

Is The Pls Financing Scheme Better Than Non-Pls for Profitability Islamic Bank? Indonesian Case

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Abstract

The expanding presence and assets of Islamic banking within the national banking industry necessitate an analysis of Islamic banking's performance. This study examines the effects of various PLS and non-PLS financing schemes on the profitability of Islamic banks in Indonesia using the ARDL method and monthly data from 2009 to 2021. Results indicate that using the PLS financing scheme considerably positively impacts Islamic banking's profitability. Meanwhile, the non-PLS financing scheme has a significant negative impact on Islamic bank profitability. Intriguingly, the contribution of PLS financing to Islamic bank profitability is superior to that of non-PLS financing. In light of this crucial contribution, regulators need incentives and regulations to maximize PLS-based financing. Therefore, Islamic banks must implement concrete measures and initiatives to increase Islamic financing under PLS arrangements if Islamic finance is to grow significantly.

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1. Introduction

Islamic finance is the most advantageous form of financial intermediation for businesses, as fund providers share in the profit and loss of a project (Mohd. Yusof & Bahlous, 2013). This is consistent with both theoretical and empirical research. Theoretically, Chapra (1988), Hasan, and Dridi (2011) assert that the incorporation of the Islamic legal framework (Sharia) in finance and banking has increased economic output. Naqvi, Rizvi, Uqaili, and Chaudhry (2018) empirically examined whether Islamic institutions can contribute to global financial reintermediation. Using data from 486 conventional banks and 154 Islamic banks from 21 countries, it is determined that Islamic banks have a higher intermediation ratio than conventional banks over the entire sample period, and among CAMELS variables, bank asset and loan growth, loan-to-deposit ratio, and loans as a proportion of total assets are productive. Current Islamic financing principles can be divided into two categories: profit and loss sharing (PLS)-based financing (using mudharabah and musyarakah contracts) and non-PLS financing (using murabaha contracts, salam istishna, etc.). The introduction of Islamic banking replaced interest-based financing with PLS-based financing (Qureshi, (1946); Ahmad, (1952); Siddiqi, (1983); Khan, (1983); Aggarwal & Yousef, (1996); Ahmed, (2002); Zubir (2000); El-Hawary, Grais, & Iqbal, (2007) proposed the principles of mudharabah and musyarakah for Islamic banking. According to scholars, Islamic banking operations must be founded on profit sharing (PLS) (Chowdhury, Akbar, & Shoyeb, 2018).

However, non-PLS-based financing generally dominates Islamic financing principles (Chowdhury et al., 2018; Farihana & Rahman, 2021). Islamic banking theory is contradicted by the predominance of non-PLS-based financing over Islamic financing. By preventing new enterprises from investing in new ventures, it undermines its ability to generate substantial economic development impacts (Chowdhury et al., 2018). Popular financing mechanisms in financial institutions, including Islamic MFIs, continue to use non-PLS financing mechanisms, particularly for debt-type schemes such as murabaha and ijarah, according to Dasuki and Abdullah (2006). This method is popular because it is straightforward and practical for institutions. Non-PLS mechanisms are also less dangerous than PLS mechanisms. According to (Hatta, Dien, & Mohamad, 2014), there is a debate among Islamic scholars regarding the non-PLS financing methods offered by Islamic banking, which resemble conventional banking practices and will result in socio-economic failures.

The theoretical and practical concepts of PLS financing need to be separated by an obvious gap. Numerous attempts have been made to determine the relationship between these two categories of financing, such as comparing the two types of financing in the real sector (Masrizal & Trianto, 2022; Chowdhury et al., 2018; 2016). Few studies have examined the connection between the nature of Islamic bank financing and Islamic bank performance, such as credit risk (Abusharbeh, 2014; Akram & Rahman, 2018; Warninda et al., 2019; Farihana & Rahman, 2021; Mutamimah & Saputri, 2021). Moreover, existing research has been conducted in numerous nations and is explicitly predicated on risk sharing, which brings activities closer to the real economy. There is considerable uncertainty regarding the impact of Islamic banking on development. In light of the fact that Islamic institutions are



significantly more pervasive when viewed at the local level, it is prudent to conduct additional research.

