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QUARTERLY REPORT

Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements For The Financial Period Ended 31 March 2023

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QUARTERLY REPORT On consolidated results for the financial period ended 31 March 2023

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME Amounts in RM thousand unless otherwise stated

		Qı	uarter Ended 31 March		Year to Date Ended 31 March			
	Note	2023	2022	% +/(-)	2023	2022	% +/(-)	
Revenue		588,393	595,917	(1.3%)	588,393	595,917	(1.3%)	
Cost of sales		(599,829)	(600,669)	(2.0.70)	(599,829)	(600,669)	(2,0,0)	
Gross loss		(11,436)	(4,752)	>100%	(11,436)	(4,752)	>100%	
Other operating income		5,731	1,444		5,731	1,444		
Selling and distribution cost		(7,885)	(7,252)		(7,885)	(7,252)		
Administrative expenses		(18,056)	(16,135)		(18,056)	(16,135)		
Reversal of impairment of financial assets		173	653		173	653		
Commodity gains - net		6,150	7,906		6,150	7,906		
Other operating expenses		(80)	(208)	20.50	(80)	(208)	20.50	
Loss from operations Finance costs		(25,403) (9,371)	(18,344) (7,615)	38.5%	(25,403) (9,371)	(18,344) (7,615)	38.5%	
Finance income		1,591	939		1,591	939		
Loss before taxation		(33,183)	(25,020)	32.6%	(33,183)	(25,020)	32.6%	
Taxation		(2,692)	(2,663)	321070	(2,692)	(2,663)	32.0%	
Loss for the financial period		(35,875)	(27,683)	29.6%	(35,875)	(27,683)	29.6%	
Other comprehensive income :								
Currency translation differences		-	39		-	39		
Cash flow hedges		25	391		25	391		
Other comprehensive income for the financial period		25	430		25	430		
Total comprehensive loss for the financial period		(35,850)	(27,253)	31.5%	(35,850)	(27,253)	31.5%	
Loss attributable to :	•							
Owners of the Company		(35,875)	(27,683)		(35,875)	(27,683)		
Loss for the financial period		(35,875)	(27,683)	29.6%	(35,875)	(27,683)	29.6%	
Total comprehensive loss attributable to :								
Owners of the Company		(35,850)	(27,253)		(35,850)	(27,253)		
Total comprehensive loss for the financial period		(35,850)	(27,253)	31.5%	(35,850)	(27,253)	31.5%	
Loss per share attributable to the Owners of the Company: Basic (sen)	19	(5.10)	(3.94)		(5.10)	(3.94)		

The Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Income Statement and Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Information.

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QUARTERLY REPORT (CONTINUED)
On consolidated results for the financial period ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION Amounts in RM thousand unless otherwise stated

	Unaudited As at 31 March 2023	Audited As at 31 December 2022
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment	1,202,308	1,205,454
Intangible asset	42,680	43,425
Goodwill	576,240	576,240
Right-of-use assets	97,734	98,656
	1,918,962	1,923,775
Current assets		
Inventories	324,990	360,523
Trade receivables	265,307	240,874
Other receivables, deposits and prepayments	56,475	41,736
Tax recoverable	14,727	15,271
Amounts due from other related companies	550	968
Deposits with licensed banks	195,180	208,810
Cash and bank balances	10,537	12,154
	867,766	880,336
Assets held for sale	7,682	7,682
Total assets	2,794,410	2,811,793
Equity		
Share capital	718,255	718,255
Reorganisation deficit	(1,039,632)	(1,039,632)
Merger relief reserve	1,733,939	1,733,939
Cash flow hedge reserve	(216)	(241)
Retained earnings	66,551	102,426
Equity attributable to owners of the Company	1,478,897	1,514,747
Non-controlling interest		-
Total equity	1,478,897	1,514,747

On consolidated results for the financial period ended 31 March 2023 (continued)

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (CONTINUED) Amounts in RM thousand unless otherwise stated

	Unaudited As at 31 March 2023	Audited As at 31 December 2022
Non-current liabilities		
Lease liabilities	20,349	20,603
Deferred tax liabilities	35,118	35,940
Borrowings	281,529	299,210
Derivative financial liabilities	138	193
	337,134	355,946
Current liabilities Payables Amounts due to other related companies Amount due to ultimate holding body Amount due to immediate holding company Lease liabilities Borrowings Derivative financial liabilities	239,686 8,222 66 1,038 1,181 717,700 10,486 978,379	334,542 6,937 65 328 1,228 580,257 17,743 941,100
Total liabilities	1,315,513	1,297,046
Total equity and liabilities	2,794,410	2,811,793
Net assets per share attributable to owners of the Company (RM)	2.10	2.15

The Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Information.

