INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT

DATASONIC GROUP BERHAD

Registration No. 200801008472 (809759-X)

Incorporated in Malaysia

The Directors are pleased to present the Interim Financial Report for the period ended 31 March 2024 as follows:

SUMMARY OF KEY INFORMATION

FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

		Individual Quarter		Cumulative Quarters		
		Current Year	Current Year Preceding Year		Preceding Year	
		Quarter	Quarter	to-date	to-date	
		31.03.2024	31.03.2023	31.03.2024	31.03.2023	
		RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	
1	Revenue	115,744	104,902	368,309	344,705	
2	Profit before tax	48,583	30,755	122,476	108,183	
3	Profit for the period	38,594	22,694	92,232	76,345	
4	Profit after tax attributable to owners of the Company	38,598	22,702	92,256	76,367	
5	Basic earnings per share (sen)	1.37	0.80	3.28	2.68	
6	Diluted earnings per share (sen)	1.37	0.80	3.28	2.68	
7	Proposed/Declared dividend per share (sen)	1.30	0.75	3.00	2.00	
		AS AT END OF CURRENT QUARTER AS AT PRECEDING FINANCE END				
8	Net assets per share attributable to owners of the Company (RM)	0.1313 0.1271			271	

Remarks:

In the fourth quarter of the current financial year ended 31 March 2024, a fourth interim single-tier tax exempt dividend of 1.30 sen per share was declared on 30 May 2024, the Entitlement Date is 18 June 2024 and payable on 2 July 2024. This dividend has not been reflected in the financial statements for the financial year under review but it will be accounted for in shareholders' equity as an appropriation of retained profits for the next quarter ending 30 June 2024.

Individua Current Year		Cumulative	e Ouarters
Current Year			•
Quarter 31.03.2024 RM'000	Preceding Year Quarter 31.03.2023 RM'000	Current Year Preceding Year to-date	
219	76	988	361
(818)	(579)	(3,218)	(1,659)
	31.03.2024 RM'000 219	31.03.2024 RM'000 RM'000 219 76	31.03.2024 RM'000 RM'000 31.03.2024 219 76 988

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	INDIVIDUAI Current Quarter 31.03.2024 (RM'000) Unaudited	QUARTER Preceding Quarter 31.03.2023 (RM'000) Unaudited	CUMULATIV Current Year To Date 31.03.2024 (RM'000) Audited	E QUARTERS Preceding Year To Date 31.03.2023 (RM'000) Audited
Continuing Operations Revenue	115,744	104,902	368,309	344,705
Operating expenses	(67,117)	(75,025)	(246,664)	(238,888)
Other income	774	1,457	4,049	4,025
Profit from operations	49,401	31,334	125,694	109,842
Finance costs	(818)	(579)	(3,218)	(1,659)
Profit before tax	48,583	30,755	122,476	108,183
Income tax expense	(9,989)	(8,061)	(30,244)	(31,838)
Profit after tax	38,594	22,694	92,232	76,345
Other comprehensive income, net of tax - Fair value reserve - Foreign currency translation differences	240 61	- (1)	240 (98)	- (8)
Total comprehensive income for the period	38,895	22,693	92,374	76,337
Profit after taxation attributable to: Owners of the Company Non-controlling interests	38,598 (4) 38,594	22,702 (8) 22,694	92,256 (24) 92,232	76,367 (22) 76,345
Total comprehensive income attributable to: Owners of the Company Non-controlling interests	38,893 2 38,895	22,694 (1) 22,693	92,387 (13) 92,374	76,360 (23) 76,337
Earnings per share (sen) attributable to owners of the Company: - Basic (Note B11a)	1.37	0.80	3.28	2.68
- Diluted (Note B11b)	1.37	0.80	3.28	2.68

The Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income should be read in conjuction with the Audited Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 March 2023 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to these interim financial statements.