As a country with a predominantly Muslim population (85%), Indonesia has the potential to become a hub for the development of the Islamic finance industry. According to Lebdaoui & Wild (2016), the proportion of the Muslim population in certain nations has a positive and statistically significant effect on the contribution of Islamic banking to the financial sector. In light of this, this paper investigates the impact of PLS and non-PLS financing on Islamic bank profitability using Indonesia as a case study. In recent years, Islamic finance in Indonesia has grown in popularity, as PLS financing has significantly increased. According to the Ooritas Financial Services report, the PLS financing scheme attained 47.3% in 2019. This ratio exceeds that of other nations with Islamic and conventional banks (Masrizal & Trianto, 2022). This remarkable accomplishment makes Indonesia an intriguing case study that will not only contribute to the limitations of the existing literature but also serve as a lesson for other nations moving in the same direction.

2. Literature Review

Agency theory explains the relationship between the principal (funder) and the agent (fund manager). According to Abdul-Rahman et al. (2014) this form of contract between the principal and the agent will give rise to conflicts or complex agency problems, including (1) the problem of non-financial benefits which will most likely be enjoyed by the agent exceeding the benefits which will be obtained by the principal (2) problems such as arising from the use of debt financing within the limited responsibility of shareholders, considering that there are incentives for this (3) information asymmetry problems, where the principal cannot observe the agent's actions. This problem requires the role of Islamic banks as financial intermediaries in distributing funds. A lack of transparency will trigger sensitive relationships that encourage principals to protect their investments (Haddad et al. 2020). Setyaningrum et al. (2022) state that agency conflicts occur because the principal wants to obtain large profits while the interested agent also wants to obtain financial compensation, so agents often make decisions that are not in the interests of the principal. In the case of PLS financing, the capital provider is a Sharia bank while the agent is the borrower or entrepreneur. Previous research explains several agency problems in PLS financing contracts such as information asymmetry where agents do not provide sufficient information regarding investments, high monitoring costs, or moral hazard when agents do not use funds appropriately (Shamsuddin and Ismail 2013). Agents will commit fraud due to a lack of control from the principal regarding ethics and ineffective profit sharing (Muhammad 2018). Therefore, Islamic banks must build mechanisms to reduce risk because of the tendency of parties to maximize their utility.

Current Islamic financing principles can be broadly classified into two categories: PLS-based financing (mudharabah and musyarakah) and non-PLS financing (murabaha, salam istishna, ijarah, etc.). The principle of profit sharing (PLS) is a defining characteristic and fundamental tenet of Islamic banking (Antonio, 2001). Previous scholars including (Qureshi, 1946.), (Ahmad, 1952), (Siddiqi, 1983), (Khan 1983), (Aggarwal & Yousef, 1996), (Ahmed 2002), (Zubir, 2000), and (El-Hawary et al., 2007) have discussed this contract for Islamic Finance



intermediation. These academics acknowledge that Islamic banking must be predicated on PLS. They contend that under the PLS system, Islamic banks' assets and liabilities are integrated in the sense that creditors share profits and losses with the bank, which in turn shares profits and losses with depositors (Chowdhury, Shoyeb, Akbar, & Islam, 2016). The fundamental Shariah principles governing Islamic finance advocate a profit-and-loss sharing structure as the optimal method of financing for achieving equity and socioeconomic objectives. In accordance with the financing model, capital providers (i.e., financiers) and business owners (i.e., borrowers) must be on an equal footing and share business risk through profits and losses. As intermediaries between depositors, investors, and business owners, these funds can finance working capital for industry, agriculture, and other legitimate investments and services without charging interest but by sharing profits. Moreover, sharing profits and losses can result in a more efficient and optimal resource allocation than an interest-based system. In addition, it is anticipated that this framework will substantially reduce income and wealth inequality and moderately control inflation (Zamil, 2014).

According to mudharabah principle, Islamic banks will function as partners with both depositors and entrepreneurs receiving funds. With depositors, the bank acts as mudharib, or manager, while savers act as sahiul mal, or funders. A mudharabah agreement was reached between the parties, which outlined the distribution of profits for each party (Antonio, 2001). In musyarakah, investors pool their funds to operate a business. Profits are divided among all investors in accordance with a predetermined ratio, whereas losses are divided rigorously in proportion to each partner's capital contribution (Chowdhury et al., 2018). The PLS mechanism can be the most effective means of empowering individuals enduring poverty and converting potential capital into profits. As a result of PLS mechanisms such as mudharabah and musyarakah, each client (entrepreneur) will not be burdened at the beginning of the project. Regarding the profit-sharing ratio, both parties will have input, and profit and loss will be based on business results (Fianto, 2017). The PLS paradigm distinguishes Islamic banking from conventional banking, thereby distinguishing Islamic finance from conventional banking (Mohd Nor & Ismail, 2020).

