# **Roytrin TTD Income Fund**

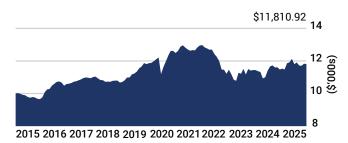
March 31, 2025 Quarterly Portfolio Statement



## **Investment Objective**

To provide a high level of interest income in keeping with the highest short-term interest rates available whilst ensuring greater safety of capital.

### Growth of \$10,000



Note: Based on investment returns from Apr 01, 2015 to Apr 02, 2025

#### **Fund Performance**

Simple Returns		Average Annualised Returns			
YTD	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	From Inception
0.80%	1.73%	-0.49%	1.09%	1.68%	4.81%

Note: As of Apr 02, 2025 (includes income distribution)

## **Top 10 Holdings**

Description	Coupon	<b>Maturity Date</b>	% of NAV
Cash	n/a	n/a	3.40%
Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.	6.450	05/01/2036	3.04%
Wells Fargo & Company	4.300	07/22/2027	2.75%
Water and Sewerage Authority	5.600	02/19/2034	2.72%
Anheuser-Busch InBev SA/NV	4.700	02/01/2036	2.51%
Energy Transfer LP	4.200	04/15/2027	2.47%
Thomson Reuters Corporation	5.850	04/15/2040	2.26%
B.A.T. Capital Corporation	4.390	08/15/2037	2.21%
AT&T Inc.	4.500	05/15/2035	2.18%
JPMorgan Chase & Company	3.625	12/01/2027	2.15%

#### **Risk Level**

Low	Low to Medium	Medium	Medium to High	High

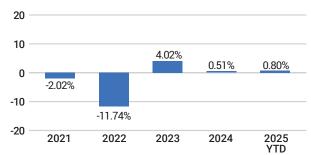
Note: For specific details on the risk of the fund, please review the Prospectus and Key Facts Statement.

#### **Fund Details**

Inception Date: February 7, 1996
Total Net Asset Value (NAV): TT\$ 2,456.00 million
NAV per unit: TT\$ 23.609

Management Expense Ratio: 2.14% (as of Dec 31, 2024)

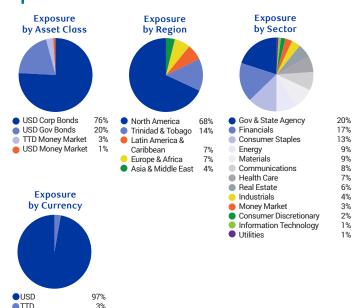
## Calendar Returns (%)



#### **Fixed Income Metrics**

Weighted Average Life	6.98
Weighted Average Duration	5.03
Weighted Average Yield	5.30%
Average Credit Rating	BBB

## **Exposure**



Note: The portfolio only holds long positions.

## **Market Update**

Locally, challenges persist for energy-based export production due to the ongoing decline in oil (-1.9%) and natural gas (-0.8%) output from maturing fields, as indicated by Q3 2024 data from the Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries. Countering this trend, the petrochemical sector demonstrated growth, with ammonia and methanol production increasing by 16.1% and 1.1%, respectively. The non-energy sector, according to first-half 2024 GDP data from the Central Statistical Office (CSO), experienced positive momentum in manufacturing and finance, although this was partially offset by contractions in construction and accommodation services. More recent indicators, encompassing distribution, finance, new car sales, and visitor arrivals for Carnival 2025, suggest continued buoyancy in non-energy activities. The national unemployment rate stood at 4.1% at the end of Q3 2024 (CSO), with average employment across all sectors increasing by 1.9% compared to the previous quarter. Notably, the number of unemployed individuals seeking work decreased by 18.1% quarter-on-quarter but increased by 24.3% year-on-year. Inflation inched up in 2025 but is still well contained. Headline inflation rose to 1.0% year-on-year in March 2025 (from 0.7% in February and 0.5% in December 2024) primarily due to higher food prices (4.7%) driven by both domestic and international factors impacting local consumers. Additionally, the recent 7% increase in the price of cement had a knock-on effect on construction costs. Finally, ample system liquidity supported government borrowing and private sector credit expansion in recent months. As a result, the monetary policy stance remained unchanged, with the repo rate held at 3.5% in March 2025.

The US economy, following President Trump's re-election in late 2024, is undergoing tectonic shifts in both domestic and foreign policies. The administration's foreign policy agenda prioritizes rebalancing global trade through tariffs aimed at reducing the US trade deficit, increasing defence burden-sharing among allies, mitigating conflict risks in Ukraine and the Middle East, and enhancing US deterrence with a strategic focus on the Indo-Pacific to counterbalance China's growing military strength. Recent data from the US Bureau of Labor Statistics indicate that the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) decreased by 0.1% in March (seasonally adjusted), after a 0.2% increase in February. Over the last 12 months, the all items index increased by 2.4% (not seasonally adjusted). The energy index fell by 2.4% in March, primarily due to a 6.3% decline in gasoline prices, which offset increases in electricity and natural gas. Conversely, the food index rose by 0.4% in March, with both at-home and away-from-home food prices showing increases of 0.5% and 0.4%, respectively. Post Q1 2025, imposed tariffs by the US administration and reciprocal tariffs from major trading partners are likely to add to inflationary pressures, fuelling economic uncertainty both in the US and abroad, and further complicating the monetary policy work of the US Federal Reserve. Of note, Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell signalled a likely delay in interest rate cuts citing these factors. From a market perspective, we continue to expect higher for longer interest rates, absent a very sharp downturn in growth. In this environment, bonds offer a valuable cushion and are still appealing at current yields.



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