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AUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	As at 31.03.2024 (RM'000)	As at 31.03.2023 (RM'000)
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Property, plant and equipment	104,291	110,132
Right-of-use assets	11,377	12,038
Other investments	1,350	110
Goodwill	2,702	4,162
Development expenditures		3,852
	119,720	130,294
CURRENT ASSETS		
Projects-in-progress	1,182	1,597
Inventories	58,779	48,723
Trade receivables	168,122	114,605
Other receivables, deposits and prepayments	7,567	12,504
Short-term investments	84,278	133,092
Deposits with licensed banks	6,364	6,399
Cash and bank balances	22,268	18,148
	348,560	335,068
TOTAL ASSETS	468,280	465,362
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
EQUITY	261.204	261.204
Share capital	261,294	261,284
Treasury shares	(78,811)	(62,267)
Merger deficit	(11,072)	(11,072)
Fair value reserve	240	-
Foreign exchange translation reserve	(172)	(63)
Retained profits	195,562	172,262
Equity attributable to owners of the Company Non-controlling interests	367,041 233	360,144 246
TOTAL EQUITY		
	367,274	360,390
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Long-term borrowings	14,220	18,734
Deferred taxation	4,692	5,183
	18,912	23,917
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade payables	14,987	19,457
Other payables and accruals	13,990	15,679
Provision for taxation	7,517	5,317
Short-term borrowings	45,600	40,602
	82,094	81,055
TOTAL LIABILITIES	101,006	104,972
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	468,280	465,362
Net assets per share attributable to ordinary		
owners of the Company (RM)	0.1313	0.1271
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Notes:

The Audited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the Audited Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 March 2023 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to these interim financial statements.

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AUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Share Capital RM'000	Treasury Shares RM'000	Merger Deficit RM'000	Non-di Fair Value Reserve RM'000	stributable Foreign Exchange Translation Reserve RM'000	Distributable Retained Profits RM'000	Attributable to Owners of the Company RM'000	Non- controlling Interests RM'000	Total Equity RM'000
At 1 April 2023	261,284	(62,267)	(11,072)	-	(63)	172,262	360,144	246	360,390
Profit after taxation for the financial year Other comprehensive income for the financial year:	-	-	-	-	-	92,256	92,256	(24)	92,232
- Fair value reserve - Foreign exchange translation differences	-	-	-	240	(109)	-	240 (109)	- 11	240 (98)
Total comprehensive income for the financial year	-	-	-	240	(109)	92,256	92,387	(13)	92,374
Contributions by and distributions to owners of the Company:									
 purchase of treasury shares dividends (Note B10) issuance of shares upon exercise 	-	(16,544)	-	-	-	(68,956)	(16,544) (68,956)	-	(16,544) (68,956)
of warrants	10	_	_	_		_	10		10
Total transactions with owners	10	(16,544)	-	-	-	(68,956)	(85,490)	-	(85,490)
At 31 March 2024	261,294	(78,811)	(11,072)	240	(172)	195,562	367,041	233	367,274

The Audited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the Audited Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 March 2023 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to these interim financial statements.

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AUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	CUMULATIVE Current Year To Date 31.03.2024 (RM'000)	E QUARTERS Preceding Year To Date 31.03.2023 (RM'000)
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Profit before taxation	122,476	108,183
Adjustments for:		
Allowance for impairment losses:		
- inventories	-	37
- trade receivables	174	3,572
- goodwill	1,460	-
Amortisation of development expenditure	3,852	11,507
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	22,786	24,899
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	1,087	419
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(38)	(46)
Interest income	(988)	(361)
Interest expense:		
- interest expense on lease liabilities	52	14
- other interest expense	3,166	1,645
Inventories written off	1,796	136
Property, plant and equipment written off	175	2
Unrealised gain on foreign exchange	(62)	(272)
Writeback of impairment losses on:		
- inventories	(42)	(214)
- trade receivables	(30)	(53)
Operating profit before working capital changes	155,864	149,468
Changes in projects-in-progress	415	1,583
Changes in inventories	(11,810)	3,554
Changes in trade and other receivables	(48,717)	(70,326)
Changes in trade and other payables	(6,285)	13,951
Cash from operating activities	89,467	98,230
Income tax paid	(28,536)	(23,280)
Income tax refund	1	-
Interest paid	(3,218)	(1,659)
Net cash from operating activities	57,714	73,291
CASH FLOWS FOR INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Interest received	988	361
Addition of other investment	(1,000)	-
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	38	174
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(16,510)	(3,868)
Withdrawal/(Placement) of deposits pledged to licensed banks	35	(292)
Net cash for investing activities	(16,449)	(3,625)

