



**REPORT FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**  
**Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2023**  
(The figures have not been audited)

	Note	31 December 2023 RM'000	31 December 2022 RM'000
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Non-current Assets</b>			
Property, plant and equipment		1,107,412	1,091,834
Bearer plants		823,825	864,726
Inventories		59,065	58,191
Right-of-use assets		495,662	504,174
Investment in a joint venture		2,944	19,632
Intangible assets		168,246	168,255
Deferred tax assets		2,998	5,151
		2,660,152	2,711,963
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Inventories		542,538	470,637
Biological assets		24,050	21,930
Trade and other receivables		301,289	292,584
Current tax recoverable		26,414	17,309
Derivatives	B9	8,660	1,605
Other investments		870,847	124,302
Cash and bank balances		779,108	1,253,646
		2,552,906	2,182,013
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		5,213,058	4,893,976
<b>EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>Equity attributable to owners of the Company</b>			
Share capital		914,901	914,474
Employee share option reserve		19,694	16,006
Other reserves		5,893	2,922
Retained earnings		2,573,129	2,361,709
		3,513,617	3,295,111
<b>Non-controlling interests</b>		158,179	152,203
<b>Total equity</b>		3,671,796	3,447,314

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**Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2023 (Continued)**  
(The figures have not been audited)

	Note	31 December 2023 RM'000	31 December 2022 RM'000
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Loans and borrowings	B8	223,079	446,125
Deferred tax liabilities		390,197	389,212
Government grants		12,210	13,274
Lease liabilities		1,492	895
		<u>626,978</u>	<u>849,506</u>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Loans and borrowings	B8	622,009	314,829
Trade and other payables		280,912	270,232
Current tax payable		9,590	10,328
Government grants		1,064	1,064
Derivatives	B9	161	48
Lease liabilities		548	655
		<u>914,284</u>	<u>597,156</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<u>1,541,262</u>	<u>1,446,662</u>
<b>TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>		<u>5,213,058</u>	<u>4,893,976</u>
Net assets per share attributable to owners of the Company (RM)		3.95	3.70
No. of share ('000)		890,321	890,164

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**Condensed Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income**  
**For the Quarter and Year ended 31 December 2023**  
(The figures have not been audited)

	Note	INDIVIDUAL QUARTER 3 months ended 31 December		CUMULATIVE QUARTER 12 months ended 31 December	
		2023 RM'000	2022 RM'000	2023 RM'000	2022 RM'000
<b>Continuing Operations</b>					
Revenue		1,469,087	1,150,472	5,124,500	5,308,285
Cost of sales		(1,312,887)	(1,070,583)	(4,706,421)	(4,623,084)
<b>Gross profit</b>		156,200	79,889	418,079	685,201
Administrative expenses		(5,631)	(7,314)	(26,238)	(25,500)
Other operating income		3,764	5,139	12,118	13,998
<b>Operating profit</b>		154,333	77,714	403,959	673,699
Finance income		13,095	7,931	47,606	26,887
Finance costs		(7,621)	(6,597)	(33,007)	(29,266)
Share of result of equity- accounted joint venture, net of tax		(1,762)	(1,942)	3,074	(2,531)
<b>Profit before tax</b>	B5	158,045	77,106	421,632	668,789
Taxation	B6	(40,258)	(26,943)	(107,658)	(164,539)
<b>Profit after tax</b>		117,787	50,163	313,974	504,250
<b>Other comprehensive income:</b>					
Foreign exchange translation differences for foreign operations		(540)	(2,281)	3,257	1,975
Fair value adjustment on cash flow hedge		-	318	(376)	2,290
Income tax relating to components of other comprehensive income		-	(77)	90	(550)
<b>Other comprehensive income, net of tax</b>		(540)	(2,040)	2,971	3,715
<b>Total comprehensive income</b>		117,247	48,123	316,945	507,965
<b>Profit attributable to:</b>					
Owners of the Company		113,610	47,867	300,450	479,652
Non-controlling interests		4,177	2,296	13,524	24,598
		117,787	50,163	313,974	504,250

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**Condensed Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income**  
**For the Quarter and Year ended 31 December 2023**  
(The figures have not been audited)

