

## DAILY MARKET SUMMARY



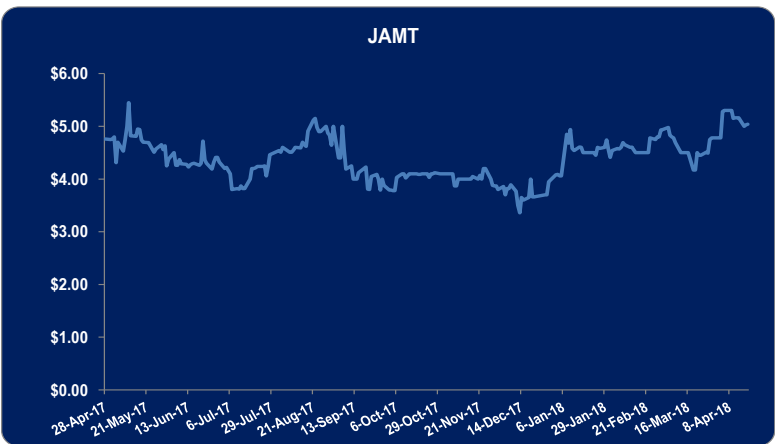
### LOCAL STOCK MARKET: (J\$) +

Stock Symbol	CPJ	SEP	SGJ	LASD	JAMT
Current Price (\$)	4.67	34.00	51.94	4.02	5.00
Trailing EPS (\$)	0.35	1.54	4.31	0.21	0.29
P/E (times)	13.42	22.08	12.06	19.28	17.00
Projected P/E	12.07	19.54	11.70	17.91	16.02
Projected EPS (\$)*	0.39	1.74	4.44	0.22	0.31
Book Value per share (\$)	2.60	18.11	33.71	1.29	1.63
Price/Book Value (times)	1.80	1.88	1.54	3.12	3.06
Dividend Yield (2018 %)	N/A	N/A	0.92%	2.91%	N/A
Volumes	NIL	3,735	9,221	295,257	29,556
Recommendation	BUY	SELL	HOLD	HOLD	HOLD

### FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKET TRADING SUMMARY \*

	PURCHASE RATE			SALES RATE		
	Highest	Lowest	Weighted	Highest	Lowest	Weighted
			Average Rate			Average Rate
USD	125.650	100.020	123.7342	134.020	104.050	125.4514
CAN	100.100	73.050	98.8719	110.050	77.520	99.5394
GBP	178.700	126.000	173.5497	196.000	135.150	177.6084
EURO	152.000	110.370	148.1946	172.350	143.500	158.5433

\*Rates as at April 18, 2018



### MONEY MARKET

The Jamaican dollar fixed income market was liquid in today's (April 19, 2018) trading session. The over night rates were quoted around 1.50% while the 30-day rates stood at 2.20% .

The US dollar fixed income market was also liquid during today's (April 19, 2018) trading session; The overnight market rates were quoted 1.00% while the 30-day market rates stood around 1.20%.

### STOCK OF THE DAY: Jamaican Teas Limited (JAMT)

**For the three months ended December 31, 2017:**

Jamaica Teas reported revenue for the first quarter ended December 2017 of \$456.15 million, an increase of 22% compared to the \$373.90 million booked for the corresponding period in 2016.

Revenue for the 'Property Sale & Rental' segment contracted to \$47.76 million compared to \$58.65 million in 2016.

Cost of sales increased 21% to \$347.17 million (2016: \$287.81 million). As a result, Gross Profit grew 27% to \$108.98 million (2016: \$86.09 million).

Other income for the quarter fell 59% to \$6.87 million compared to \$16.89 million reported in 2016.

Administrative Expenses increased by 34% to \$42.95 million for the first quarter ended December 2017 relative to \$32.17 million for the same period of 2016. Sales and Marketing cost increased by 16% for the quarter relative to 2016 closing at \$9.58 million (2016: \$8.23 million). There was a 51% reduction in finance cost moving from \$9.13 million in 1st Quarter 2016 to \$4.49 million in 2017. Total expenses finished with an overall 15% increase.

Pre-tax profits climbed by 10% for the 3 months ended December 2017, compared to same period for the 2016, increasing from \$53.46 million to \$58.83 million. JAMT incurred tax expenses of \$7.53 million compared to \$6.30 million during the 2016 comparable period. Despite the increase in taxation, Net Profit from continuing operations rose by 9% to close the quarter with \$51.30 million (2016: \$47.16 million). Loss from discontinued operations amounted to \$840,863 relative to a loss of \$1.32 million. As such net profit for the quarter totalled \$50.46 million versus \$45.84 million booked for the comparable quarter ended December 31, 2016.

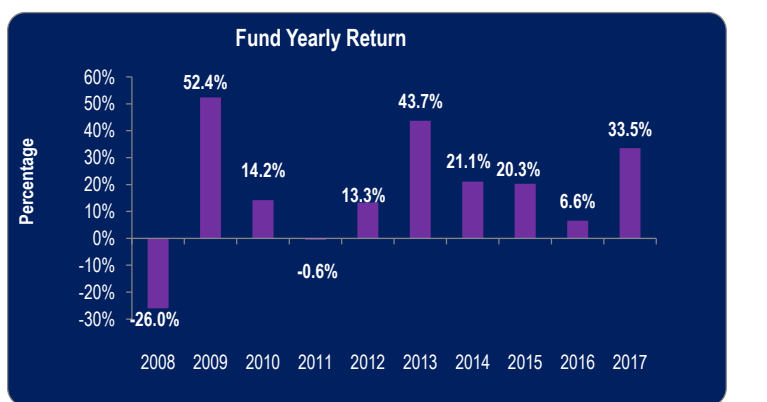
Net Profit attributable to shareholders amounted to \$51.88 million (2016: \$45.84 million), a 13% improvement year over year.