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AUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER ENDED 31 MARCH 2024 (CONT'D)

	CUMULATIVE QUARTERS		
	Current Year	Preceding Year	
	To Date	To Date	
	31.03.2024	31.03.2023	
CASH FLOWS FOR FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from issuance of ordinary shares	10	-	
Dividends paid	(68,956)	(42,625)	
Purchase of treasury shares	(16,544)	(15,837)	
Repayment of lease liabilities	(821)	(172)	
Repayment of hire purchase	(46)	-	
Drawdown of trade financing	86,205	39,116	
Repayment of trade financing	(80,316)	(8,234)	
Repayment of term loans	(4,134)	(4,108)	
Repayment of term financing	(1,447)	(1,394)	
Net cash for financing activities	(86,049)	(33,254)	
Net (decrease)/increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(44,784)	36,412	
Effects of foreign exchange translation	90	80	
Cash and Cash Equivalents at beginning of the financial year	151,240	114,748	
Cash and Cash Equivalents at end of the financial year	106,546	151,240	
Cash and Cash equivalents at the end of the financial year comprise the following:			
Deposits with licensed banks	6,364	6,399	
Cash and bank balances	22,268	18,148	
Short-term investments	84,278	133,092	
	112,910	157,639	
Less: Deposits pledged to licensed banks	(6,364)	(6,399)	
	106,546	151,240	

The Audited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjuction with the Audited Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 March 2023 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to these interim financial statements.

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A EXPLANATORY NOTES PURSUANT TO MALAYSIAN FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARD ("MFRS") 134: INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORTING

A1 Accounting Policies and Basis of Preparation

a) Basis of Preparation

The financial statements are audited and have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Malaysia Financial Reporting Standard 134: Interim Financial Reporting and paragraph 9.22 of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("Bursa Malaysia") and Issuers Communication No. 1/2017 - Guidance on Disclosures in Notes to Quarterly Report issued by Bursa Malaysia. The condensed consolidated financial statements also complies with International Accounting Standard 34: Interim Financial Reporting issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 March 2023.

These financial statements provide an explanation of events and transactions that are significant to an understanding of the changes in the financial position and financial performance of the Company and its subsidiaries ("The Group") since the financial year ended 31 March 2023.

b) Changes in Accounting Policies

The significant accounting policies adopted by the Group in this interim financial statements are consistent with those adopted in the financial statements as disclosed in the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023.

During the current financial year, the Group has adopted the following new accounting standard(s) and/or interpretation(s) (including the consequential amendments, if any):-

MFRS 17: Insurance Contracts

Amendments to MFRS 17: Insurance Contracts

Amendment to MFRS 17: Initial Application of MFRS 17 and MFRS 9 – Comparative Information

Amendment to MFRS 101: Disclosure of Accounting Policies

Amendment to MFRS 108: Definition of Accounting Estimates

Amendments to MFRS 112: Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from Single Transaction

Amendments to MFRS 112: International Tax Reform - Pillar Two Model Rules

The adoption of the above accounting standard(s) and/or interpretation(s) (including the consequential amendments, if any) did not have any material impact on the Group's financial statements.

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A1 Accounting Policies and Basis of Preparation (Cont'd)

Changes in Accounting Policies (Cont'd)

The Group has not applied in advance the following accounting standard(s) and/or interpretation(s) (including the consequential amendments, if any) that have been issued by the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board ("MASB") but are not yet effective for the current financial quarter:

Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ("MFRS") and IC Interpretations (including the Consequential Amendments)	Effective Date
Amendments to MFRS 10 and MFRS 128: Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture	Deferred
Amendment to MFRS 16: Lease Liability in Sale and Leaseback	1 January 2024
Amendment to MFRS 101: Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current	1 January 2024
Amendment to MFRS 101: Non-current Liabilities with Covenants	1 January 2024
Amendments to MFRS 107 and MFRS 7: Supplier Finance Arrangements	1 January 2024
Amendments to MFRS 121: Lack of Exchangeability	1 January 2025

The Group did not early adopt the above accounting standard(s) and/or interpretation(s) (including the consequential amendments, if any) as they are not expected to have material impact on the financial statements of the Group upon their initial applications.

