.

PHILIPPINE STOCK INDEX FUND, CORP.

By: Sabino B. Padilla IV Corporate Secretary

# \*PLEASE FILL UP AND SIGN THIS PROXY FORM AND RETURN OR FAX IMMEDIATELY TO: BPI WEALTH – A TRUST CORPORATION.

19/F, BPI Buendia Center, Sen. Gil J. Puyat Ave., Makati City (02) 8580-0900

Email: <u>alfm\_asm@bpi.com.ph</u> Fax: (02) 8580-4682

#### STOCKHOLDER PROXY

The undersigned stockholder (the "Stockholder") of PHILIPPINE STOCK INDEX FUND, CORP. (the "Company"), hereby appoints Tomas S. Chuidian, with full power of substitution and delegation, or, in case of his non-attendance, the Chairman of the Annual Stockholders' Meeting of the Company, chosen in accordance with the Company's By-Laws, as the Stockholder's proxy to represent the Stockholder and vote all shares registered in the Stockholder's name in the books of the Company, at the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders to be conducted virtually via Zoom on 14 July 2023 at 11:00 am, and any adjournments and postponements thereof, as fully to all intents and purposes as the stockholder might or could do if present in person, hereby ratifying and confirming any and all actions to be taken during any said meetings and adjournments thereof for the purpose of acting on the following matters:

Retrieval and validation of all the proxy forms shall be administered by the Corporate Secretary and persons designated by the Corporate Secretary who shall be under his supervision and control from July 04, 2023.

1.	Approval of minutes of previous Annual Stockholders' Meeting held on September 30, 2022
	For Against Abstain
2.	Presentation and approval of 2022 Annual Report of the Fund Manager
	For Against Abstain
3.	Ratification and approval of the acts of the Board of Directors and Management since the last Annual Stockholders' Meeting
	For Against Abstain
4.	Election of Directors
	The security holder may withhold authority to vote for any nominee by striking out the name of the nominee. Please only check the box opposite the nominee you wish to elect.
	Romeo L. Bernardo Simon R. Paterno Raymund Martin T. Miranda* Adelbert A. Legasto Mario Antonio V. Paner*
	*Independent Director
5.	Confirmation of BPI Wealth as Fund Manager (continuing term unless expressly terminated)
	For Against Abstain
6.	Confirmation of BPI Investment Management as principal distribution and transfer agent (continuing term
	unless expressly terminated)
	For Against Abstain
7.	Re-appointment of Isla Lipana and Co. external auditor for 2023
	For Against Abstain

8.	Amendments of Articles of incorporation to change the principal office address of the Fund to "7/F, BPI Buendia Center, Sen. Gil J. Puyat Ave., Makati City, Metro Manila, Philippines".
	Against
, ,	es and supersedes any previously executed proxy or proxies. This proxy shall be valid for a period of five (5) ate of its execution.
this proxy will be the meeting, incl the meeting, and	n properly executed, will be voted in the manner as directed herein by the stockholder. If no direction is made voted "For" the approval of the matter stated above and for such other matters as may properly come before uding matters which the solicitors do not know a reasonable time before the solicitation are to be presented a those incidental to the conduct of the meeting, in the manner described in the information statement and/or asy management or the board of directors.
Signed on this _	day of, in

#### Annex A. MANAGEMENT REPORT

#### **Financial and Other Information**

#### Market Information

Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. is not listed in the Philippine Stock Exchange. The shares are being sold by SEC Certified Investment Solicitors (CISols) thru the fund's authorized distributors.

#### **Holders**

As of 31 March 2023, there were a total of 14,180 holders of redeemable common stock (one class of shares only)

Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. Top 20 Shareholders as of March 31, 2023

Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp.						
Top 20 Shareholders As of March 31, 2023						
No	Title of Class	Shareholders Name	Number of Shares Held	Citizenship	Percentage of Class	
1	Common	BPI-PHILAM EQUITY INDEX FUND	4,327,499	Filipino	36.90%	
2	Common	SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM	1,294,756	Filipino	11.04%	
3	Common	BIMI FAO CITICORP. FINANCIAL SERVICES	684,699	Filipino	5.84%	
4	Common	BIMI FAO COL FINANCIAL GROUP, INCPSIF	418,771	Filipino	3.57%	
5	Common	BPI SAVINGS ACCOUNT NUMBER 0293-1595-99	128,621	Filipino	1.10%	
6	Common	DENSO TEN PHILS. (M)	118,274	Filipino	1.01%	
7	Common	LBP- PROVIDENT FUND	91,685	Filipino	0.78%	
8	Common	ZOBEL DE AYALA, JAIME (M)	87,726	Filipino	0.75%	
9	Common	DARIUS C DELOS ANGELES SUZETTE VINLUAN DELOS ANGELES DEREK VINLUAN DELOS ANGELES MICHAEL VINLUAN DELOS ANGELES	76,735	Filipino	0.65%	
10	Common	INTEGRATED MICROE. (M)	74,388	Filipino	0.63%	
11	Common	PERAA FUND (SUB ACCOUNT)	46,877	Filipino	0.40%	
12	Common	ALFONSO ZOBEL DE AYALA, JR.	44,991	Filipino	0.38%	
13	Common	MARJORIE O QUEMA	44,940	Filipino	0.38%	
14	Common	K SERVICO TRADE INC (M)	41,891	Filipino	0.36%	
15	Common	TSPI (M)	39,722	Filipino	0.34%	
16	Common	AIG SHARED SVC CORP (M)	36,410	Filipino	0.31%	
17	Common	CANON MARKETING PHILS.(M)	34,521	Filipino	0.29%	
18	Common	DLS LIPA	33,205	Filipino	0.28%	
19	Common	NPG RETIREMENT PLAN	32,542	Filipino	0.28%	
20	Common	GERARDO R DITCHING PETER Y DITCHING	31,786	Filipino	0.27%	
Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp.						
Security Owners of more than 5%, As of March 31, 2023						
No	Title of Class	Shareholders Name	Number of Shares Held	Citizenship	Percentage of Class	
1	Common	BPI-PHILAM EQUITY INDEX FUND	4,327,499	Filipino	36.90%	
2	Common	SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM	1,294,756	Filipino	11.04%	
3	Common	BIMI FAO CITICORP. FINANCIAL SERVICES	684699	Filipino	5.84%	

#### Dividends

Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. has not declared any cash dividends for the last three (3) years. The Board Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. may decide to declare dividends, whether in the form of cash, property or stock, from the unrestricted retained earnings of the Fund at a time and percentage as the Board may deem proper and in accordance with the pertinent laws.

Under the Investment Company Act, the Fund shall not pay any dividend, or make any distribution in the nature of a dividend payment, wholly or partly from any source other than: (i) from the Fund's accumulated undistributed net income, determined in accordance with good accounting practices and including profits or losses realized upon the sale of securities or properties; or (ii) from the Fund's earned surplus so determined for the current or preceding fiscal year, unless such payment is accompanied by a written statement which adequately discloses the source or sources of such payment. The SEC may prescribe the form of such statement by rules or regulations or by order

in the public interest and for the protection of investors. The Fund shall also not advertise such dividends in terms of centavos or pesos per share without also stating the percentage they bear to the par value per share.

#### MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OR PLAN OF OPERATIONS

#### **AS OF MARCH 31, 2023**

The Philippine Stock Index Fund (PSIF) is an index tracker equity mutual fund fully invested in Philippine stocks, whose portfolio composition and weightings mimic that of the Philippine Stock Exchange Index (PSEi). The fund's investment policy is to provide a return that tracks the performance of the PSEi. Since inception, the fund has consistently tracked the movement of the PSEi on a daily basis with very minimal tracking error.

The PSIF was organized as part of the approved corporate-reorganization plan of Filipino Fund, Inc. (FFI), a closed end equity investment company. Incorporated on December 11, 2002, with an authorized capitalization of P200 million divided into 2 million shares with par value of P100.00 each, the Fund's capitalization as approved by the Commission on February 15, 2003 was subsequently increased to P500 million divided into 5 million shares with P100.00 par value. The Fund officially commenced operations on March 14, 2003, the effective date of the FFI corporate reorganization. The Fund applied for an increase in authorized capital stock amounting to P180 million divided into 1.80 million shares with P100.00 par value and obtained the SEC's approval on September 5, 2006. The Fund received approval from the SEC to further increase its authorized capital stock by P788 million divided into 7.88 million shares with P100.00 par value on September 13, 2007. A further increase to P 2.0 billion consisting of 20 million shares with par value of PhP100.00 each was approved on July 12, 2013. Last May 6, 2015, the SEC approved a further increase in the Fund's authorized capital stock by 2.4 million shares. Most recently, a further increase by 4 million shares was approved by SEC on February 28, 2017. The registered shares of the Fund now stand at P2.64 Billion divided into 26.4 Million shares with par value of P100.00 per share.

