PRINCIPAL MUTUAL FUND

Exchange Plaza, 'B' Wing, Ground Floor, NSE Building, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai – 400 051.





INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEE OF PRINCIPAL MUTUAL FUND

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the 30 Schemes as mentioned in 'Annexure A' (Collectively "the Schemes") of the Principal Mutual Fund, which comprises the Balance Sheets as at March 31, 2016, the Revenue Accounts, the Cash Flow Statements for the year/period then ended and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

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Annexure - A: • Principal Growth Fund • Principal Index Fund - Nifty • Principal Large Cap Fund • Principal Dividend Yield Fund • Principal Emerging Bluechip Fund • Principal Personal Tax Saver Fund • Principal Smart Equity Fund • Principal Emerging Bluechip Fund • Principal Gobal Opportunities Fund • Principal Debt Opportunities Fund • Corporate Bond Plan • Principal Debt Opportunities Fund • Corporate Bond Plan • Principal Government Securities Fund • Principal Dynamic Bond Fund (formerly known as Principal Income Fund Long Term Plan) • Principal Bank CD Fund • Principal Income Fund • Short Term Plan • Principal Debt Savings Fund • MIP • Principal Debt Savings Fund • Retail Plan • Principal Balanced Fund • Principal Cash Management Fund • Principal Retail Money Manager Fund • Principal PNB Fixed Maturity Plan • Series B10 • Principal PNB Fixed Maturity Plan • Series B13 • Principal PNB Fixed Maturity Plan • Series B14 • Principal PNB Fixed Maturity Plan • Series B13 • Principal PNB Fixed Maturity Plan • Series B15 • Principal Asset Allocation FOF • Moderate Plan • Principal Asset Allocation FOF • Conservative Plan • Principal Asset Allocation FOF • Aggressive Plan.

Management's Passonsibility for the Financial Statements

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The Trustee of Principal Mutual Fund and Principal Pnb Asset Management Company Private Limited, the Schemes Investment Manager are responsible for the preparation of these financial statements that give a true and fair view of the financial position, financial performance and cash flow of the Schemes in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in India, including the accounting policies as specified in the Ninth Schedule of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 and amendments thereto ("the Regulations"). This responsibility also includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and presentation of the financial statements of the Schemes that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. Those Standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Schemes internal controls. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of the accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion on the financial statements.

Opinion: In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the aforesaid financial statements give the information required by the Regulations as applicable in the manner so required and give a true and fair view in conformity with the accounting principles generally

- a) In the case of balance sheets, of the state of affairs of the respective Schemes as at March 31, 2016;
- In the case of revenue accounts of the surplus / deficit as applicable of the respective Schemes, for b) the year/period ended on that date; and
- In the case of the cash flow statements, of the cash flows of the respective Schemes for the year/ period ended on that date

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

As required under the Regulations, we report that:

- We have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of our audit
- The Balance Sheets, Revenue Accounts and Cash Flow Statements dealt with by this Report are in agreement with the books of account of the respective Schemes;
- In our opinion, the Balance Sheets, Revenue Accounts and Cash Flow Statements dealt with by this report have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies and standards as specified in the Ninth Schedule of the Regulations;
- The methods used to value non traded securities, as determined by Principal Pnb Asset Management Company Private Limited and as approved by the Trustee of Principal Mutual Fund are in good faith and in accordance with the guidelines for valuation of securities for mutual funds as mentioned in the Eighth Schedule of the Regulations issued by the Securities and Exchange Board of India, and are fair and reasonable

For Haribhakti & Co. LLP Chartered Accountants ICAI Firm Registration No. 103523W Sd/-

Chetan Desai Partner Membership No. 017000

TRUSTEE REPORT

Place:

Mumbai

July 13, 2016

Directors of Principal Trustee Company Private Limited have the pleasure in presenting the Twenty Second Annual Report along with the audited financial statements of the Schemes of Principal Mutual Fund for the Financial Year 2015-2016.

Scheme Performance, Future Outlook and Operations of the Scheme : Performance as on March 31, 2016:

Principal Smart Equity Fund (An Open Ended Equity Scheme)

Period	Date	Regul	ar Plan^	Direct Plan^#		
		Returns (%) Crisil Balanced Fund Index (%)		Returns (%)	Crisil Balanced Fund Index (%)	
Last 1 Year	31-Mar-15	-0.54	-2.90	0.47	-2.90	
Last 3 Year	28-Mar-13	15.28	10.46	16.23	10.46	
Last 5 Year	31- Mar-11	10.67	7.15	N.A.	N.A.	
Since Inception	16-Dec-10	9.94	6.64	12.38	8.72	

Direct Plan - Since Inception - January 2, 2013. [^]Growth Option

Past performance may or may not be sustained in the future

Note: Returns less than one year are calculated on absolute basis and returns for more than one year are calculated on Compounded Annualised basis.