In the 1970s and 1980s, there was a significant increase in the development of alternative customer-service principles. These are known as non-PLS-based financing principles (Chowdhury et al., 2018). In Islamic finance, non-PLS contracts such as murabaha, salam, ijarah, and card al-hasan can be utilized. In the same way that murabaha can be used to purchase and resell goods in rural areas, ijara can be used to rent equipment or fields in rural areas; bai salam is also appropriate for farmers and merchants in agricultural areas. In addition, the card is suitable for new business owners who are just starting out (Fianto, 2017). Non-PLS-based financing is permitted as an interim measure. In practice, however, non-PLS-based principles are more prevalent than PLS-based financing. Among the aforementioned principles, murabaha is the foundation of Islamic finance and has gained immense popularity among Islamic institutions (Chowdhury et al., 2018).

The requirement for qualified personnel within the Islamic banking and finance system and Islamic principles is a major reason why PLS-based financing is uncommon in Islamic finance. A pool of knowledgeable personnel must appraise, monitor, evaluate, and audit the



proposed project in order to provide PLS financing effectively (Ahmed, 2008). Islamic finance, according to Farooq (2007), dislikes PLS scheme financing due to its risk-sharing nature. Nevertheless, (Febianto & Kasri, 2007) suggests that Islamic finance must have a well-verified blend of assets, such as short-term assets (trade financing with murabahah and salam contracts), medium-term assets (ijarah and Krishna), and long-term assets (real estate) (PLS partnerships). There are more short-term assets and less risk in Islamic finance (Aggarwal & Yousef, 2000; Febianto & Kasri, 2007). Despite the robust theoretical foundation of PLS-based financing, numerous academic and scientific studies have examined Islamic banks' reluctance to use PLS-based financing and their refuge in non-PLS schemes (Chowdhury et al., 2016). Nonetheless, more research on PLS and non-PLS schemes affecting the profitability of Islamic banks is required. Therefore, it is necessary to cover this gap in the literature, which serves as the primary motivation for this study.

The accelerated growth of Islamic banking has prompted much discussion. Meanwhile, considering that Islamic banking is still far from its ideal form, it is necessary to encourage further PLS financing; the second aspect centers on the relative contribution of PLS and non-PLS financing to the profitability of Islamic banks. The available literature related to the purpose of this study is considered to bridge the distance. This relationship between PLS and non-PLS financing has been explored in a macro context. Chowdhury et al. (2018) looked at PLS and non-PLS financing on Bangladesh's economic growth from 1984-2014 using the ARDL and Wavelet approaches, showing that PLS financing instruments had a positive relationship with economic growth; on the other hand, non-PLS financing had a negative relationship with economic growth. However, in contrast to the findings of Bougatef et al. (2021), examining the relationship between PLS and non-PLS financing schemes for the real sector in Malaysia using the ARDL approach found that PLS financing schemes are not significant for the real sector, while non-PLS have a significant effect on Malaysia's real sector.

Masrizal and Trianto (2022) tested PLS and non-PLS schemes for the Indonesian real sector from 2009-2018 using the ARDL approach. They discovered that PLS financing schemes made a more significant and significantly positive contribution to the real sector. Therefore, for Islamic finance to have a more significant growth impact, concrete steps, and initiatives must be implemented to increase Islamic finance under PLS arrangements. Islamic banks apply the concept of Sharia financing in their operations as Shariah compliance, where interest is prohibited in their financing activities. That is because interest rates are not permitted in Islam. Contemporary Islamic finance theory begins with the paper by Siddiqi (1983). He suggested that banking activities be based on profit sharing and interest avoidance. In general, the primary goal of any business is to maximize profits. Therefore, Islamic banks provide financing to attain income. However, profit returns depend on the use of Islamic financing and the degree of risk one may be exposed to.