Consequently earnings per share increased to \$0.076 compared to \$0.067 for the corresponding period in 2016. The twelve month trailing earnings per share for the company amounted to \$0.29.

### OVER THE COUNTER FUNDS (CI FUNDS)

#### Signature Global Science & Technology Corporate Class

This fund's objective is to obtain maximum long term capital growth. It invests primarily in equity and equity-related securities of companies around the world that have developed or are developing technological products, processes or services. This includes companies that provide goods and services to these companies and companies that could benefit from advancements and improvements in technology. The fund has a 3 year return of 18.1% and a 5 year return of 23.6% as at March 31, 2018. The Fund also has a 6 month return of 12.7%.



\*Prices are as at April 19, 2018 \*Projections are for the forward 12 months from the most recent quarter results

**U.S.: Oil jumps 3 percent on Saudi price target, U.S stockpiles**

Oil futures jumped nearly 3 percent on Wednesday on a decline in U.S. crude inventories and after sources signaled top exporter Saudi Arabia wants to see the crude price closer to \$100 a barrel. OPEC's new price hawk Saudi Arabia would be happy for crude to rise to \$80 or even \$100, three industry sources said, a sign Riyadh will seek no changes to a supply-cutting deal even though the agreement's original target is within sight. Brent crude futures LCOc1 settled at \$73.48 a barrel, up \$1.90, or 2.7 percent. U.S. West Texas Intermediate crude futures CLc1 gained \$1.95, or 2.9 percent, to settle at \$68.47 a barrel, their highest since late 2014. Prices were supported as U.S. oil stockpiles fell across the board last week with gasoline and distillates drawing down more than expected on stronger demand, according to data from the U.S. Energy Information Administration. Crude inventories dropped by 1.1 million barrels as a result of a decline of 1.3 million barrels per day in net crude imports. Buying in anticipation of the report started late Tuesday, said Brian LaRose, a technical analyst with United-ICAP. The market also found support in expectation that the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries' production cuts will be sustained. OPEC and 10 rival producers have curbed output by a joint 1.8 million bpd since January 2017 and pledged to do so until the end of this year.

<https://www.reuters.com/article/us-global-oil/oil-jumps-3-percent-on-saudi-price-target-u-s-stockpiles-idUSKBN1HP034>

**China: China looks to speed up chip plans as U.S. trade tensions boil - sources**

China is looking to accelerate plans to develop its domestic semiconductor market amid a fierce trade stand-off with the United States and a U.S. ban on sales to Chinese phone maker ZTE that has underscored the country's reliance on imported chips. Senior Chinese officials have held meetings this week with industry bodies, regulators and the country's powerful chip fund about speeding up already aggressive plans for the sector, two people with direct knowledge of the talks told Reuters. The talks underscore China's concern about its reliance on imported chips from global names such as Qualcomm Inc (QCOM.O) and Intel Corp (INTC.O), aggravated by a worsening dispute with the United States centered on cutting-edged tech. "In the last few days senior Chinese officials have met to discuss plans to speed up the development of the chip industry," one person with knowledge of the talks said, asking not to be named because of the sensitivity of the matter. China has already made the semiconductor market a key priority under its "Made in China 2025" strategy to cut reliance on foreign technologies and create its own domestic champions. That goal has been given fresh urgency after a U.S. ban on sales of products - including chips - to Chinese phone maker ZTE Corp (000063.SZ) roiled the firm, which uses mainly U.S. chips in its smartphones.

<https://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-trade-china-chips-exclusive/exclusive-china-looks-to-speed-up-chip-plans-as-u-s-trade-tensions-boil-sources-idUSKBN1HQ1QP>

**PLATINUM PORTFOLIO**

Platinum Portfolio Yield Measures as at March 26, 2018	
	Percentage (%)
Yield to Maturity	5.56
Weighted Average Coupon	5.463
Current Yield	5.60

The platinum portfolio has an effective maturity of 15.20years and duration of 5.84years.

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**MIL Ratings System:**

**BUY:** We believe the stock is attractively valued. The company has sound or improving fundamentals that should allow it to outperform the broader market. We anticipate the stock will outperform the market over the next 12 months. The risk factors to achieving price targets are minimal.

**HOLD:** We believe the stock is fairly valued at the current price. The company may have issues affecting fundamentals that could take some time to resolve. Alternatively, company fundamentals may be sound, but this is fully reflected in the current stock price. The risk factors to achieving price targets are moderate. Some volatility is expected. In addition, technically it may be difficult to attain additional volume of the stock(s) at current price.

**SELL:** We believe the stock is overpriced relative to the soundness of the company's fundamentals and long-term prospects.

**SPECULATIVE BUY:** We believe the prospects for capital appreciation exist, however there is some level of uncertainty in revenue growth.

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