As of 31 March 2023, PSIF share's net asset value (NAV) per share stood at P750.13. Meanwhile, the units had a NAV per share of P910.68.

#### Key performance indicators

- a) **Performance vis-à-vis the Benchmark** The Philippine Stock Index Fund (PSIF) is an index tracker equity mutual fund. Its investment objective is to track the performance of the PSEi. The PSIF share's return on investment (ROI) as of March 2023 was recorded at 0.15% net of fees and taxes whereas the PSEi had a return of -1.02%. Meanwhile, the units had a return of 0.12% over the same period.
- b) Portfolio Quality The Fund's portfolio should adhere to the investment parameters as indicated in the Fund's prospectus. As an index-tracker fund, PSIF is invested in Philippine stocks, whose portfolio composition and weightings are very close to that of the PSEi.
- c) Market Share The Fund cornered 1.17% of the P68.10 Bn total net asset value of the equity mutual fund industry as of March 2023.
- d) *NAV Growth vis-à-vis Industry Growth* For the first Three months of 2023, PSIF's NAV fell by 3.28% compared to the flat movement in equity mutual funds.
- e) *Performance vis-a-vis Competition* PSIF ranked 3rd in terms of year-to-date returns among equity mutual funds as of March 2023.

# Discussion and analysis of material event/s and uncertainties known to the management that would address the past and would have an impact on future operations

- (a) Any known trends, demands, commitments, events or uncertainties that will have material impact on the issuer's liquidity:
  - Liquidity of the fund may be affected by the market's depth or the existence of readily available buyers and sellers in the market.
- (b) Any events that will trigger direct or contingent financial obligation that is material to the company, including any default or acceleration of an obligation:
  - Not Applicable
- (c) All material off-balance sheet transactions, arrangements, obligations (including contingent obligations), and other relationships of the company with unconsolidated entities or other persons created during the reporting period.

Not Applicable

(d) Any known trends, events or uncertainties that have had or that are reasonably expected to have a material favorable or unfavorable impact on net sales/revenues/income from continuing operations.

Cash dividends received by the Fund are expected to have a favorable impact on its income. In cases of re-weighting and/or recomposition of the PSEi, PSIF will incur friction costs in the process of re-balancing the Fund.

(e) Any significant elements of income or loss that did not arise from the issuer's continuing operations.

The Fund Manager is not aware of any significant element of income or loss that did not arise from the Fund's continuing operations

BPI Investment Management, Inc. (BIMI) has registered under the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) as a sponsoring entity for the Funds it manages. These Funds include the ALFM Mutual Funds, Ekklesia Mutual Fund, and Solidaritas Fund. As a sponsoring entity, BIMI will perform the due diligence, withholding, and reporting obligations of the sponsored entities.

In accordance with this, investors who make initial subscriptions to the Fund from July 1, 2014 onwards have been asked to submit the necessary documents if they are identified as US citizens, or if they fall under any of the US indicia categories.

#### Net Asset Value Per Share ("NAVPS") for the 1st Quarter of 2023:

QUARTER	DATE	NAVPS	
1st	14-Mar-23	730.89	LOW
	18-Jan-23	808.75	HIGH

#### Net Asset Value Per Units ("NAVPS") for the 1st Quarter of 2023:

QUARTER	DATE	NAVPS	
1st	14-Mar-22	942.47	LOW
	09-Feb-22	1,038.71	HIGH

# AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022

The PSEi fell 7.8% in 2022, underperforming much of its ASEAN peers. On flows, foreigners were net sellers amounting to Php1.245 billion based on Bloomberg data. In the Philippines, Telcos underperformed mainly on issues surrounding the capex of a major industry player as well as tougher competition along with Property amid the sharp rise in interest rates. On the other hand, Banks outperformed.

The PSEi closed at almost 13x forward PE based on consensus estimates, below its 10-year mean of around 17x.

The major theme for 2022 was inflation. The BSP matched the US Federal Reserve's aggressive tightening to support the Peso and tame inflation. Peso eventually rebounded after its weakest level in mid-October.