Warinda et al. (2019) tested Mudharabah and Musyarakah financing on Islamic bank credit risk using 63 Islamic banks in the Middle East, South Asia, and Southeast Asia. They discovered that Mudharabah is not more risk than Musyarakah. Musyarakah financing has an inverse (non-linear) effect on Islamic bank credit risk, whereas Mudharabah financing



does not. Farihana and Rahman (2021) evaluated the profit and loss sharing (PLS) financing instrument to reduce the credit risk of Islamic banks using panel data from forty Islamic banks in twelve countries and the generalized method of moments (GMM) approach. The PLS financing instrument was discovered to reduce credit risk. This means that when Islamic banks utilize the PLS financing scheme, the risk of default will be reduced. Furthermore, Mutamimah and Saputri (2022) utilized static panel data regression to examine the impact of financing type on credit risk in Indonesia. They discovered that murabahah financing schemes positively affect credit risk, mudharabah financing schemes negatively affect credit risk, and musyarakah financing schemes have no effect on financial risk.

Profit sharing financing (PLS) in the context of Islamic finance is divided into two types of equity financing; First, Mudharabah, in which one party provides all the capital for the business, called shahibul maal, while the entrepreneur or mudharib contributes his labor and time to the project; Each party takes the agreed percentage of profit, and if the Mudarabah business suffers a loss, the financier (bank) bears all the monetary losses, while the manager does not (Masrizal et al., 2022). Second, a Musyarakah contract is a partnership transaction in which profits are shared in accordance with an agreement and losses are shared in accordance with equity participation (Masrizal et al., 2022). According to Kuppusamy et al. (2010), the use of profit-sharing financing in Islamic institutions is anticipated to generate a high level of profitability. In a similar vein, Ratnasari and Ryandono (2012) observed that profit-sharing financing has a substantial impact on profitability.

In contrast, developing debt financing (non-PLS) utilizes murabaha contracts. The Murabahah contract is a short-term financing scheme. Under this system, the seller discloses the product's actual cost and profit to the purchaser. It is possible to negotiate profit margins, and installment payments are the norm (Masrizal et al., 2022). Ratansari and Rayando (2012) reached the conclusion that Islamic banks are more profitable than Murabaha based on the level of risk associated with their investment initiatives. Furthermore, according to Abusharbeh (2014), non-PLS contracts have a positive impact on the profitability of Islamic banks. This paper continues this line of inquiry by analyzing the relative contribution of PLS and non-PLS financing to the profitability of Islamic banks, a topic for which there is a paucity of literature. Analyzing the case of Indonesia, we state the following hypothesis:

H1: PLS financing programs have a positive and significant impact on the short and long-term profitability of Islamic banks.

H2: Non-PLS financing schemes have a positive and significant impact on the short and long-term profitability of Islamic institutions.

H3: The PLS financing scheme has a greater impact on the short and long-term profitability of Islamic institutions than the non-PLS financing scheme.

3. Research Methods

The type of data utilized in this study is quantitative. In contrast, this study relies on secondary data, or data obtained indirectly through intermediary media. This study utilizes monthly Islamic banking data for Indonesia from January 2009 to December 2021. This



study's secondary data came from monthly reports of Islamic banking in Indonesia found on the [web ojk.go.id](http://web.ojk.go.id).

Table 1 below provides brief definition of the variables used and their data sources.

Table 1. Variables Operational

Variable	Description	Source of Data
ROA	ROA: Comparison between net profit to total assets	OJK
PLS	PLS is profit and loss sharing, the accumulation of total musharakah and mudhorabah financing	OJK
Non-PLS	Non-PLS is total financing of murabahah, ijarah, salam, istisna' etc	OJK
FDR	FDR: Comparison of total volumes financing to total receipt of funds	OJK
BOPO	BOPO: Comparison of costs operational to operating income	OJK
NPF	NPF: the proportion of troubling expenses to the total	OJK
IPI	IPI: Industrial Production Index, represents the real economic sector.	International Financial Statistics (IFS)-IMF
INF	INF: price stability indicator in the economy	Bank Indonesia
Kurs	Kurs: money supply in the economy and currency stability	Bank Indonesia