	Note	INDIVIDUAL QUARTER 3 months ended 31 December		CUMULATIVE QUARTER 12 months ended 31 December	
		2023 RM'000	2022 RM'000	2023 RM'000	2022 RM'000
<b>Total comprehensive income attributable to:</b>					
Owners of the Company		113,070	45,827	303,421	483,367
Non-controlling interests		4,177	2,296	13,524	24,598
		<u>117,247</u>	<u>48,123</u>	<u>316,945</u>	<u>507,965</u>
<b>Earnings per share attributable to owners of the Company (Sen):</b>					
Basic	B12	<u>12.76</u>	<u>5.38</u>	<u>33.75</u>	<u>54.65</u>
Diluted	B12	<u>12.75</u>	<u>5.36</u>	<u>33.72</u>	<u>54.53</u>

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**Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity**  
**For the Year ended 31 December 2023**  
(The figures have not been audited)

Equity attributable to owners of the Company

	Equity, total	Equity attributable to owners of the Company total	Share capital	Non-distributable Employee share option reserve	Other reserves	Distributable Retained earnings	Non- controlling interests
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
<b>At 1 January 2023</b>	3,447,314	3,295,111	914,474	16,006	2,922	2,361,709	152,203
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>	316,945	303,421	-	-	2,971	300,450	13,524
<b>Transactions with owners</b>							
Dividend paid to owners of the Company	(53,417)	(53,417)	-	-	-	(53,417)	-
Dividend payable to owners of the Company	(35,613)	(35,613)	-	-	-	(35,613)	-
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests in subsidiaries	(7,576)	-	-	-	-	-	(7,576)
Increase in of share capital in subsidiaries	28	-	-	-	-	-	28
Issuance of ordinary shares:							
Pursuant to exercise of ESOS	1,740	1,740	1,740	-	-	-	-
Share options granted under ESOS	2,375	2,375	-	2,375	-	-	-
Share options exercised under ESOS	-	-	(1,313)	1,313	-	-	-
<b>At 31 December 2023</b>	<u>3,671,796</u>	<u>3,513,617</u>	<u>914,901</u>	<u>19,694</u>	<u>5,893</u>	<u>2,573,129</u>	<u>158,179</u>

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**Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity  
For the Year ended 31 December 2023 (Continued)**

Equity attributable to owners of the Company

	Equity, total	Equity attributable to owners of the Company total	Share capital	Non-distributable  Employee share option reserve	Other reserves	Distributable  Retained earnings	Non- controlling interests
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
<b>At 1 January 2022</b>	2,938,711	2,802,119	823,162	26,481	(793)	1,953,269	136,592
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>	507,965	483,367	-	-	3,715	479,652	24,598
<b>Transactions with owners</b>							
Dividends to owners of the Company	(71,212)	(71,212)	-	-	-	(71,212)	-
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests in subsidiaries	(8,987)	-	-	-	-	-	(8,987)
Issuance of ordinary shares:							
Pursuant to exercise of ESOS	77,376	77,376	77,376	-	-	-	-
Share options granted under ESOS	3,461	3,461	-	3,461	-	-	-
Share options exercised under ESOS	-	-	13,936	(13,936)	-	-	-
<b>At 31 December 2022</b>	<u>3,447,314</u>	<u>3,295,111</u>	<u>914,474</u>	<u>16,006</u>	<u>2,922</u>	<u>2,361,709</u>	<u>152,203</u>

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**Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows**  
**For the Year ended 31 December 2023**  
(The figures have not been audited)

	<b>31 December</b>	<b>31 December</b>
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>RM'000</b>	<b>RM'000</b>
<b>Operating activities</b>		
<b>Profit before tax</b>	421,632	668,789
Adjustments for non-cash items:		
Depreciation and amortisation	179,634	173,613
Amortisation of government grant	(1,064)	(1,064)
Share options granted under ESOS	2,375	3,461
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(1,044)	(574)
Property, plant and equipment written off	745	453
Bearer plants written off	5,156	2,875
Inventories written off	6	77
Inventories written down	-	3,788
Impairment loss on financial instruments	-	(3,348)
Reversal of impairment loss on investment in a joint venture	(2,969)	-
Net gain on lease modifications/terminations	-	(19)
Finance income	(47,606)	(26,887)
Finance costs	33,007	29,266
Fair value (gain)/loss on biological assets	(2,120)	12,239
Unrealised loss/(gain) on foreign exchange	1,736	(188)
Fair value (gain)/loss on derivatives	(7,318)	7,516
Share of results of a joint venture	(3,074)	2,531
<b>Operating cash flows before working capital changes</b>	<b>579,096</b>	<b>872,528</b>
(Increase)/Decrease in inventories	(72,580)	1,431
(Increase)/Decrease in trade and other receivables	(3,933)	42,894
Decrease in trade and other payables	(30,802)	(23,921)
<b>Cash generated from operations</b>	<b>471,781</b>	<b>892,932</b>
Net income tax paid	(114,286)	(153,566)
<b>Net cash flows from operating activities</b>	<b>357,495</b>	<b>739,366</b>