A2 Auditors' Report on Preceding Annual Financial Statements

The auditors' report on the financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 March 2023 was not qualified.

A3 Comments about Seasonality or Cyclicality

The Group did not experience any significant cyclical or seasonal sales cycle factors during the current financial quarter under review.

A4 Unusual Items Due to Their Nature, Size or Incidence

There were no significant unusual items affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income, or cash flows for the current financial quarter under review.

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A5 Changes in Estimates

There were no changes in estimates that have a material effect on the results of the current financial quarter under review.

A6 Debt and Equity Securities

(i) Warrants

The Company had on 6 July 2018 issued 675,000,000 free Warrants on the basis of one (1) Warrant for every two (2) existing ordinary shares.

The salient terms of the Warrants 2018/2023 are as follows:-

- (a) Each Warrant entitles the registered holder to subscribe for one (1) new ordinary share in the Company at any time on or before the maturity date, 5 July 2023, falling five (5) years from the date of issue of the Warrants. Unexercised Warrants after the exercise period will thereafter lapse and cease to be valid;
- (b) The exercise price of the Warrants is fixed at RM1.09 per Warrant;
- (c) The new ordinary shares to be issued upon the exercise of the Warrants shall rank pari passu in all respects with the existing ordinary shares of the Company; and
- (d) The Warrants were listed and quoted on the Main Market of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad on 12 July 2018.

Following the completion of the Bonus Issue on 2 October 2020, the exercise price and the number of outstanding Warrants 2018/2023 had been adjusted in accordance with the provisions of the Deed Poll ("Adjustments") and the salient terms of the Warrants 2018/2023 are as follows:-

- (a) Each warrant entitles the registered holder to subscribe for one (1) new ordinary shares in the Company at any time on or before the maturity date, 5 July 2023, falling five (5) years from the date of issue of the Warrants. Unexercised Warrants after the exercise period will thereafter lapse and cease to be valid;
- (b) Exercise price of the Outstanding Warrants 2018/2023 = RM0.545;
- (c) Number of additional Warrants 2018/2023 arising from the Adjustments = 675,000,000 Warrants 2018/2023; and
- (d) The new ordinary shares to be issued upon the exercise of the Warrants shall rank pari passu in all respects with the existing ordinary shares of the Company.

Upon the expiry date of the Warrants 2018/2023 on 5 July 2023, there were issuance of 19,000 new ordinary shares pursuant to the exercise of Warrants 2018/2023 at the exercise price of RM0.545 per share.

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A6 Debt and Equity Securities (Cont'd)

(i) Warrants (Cont'd)

Movement in the Warrants since listing and quotation thereof as follows:

Number of
Warrants
2018/2023

At 1 April 2023	1,350,000,000
Exercised of warrants	(8,000)
At 30 June 2023	1,349,992,000
Exercised of warrants	(11,000)
At 5 July 2023	1,349,981,000

The remaining unexercised Warrants 2018/2023 of 1,349,981,000 had lapsed on 5 July 2023.

(ii) Share Buy-Back

The Company had obtained the approval from its shareholders at the Annual General Meeting to purchase its own shares at any time up to 10% of the total number of issued shares quoted on Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("Share Buy-Back").

The shares purchased can be retained as treasury shares, distributed as dividend, transfer, resold or subsequently cancelled in accordance with Section 127 of the Companies Act 2016.

The Share Buy-Back shall continue to be in force until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company at which time the authority shall lapse unless by an ordinary resolution passed at the meeting, the authority is renewed.

As at 31 March 2024, the Company repurchased, in total its equity securities of 165,931,900 ordinary shares at an average price of RM0.48 per share as treasury shares, the consideration of which amounted to RM78,811,266 inclusive of transaction costs.