The Scheme aims to provide the benefit of automatic asset allocation to investment based on market valuations and to protect the investors from high volatility in the markets and at the same time providing growth. During the Financial Year 2015-16, the Scheme outperformed its benchmark due to the outperformance of stocks bought in Energy, Pharmaceuticals, Cement and Financials sectors with the returns from some of these stocks being significantly higher compared to the benchmark.

The net assets of the Scheme amounted to ₹ 119.96 Crs as at March 31, 2016 as compared to ₹ 77.65 Crs as at March 31, 2015

Outlook and Operations of the Scheme:

Equity Market: While the economy through FY16 generally remained weak, there are some signs of a pick up. The sales of Commercial Vehicles, esp. Heavy CVs has shown an uptick in the past few months. Cement demand has shown signs of improvement and consumer durables sales have generally been good. While stressed assets of banks is an issue, but most corporates seems to be making efforts to sell assets and improve the Balance Sheet. The rate cycle seems to be making efforts to sell assets and improve the Balance Sheet. The rate cycle seems to be making efforts to sell assets and improve the Balance Sheet. The rate cycle seems to be making efforts to sell assets and improve the Balance Sheet. The rate cycle seems to be making efforts to sell assets and improve the Balance Sheet. The rate cycle seems to be making efforts to sell assets and improve the Balance Sheet. The rate cycle seems to be making efforts to sell assets and improve the Balance Sheet. The rate cycle seems to be making efforts to sell assets and improve the Balance Sheet. The rate cycle seems to be making efforts to sell assets and improve the Balance Sheet. to have tail winds as inflation is likely to be steady for most of the year. Initial monsson forecasts from the weather forecaster are for a normal monsoon which should help in rural demand.

After weak earnings for the past 2 years, earning should revive in FY 17. However, valuations are fair in line with long term averages. Global events like stability in commodity prices, geopolitical developments and the macroeconomic situation in advanced economies will drive flows in Emerging Markets (EMs). India is placed in a relatively better position compared to most Ems in attracting these flows

attracting these flows.

Debt Market: The key drivers for debt market in FY 2016-17 would be RBI's open market operations, liquidity conditions in the banking system and demand supply dynamics for Government Securities (G-Secs). Given's RBI's stated stance to bring banking system liquidity deficit to a "neutral" level we expect higher OMO purchases of dated gilts and lower deficit levels as compared to FY 16.

Issuance of UDAY bonds and States' SDL could put intermittent upward pressure on bond yields as the total supply remains high. Foreign inflows to debt market are expected to pick up in the backdrop of stable global conditions and benign interest rates across US, Eurozone and Japan. Inflation is expected to average close to 5% for the financial year in line with RBI's targeted trajectory path for CPI inflation and thus we expect RBI to remain in an accommodative policy stance during the year, though further rate cuts maybe limited.

Global crude oil prices would continue to remain an important indicator in terms of fuel inflation.

Global crude oil prices would continue to remain an important indicator in terms of fuel inflation, oil import growth and subsidy bill of government. Any sharp rise in oil prices can be negative for the markets in terms of higher subsidy bill which can impact fiscal deficit negatively and higher inflation. We expect the government to broadly meet its fiscal deficit target of 3.5% for FY 17. The broad range for 10 year benchmark for financial year 2015-16 is likely to be 7.00%-7.70%. Given the cuts in key rates by RBI, change to MCLR regime by banks and alignment of small savings instruments rates to market yields by the government, we expect greater transmission of policy rates to short end of the curve and thus short to medium tenor corporate bonds and CP/ CD yields should remain benign broadly with downward bias.

Operations: Principal Mutual Fund (PMF) as at March 31, 2016 offers twenty Eight Schemes. Operations: Principal mutual Fund (PMF) as at March 31, 2016 others (wenty Eight Schemes). These include nine Equity Schemes (including two Equity Linked Savings Schemes), one Blanced Scheme, one Hybrid Scheme, one Fund of Fund Scheme (Overseas), one Fund of Fund (Domestic), eight Debt Schemes/Plans including one Liquid Scheme, and six Fixed Maturity Plans. The total assets under management across all these Schemes as on March 31, 2016 was ₹ 4073.84 Crore.

The AMC operates out of 11 branches, including Mumbai. Increased use of technology coupled with optimum allocation and utilization of resources has helped us to enhance operational efficiency at PMF. During the year, SEBI has introduced significant changes to the MF regulations which has impacted the industry as a whole. PMF has continued to modify its processes, wherever required, to remain compliant with the said regulations at all times.

Brief background of Sponsors, Trust, Trustee Co. and AMC Co.