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY Amounts in RM thousand unless otherwise stated

	Share capital	Merger relief reserve	Reorganisation deficit	Foreign exchange reserves	Cash flow hedge reserves	Retained earnings	Total equity
Period Ended 31 March 2023 At 1 January 2023	718,255	1,733,939	(1,039,632)	-	(241)	102,426	1,514,747
Loss for the financial period	-	-	-	-	-	(35,875)	(35,875)
Other comprehensive income <u>Item that will be subsequently reclassified to</u> profit or loss							
- cash flow hedges	-	-	-	-	25	_	25
	-	-	-	-	25	-	25
Total comprehensive income/(loss)	-	-	-	-	25	(35,875)	(35,850)
At 31 March 2023	718,255	1,733,939	(1,039,632)	-	(216)	66,551	1,478,897

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY (CONTINUED) Amounts in RM thousand unless otherwise stated

	Share capital	Merger relief reserve	Reorganisation deficit	Foreign exchange reserves	Cash flow hedge reserves	Retained earnings	Total equity
Period Ended 31 March 2022 At 1 January 2022	718,255	1,733,939	(1,039,632)	1,442	(3,667)	302,227	1,712,564
Loss for the financial period	-	-	-	-	-	(27,683)	(27,683)
Other comprehensive income <u>Item that will be subsequently reclassified to profit or loss</u>							
- currency translation differences	-	-	-	39	-	-	39
- cash flow hedges	-	-	-	-	391	-	391
	-	-	-	39	391	-	430
Total comprehensive income/(loss)	-	-	-	39	391	(27,683)	(27,253)
At 31 March 2022	718,255	1,733,939	(1,039,632)	1,481	(3,276)	274,544	1,685,311

The Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Information.

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS Amounts in RM thousand unless otherwise stated

	Year to Date Ended		
	31 March 2023 202		
	2023	(Restated)	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		(Restated)	
Loss for the financial period	(35,875)	(27,683)	
Adjustment for Non-Cash Flow Items	20,079	20,358	
Operating Loss Before Changes in Working Capital	(15,796)	(7,325)	
Changes in Working Capital	(96,562)	23,035	
Cash (used in)/generated from operations	(112,358)	15,710	
Tax paid	(2,376)	(11,729)	
Net Cash (used in)/generated from Operating Activities	(114,734)	3,981	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(11,282)	(10,213)	
Purchase of intangible assets	(160)	(41)	
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	- 1	60	
Interest received	1,591	939	
Net Cash used in Investing Activities	(9,851)	(9,255)	
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Drawdown of borrowings, net of issuance costs	471,080	406,100	
Repayment of borrowings	(351,290)	(361,700)	
Principal payment of lease liability	(300)	(291)	
Interest payment of lease liability	(275)	(56)	
Interest paid	(9,703)	(8,829)	
Interest paid on islamic profit rate swap	(122)	-	
Net Cash generated from Financing Activities	109,390	35,224	
Net (decrease)/increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(15,195)	29,950	
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes	(52)	532	
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of the Financial Period	220,964	194,775	
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of the Financial Period	205,717	225,257	
Cash and Cash Equivalents comprise:			
Deposits with licensed banks	195,180	144,200	
Cash and bank balances	10,537	81,057	
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of the Financial Period	205,717	225,257	

The Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Information.

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION Amounts in RM thousand unless otherwise stated

The interim financial information of MSM Malaysia Holdings Berhad ('MSM' or 'Group') is prepared in accordance with the requirements of paragraph 9.22 of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad and complies with the requirements of the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ('MFRS') 134 - Interim Financial Reporting and International Accounting Standards ('IAS') 34 - Interim Financial Reporting.

The Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Information should be read in conjunction with the Group's audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022. These explanatory notes attached to the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Information provide an explanation of events and transactions that are significant to an understanding of the changes in the financial position and performance of the Group since the financial year ended 31 December 2022.

1 Basis of Preparation

The financial statements of the Group have been prepared in accordance with the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ("MFRS"), International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") and the requirements of the Companies Act 2016 in Malaysia.

The accounting policies and presentation adopted for this Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Information are mainly consistent with those of the Group's audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2022.

Accounting pronouncements that are effective and have been adopted by the Group

The Group has considered the Agenda Decision on demand deposits with restrictions on use, arising from a contract with third party and has included the cash pledged in order to obtain certain bank facilities as a component of cash and cash equivalents.