None of the treasury shares held was distributed, resold, cancelled, transferred in accordance with Section 127 of the Companies Act 2016 during the financial year.

(iii) Employees' Share Option Scheme ("ESOS")

On 6 December 2019, the Company had proposed to establish and implement an ESOS of up to 7.5% of the total number of issued ordinary shares of Datasonic (excluding treasury shares, if any) at any point in time during the duration of the ESOS for the eligible Directors and employees of Datasonic and its subsidiaries ("Datasonic Group or Group") (excluding dormant subsidiaries).

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A6 Debt and Equity Securities (Cont'd)

(iii) Employees' Share Option Scheme ("ESOS") (Cont'd)

On 24 December 2019, the additional listing application in relation to the Proposed ESOS has been submitted to Bursa Securities. On 20 January 2020, Bursa Securities approved the listing of and quotation for such number of new ordinary shares to be issued pursuant to the exercise of option under the ESOS, subject to the following conditions:

- i) AmInvestment Bank is required to submit a confirmation to Bursa Securities of full compliance of the ESOS pursuant to paragraph 6.43(1) of the Listing Requirements and stating the effective date of implementation together with a certified true copy of the resolution passed by the shareholders in general meeting approving the ESOS; and
- ii) Datasonic is required to furnish Bursa Securities on a quarterly basis a summary of the total number of shares listed pursuant to the exercise of options under the ESOS as at the end of each quarter together with a detailed computation of the listing fee payable.

At the Extraordinary General Meeting held on 20 February 2020, the shareholders had approved of the ESOS. The ESOS Committee was formed by the Board on 27 February 2020.

On 16 July 2021, the Company announced the effective date for the implementation of the ESOS, which was the date of full compliance of the ESOS in accordance with paragraph 6.43(1) of the Listing Requirements. The ESOS shall continue to be in force for a period of 5 years from the effective date.

On 29 September 2022, 12 October 2022, 26 May 2023, 23 June 2023, 2 August 2023, and 29 February 2024, the Company announced changes in the composition of the ESOS Committee members.

To date of this report no share option has been offerred.

A7 Segmental Information

The Group is organised into the following:-

31 March 2024	Customised Solutions M	lanufacturing	Investment Holding	Elimination	Consolidated
	(RM'000)	(RM'000)	(RM'000)	(RM'000)	(RM'000)
REVENUE					
External	301,510	66,799	-	-	368,309
Inter-segment	7,602	30,350	110,459	(148,411)	-
Total Revenue	309,112	97,149	110,459	(148,411)	368,309
RESULT Profit from operations					125,694
Finance costs					(3,218)
Profit before tax					122,476

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A8 Valuations of Property, Plant and Equipment

The Group has not revalued its property, plant and equipment for the current financial quarter under review.

A9 Material Events

During the Reporting Period

- (i) On 13 June 2023, the Company announced that Datasonic Technologies Sdn Bhd ("DTSB") received and accepted a Letter dated 6 June 2023 from Kementerian Dalam Negeri ("KDN") in respect of the amendments to the contract for the supply of the Malaysian Passport Chips or 12.5 million of Passport Chips commencing from 1 December 2021 to 30 November 2023 with additional contract ceiling value of RM37,612,500 and made up the total contract ceiling value to RM387,752,500.
- (ii) On 9 January 2024, the Company announced that DTSB received and accepted one (1) Letter of Award and four (4) Letters of Extension, all dated 5 January 2024 from KDN in respect of the award and extension of the following contracts for the total contract value of RM174,999,222.76:-
 - (a) Letter of Award dated 5 January 2024 from KDN for the supply of MyKad, MyTentera, MyPOCA raw cards and consumables to Jabatan Pendaftaran Negara ("JPN") for a period of six (6) months commencing from 1 December 2023 to 31 May 2024 for a contract value of RM28,690,459.65 (not subject to 6% Sales and Service Tax).
 - (b) Letter of Extension dated 5 January 2024 from KDN for the comprehensive maintenance services of card personalisation centres at JPN for a period of six (6) months commencing from 1 December 2023 to 31 May 2024 for an additional contract value of RM11,353,746.36 (inclusive of 6% Sales and Service Tax).
 - (c) Letter of Extension dated 5 January 2024 from KDN for the supply of the Malaysian Passport Chips to Jabatan Imigresen Malaysia ("JIM") for a period of six (6) months commencing from 1 December 2023 to 31 May 2024 for an additional contract value of RM60,201,838.05 (inclusive of 6% Sales and Service Tax).
 - (d) Letter of Extension dated 5 January 2024 from KDN for the supply of the Malaysian Passport Documents to JIM for a period of six (6) months commencing from 1 December 2023 to 31 May 2024 for an additional contract value of RM25,326,975.00 (not subject to 6% Sales and Service Tax); and
 - (e) Letter of Extension dated 5 January 2024 from KDN for the supply of Polycarbonate Biodata Pages to JIM for a period of six (6) months commencing from 1 December 2023 to 31 May 2024 for an additional contract value of RM49,426,203.70 (not subject to 6% Sales and Service Tax).