As of end December 2022, PSIF's trading NAV per share stood at Php748.97, a decrease of 6.93% from 2021's Php804.71.

### **KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:**

- f) **Performance vis-à-vis the Benchmark** The Philippine Stock Index Fund (PSIF) is an index tracker equity mutual fund. The Fund's investment policy is to provide a return that tracks the performance of the PSEi. The Fund's return on investment (ROI) net of fees and taxes for full year 2022 was -6.93%, compared to the benchmark's -7.81%.
- g) *Portfolio Quality* The Fund's portfolio should, at all times, adhere to the investment parameters as indicated in the Fund's prospectus. Being an index-tracker fund, PSIF is fully invested in Philippine stocks, whose portfolio composition and weightings are very close to that of the PSEi.
- h) *Market Share in the Industry* The Fund cornered 13.4% of the PhP68.096 Billion total net asset value of equity funds based on PIFA's December 2022 report. The Fund's market share increased from 9.2% of the industry in 2021.
- i) *NAV Growth vis-à-vis Industry Growth* PSIF's net asset value fell by 16.96% in 2022, compared to the 42.59% reported decrease in equity mutual funds.

j) *Performance vis-a-vis Competition* – PSIF ranked 5<sup>th</sup> among the equity mutual funds in 2022.

#### NAVPS per Share for the year 2022:

QUARTER	NAVPS	DATE	
1st	770.52	14-Mar-22	LOW
	846.55	09-Feb-22	HIGH
2nd	691.31	23-Jun-22	LOW
	813.3	04-Apr-22	HIGH
3rd	654.90	30-Sep-22	LOW
	782.26	19-Aug-22	HIGH
4th	659.43	03-Oct-22	LOW
	773.29	29-Nov-22	HIGH

#### NAVPS per Units for the year 2022:

QUARTER	NAVPS	DATE	
1st	942.4700	14-Mar-22	LOW
	1,038.710	09-Feb-22	HIGH
2nd	842.4300	23-Jun-22	LOW
	992.1900	04-Apl-22	HIGH
3rd	796.2600	30-Sep-22	LOW
	951.5400	19-Aug-22	HIGH
4th	801.8100	03-Oct-22	LOW
	939.6400	29-Nov-22	HIGH

# AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2021

As of end December 2021, PSIF's trading NAV per share stood at Php804.71, an increase of 0.38% from 2020's Php801.61. Total assets of the Fund amounted to Php11.061 Billion, a decline of 6.05% from Php11.273 Billion in assets reported in 2020. Net assets amounted to Php11.029 Billion in 2021, showing a 1.85% drop from 2020. Income totaled Php162.745 Million in 2021, a reversal of the Php747.641 Million loss reported in 2020. Net loss on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss was at Php29.100 Million, compared to the net loss of Php921.163 Million recorded the previous year. Management fees increased from Php99.618 Million to Php108.357 Million and continued to make the bulk of the expenses. Total expenses for 2021 totaled Php115.681 Million, 9.49% higher than the Php105.653 Million registered in 2020. This resulted in a net income of Php47.064 Million in 2021 compared to the Php853.294 Million loss registered in 2020.

### **KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:**

- k) *Performance vis-à-vis the Benchmark* The Philippine Stock Index Fund (PSIF) is an index tracker equity mutual fund. The Fund's investment policy is to provide a return that tracks the performance of the PSEi. The Fund's return on investment (ROI) net of fees and taxes for full year 2021 was 0.38%, compared to the benchmark's -0.24%.
- l) **Portfolio Quality** The Fund's portfolio should, at all times, adhere to the investment parameters as indicated in the Fund's prospectus. Being an index-tracker fund, PSIF is fully invested in Philippine stocks, whose portfolio composition and weightings are very close to that of the PSEi.
- m) *Market Share in the Industry* The Fund cornered 9.2% of the PhP118.624 Billion total net asset value of equity funds based on PIFA's December 2021 report. The Fund's market share slightly declined from 10.0% of the industry in 2020.
- n) NAV Growth vis-à-vis Industry Growth PSIF's net asset value fell by 1.84% in 2021, compared to the 5.57% reported increase in equity mutual funds.
- o) *Performance vis-a-vis Competition* PSIF ranked 11<sup>th</sup> among the equity mutual funds in 2021.