Sponsor and Constitution of the Mutual Fund: Principal Mutual Fund is sponsored by Principal Financial Services Inc., USA [acting through its wholly owned subsidiary Principal Financial Group (Mauritius) Ltd.]. The Sponsor is the Settlor of the Mutual Fund Trust with Punjab National Bank as co-settlor. The Sponsor and co-settlor have entrusted a sum of ₹ 25 lakhs to the Trustee as as co-settlor. The Sponsor and co-settlor have entrusted a sum of ₹ 25 lakhs to the Trustea as the initial contribution towards the corpus of the Mutual Fund. Principal Financial Services Inc. is a member of the Principal Financial Group - a leading provider of financial products and services globally to businesses and individuals including retirement and investment services, Mutual Funds, life and health insurance, annuities and mortgage banking. Established in 1879, the Principal Financial Group has more than \$516.2 billion in assets under management and serves over 20.6 million customers worldwide through operations in the United States, Asia, Australia, Europe, Latin America and North America (as on December 31, 2015). The business of Principal Financial Group (Mauritius) Limited, is to carry out business activities which are not prohibited under the Laws of Mauritius and the laws of the countries where the Company is transacting business and to do all such things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects. The present share holding pattern of the AMC is as follows:

Name of the Shareholder	% of equity capital
Principal Financial Group (Mauritius) Limited	78.62
Punjab National Bank	21.38

B. Principal Trustee Company Private Limited ("the Trustee"):

The Trustee is the exclusive The Trustee is the exclusive owner of the Trust Fund and holds the same in trust for the benefit of the Unitholders.

Principal Trustee Company Private Limited (formerly IDBI-PRINCIPAL Trustee Company Limited), a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956 is the Trustee to the Fund with effect from October 18, 2002. Prior to October 18, 2002, Board of Trustees discharged the Trusteeship function of the Fund. The Trustee has the exclusive ownership of the Trust Fund and is vested with

the general powers of superintendence, direction and management of the affairs of the Trust.

The Trustee has been discharging its duties and carrying out its responsibilities as provided in the SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996 and the Trust Deed. The Trustee seeks to ensure that the Fund and the Schemes floated there under are managed by the AMC in accordance with the Trust Deed, the Regulations, directions and guidelines issued by the SEBI, the Association of

Mutual Funds in India and other regulatory agencies.

Principal Financial Group (Mauritius) Limited and Punjab National Bank hold 70% and 30% respectively of the paid up equity capital of the Trustee Company.

Asset Management Company (AMC): Principal Pnb Asset Management Company Private Limited (AMC) is a private limited company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956 on November 20, 1991 having its Registered Office at Exchange Plaza, 'B' Wing, Ground Floor, NSE Building, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai - 400 051, India. Principal Pnb

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Asset Management Company Private Limited has been appointed as the Asset Management Company of the Principal Mutual Fund by the Trustee vide Investment Management Agreement (IMA) dated November 25, 1994 executed between Trustee and AMC. The AMC has also been registered as a Portfolio Manager under the provisions of SEBI (Portfolio Manager) Regulations, 1993 vide SEBI Registration no. INP000000951. Further, the AMC has obtained No Objection from SEBI for undertaking activities which are in the nature of advisory services to offshore funds, venture capital funds, financial consultancy and exchange of research pertaining to securities.

2. Liabilities and Responsibilities of Trustee and Settlor:

The key responsibility of the Trustee is to safeguard the interest of the Unit holders and inter-alia ensure that Principal Pnb Asset Management Company Private Limited functions in the interest of investors and as laid down under the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996, the provisions of the Investment Management Agreement, Statement of Addition Information and Scheme Information Document of the respective Schemes. From the information provided to the Trustees and the reviews the Trustee has undertaken, the Trustee believes Principal AMC has operated in the interests of the Unit holders.

The Sponsor and any of its associates including co-settlors is not responsible or liable for any loss resulting from the operations of the Mutual Fund beyond the initial contribution of an amount of R25 lakhs towards setting up of Principal Mutual Fund.

3. Investment Objective:

The primary objective of the scheme is to seek to generate long term capital appreciation with relatively lower volatility through systematic allocation of funds into equity; and in debt /money market instruments for defensive purposes. The Scheme will decide on allocation of funds into equity assets based on equity market Price Earning Ratio (PE Ratio) levels. When the markets become expensive in terms of 'Price to Earnings' Ratio; the Scheme will reduce its allocation to equities and move assets into debt and/or money market instruments and vice versa.

The Scheme will decide on allocation of funds into equity assets based on equity market Price Earnings Ratio (PE Ratio) levels. The PE Ratio has traditionally been used as a tool to assess whether the equity markets are cheap or expensively priced. When the markets become expensive in terms of 'Price to Earnings' Ratio'; the Scheme will reduce its allocation to equities and move assets into debt and/or money market instruments and vice versa. Such a strategy is expected to optimize the risk-return proposition for the long term investor.