Source: Research Data

As utilized by previous researchers, the ROA ratio is employed to determine the profitability of banks (Yanikkaya et al., 2018; Hidayat et al., 2021; Yunan, 2021). The independent variable for Islamic banking is the total financing utilized by Islamic banks, which reflects their capacity to finance the actual sector of the economy. This financing is based on PLS and non-PLS Sharia bank portfolios. PLS is the aggregate of musyarkah and mudharabah contracts as an indicator of Islamic banks' use of profit sharing to raise capital. The remainder of Islamic bank financing is utilized for non-PLS contracts (murabahah, ijarah, salam, Krishna, and others). This study employs the Financing to Deposit Ratio (FDR), Non-Performing Financing (NPF), and Operating Costs and Operating Income as bank-specific variables (BOPO).

The Industrial Production Index (IPI) is the dependent variable, while the macro variables represent the actual economic sector. This measurement was also utilized in Kassim's earlier studies (2016). The inflation variable is utilized as an indicator of price stability in the economy, which in turn influences decisions regarding consumption, saving, and investment.



Previous investigations, including Kassim (2016), Lebdaoui & Wild (2016), and Abd. Majid & H. Kassim, have also utilized this measurement (2015). The exchange rate variable is used to determine the money supply in the economy and the stability of the currency. Earlier studies also employ this variable (Haron & Azmi, 2008; Masrizal & Trianto, 2022). The Islamic Banking Statistical Report (SPS) published by the Indonesian Financial Services Authority (OJK) and other variable data obtained from the databases of Bank Indonesia (BI) and the Central Bureau of Statistics were used to collect data for the development of Islamic finance (BPS).

Pesaran et al, (2001) ARDL method is used to examine the relationship between PLS and non-PLS financing and the profitability of Islamic banks in this study. The ARDL model approach is extensively utilized due to its numerous benefits. By disregarding the stationarity of each variable and obtaining estimates from the long-run equation, this method can be implemented. In other words, ARDL is applicable regardless of whether the variables are I(0), I(1), or conventionally coordinated (Pesaran et al., 2001). In addition, it discusses those variables associated with omission and autocorrelation and provides valid results (Narayan, 2005; Kassim, 2016). In this analysis, we predict the long-term ARDL model:

$$ROA_t = \beta_0 + \sum_{i=1}^p \beta_1 ROA_{t-i} + \sum_{i=0}^p \beta_2 \ln PLS_{t-i} + \sum_{i=0}^p \beta_3 NONPLS_{t-i} + \sum_{i=0}^p \beta_4 FDR_{t-i} + \sum_{i=0}^p \beta_5 BOPO_{t-i} + \sum_{i=0}^p \beta_6 NPF_{t-i} + \sum_{i=0}^p \beta_7 LNIPi_{t-i} + \sum_{i=0}^p \beta_8 INF_{t-i} + \sum_{i=0}^p \beta_9 kurs_{t-i} + \mu t \quad (1)$$

Where:

$\beta_0 - \beta_8$ = Regresion Coefficient

ROA = Return on Assets

FDR = Financing to Deposit Ratio

NPF = Non-Performing Financing

BOPO = Operating Costs and Operating Income

IPI = Industrial Production index

INF = Inflation

Kurs = Rupiah exchange rate against the Dollar

At the same time, the short-term coefficient is calculated by analyzing the resulting error correction model. The error correction paradigm makes it possible to distinguish between long-term and short-term Granger causality. The specific coefficients of the lagging term reflect the short-run dynamics, whereas the error-correction term reveals the long-run causality. If the coefficient of each lag-free variable is significant, it indicates a short-term cause, whereas a negative and statistically significant error correction term indicates a long-term cause (Kassim, 2016). Using the Akaike Information Criterion (AIC), the optimal length of the long-run coefficient was determined. Here is the ARDL model that we created to examine short-term relationships:



$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta ROA_t = & \beta_0 + \sum_{i=1}^p \beta_1 \Delta ROA_{t-i} + \sum_{i=0}^p \beta_2 \Delta \ln PLS_{t-i} + \sum_{i=0}^p \beta_3 \Delta \text{NONPLS}_{t-i} + \sum_{i=0}^p \beta_4 \Delta \text{FDR}_{t-i} \\
& + \sum_{i=0}^p \beta_5 \Delta \text{BOPO}_{t-i} + \sum_{i=0}^p \beta_6 \Delta \text{NPF}_{t-i} + \sum_{i=0}^p \beta_7 \Delta \text{LN IPI}_{t-i} + \sum_{i=0}^p \beta_8 \Delta \text{INF}_{t-i} \\
& + \sum_{i=0}^p \beta_9 \Delta \text{kurs}_{t-i} + \mu t
\end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