QUARTER	DATE	NAVPS	
1st	22-Mar-21	720.83	LOW
	08-Jan-21	819.92	HIGH
2nd	24-May-21	697.17	LOW
	15-Jun-21	788.18	HIGH
3rd	30-Jul-21	708.29	LOW
	05-Jul-21	794.61	HIGH
4th	08-Oct-21	780.44	LOW
	09-Nov-21	840.3	HIGH

#### NAVPS (Shares) per quarter for the year 2020:

QUARTER	DATE	NAVPS	
1st	23-Mar-20	534.21	LOW
	03-Jan-20	874.65	HIGH
2nd	02-Apr-20	600.99	LOW
	09-Jun-20	739.41	HIGH
3rd	03-Aug-20	643.20	LOW
	03-Jul-20	716.46	HIGH
4th	07-Oct-20	660.54	LOW
	16-Dec-20	819.64	HIGH

#### External Audit Fees

The following are the aggregate fees billed by the external auditors for each of the last two calendar years (in Php):

Year	Total
2021	PhP371,051.13
	Estimated
2022	PhP363,000.00.

#### Note:

No tax fees were paid since there were no professional services rendered by Isla Lipana for tax accounting compliance, advice, planning and any other form of tax service.

Similarly, no other fees were paid for products and services provided by Isla Lipana other than the regular annual audit report.

The following are the Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. Committee's approval policies & procedures for the external auditor:

- Recommend to the Board the selection of the external auditor, who will be accountable to the Board
  and to the Audit Committee as representatives of the shareholders. The Board and the Audit
  Committee will consider the external auditor's independence, effectiveness, and the approval of the
  fees and other compensation to be paid to the external auditor. The Audit Committee should review
  and discuss with the accountants on an annual basis all significant relationships the accountants
  have with Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. to determine the accountants' independence.
- Review the performance of the external auditor and approve any proposed discharge of the external auditor when circumstances warrant.
- Periodically consult with the external auditor regarding internal controls and the fullness and accuracy
  of Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. financial statements.
- The Audit Committee will actively engage the external auditor in dialogues regarding independence.
- Adhere to the following procedures for the approval of services by the external auditor:
  - The Audit Committee will annually approve the scope of, and fees payable for, the year-end audit to be performed by Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. external auditor for the next calendar year.
  - Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. may not engage the external auditor for any services unless they are approved by the Audit Committee in advance of the engagement.
  - If Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. wishes to engage the external auditor for any services, Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. will define and present to the Audit Committee specific projects and categories of the services to be provided, and fee estimates, for which the advance

- approval of the Audit Committee is required. The Audit Committee will review these requests and determine whether to pre-approve the engagement of the external auditor for the specific projects and categories of service.
- Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp.. will report to the Audit Committee regarding the actual spending for these projects and services, compared to the approved amounts on a quarterly basis.
- The Audit Committee Chairperson will report to the Audit Committee at each regularly scheduled meeting the nature and amount of any non-audit services that he has approved.

#### Corporate Governance

The evaluation system adopted by Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. to determine the level of compliance of the Board and top level management with its Manual of Corporate Governance is based primarily on the SEC Corporate Governance Self-Rating Form (CG-SRF).

Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. has undertaken the following measures to fully comply with the adopted leading practices on good corporate governance:

- o Consider changes, improvements, or additions to current corporate disclosure procedures
- o Implement processes for identifying items where timely corporate disclosure is necessary

Except for the required changes mandated by SEC, Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp. has no material deviations from its Manual of Corporate Governance since it filed its CG-SRF with the SEC.

Apart from the foregoing changes or improvements being considered for corporate disclosures, there are no plans to improve the current corporate governance of Philippine Stock Index Fund, Corp.

# Other Disclosures

- There were no disagreements with the former accountant, on any matter of accounting any financial disclosure.
- There were no known trends, events or uncertainties with material impact on liquidity and sales. Neither were there events that would trigger direct or contingent financial obligations that are material to the Fund, including any default or acceleration of an obligation.
- There were no material off-balance sheet transactions, arrangements or obligations (including contingent obligations) and other relationships of the Fund with unconsolidated entities or other persons created during the reporting period.
- There were no material commitments for capital expenditures. The realized and unrealized gains on stock
  and fixed income investments brought by market appreciation represent the significant element of income
  from continuing operations.