- Significant Accounting Policies: The Significant Accounting Policies form part of the Notes to the
 Accounts annexed to the Balance Sheet of the Scheme. Accounting policies are in accordance with
 Securities Exchange Board of India (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996.
- 5. Unclaimed Dividends & Redemptions for the financial year 2015-2016

Scheme	Unclaimed	Dividends	Unclaimed Redemptions		
	Amount (₹ in Lacs)	No. of Investors	Amount (₹ in Lacs)	No. of Investors	
Principal Smart Equity Fund	1.73	70	2.39	12	

Investor Grievances:

The data on Investor Grievance as per the SEBI prescribed is enclosed herewith as **Annexure I** (Refer page 4).

7. General Policies & Procedures for exercising the voting rights & Exercise of Proxy Votes:

- a. As per the requirements of the SEBI Circular No. SEBI/IMD/CIR No.18/198647/2010 dated March 15, 2010 and SEBI Circular No. CIR/IMD/DF/05/2014 dated March 24, 2014 the General policies and procedures for exercising voting rights (along with the relevant disclosures) in respect of the shares held by the Schemes of Principal Mutual Fund; has been hosted on our website www.principalindia.com.
- b. During the FY 2015-16, the proxy voting was exercised by Principal Pnb Asset Management Company Private Limited for and on behalf of Principal Mutual Fund ("the Fund"). The summary of proxy votes cast by Principal Mutual Fund/AMC across all the investee companies is as follows:

Summary of Votes cast during the F.Y. 2015-2016									
F.Y.	Quarter Total no. of Break-up of Vot			up of Vote d	ecision				
		Resolutions	For	Against	Abstained				
2015-2016	April-June	245	215	20	10				
2015-2016	July-September	1514	1272	234	8				
2015-2016	October - December	114	97	13	4				
2015-2016	Jaunary- March	80	74	5	1				

For complete voting details for the period of 2015-16, unit holders can log on to the website (www.principalindia.com) of the Fund. Further the said Details are also available in the Annual Report for the period 2015-16. A copy thereof is available on the said website of the fund and shall be sent / emailed to the unit holders free of cost on demand.

8. Statutory Information:

- The Sponsors/Co- Settlors are not responsible or liable for any loss resulting from the operations
 of the Schemes of Principal Mutual Fund beyond their initial contribution of an amount of R25
 lakhs towards setting up Principal Mutual Fund, and such other accretions/ additions to the same;
- ii. The price and redemption value of the units, and income from them, can go up as well down with fluctuations in the market value of its underlying investment;
- iii. Full Annual Report shall be disclosed on the website www.principalindia.com and shall also be available for inspection at the Head Office of Principal Mutual Fund. Present and prospective unitholder can obtain copy of the trust deed, the full Annual Report of the Fund / AMC at a price.

Acknowledgement:

The Trustee wish to thank Securities and Exchange Board of India, Reserve Bank of India and Association of Mutual Funds in India for their support and direction. The Trustees also wish to thank all the Unitholders, distributors, key partners and service providers for their commitment and strong support.

For Principal Trustee Company Private Limited

Sd/-

 Date
 : July 13, 2016
 V. S. Mathur

 Place
 : Mumbai
 Chairman

ABRIDGED BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 31, 2016

		(₹ In Lacs)
	As at March 31, 2016	As at March 31, 2015
LIABILITIES Unit Capital	7,495.75	4,766.94
Reserves & Surplus Unit Premium Reserves	(214.99)	(480.19)

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Unit Capital	7,495.75	4,766.94
Reserves & Surplus	·	
Unit Premium Reserves	(214.99)	(480.19)
Unrealised Appreciation Reserve	`480.82	987.72
Other Reserves	4,241.76	2,490.78
Loans & Borrowings		
Current Liabilities & Provisions		
Provision for doubtful Income/Deposits	_	_
Other Current Liabilities & Provisions	522.84	99.26
TOTAL	12,526.18	7.864.50
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ASSETS		
Investments		
Listed Securities:	7 700 45	
Equity Shares	7,798.45	6,341.43
Preference Shares	-	-
Equity Linked Debentures		-
Other Debentures & Bonds	882.02	-
Securitised Debt securities	-	-
Securities Awaited Listing:	-	
Equity Shares	-	-
Preference Shares	-	-
Equity Linked Debentures	-	-
Other Debentures & Bonds	-	-
Securitised Debt securities	-	-
Unlisted Securities		
Equity Shares	-	-
Preference Shares	-	-
Equity Linked Debentures	-	-
Other Debentures & Bonds	-	_
Securitised Debt securities	-	_
Government Securities	316.05	_
Treasury Bills	9.86	_
Commercial Paper	1,491.11	98.97
Certificate of Deposits	499.38	299.58
Bill Rediscounting	_	_
Units of Domestic Mutual Fund	700.54	600.43
Foreign Securities	_	_
Total Investments	11,697.41	7,340.41
Total investments	· ·	
Deposits	2.56	2.56
Other Current Assets		
Cash & Bank Balance	20.52	2.10
CBLO/ Reverse Repo Lending	265.31	27.35
Others	540.39	492.08
Deferred Revenue Expenditure	-	-
(to the extent not written off)		

