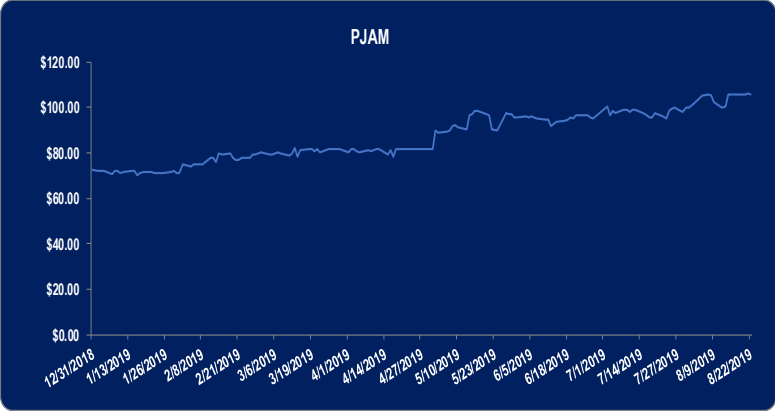


DAILY RECOMMENDATION



LOCAL STOCK MARKET: (JS) +

Stock Symbol	PTL	ECL	PJAM	CHL	SEP
Current Price (\$)	1.69	6.50	105.46	11.00	51.68
Trailing EPS (\$)	0.04	0.30	7.01	0.34	1.59
P/E (times)	41.61	21.48	15.05	32.74	32.49
Projected P/E	38.45	20.57	17.51	30.53	26.30
Projected EPS (\$)*	0.04	0.32	6.02	0.36	1.97
Book Value per share (\$)	0.48	0.26	36.40	1.09	20.48
Price/Book Value (times)	3.52	24.93	2.90	10.12	2.52
Dividend Yield (2018 %)	1.30%	13.14%	N/A	2.45%	N/A
Volumes	90,200	162,631	204,009	61,300	38,026
Recommendation	SELL	BUY	HOLD	SELL	SELL



STOCK OF THE DAY: PANJAM Investment Limited (PJAM)

For the six months ended June 30, 2019:-

PANJAM Investment Limited (PJAM) for six months ended June 30, 2019 reported a 105% increase in total income to \$2.30 billion relative to \$1.12 billion booked for the prior year's corresponding period. For the quarter, total income increased 187% to close at \$1.72 billion (2018: \$600.33 million). Of total income: Investment increased 710% to close at \$1.28 billion (2018: \$157.86 million). Other income grew 46% or \$28.02 million from \$61.07 million to \$89.08 million.

Operating expenses amounted to \$847.49 million for the first six months ended June 30, 2019 (2018: \$773.03 million), 10% more than its total a year prior. Operating expenses for the quarter increased at 11% to close at \$446.32 million (2018: \$401.43 million).

Consequently, Operating Profits jumped by 330% to a total of \$1.44 billion relative to \$335.30 million a year earlier, while for the quarter operating profit soared to \$1.25 billion (2018: \$183.39 million).

Finance costs for the period rose by 22%, amounting to \$378.34 million compared to the \$310.17 million for the comparable period in 2018.

Gain on Disposal of associated company amounted to \$941 million relative to \$47.31 million for the prior year, while the Share of results of associated companies increased 17% to \$2.12 billion (2018: \$1.81 billion).

Profit before taxation increased 119% closing the period at \$4.13 billion (2018: \$1.88 billion). Following taxation of \$170.60 million (2018: \$59.47 million), Net Profits amounted to \$3.96 billion (2018: \$1.82 billion).

Net Profit Attributable to Shareholders for the period amounted to \$3.95 billion, a 118% increase over the \$1.81 billion recorded the year prior. For the second quarter, profit attributable to shareholders amounted to \$3.06 billion relative to \$981.95 million.

Consequently, earnings per share for the period amounted to \$3.70 (2018: \$1.70), while the second quarter amounted to \$2.87 (2018: \$0.92). The trailing twelve months earnings per share was \$7.01. The number of shares used in the calculation is 1,066,159,890 units.

*Prices are as at August 22, 2019 *Projections are made to the company's financial year end

FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKET TRADING SUMMARY *

	PURCHASE RATE			SALES RATE		
	Highest	Lowest	Weighted	Highest	Lowest	Weighted
			Average Rate			Average Rate
USD	137.600	102.218	134.0543	140.725	102.305	135.9781
CAN	103.500	79.212	101.2950	107.000	93.000	102.9819
GBP	167.150	128.841	162.7953	170.031	153.700	165.1349
EURO	148.500	115.201	142.5432	152.820	142.500	151.7598

*Rates as at August 21, 2019

MONEY MARKET

The Jamaican dollar fixed income market was liquid in today's (August 22, 2019) trading session. The over night rate stood at 0.50% to 0.80% while the 30-day rate ranged at 1.60% to 1.90%.