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A10 Effects of changes in Composition of the Group

There are no changes in the composition of the Group in the current financial quarter under review.

A11 Capital Commitments

Approved and contracted for:	As at 31.03.2024 RM'000	As at 31.03.2023 RM'000
Renovation	30	351
Acquisition of machineries and equipment	133	1,596
A12 Changes in Contingent Liabilities	As at 31.03.2024 RM'000	As at 31.03.2023 RM'000
Performance guarantees extended to customers	18,476	17,052

A13 Related Party Transactions

The Group has no transaction with related parties in the current financial quarter under review.

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B ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY MAIN MARKET LISTING REQUIREMENTS OF BURSA SECURITIES (PURSUANT TO PARA 9.22 AND PART A OF APPENDIX 9B)

B1 Review of Performance

	Individua	ıl Quarter	Cumulative Quarters					
	Current Year Quarter 31.03.2024	Preceding Year Quarter 31.03.2023	Varia	nce	Current Year To Date 31.03.2024	Preceding Year To Date 31.03.2023	Varia	nce
	(RM'000)	(RM'000)	(RM'000)	%	(RM'000)	(RM'000)	(RM'000)	%
Revenue	115,744	104,902	10,842	10%	368,309	344,705	23,604	7%
Profit from operations	49,401	31,334	18,067	58%	125,694	109,842	15,852	14%
Profit before tax	48,583	30,755	17,828	58%	122,476	108,183	14,293	13%
Profit after tax	38,594	22,694	15,900	70%	92,232	76,345	15,887	21%
Profit after tax attributable to owners of								
the Company	38,598	22,702	15,896	70%	92,256	76,367	15,889	21%

Individual Quarter

The Group achieved a revenue of RM115.74 million in the current financial quarter which was higher when compared to RM104.90 million in the corresponding quarter of the preceding financial year.

RM103.65 million of the Group's revenue in the current financial quarter was derived from the supply of smart cards, passport and personalisation services which was higher than the total of RM92.65 million earned in the corresponding quarter of the preceding financial year resulted from more demand from customers for the said products and services.

The current financial quarter recorded a higher profit from operations compared with the profit in the corresponding quarter of the preceeding financial year mainly due to higher revenue.

Cumulative Quarters

The Group achieved a revenue of RM368.31 million in the current financial period which was higher when compared to RM344.71 million in the preceding financial period.

RM323.23 million of the Group's revenue in the current financial period was derived from the supply of smart cards, passport and personalisation services which was higher than the total of RM296.06 million earned in the preceding financial period resulted from more demand from customers for the said products and services.

The current financial period reported a higher profit from operations when compared with the profit in the preceding financial period mainly due to higher revenue.

Assets and liabilities

The total assets and total liabilities as at 31 March 2024 against the balances of 31 March 2023 was as follows:

	As at	As at	Variance	
	31.03.2024	31.03.2023	RM'000	%
Total assets	468,280	465,362	2,918	0.6%
Total liabilities	101,006	104,972	(3,966)	3.8%

The increase in total assets of RM2.92 million mainly resulted from higher receivables.