ABRIDGED REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2016

(₹ In Lac						
	Current Year ended March 31, 2016	Previous Year ended March 31, 2015				
INCOME						
Dividend	101.86	42.06				
Interest	170.42	182.33				
Realised Gain / (Loss) on Foreign Exchange Transactions	_	_				
Realised Gains / (Losses) on Interscheme sale of investments	0.04	0.02				
Realised Gains / (Losses) on External sale / redemption of investments	484.88	1,267.34				
Realised Gains / (Losses) on Derivative Transactions	-	-				
Other Income (Refer Note 5 of Notes to Accounts)	10.72	5.44				
(A)	767.92	1,497.19				
EXPENSES						
Management fees	142.48	116.75				
Service tax on Management fees	19.84	14.43				
Transfer agents fees and expenses	12.16	10.61				
Custodian fees	2.78	2.13				
Trusteeship fees	0.95	0.64				
Commission to Agents	96.84	33.33				
Marketing & Distribution expenses	2.67	2.50				
Audit fees	0.40	0.32				
Other operating expenses (Refer note 4 of Notes to Accounts)	9.08	4.39				
(B)	287.22	185.10				
NET REALISED GAINS / (LOSSES) FOR THE PERIOD (A - B = C)	480.70	1,312.09				
Change in Unrealised Depreciation in value of investments (D)	525.78	7.18				
NET GAINS / (LOSSES) FOR THE PERIOD (E=(C-D))	(45.08)	1,304.91				
Change in unrealised appreciation in the value of investments (F)	-	20.46				
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) FOR THE PERIOD ($E + F = G$)	(45.08)	1,325.37				
Opening Balance	2,490.78	997.95				
Add: Balance transfer from Unrealised Appreciation Reserve	987.72	974.43				
Less: Balance transfer to Unrealised Appreciation Reserve	480.82	987.72				
Add / (Less): Equalisation	1,324.38	333.86				
Total (Including G)	4,276.98	2,643.89				
Dividend appropriation						
Income Distributed during the period	35.22	153.11				
Tax on income distributed during the period	-	-				
Retained Surplus / (Deficit) carried forward to Balance sheet	4,241.76	2,490.78				

Notes to Accounts – Annexure I

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TOTAL

Mutual

(₹ In Lacs)

NOTES TO ACCOUNTS

Annexure I to the Abridged Balance Sheet and Revenue Account for the Year Ended 31 March, 2016

Investments:-

- Except Government Securities, CBLO's and Treasury Bills (which are held in the name of the Mutual Fund) all other investments of the scheme are registered in the name of Principal Trustee Company Pvt. Ltd. - Trustee to Principal Mutual Fund for the benefit of the Schemes unitholders.
- Disclosure for investments in derivative instruments

For the financial year 2015-16

Hedging Positions through Futures as on March 31, 2016:

Scheme	Underlying	Long / Short	Futures Price when purchased	Current price of the contract	Margin maintained in ₹ Lakhs	Total exposure due to futures (Hedging positions) as a %age to net assets
Principal Smart Equity Fund	Reliance Industries Ltd. (Apri 2016)	Short	1,052.58	1,050.40	90.41	6.38%

For the period April 01, 2015 to March 31, 2016, following hedging transactions through futures have been squared off/expired

Scheme	Total Number of contracts where futures were bought (opening balance)		Number of contracts where futures	Gross Notional Value of contracts where futures were sold (opening balance)	Value of contracts where futures were bought		Net Profit/ Loss value on all contracts
Principal Smart Equity Fund	953	10,256	9,303	296,579,533	3,346,335,828	3,065,883,793	16,127,498

Other than Hedging Positions through Futures as on March 31, 2016: Nil

For the period April 01, 2015 to March 31, 2016, following non-hedging transactions through futures have been squared off/expired : Nil.

Hedging Position through Put Option as on March 31, 2016 : Nil.

For the period April 01, 2015 to March 31, 2016, hedging transactions through options which have been squared off/expired : Nil.

Other than Hedging Positions through Options as on March 31, 2016: Nil.

For the period April 01, 2015 to March 31, 2016, non-hedging transactions through options have been squared off/expired : Nil.

Note: In case of derivative transactions end of the day position on the date of such transaction is considered as the basis to assess the nature of transaction as hedge ℓ non-hedge.