(i) Amendments to existing standards and other accounting pronouncements that are not expected to have any significant impact on the financial statements of the Group:

Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023

- Amendements to MFRS 101, MFRS Practice Statement 2 and MFRS 108 on disclosure of accounting policies and definition of accounting estimates
- Amendments to MFRS 112 'Deferred Tax relating to assets and liabilities arising from a single transaction'

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION (CONTINUED) Amounts in RM thousand unless otherwise stated

1 Basis of Preparation (continued)

(ii) Amendments to existing standards that are not yet effective and have not been early adopted by the Group:

Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024

• Amendments to MFRS 101 'Classification of liabilities as current or non current' (2020 amendments) and 'Non current liabilities with covenants' (2022 amendments)

The accounting pronouncements that are not yet effective are not expected to have any significant impact on the financial statements of the Group.

2 Auditors' Report on Preceding Annual Financial Statements

The financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 were not subject to any audit qualification.

3 Seasonal or Cyclical Factors

Sales of refined sugar products in Malaysia typically increase slightly during the months leading up to major holidays and festivals in Malaysia, especially Hari Raya and Chinese New Year, due to increased consumer demand for refined sugar.

4 Unusual Items Due to Their Nature, Size or Incidence

There were no other material or unusual items affecting the Group's assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flows during the financial period under review.

5 Changes in Estimated Amounts Reported in Prior Period Which Have Effect on the Current Period

There were no material changes in the estimates of amounts reported in the prior interim periods of the current financial year or the previous financial year that have a material effect on the results for the current quarter under review.

6 Changes in Debt and Equity Securities

There were no changes in debt and equity securities during the period under review.

7 Dividends

No dividend has been paid during the quarter ended 31 March 2023.

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION (CONTINUED) Amounts in RM thousand unless otherwise stated

8 Other Comprehensive Income

Cash flow hedges represent fair value changes due to movement in mark-to-market position on effective hedging contracts at 31 March 2023.

Fair value changes in effective hedging contracts are recognised directly in equity and are transferred to the income statement in the same period as the underlying hedged item impacts profit or loss.

9 Valuation of Property, Plant and Equipment

There was no valuation of the property, plant and equipment in the current quarter under review.

10 Changes in the Composition of the Group

There were no changes in the composition of the Group for the current period under review.

11 Changes in Contingent Liabilities or Contingent Assets

The Group does not have any material contingent liabilities or contingent assets as at 31 March 2023.

12 Capital Commitments

Capital expenditure approved and contracted for:

- Property, plant and equipment

As at 31 March				
2023	2022			
71,829	47,531			
71,829	47,531			

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION (CONTINUED) Amounts in RM thousand unless otherwise stated

Year to Date Ended

13 Material Related Party Transactions

(a) Related party transactions are as follows:

		31 March	
		2023	2022
(i)	Transactions with Immediate holding company		
ν-,	Management fees (FGV Holdings Berhad)	810	771
	Other services (FGV Holdings Berhad)	-	1
(ii)	Transactions with related companies		
	Sales of refined sugar (KPF Trading Sdn. Bhd.)	-	(2,471)
	Sales of refined sugar (Felda Travel Sdn. Bhd.)	-	(18)
	Sales of refined sugar (FGV Integrated Farming Holdings Sdn. Bhd.)	(3)	-
	Security services (FGV Security Services Sdn. Bhd.)	634	477
	Information technology services (FGV Prodata Systems Sdn. Bhd.)	-	49
	Travel agent services (Felda Travel Sdn. Bhd.)	21	7
	Refreshment services (Felda D'Saji Sdn. Bhd.)	2	-
	Transportation services (FGV Transport Sdn. Bhd.)	3,385	3,800
	Rental of tankers (FGV Johor Bulkers Sdn. Bhd.)	20	-
	Rental of tankers (Langsat Bulkers Sdn. Bhd.)	257	-
	Office rental (FELDA)	188	221
	Meeting room rental (FELDA)	1	-
	Research services (FGV R&D Sdn. Bhd.)	3	2 027
		5,318	2,837
(iii)	Transactions between subsidiaries and government- related financial institutions		
	Interest expense for bankers' acceptance	5,814	3,043
	Interest income from fixed deposits and cash balances	(1,591)	(939)

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION (CONTINUED) Amounts in RM thousand unless otherwise stated