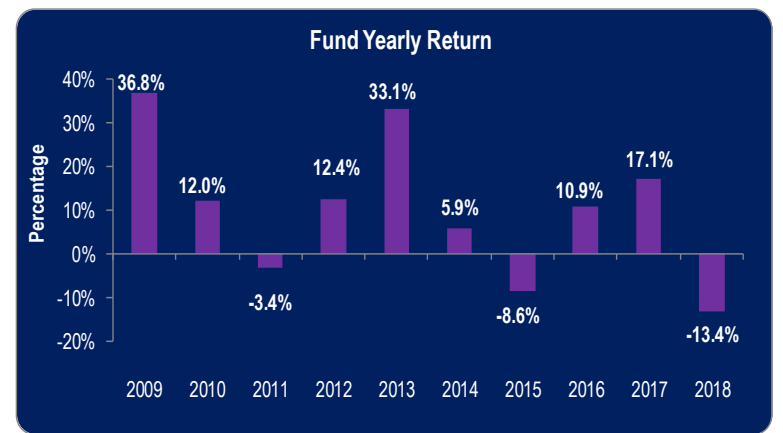
The US dollar fixed income market was also liquid during today's (August 22, 2019) trading session; The overnight market rates were quoted at 2.00% to 2.20% while the 30-day market rates stood at 2.40% to 2.70%.

OVER THE COUNTER FUNDS (CI FUNDS)

CI American Managers Corporate Class

This fund invests primarily in equity and equity-related securities of companies that are located in countries that have signed the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) (or its successor).

The fund has a 3 year return of 8.0% and a 5 year return of 5.0%. The Fund also has a 10 year return of 9.3%. Rates are as at July 31, 2019.



U.S: U.S. Jobless Claims Hit Four-Week Low, Underscoring Strength

“Filings for U.S. unemployment benefits dropped to a four-week low, offering the latest sign of labor-market strength. Jobless claims decreased by 12,000 to 209,000 in the week ended Aug. 17, according to Labor Department figures released Thursday that fell below all estimates in Bloomberg’s survey of economists. The four-week average, a less-volatile measure, ticked up by 500 to 214,500. The drop in claims bodes well for the August jobs report as the period encompasses the reporting week that the Labor Department surveys for the tally. Jobless claims remain near historically low levels, evidence of tightness that may help ease recession fears. Employment remains a bright spot for the economy, even as cracks begin to show in the manufacturing sector and business investment. Still, government data released Wednesday showed payrolls in the year through March will probably be revised down by 501,000, or almost 42,000 jobs per month. The August payrolls report due Sept. 6 will shed light on whether the latest escalation of the trade war with China has impacted hiring at American businesses. Economists surveyed by Bloomberg had forecast that claims would ease to 216,000. The prior week’s reading was revised up by 1,000 to 221,000. Continuing claims, reported with a one-week lag, fell by 54,000, the steepest drop since April, to 1.674 million in the week ended Aug. 10. The unemployment rate among people eligible for benefits held at 1.2%, a level it has maintained for more than a year.”

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2019-08-22/u-s-jobless-claims-hit-four-week-low-underscoring-strength?srnd=premium-asia>

PLATINUM PORTFOLIO

Platinum Portfolio Yield Measures as at August 19, 2019	
	Percentage (%)
Yield to Maturity	5.41
Weighted Average Coupon	5.473
Current Yield	4.89

The platinum portfolio has an effective maturity of 13.15 years and duration of 4.61 years.

Europe: Europe’s Banks Eye Breaking Last Taboo With Negative Interest Rates

“Five years after Mario Draghi turned the world of European banking upside down, lenders are considering breaking a last taboo: Negative interest rates for the masses. Banks have long tried to pass on the cost of negative rates to corporations and wealthy individuals, but they’ve shied away from making regular folks pay to have money in the bank. Yet after Draghi, the European Central Bank’s president, signaled that rates could go even lower, executives at Banco Sabadell SA and Commerzbank AG are saying they can’t rule out charging retail clients for deposits. Some bankers are even more sanguine in private. “With a change of paradigm like the one we’re experiencing, you could say that it could be contemplated,” Jaime Guardiola, Sabadell’s chief executive officer, said of negative rates for retail clients. “There’s still some margin for error before this happens, but it could be envisioned.” The question is, who will go first? Banks fear that whoever breaks that last taboo will suffer reputational damage and a large-scale client exodus. In a sign of just how contentious the issue is, particularly in a country of savers like Germany, the issue of negative rates on deposits has exploded onto the front pages of the country’s largest tabloid, and at least one top politician is calling for a ban. Negative rates are a double whammy for banks, costing them more than 7 billion euros (\$7.8 billion) a year for depositing funds overnight with their central bank, while at the same time eroding income from lending.”

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2019-08-22/banks-eye-breaking-last-taboo-in-europe-s-upside-down-rate-world?srnd=premium-europe>

STRUCTURED PRODUCT

Mayberry Platinum

The Mayberry Platinum portfolio is ideal for investors seeking a short to medium-term investment with returns denominated in hard currency. The portfolio comprises Investment Grade corporate and sovereign bonds, which provide strong yield and performance. The primary objective of this product is to provide our clients with income as well as capital appreciation. The Platinum portfolio enables the client to take full advantage of a diversified bond portfolio and is ideal for persons who do not have the time to actively manage their own portfolio.

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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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