For the financial year 2014-15

Hedging Positions through Futures as on 31st March 2015:

Underlying	Long / Short	Futures Price when purchased	Current price of the contract	Margin maintained in TLakhs	Total exposure due to futures (Hedging positions) as a %age to net assets
HDFC Bank Ltd. Apr 2015	Short	1,066.56	1,033.00	55.09	6.47%
Hindustan Petroleum Corpn. Ltd. Apr 2015	Short	636.15	655.45	18.70	1.52%
Lupin Ltd. Apr 2015	Short	1,960.47	2,019.95	93.86	9.58%
Maruti Suzuki India Ltd. Apr 2015	Short	3,636.58	3,731.65	48.20	4.70%
Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd. Apr 2015	Short	149.53	146.45	43.45	4.46%
Reliance Industries Ltd. Apr 2015	Short	861.80	831.40	76.07	7.05%
State Bank of India Apr 2015	Short	277.71	267.85	19.51	2.16%
Tata Steel Ltd. Apr 2015	Short	333.57	319.20	5.50	0.68%
Tata Consultancy Services Ltd. Apr 2015	Short	2,635.63	2,566.60	13.02	1.41%

For the period 01st April 2014 to 31st March 2015, following hedging transactions through futures have been squared off/expired

Scheme	Total Number of contracts where futures were bought (opening balance)	Total Number of contracts where futures were bought	Number of contracts where futures	Gross Notional Value of contracts where futures were bought (opening balance)	Value of contracts where futures were bought		Net Profit/ Loss value on all contracts
Principal Smart	-	2,785	2,785	-	827,645,405	821,923,910	(5,721,495)

Other than Hedging Positions through Futures as on 31st March 2015: Nil

For the period 01st April 2014 to 31st March 2015, following non-hedging transactions through futures have been squared off/expired:

Scheme	Total Number of contracts where futures were bought (opening balance)	Total Number of contracts where futures were bought	Number of contracts where futures	Gross Notional Value of contracts where futures were bought (opening balance)	Value of contracts where futures were bought		Net Profit/ Loss value on all contracts
Principal Smart Equity Fund	4	-	4	923,777	-	1,032,600	108,823

Hedging Position through Put Option as on 31st March 2015 : Nil

For the period 01st April 2014 to 31st March 2015, hedging transactions through options which have been squared off/expired: Nil

Other than Hedging Positions through Options as on 31st March 2015 : Nil

For the period 01st April 2014 to 31st March 2015, non-hedging transactions through options have been squared off/expired : Nil

Note: In case of derivative transactions end of the day position on the date of such transaction is considered as the basis to assess the nature of transaction as hedge ℓ non-hedge.

- During the year ended March 31, 2016 the scheme has made investments in securities of the Associate Group Companies of the Sponsor. Details of Aggregate Value of Investments and e by the schemes of Principal Mutual Fund during the year ended March 31, 2016 is given in Annexure II.

 The above investments were considered sound before making investment. The AMC evaluated
 - the same on merits and on arm's length basis and in accordance with the investment objectives of the respective Schemes.
- There are no open position of securities borrowed and / or lent by the scheme as at March 31, 2016 and as at March 31, 2015.
- 1.5 Non Performing Assets as at March 31, 2016 cost is ₹ Nil (as at March 31, 2015 cost is ₹ Nil).
- Aggregate value of Unrealised Gain / Loss as at the end of the Financial Year, expressed as a percentage to Net Assets. (₹ in Lacs)

Scheme	Year ended 31	-March-2016	Year ended 31-March-2015			
	Unrealised Gain / (Loss)	% to Avg. Net Assets	Unrealised Gain / (Loss)	% to Avg. Net Assets		
Principal Smart Equity Fund	460.41	4.83	987.72	12.72		

1.7 Aggregate Value of Purchase and Sale made during the year, expressed as a percentage of Average Daily Net Asset Value :

	Purch	ases	Sales*			
	Amount	% of Avg. Net Assets	Amount	% of Avg. Net Assets		
March 31, 2016	82,524.24	866.21	76,004.91	797.78		
March 31, 2015	54,651.25	857.88	56,431.24	885.82		

Sales includes redemptions / maturities

The Aggregate book value of Non-Traded / Thinly traded Debt Investments, which have been valued in good faith in accordance with the guidelines for valuation of securities of Mutual Fund issued by SEBI, expressed as percentage to Net Assets is given below

	Year ended	31-March-2016	Year ended 31-March-2015			
	Amount	% to Net Assets	Amount	% to Net Assets		
Book Value	2,868.06	23.89	397.20	5.12		
Market / Fair Value	2,872.51	23.93	398.55	5.13		

- As per the requirements of Regulation 25 (8) of SEBI Regulation 1996, the details of Payments made to Associates for the period is given in Annexure III.
- As per the SEBI disclosure wide circular No. MFD/CIR No.3/211/2001 dated April 30, 2001; Scheme does not have a single unit holder holding more than 25% of the NAV at the end as on March 31, 2015 and March 31, 2016.
- Expenses other than management fees are inclusive of service tax wherever applicable.
- Other income includes switch Compensation paid / received, Compensation received from AMC and exit load collected, net of service tax from the investors at the time of redemption. 5
- 6 Details of movements in Unit Capital for the period is given in Annexure IV.
- Borrowing cost has been charged to the schemes and adjusted against interest income during the year and is not considered for the purpose of limit calculation for total expenses. 7
- 8 Previous year's figures have been regrouped, wherever necessary, to make them comparable.
- 9 There was no Contingent Liability for the current financial year & previous financial year.