13 Material Related Party Transactions (continued)

(b)	Balances relating to related party transactions are as follows:		
		As at 31 March 2023	As at 31 December 2022
(i)	Balances with immediate holding company Amount due to:		
	FGV Holdings Berhad	1,038	328
(ii)	Balances with related companies Amount due to:		
	FGV Security Services Sdn. Bhd.	703	402
	Langsat Bulkers Sdn. Bhd. FGV Johor Bulkers Sdn. Bhd.	357 20	311 14
	Felda Travel Sdn. Bhd.	20	14 46
	Felda D'saji Sdn. Bhd.	6	14
	FGV Transport Sdn. Bhd.	7,110	6,150
	FGV R&D Sdn. Bhd.	3	
	-	8,222	6,937
(iii)	Balances with ultimate holding body Amount due to:		
	FELDA _	66	65_
(iv)	Balances with related companies Amount due from:		
	KPF Trading Sdn. Bhd.	550	967
	FGV Transport Sdn. Bhd.		1
	-	550	968
(v)	Balances with government-related financial institutions		
	Bankers' acceptance	652,760	517,156
	Fixed deposits and cash balances	205,717	220,964

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION (CONTINUED) Amounts in RM thousand unless otherwise stated

14 Review of Performance

	Quarter Ended 31 March			
	2023	2022	% +/(-)	
Revenue	588,393	595,917	(1.3%)	
Gross loss	(11,436)	(4,752)	>100%	
Loss before taxation	(33,183)	(25,020)	32.6%	
Loss for the period	(35,875)	(27,683)	29.6%	

(a) Quarter on Quarter

The Group recorded total revenue of RM588.39 million in this quarter, which is RM7.53 million or 1.3% lower compared to the same quarter last year of RM595.92 million. This is due to lower sales volume compared to the same quarter last year despite increase in overall average selling price.

The Group recorded higher loss after tax (LAT) for the three months period ended 31 March 2023 of RM35.88 million compared to the same quarter last year of RM27.68 million. The higher loss is attributable to high input costs mainly natural gas and weakening of Ringgit Malaysia.

15 Material Changes in the Quarterly Results Compared to the Preceding Quarter (31 December 2022)

The comparison of the Group's revenue and loss before taxation for the current quarter and last quarter is as follows:

	Quarter Ended			
	31 March 31 December		%	
	2023	2022	+/(-)	
Revenue	588,393	677,735	(13%)	
Gross (loss)/profit	(11,436)	32,264	(>100%)	
Loss before taxation	(33,183)	(47,011)	(29%)	
Loss for the period	(35,875)	(44,161)	(19%)	

The Group recorded a total revenue of RM588.39 million in the current quarter compared to the preceding quarter of RM677.74 million due to lower overall sales volume.

The Group recorded lower LAT of RM35.88 million for the three months period ended 31 March 2023 compared to preceding quarter of RM44.16 million. The lower loss is attributable to the strengthening of Ringgit Malaysia.

16 Variance of Actual Profit from Forecast Profit

The Group did not issue any forecast profit.

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION (CONTINUED) Amounts in RM thousand unless otherwise stated

17 Loss from Operations

Included in the loss are:

	Year to Date Ended 31 March	
	2023	2022
Reversal of impairment of financial assets	(173)	(653)
Amortisation of intangible asset	903	1,097
Amortisation of right-of-use assets	922	629
Depreciation of property plant and equipment	18,381	18,692
Property, plant and equipment written off	9	3
Reversal of impairment of inventories	(4)	(2,041)
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	(60)
Realised loss on sugar futures contracts	-	798
Realised gain on Brent crude oil option contracts	(1,688)	(5,594)
Realised loss/(gain) on foreign currency exchange forward contracts	2,795	(46)
Net foreign currency exchange gain	(1,285)	(1,051)
Unrealised gain on sugar futures contracts	-	(963)
Unrealised loss/(gain) on Brent crude oil option contracts	2,571	(1,414)
Unrealised gain on foreign currency exchange forward contracts	(9,828)	(687)

18 Taxation

	31 March	
	2023	2022
Current taxCurrent year provisionOver provision in prior year	(2,920)	(4,053) -
Deferred tax • Current year provision • Over provision in prior year	822 -	1,390 -
Real Property Gains Tax (RPGT)	(594)	-
Tax expenses	(2,692)	(2,663)
Effective tax rate (%) Statutory tax rate (%)	8 24	11 24

Year to Date Ended

The effective tax rate for the financial period ended 31 March 2023 is 8%, lower than the Malaysian income tax rate of 24% due to deferred tax assets not recognised in a subsidiary.