4. Results

Before applying the ARDL method, the prerequisites for understanding the order of variable integration must be met. Although the ARDL method can be applied to integrated variables at levels I(0) and I(1), a stationarity test must be conducted to ensure that there are no integrated variables at level 2 or I(2) (2). Kassim (2016) observes that the presence of variable I(2) renders Pesaran et al. (2001)'s F-statistic invalid. This exam utilized the Augmented Dickey-Fuller (ADF) test for this reason. The test outcomes are shown in Table 1. The ROA, LNPLS, and LNNPLS variables have unit roots at the level, as shown in Table 1. This indicates that the variables are stable. So integrated in sequence (0). Other variables, however, including NPF, FDR, IPI, INF, and EXCHANGE, are not stationary at the level. Nevertheless, after taking the first difference, they become stationary, implying order I. (1). This combination of variables I(0) and I(1) justifies the selection of the ARDL cointegration method. Consequently, these variables were evaluated further using the ARDL-bound testing method.

Table 2. Result Of Unit Root Test.

Variables	Level		First difference		Order of Integration
	t statistik	p-value	t statistik	p-value	
ROA	-7.909218***	0.000			I(0)
LNPLS	-2.957613**	0.041			I(0)
LNNPLS	-6.617112***	0.000			I(0)
NPF	-1.897473	0.332	-4.046198***	0.001	I(1)
FDR	-2.222562	0.199	-12.68269***	0.000	I(1)
IPI	-1.418545	0.571	-11.98167***	0.000	I(1)
INF	-2.476389	0.123	-8.631027***	0.000	I(1)
KURS	-0.797737	0.816	-13.15216***	0.000	I(1)

*** $p < .01$, ** $p < .05$, * $p < .1$

Source: Research Result

The ARDL bounds test was utilized to confirm the existence of a long-term relationship between profitability and the selected predictor variable, with the results summarized in Table 2. The F-statistic of 5.810642 was more significant for the model than the upper bound values of 2.96, 2.32, and 2.03 for 1%, 5%, and 10%, respectively. These findings suggest a



long-term association between profitability (ROA), ROA, LNPLS, LNNPLS, NPF, FDR, IPI, INF, and KURS in Indonesia from January 2009 to December 2021. Following cointegration, the optimal model for estimating the long-run equilibrium relationship must be selected. The Akaike Information Criteria is depicted in Figure 1. (AIC). AIC selects the optimal model based on the following criteria: (5,0,0,2,6,0,0,0).s

Table 3. Cointegration Test

F-Statistic Value	Number of Variables	Level significant	I(0)	I(1)
5.810642	7	1%	2.96	4.26
		5%	2.32	3.5
		10%	2.03	3.13

Note: The critical values are based by Pesaran, Shin & Smith (2001), table 3 unrestricted intercept and no trend
Source: Research Data

This research aims to examine the two types of financing utilized by Islamic banks and their impact on Islamic banks' profitability. This study can determine the elasticity of long-term and short-term variable coefficients by employing the ARDL limit test to demonstrate the existence of long-term cointegration between variables. The outcomes of long- and short-term dynamics are shown in Tables 3 and 4. The results of Table 3 indicate that PLS financing has a 5 percent long-term positive impact on the profitability of Islamic banks in Indonesia. Thus, an increase in PLS financing will result in a 1.4% increase in Islamic bank profitability. Interestingly, Islamic bank financing with non-PLS contracts has a substantial negative impact of 1 percent on the long-term profitability of Islamic banks in Indonesia. This means that an increase in financing with non-PLS contracts will result in a -2.2% decrease in Islamic bank financing in Indonesia.

