



## **GENTING PLANTATIONS REPORTS SECOND QUARTER AND FIRST HALF 2022 FINANCIAL RESULTS**

KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 24 – Genting Plantations Berhad today reported its financial results for the second quarter (“2Q 2022”) and first half (“1H 2022”) ended 30 June 2022.

The Group registered higher year-on-year revenue for 2Q 2022 and for 1H 2022 on the back of strengthening palm product prices, which more than compensated for the lower fresh fruit bunch (“FFB”) production and sales volume of refined palm products.

The Group’s achieved crude palm oil price in 2Q 2022 and 1H 2022 were RM4,907 per metric tonne (“mt”) and RM4,860 per mt respectively, whilst palm kernel price in 2Q 2022 and 1H 2022 were RM3,484 per mt and RM3,777 per mt respectively.

The Group’s FFB production in 2Q 2022 and 1H 2022 were lower year-on-year as persistent wet weather affected harvester outturn while certain estates were faced with logistic issues as heavy rainfall caused flooding and damaged access roads, particularly in Indonesia. In addition, Malaysia continued with its replanting programme which led to a reduction in harvesting area.

EBITDA for the Plantation segment for 2Q 2022 and 1H 2022 surged year-on-year, bolstered by higher palm products prices though moderated by a decline in FFB production.

The Property segment's EBITDA for 2Q 2022 declined year-on-year due to lower margins, in spite of the higher revenue attained. EBITDA for 1H 2022 was also lower year-on-year, in tandem with lower sales and revenue.

Notwithstanding higher revenue for 2Q 2022, the AgTech segment’s losses was comparable year-on-year on account of higher research and development expenditure. Meanwhile, its losses for 1H 2022 narrowed year-on-year in line with higher revenue.

EBITDA for the Downstream Manufacturing segment for 2Q 2022 was marginally lower year-on-year owing to lower sales volume. Nevertheless, EBITDA for 1H 2022 improved year-on-year on account of higher margins but was moderated by lower sales volume.

The Group’s prospects for the second half of 2022 (“2H 2022”) will track the performance of its mainstay Plantation segment, which is in turn dependent principally on the movements in palm products prices and the Group’s FFB production.

In the short run, the Group expects palm oil prices to remain under pressure from the mounting stockpile in Indonesia as a result of its export ban. The Indonesian government has since introduced various measures to ease the swelling stockpile, which may provide some support to palm oil prices.

While FFB production was weaker in 1H 2022, the Group anticipates an improvement in 2H 2022 with favourable age profile and additional harvesting area in Indonesia, barring any weather anomalies. Nevertheless, the production growth may be moderated by the on-going replanting activities in Malaysia.

For the Property segment, the Group will continue to offer products which cater to a broader market segment. Meanwhile, the Premium Outlets® are expected to continue performing well in 2H 2022 hinging on the recovery of the tourism sector.

The AgTech segment will continue to unlock value by leveraging on new technologies to augment the development of optimised genomics-based next generation planting materials and biological solutions for plant and soil health to improve yields.

Consequential to the elevated stockpile and substantial reduction of export taxes in Indonesia, the Downstream Manufacturing segment is expected to face stiff competition for both its palm based biodiesel and refined palm products over the short term.

The Board of Directors has declared an interim single-tier dividend of 15.0 sen per ordinary share. In comparison, the interim single-tier dividend declared for the corresponding period of 2021 amounted to 11.0 sen per ordinary share.

A summary of the quarterly results is shown in Table 1.

**TABLE 1:**

| RM' Million                            | 2Q 2022 | 2Q 2021 | %    | 1H 2022 | 1H 2021 | %    |
|--|---------|---------|------|---------|---------|------|
| <b>Revenue</b>                         |         |         |      |         |         |      |
| Plantation                             | 732.3   | 508.4   | +44  | 1,297.9 | 870.3   | +49  |
| Property                               | 33.2    | 30.7    | +8   | 49.7    | 54.6    | -9   |
| AgTech                                 | 3.9     | 1.3     | >100 | 7.0     | 1.6     | >100 |
| Downstream Manufacturing               | 501.3   | 425.7   | +18  | 654.0   | 675.5   | -3   |
|  | 1,270.7 | 966.1   | +32  | 2,008.6 | 1,602.0 | +25  |
| Inter segment                          | (224.9) | (176.0) | -28  | (432.4) | (275.3) | -57  |
| Revenue - external                     | 1,045.8 | 790.1   | +32  | 1,576.2 | 1,326.7 | +19  |
| <b>Adjusted EBITDA</b>                 |         |         |      |         |         |      |
| Plantation                             | 369.0   | 232.3   | +59  | 618.9   | 387.5   | +60  |
| Property                               | 9.0     | 9.9     | -9   | 10.6    | 14.9    | -29  |
| AgTech                                 | (0.6)   | (0.6)   | -    | (0.7)   | (1.4)   | +50  |
| Downstream Manufacturing               | 23.6    | 24.0    | -2   | 27.3    | 18.1    | +51  |
| Others*                                | 8.2     | 2.8     | >100 | 9.7     | 8.8     | +10  |
|  | 409.2   | 268.4   | +52  | 665.8   | 427.9   | +56  |
| <b>EBITDA</b>                          | 409.6   | 250.9   | +63  | 665.8   | 409.9   | +62  |
| <b>Profit before tax</b>               | 334.1   | 169.9   | +97  | 515.7   | 256.9   | >100 |
| <b>Profit for the financial period</b> | 244.4   | 121.2   | >100 | 375.9   | 183.9   | >100 |
| <b>Basic EPS (sen)</b>                 | 24.90   | 11.66   | >100 | 37.90   | 18.77   | >100 |

*\*Changes in the "Others" category mainly reflect the impact from foreign currency translation position arising from foreign exchange movements.*

## About Genting Plantations Berhad

Genting Plantations, a subsidiary of Genting Berhad, commenced operations in 1980. It has a landbank of about 64,600 hectares in Malaysia and some 178,900 hectares (including the *Plasma* scheme) in Indonesia held through joint ventures. It owns seven oil mills in Malaysia and five in Indonesia, with a total milling capacity of 665 metric tonnes per hour. In addition, the Group has ventured into the manufacturing of downstream palm-based products.

Genting Plantations has also diversified into property development to unlock the value of its strategically located landbank and has invested significantly in agriculture technology to provide total solutions and services to our Group's core agri-business in optimising yield, improving operating efficiency, enabling traceability and enhancing sustainability.

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