The decrease in total liabilities of RM3.97 million was principally due to lower payables.

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Review of Performance (Cont'd)

Cash flow for the twelve months ended 31 March 2024

The Group achieved cash inflow of RM57.71 million from operating activities in the financial period under review.

The net cash for financing activities was mainly for dividend payment amounted to RM68.96 million.

B2 Comparison with Immediate Preceding Quarter's Results

	Current Quarter 31.03.2024	Immediate Preceding Quarter 31.12.2023	Variance		
	(RM'000)	(RM'000)	(RM'000)	%	
Revenue	115,744	80,499	35,245	44%	
Profit from operations	49,401	22,669	26,732	118%	
Profit before tax	48,583	21,818	26,765	123%	
Profit after tax	38,594	16,464	22,130	134%	
Profit after tax attributable to owners of the Company	38,598	16,473	22,125	134%	

The Group's revenue of RM115.74 million in the current financial quarter was higher than RM80.50 million reported in the immediate preceding quarter mainly due to more supplies of smart cards and passports which led to higher profit before tax for the quarter under review.

B3 Commentary on Prospects

Moving forward, while we anticipate market uncertainties to persist in the upcoming financial year (FY25), the Group continues to be upbeat on the outlook. Our order flow, strategic initiative and promising prospects bolster this optimism. Additionally, the Ministry of Finance projects a gross domestic product ("GDP") growth of 4.0% to 5.0% in 2024, compared to 3.7% achieved in 2023, further supports this positive outlook.

Datasonic remains laser focused on the delivery of all projects with high quality to our customers. With sustainable healthy demand for passports, MyKad and i-Kad, Datasonic is highly committed and looking forward to fulfil and meet the customers' demand on time without any interuption in fulfilling our integral role of the country's national security. At the same time, we continue to pursue new programs and initiatives not only on our local frontier but also on a global scale, in line with our strategic goal of diversifying revenue streams.

On the i-Kad, the delivery is expected to continue picking up healthily as Datasonic will be supporting the ePass renewals not only on new applications. Separately, our team is looking forward to deploy more autogates to our customers with our continued commitment, delivery and performance. As we charge towards FY25, Datasonic is looking towards delivering exceptional value to our stakeholders.

B4 Variance of Actual Profit from Forecast Profit

The Group did not issue any profit forecast or profit guarantee for the current financial quarter under review.

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B5 Profit Before Taxation

Profit before taxation is arrived at after charging/(crediting):-

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	Current Year	Preceding Year	Current Year	Preceding Year
	Quarter	Quarter		Year To Date
	31.03.2024 (RM'000)	31.03.2023 (RM'000)	31.03.2024 (RM'000)	31.03.2023 (RM'000)
Amortisation of development expenditure	438	3,352	3,852	11,507
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	281	234	1,087	419
Fair value gain on short-term investments	(550)	(1,372)	(3,042)	(3,586)
Impairment of goodwill	600		1,460	-
Interest income:				
- at amortised cost	(219)	(76)	(988)	(361)
Interest expense:				
- on financial liabilities at amortised cost	804	565	3,166	1,645
- on lease liabilities	14	14	52	14
Inventories:				
- allowance for impairment loss	-	37	-	37
- writeback	(42)	(214)	(42)	(214)
- written off	1,601	136	1,796	136
Loss/(Gain) on foreign exchange:				
- realised	188	150	735	797
- unrealised	49	(274)	(62)	(272)
Property, plant and equipment:				
- depreciation	4,378	6,517	22,786	24,899
- gain on disposal	-	(46)	(38)	(46)
- written off	167	-	175	2
Staff costs	17,509	12,886	64,415	52,925
Trade receivables:				
- allowance for impairment loss	174	3,572	174	3,572
- writeback	(30)	(53)	(30)	(53)

B6 Income Tax Expense

	INDIVI	INDIVIDUAL		LATIVE
	Current	Preceding	Current	Preceding
	Year	Year	Year	Year
	Quarter	Quarter	Year To Date	Year To Date
	31.03.2024	31.03.2023	31.03.2024	31.03.2023
	(RM'000)	(RM'000)	(RM'000)	(RM'000)
Current tax:				
- for the current financial quarter	10,454	8,037	31,186	30,881
- (over)/underprovision in previous financial year	-	195	(451)	108
Deferred tax:				
- for the current financial quarter	(719)	(128)	(879)	622
- under/(over)provision in previous financial year	254	(43)	388	227
	9,989	8,061	30,244	31,838

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B7 Status of Corporate Proposals

There were no corporate proposals for the current financial quarter under review except as disclosed under Note A6.