Long-term, bank control variables such as NPF have a 1 percent negative impact on the profitability of Islamic institutions in Indonesia. This indicates that an increase in the NPF ratio will result in a -0.45% decrease in the profitability of Islamic banks in Indonesia. Long-term effects of the FDR variable on the profitability of Islamic institutions in Indonesia are 1% positive and significant. When the FDR increases by 1%, the profitability of Islamic institutions in Indonesia will increase by 0.08%. Lastly, macro variables such as inflation have a substantial negative impact of 10% on the long-term profitability of Islamic banks in Indonesia, where a 1% increase in inflation reduces Islamic bank profitability by -0.07%.

Table 4's error correction term (ECM) model is used to assess the dynamics of short-term Islamic bank profitability as the final stage in the ARDL testing procedure. The coefficient of ECT is negative and statistically significant at the 1% level, while the error coefficient is -0.816. This demonstrates that the profitability of Islamic institutions adjusts to restore long-term equilibrium storage. In particular, 81.6% of the deviation was corrected during the subsequent period. The significance of ECT also demonstrates the Granger causality of the two categories of Islamic financing and other variables on Islamic bank profitability over the long term.



Table 4. ARDL Model (Estimation of Long-Term Relationships)

Regressors	Coefficients	<i>t</i> -Statistik
LNPLS	1.378**	2.1063
LNNPLS	-2.242***	-5.7059
NPF	-0.449***	-4.553
FDR	0.0833***	5.2886
INF	-0.073*	-1.671
IPI	0.011	1.5861
KURS	0.69	0.53
Intercept	22.289210***	53.932322
Diagnostic test statistics		
Serial Correlation		1.350454
		-0.2628
Heteroscedasticity		1.0 11214(0.4539)
D-W		1.889361

*** $p < .01$, ** $p < .05$, * $p < .1$

Source: Research Data

Table 5. Short Term Estimation

Regressors	Model FN (Model I)	
	Coefficients	<i>t</i> -Statistik
DLNPLS	1.123*	1.8577
DLNNPLS	-1.831***	-4.0019
DNPF	-0.367***	-4.3784
DFDR	0.068***	3.7326
DINF	-0.059	-1.6369
DIPI	0.009*	1.6672
DKURS	0.5637	0.5392
ECM (-1)	-0.816***	-7.0005

*** $p < .01$, ** $p < .05$, * $p < .1$

Source: Research Data

This study includes numerous diagnostic tests to evaluate the model's dependability and stability. As shown in Table 3, the results of all diagnostic tests for the ARDL model lack serial correlation, non-normality, and heteroscedasticity. In addition, as stated by Pesaran and



Pesaran (1997), CUSUM is conducted to evaluate the structure's stability. As depicted in figures 1 and 2, the CUSUM test demonstrates that the short-run coefficients fall within the plot's critical limits. This indicates that the test model is within the 5% significance level over time, validating the stability of the ARDL model.

According to agency theory, banks need to take preventive action to minimize credit risk from disbursed PLS financing so companies need to make efforts such as checks and balances, financial reporting standards, and development by credit regulations (Nugraheni and Alimin 2022). On the other hand, Islamic banks must also emphasize credit risk identification and monitoring and control processes to manage risk (Noman et al. 2015). However, Islamic banks still have to pay attention to financing selection standards so that the financing distributed is according to the bank's needs. Current Islamic financing principles fall into two main categories: PLS-based financing (mudharabah and musyarakah) and non-PLS financing (murabaha, salam istishna, ijarah, etc.). The principle of profit sharing (PLS) is a defining feature and fundamental tenet of the operation of Islamic institutions (Antonio, 2001). This study examines the effect of Islamic bank financing form on Islamic bank profitability. On both the short and long term, the PLS financing instrument had a considerable positive impact on the profitability of Islamic banks in Indonesia. The PLS mechanism can provide the optimal solution for empowering individuals experiencing poverty and maximizing their potential capital. As a result of PLS mechanisms such as mudharabah and musyarakah, each client (entrepreneur) will not be burdened at the beginning of the project. Regarding the profit-sharing ratio, both parties will have input, and profit and loss will be based on business results (Fianto, 2017).

