

KAML MEDIA STATEMENT

KAML HAS STRONG THIRD QUARTER GROWTH

The latest quarterly return achieved by Kina Asset Management Limited (KAML) provides an 11 per cent growth for the 9 months of this year.

Releasing the latest quarterly report, KAML chairman Sir Rabbie Namaliu said that growth had been achieved in each quarter and in the September quarter the investment portfolio increased by K3.68m a gain of 9.84%.

The KAML portfolio has risen from K37.37m last December 2011 to K41.05m at the end of the September guarter.

Sir Rabbie revealed that KAML investment strategy had increased its targeted allocation and benchmarks on domestic equities to between 40% and 50% while international equities in Australia, Asia and other world markets were adjusted to a 50% to 60% range.

"The performance of the domestic listed equities, international listed equities and exchange traded fund exceeded their respective benchmarks, while the global ex Australia performed below the benchmark, "Sir Rabbie said.

KAML generated an investment gain of K4.41 million for the nine month period representing a return of 11%.

Sir Rabbie mentioned that KAML's trading strategy continued to be positive and to take advantage of market gains.

"Unfortunately the global financial scene continues to have an adverse overarching impact on the regional markets, but despite the continuing dismal global economic instability and caution, local equities continue to provide sound investment opportunities," he said.

"Our fund manager Kina Funds Management Limited has been prudent in working consistently in line with our overall trading strategy with very impressive results.

"The successful growth of PNG and Pacific based companies has been responsible for the ongoing consistent growth.

The increase in the portfolio was also attributable to the valuation gains of listed equities and dividend received.

Sir Rabbie stated that in the first half of 2012 PNG continued to experience high economic growth which was indicated by increased employment and the value of sales in the private sector.



He said that the Government's forecast of 9.9% growth in 2012 was on course as the construction of the PNG LNG project reaches its peak along with the commencement of production at the Ramu Nickel/Cobalt mine and increased Government expenditure.

It should be noted that at the end of Q3 Kina Securities stock indices produced mixed results on POMSoX. The main index, the KSi, increased 0.91% to finish at 4,633.8 points. While, the home index, the KSHi concluded at 8,848.6 points, down by 5.77%.

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