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION (CONTINUED) Amounts in RM thousand unless otherwise stated

19 Loss Per Share

	Year to Date Ended 31 March	
	2023	2022
Basic loss per share are computed as follows:		
Loss for the financial period attributable to owners of the Company (RM'000)	(35,875)	(27,683)
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue (thousands)	702,980	702,980
Basic loss per share (sen)	(5.10)	(3.94)

20 Derivative Financial Instruments

The Group uses forward foreign exchange contracts and commodity contracts to manage its exposure to various financial risks. The outstanding contractual/notional amounts and fair values of these derivatives as at 31 March 2023 are as follows:

	Contractual / Notional	Fair value	
	amount RM'000	Assets RM'000	Liabilities RM'000
Non-current			
Islamic profit rate swap	104,167	-	138_
<u>Current</u>			
Foreign currency exchange forward contracts	158,226	-	7,062
Brent crude oil option contracts	3,837		3,424
	162,063	-	10,486
	266,230	-	10,624

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21 Fair Value Changes of Financial Instruments

There is no change to the type of derivative financial contracts entered into, cash requirements of the derivatives, risk associated with the derivatives and the risk management objectives and policies to mitigate these risks since the last financial year ended 31 December 2022. The following table presents the assets that are measured at fair value at 31 March 2023.

31 March 2023	Level 1	<u>Level 2</u>	Level 3	<u>Total</u>
<u>Liabilities</u> Financial liabilities at fair value through profit and loss - Foreign currency exchange forward contracts - Brent crude oil option contracts	3,424 3,424	7,062 7,062	- - -	7,062 3,424 10,486
<u>Liabilities</u> Financial liabilities at fair value through other comprehensive income - Islamic profit rate swap		138 138	<u> </u>	138 138

The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets is based on quoted market prices at the statement of financial position date. The quoted market price used for financial assets held by the Group is the current bid price. These instruments are included in Level 1. Instruments included in Level 1 comprise Brent crude oil option contracts and sugar commodity futures contract.

The fair value of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market (for example, foreign currency forward contracts) is determined by using valuation techniques. These valuation techniques maximise the use of observable market data where it is available and rely as little as possible on entity specific estimates. If all significant inputs required to fair value an instrument are observable, the instrument is included in Level 2. Instruments included in Level 2 comprise Islamic profit rate swap and foreign currency exchange forward contracts.

22 Unquoted Investments and/or Properties

There were no purchases or disposals of unquoted investments or properties for the current quarter.

23 Quoted Investments

There were no purchases or disposals of quoted investments for the current quarter.

24 Status of Corporate Proposals

There was no corporate proposal entered into during the financial period under review.

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION (CONTINUED) Amounts in RM thousand unless otherwise stated

25 Group Borrowings

Total borrowings, which are denominated in Ringgit Malaysia, are as follows:

	AS	at	
	31 M	31 March	
Borrowings	2023	2022	
Non-current			
Secured:			
Islamic term loans	281,529	347,899	
<u>Current</u> Secured :			
Islamic term loans	64,940	54,018	
Unsecured:			
Bankers' acceptances	652,760	434,635	
	717,700	488,653	
Average interest rate	4.63%	3.33%	

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All borrowings are denominated in Ringgit Malaysia.

The Islamic term loans are secured against a leasehold land, debenture and certain bank balances of the Group.

The Group is required to comply with certain financial covenants i.e. consolidated net debt and financing to equity ratio, consolidated net debt and financing to earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation ("EBITDA") ratio and consolidated finance payment cover ratio (collectively known as "financial covenants"). The financial covenants are to be complied with annually.

26 Off Balance Sheet Financial Instruments

There were no off balance sheet financial instruments as at the date of this report.

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION (CONTINUED) Amounts in RM thousand unless otherwise stated

27 Material events after reporting period

There were no material events after financial reporting period under review.

28 Prospects

The Sugar Industry is faced with prolonged high input cost environment owing to the rise in cost of raw sugar, freight, natural gas and volatility of Ringgit Malaysia. Other input costs such as packaging materials, utilities and inland logistics have also increased significantly.

Despite stronger demands seen in the local and export markets, the high input costs continue to impede the improvement of the Group's financial performance. The Group remains focused on improving average selling price and minimizing costs.

The local Sugar Industry requires urgent Government's intervention by way of price increase or subsidy in-lieu in ensuring food security and long-term sustainability of the Sugar Industry amidst these challenges.

On behalf of the Board

Syed Feizal Syed Mohammad Group Chief Executive Officer

Datuk Syed Hisham Syed Wazir Chairman

Kuala Lumpur 26 May 2023