PLS is only utilized at the MSME and corporate levels due to its profit-sharing nature. Only consumers with a high rating/eligibility are granted access. In the PLS financing mechanism, such as the mudharabah-based principle, Islamic banks will function as partners with both depositors and fund-receiving entrepreneurs. With depositors, the bank acts as mudharib, or manager, while savers act as sahiul mal, or funders. A mudharabah agreement was reached between the parties, which outlined the distribution of profits for each party (Antonio, 2001). In musyarakah, investors pool their funds to operate a business. Profits are divided among all investors in accordance with a predetermined ratio, whereas losses are divided rigorously in proportion to each partner's capital contribution (Chowdhury et al., 2018). The partnership between the Islamic bank and the client enables the Islamic bank to monitor and supervise the business activities of the customer. Involving Islamic institutions in the monitoring of a company's business activities can also reduce asymmetric information, adverse selection, and moral hazard. Our findings are also consistent with the findings of Mutamimah and Saputri (2022), who found that PLS scheme financing, such as mudharabah, increases credit risk. As a result, when financing using PLS is increased, credit risks, such as default, will be reduced, thereby enhancing the profitability of Islamic banks. Islamic banking is distinguished from conventional banking by the PLS model (Mohd Nor & Ismail, 2020). According to Masrizal and Trianto (2022), financing with a PLS scheme has a greater impact on the real sector in Indonesia than non-PLS financing.

In contrast, our analysis revealed that the Non-PLS financing mechanism has a substantial negative impact on the short- and long-term profitability of Islamic banks. It is



not surprising that the Non-PLS financing mechanism generates asymmetric information, that the selection of creditors is detrimental, that debtors are unable to repay their obligations, and that there are even defaults that increase financing risk, thereby decreasing the profitability of Islamic institutions. In addition, Islamic banks have no authority over customer activities in non-pls contracts, such as murabahah financing, which is founded on sale and purchase agreements. Thus, asymmetric information encourages borrowers to engage in irregularities and opportunistic behavior, which can increase financing risk. This result is consistent with Mutamiah and Saputri's (2012) assertion that non-pls mechanisms, such as murabaha, have a substantial effect on financing risk. In other terms, increasing the non-pls financing mechanism will increase financing risk and decrease Islamic bank profitability.

In addition, the non-pls financing mechanism can inhibit the expansion of the real estate industry by discouraging entrepreneurs from investing in new projects. It is believed that non-pls-based financing is comparable to conventional banking practices. Islamic scholars are divided on the idea that this type of financing can stimulate socioeconomic failures, particularly those that contribute to inflationary pressures and diminish the purchasing power of people, particularly those living in poverty (Chowdhury et al. 2018). According to Chowdhury et al. (2018), non-PLS financing has a negative impact on economic development. When the economy is stable, the efficiency of the Islamic banking sector will decrease Islamic banks' profitability.

5. Conclusion and Suggestion

This paper investigates the influence of PLS and non-PLS financing instruments on Islamic bank profitability. This study determined, using the ARDL method, that the PLS financing instrument has a considerable positive impact on the short- and long-term profitability of Islamic banks. Meanwhile, non-PLS financing instruments have a negative impact on the short- and long-term profitability of Islamic institutions. PLS financing is the most conducive to economic development by involving actual sector activities through investment in productive initiatives with efficient use of funds and increasing the efficiency of resource allocation, thereby increasing Islamic banks' profitability. For the long-term benefit and sustainability of Islamic banking, Islamic banks must undergo a paradigm shift from the function of financial intermediaries to entrepreneurship with profit-sharing contracts (PLS). The PLS mechanism can be the most effective means of empowering individuals enduring poverty and converting potential capital into profits. As a result of PLS mechanisms such as mudharabah and musyarakah, each client (entrepreneur) will not be burdened at the outset of the project. Regarding the profit-sharing ratio, both parties will have a say, and profit and loss will be determined by the performance of the business. In addition, the profit-sharing principle utilized by Islamic banking is an indicator of an economy's increased output. Profit sharing will increase both investment and production activity.

Therefore, decision-makers, regulators, and the Islamic banking sector must increase the proportion of PLS-based financing. Non-PLS-based financing should be one of many financing models for Islamic banks, so that PLS financing can progressively replace non-



PLS portfolios. In addition, Islamic banks provide training to their employees in order to increase the quality and quantity of their human resources and ensure that they have adequate knowledge of PLS-based financing. For regulators to utilize the PLS financing scheme to its fullest extent, there must be incentives and regulations in place. Thus, a breakthrough is required to increase PLS financing for the Islamic finance industry and banking, particularly in order to attain Islamic economic objectives.

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