B8 Group Borrowings

	Effective			
	interest	Short	Long	
31.03.2024	rates	term	term	Total
	%	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Secured:				
Hire Purchase	3.39	117	454	571
Lease liabilities	4.20 - 4.45	712	151	863
Term Financing	4.45	496	-	496
Term Loans	4.30 - 4.45	4,079	13,615	17,694
Trade Financing	5.20 - 5.82	40,196	-	40,196
		45,600	14,220	59,820
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	Effective			
	interest	Short	Long	
31.03.2023	rates	term	term	Total
	%	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Secured:				
Lease liabilities	4.20	708	550	1,258
Term Financing	4.20	1,447	496	1,943
Term Loans	4.05 - 4.20	4,140	17,688	21,828
Trade Financing	3.68 - 5.98	34,307	-	34,307
		40,602	18.734	59,336

All borrowings are denominated in Ringgit Malaysia.

B9 Material Litigation

The Group does not have any material litigation for the current financial quarter under review.

B10 Dividends

	RM'000	Date of Payment
In respect of the financial year ended 31 March 2023:		
- A fourth interim single tier tax-exempt dividend of 0.75 sen per share		
declared on 26 May 2023	21,231	04.07.2023
In respect of the financial year ended 31 March 2024:		
- A first interim single tier tax-exempt dividend of 0.60 sen per share	16,889	04.10.2023
declared on 30 August 2023		
- A second interim single tier tax-exempt dividend of 0.60 sen per share	16,853	29.12.2023
declared on 30 November 2023		
- A third interim single tier tax-exempt dividend of 0.50 sen per share	13,983	29.03.2024
declared on 29 February 2024		
·	68,956	

In respect of the financial quarter ended 31 March 2024, the directors had on 30 May 2024 declared a fourth interim single tier tax-exempt dividend of 1.30 sen per share, the Entitlement Date is 18 June 2024 and payable on 2 July 2024. This dividend has not been reflected in the financial statements for the current financial year under review but it will be accounted for in shareholders' equity as an appropriation of retained profits for the next quarter ending 30 June 2024.

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B11 Earnings per Share

(a) Basic Earnings Per Share

	INDIVIDUAL		CUMULATIVE	
	Current Year Quarter 31.03.2024	Preceding Year Quarter 31.03.2023	Current Year Year To Date 31.03.2024	Preceding Year Year To Date 31.03.2023
	(RM'000)	(RM'000)	(RM'000)	(RM'000)
Profit after tax attributable to owners of the Company (RM'000)	38,598	22,702	92,256	76,367
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue ('000)	2,816,287	2,850,789	2,816,287	2,850,789
Basic earnings per share (sen)	1.37	0.80	3.28	2.68

(b) Diluted Earnings Per Share

	INDIVIDUAL		CUMULATIVE	
	Current Year Quarter 31.03.2024 (RM'000)	Preceding Year Quarter 31.03.2023 (RM'000)	Current Year Year To Date 31.03.2024 (RM'000)	Preceding Year Year To Date 31.03.2023 (RM'000)
Profit after tax attributable to owners of the Company (RM'000)	38,598	22,702	92,256	76,367
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue ('000)	2,816,287	2,850,789	2,816,287	2,850,789
Diluted earnings per share (sen)	1.37	0.80	3.28	2.68

B12 Fair value of changes in financial liabilities

The Group does not have any financial liabilities that are measured at fair value for the current financial quarter under review.

By order of the Board Kuala Lumpur 30 May 2024