Annexure - II

Details of investments made in Associates / Group Companies	(< In Lacs)			
LARSEN & TOUBRO LTD	Equity Shares			
	2015-2016	2014-2015		
Schemes				
GROWTH	-	-		
INDEX	84.04	34.14		
LCAP	33.16	612.81		
PTSF	-	701.17		
SMART	105.46	121.86		
TAX96	-	25.32		
PBF	8.43	-		
Aggregate Investments by all Schemes	231.09	1,495.30		
SCHEME CODE LIST: • CPOWTH - Principal Growth Fund • INDEX	Drincinal Index	Fund - Nifty • I C		

PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK	Equity Shares			
	2015-2016	2014-2015		
Scheme				
INDEX	6.70	3.58		
Aggregate Investments by all Schemes	6.70 3.5			
ATUL LTD.	Equity	Shares		
ATUL LTD.	Equity 2015-2016	Shares 2014-2015		
ATUL LTD. Scheme	. ,			
	. ,			

IST: • GROWTH - Principal Growth Fund • INDEX - Principal Index Fund - Nifty • LCAP - Principal Large Cap Fund • PBF - Principal Balanced Fund • PEBF - Principal Emerging Bluechip Fund • PTSF - Principal Personal Tax Saver Fund • SMART - Principal Smart Equity Fund • TAX96 - Principal Tax Savings Fund

Annexure III: Brokerage/Commission paid to associates/related parties/group companies of Sponsor/ Asset Management Company (AMC)

Brokerage paid to associates/related parties/group companies of Sponsor/Asset Management Company (AMC) for securities transaction

Name of associate/related parties/	Nature of Association /	April 01, 2015/ Launch date to	o March 31,2016/Maturity date	April 01, 2014/ Launch date to March 31,2015/Maturity date				
group companies of Sponsor/AMC	Nature of Relation	Value of transaction (₹ In lacs & % of total value of transaction of the fund)	Brokerage (₹ In lacs & % of total brokerage paid by the fund)	Value of transaction (₹ In lacs & % of total value of transaction of the fund)	Brokerage (₹ In lacs & % of total brokerage paid by the fund)			
NIL								

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Commission paid to associates/related parties/group companies of Sponsor/ Asset Management Company (AMC) for Distribution of units

Name of associate/related parties/	Nature of Association /	April 01, 2015/ Launch date to	March 31,2016/Maturity date	April 01, 2014/ Launch date to March 31,2015/Maturity date			
group companies of Sponsor/AMC	Nature of Relation	Business given (₹ In lacs & % of total business received by the fund)	Commission paid (₹ In lacs & % of total commission paid by the fund)	Business given (₹ In lacs & % of total business received by the fund)	Commission paid (₹ In lacs & % of total commission paid by the fund)		
Punjab National Bank	Company Holding 21.38% stake in the Investment Manager of the Schemes of the Fund	3,34,458.78(4.21%)	302.16(18.79%)	2,59,668.84(4.18%)	265.42(14.62%)		
Principal Retirement Advisors Pvt. Ltd.	Associate of Investment Manager	3,263.17(0.04%)	12.96(0.81%)	2558.45(0.04%)	8.46(0.47%)		
Principal Consulting India Pvt. Ltd.	Associate of Investment Manager	NIL	NIL	0.00(0.00%)	0.36(0.02%)		

Note: Commission paid to associates has been disclosed on payment basis and business given indicates Gross Mobilisation (net of rejections, if any) during the corresponding period for which the commission paid has been disclosed

Annexure - IV: Details of Movement in Unit Capital for the year ended 31 March 2016

Scheme	Opening Balance *	Subscription *	Redemption *	Closing Balance *
Principal Smart Equity Fund - Growth Option	337,753,163	264,149,320	121,109,241	480,793,242
Principal Smart Equity Fund - Half Yearly Dividend Option	113,762,024	166,482,365	37,134,028	243,110,361
Principal Smart Equity Fund - Direct Growth Option	17,859,034	7,767,950	11,954,984	13,672,000
Principal Smart Equity Fund - Direct Plan - Half Yearly Dividend Option	7,319,515	10,634,506	5,954,467	11,999,554

^{- :} indicates Nil * Face Value is ₹ 10 per unit

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Par	ticulars		Regula	r Plan			Direc	t Plan		
		Half Yearly Di	vidend Option	Growth	Option	Half Yearly Di	vidend Option	Growth	Growth Option	
		March 31, 2016 ₹	March 31, 2015 ₹	March 31, 2016 ₹	March 31, 2015 ₹	March 31, 2016 ₹	March 31, 2015 ₹	March 31, 2016 ₹	March 31, 2015 ₹	
1.	NAV per unit (₹): Open High Low End Closing Assets Under Management (₹ in Lakhs)	15.27 15.51 14.01 14.94	13.23 16.34 13.13 15.27	16.60 16.98 15.48 16.51	13.23 16.98 13.13 16.60	16.36 16.62 15.17 16.20	13.37 16.73 13.27 16.36	16.89 17.33 15.89 16.97	13.37 17.27 13.27 16.89	
	End	3,231.60	1,737.56	7,860.77	5,606.34	194.36	119.77	232.05	301.58	
			March 3	1, 2016			March :	31, 2015		
	Average (AAuM) - Regular Plan (₹ in Lakhs) Direct Plan (₹ in Lakhs)		9,08 442	.01			196	6,174.32 196.17		
3. 4.	Gross income as % of AAuM¹ Expense Ratio: a. Total Expense as % of AAuM (plan wise)® b. Management Fee as % of AAuM (plan wise) - Regular plan Direct Plan birect Plan Direct Plan	8.06% 3.11% 2.07% 1.50%				23.71% 2.93% 2.24% 1.83% 1.90%				
5. 6.	Net Income as a percentage of AAuM ² Portfolio turnover ratio ³		5.09 6.5			20.80% 0.93				
7.	Total Net Dividend per unit distributed during the year / period (plan wise)	March 31, 2016	March 31, 2015	March 31, 2016	March 31, 2015	March 31, 2016	March 31, 2015	March 31, 2016	March 31, 2015	
	Corporates Non-Corporates	0.25 0.25	1.29 1.29	-	0.51 0.51	0.25 0.25	0.51 0.51	-	-	
8.	Returns (%)*	March	31, 2016	March :	31, 2015	March :	31, 2016	March 3	31, 2015	
	a. Last One Year Benchmark b. Since Inception Benchmark	(0.54) (2.90) 9.94 6.64		25.47 22.53 12.54 9.00		0.47 (2.90) 12.38 8.72		26.33 22.53 18.16 14.35		
	Benchmark				Crisil Balance	ed Fund Index				

Past performance may or may not be sustained in the future.

AAuM=Average daily net assets

Annexure – I to the Trustee Report : Redressal of Complaints received against Principal Mutual Fund during 2015-2016: Principal Mutual Fund - Total number of folios as on March 31, 2016 - 4,31,753

Complaint	Type of Complaint #	(a) No. of complaints pending at the received										
Code				Resolved			Non	Pending				
		beginning of during the	Within 30 days	30-60 days	60-180 days	Beyond 180 days	Actionable*	0-3 months	3-6 months	6-9 months	9-12 months	
IA	Non receipt of Dividend on Units	-	6	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
IB	Interest on delay payment of dividend	-	-	-	-	_	_	-	_	-	-	-
IC	Non receipt of Redemption Proceeds	1	48	49	-	_	_	-	_	-	-	-
ID	Interest on delay payment of redemption	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
II A	Non receipt of Statement of Account/Unit Certificate	_	-	-	-	_	_	_	_	-	_	-
IIВ	Discrepancy in Statement of Account	_	341	341	-	_	_	-	_	-	-	-
II C	Non receipt of Annual Report/Abridged Summary	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
III A	Wrong switch between Schemes	_	2	2	-	_	_	-	_	-	_	-
III B	Unauthorized switch between Schemes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
III C	Deviation from Schemes attributes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
III D	Wrong or excess charges/load	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
III E	Non updation of changes viz. address, PAN,											
	bank details, nomination, etc	-	152	152	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
IV	Others	6	106	111	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
	Total	7	656	662	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0

Notes: # Including against its authorized persons/distributors/employees etc.

* Non actionable means the complaints that are incomplete / outside the scope of Mutual Fund.

^{*} Calculated after considering that all dividend payouts / bonus have been reinvested in the Scheme at the then prevailing NAV. Returns are calculated only in respect of Growth Plan/Option, on compounded annualised basis for a period of more than one year and on an absolute basis for a period less than one year.

[@] Pursuant to SEBI Circular No. CIR/IMD/DF/21/ 2012, dated September 13, 2012, w.e.f. October 01, 2012, service tax on management fee and Additional TER is charged over and above Total Expense Ratio.

¹ Gross income = amount against (A) in the Revenue account i.e. Income

³ Portfolio Turnover = Lower of sales or purchase divided by the Average AuM for the year/period.

² Net income = amount against (C) in the Revenue account i.e. NET REALISED GAINS / (LOSSES) FOR THE YEAR / PERIOD