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**Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows**  
**For the Year ended 31 December 2023 (Continued)**  
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	<b>31 December 2023 RM'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 RM'000</b>
<b>Investing activities</b>		
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(112,396)	(106,996)
Acquisition of right-of-use assets	-	(252)
Additions to bearer plants	(39,137)	(19,473)
Additions to intangible assets	-	(13)
Proceeds from non-controlling interests for increase in share capital	28	-
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	3,030	2,636
Proceeds from redemption of preference shares from joint ventures	22,731	-
Interest received	47,606	26,887
(Placement)/Upliftment of fixed deposits with original maturities exceeding three months	(746,545)	109,967
<b>Net cash flows (used in)/from investing activities</b>	<b>(824,683)</b>	<b>12,756</b>
<b>Financing activities</b>		
Net movements in trade financing	169,968	(78,925)
Proceeds from issuance of shares	1,740	77,376
Proceeds from sukuk bond	200,000	-
Proceeds from revolving credits	15,000	5,000
Repayment of obligations under hire purchase	(1,852)	(4,068)
Repayment of loans and borrowings	(278,954)	(182,721)
Repayment of lease liabilities	(1,237)	(730)
Repayment of revolving credits	(20,000)	-
Dividend paid to owners of the Company	(53,417)	(71,212)
Dividend paid to non-controlling interests	(7,576)	(8,987)
Interest paid	(32,764)	(32,316)
<b>Net cash flows used in financing activities</b>	<b>(9,092)</b>	<b>(296,583)</b>

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**Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows**  
**For the Year ended 31 December 2023 (Continued)**  
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	<b>31 December</b>	<b>31 December</b>
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>RM'000</b>	<b>RM'000</b>
<b>Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>	(476,280)	455,539
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year</b>	1,253,646	796,693
Effect of exchange rate changes	1,742	1,414
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of the financial year</b>	<u>779,108</u>	<u>1,253,646</u>
 Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year comprised the following:		
Short term deposits with licensed banks	418,788	921,713
Cash in hand and at banks	360,320	331,933
Cash and bank balances	<u>779,108</u>	<u>1,253,646</u>

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## **Explanatory Notes To The Report – 31 December 2023**

### **A1. Accounting Policies and Basis of Preparation**

The interim financial statements are unaudited and have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of MFRS 134: Interim Financial Reporting and paragraph 9.22 of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad.

The interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022. These explanatory notes attached to the interim financial statements 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.

The accounting policies used in the preparation of interim financial statements are consistent with those adopted in the audited financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2022.

On 1 January 2023, the Group adopted the following new and amended Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards (“MFRSs”) mandatory for annual financial periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023.

- MFRS 17, *Insurance Contracts*
- Amendments to MFRS 17, *Insurance Contracts – Initial application of MFRS 17 and MFRS 9 – Comparative Information*
- Amendments to MFRS 101, *Presentation of Financial Statements - Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current*
- Amendments to MFRS 108, *Accounting Policies Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors - Definition of Accounting Estimates*
- Amendments to MFRS 112, *Income Taxes, Deferred tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction and International Tax Reform – Pillar Two Model Rules*

The adoption of the above pronouncements did not have material impact on the financial statements of the Group.



**Explanatory Notes To The Report – 31 December 2023**

**A1. Accounting Policies and Basis of Preparation (Continued)**

At the date of authorisation of these interim financial statements, the following MFRS, Amendments to MFRS and IC interpretations were issued but not yet effective and have not been applied by the Group:

<b>MFRS, IC Interpretation and Amendments to IC Interpretations</b>	<b>Effective for annual periods beginning on or after</b>
• Amendments to MFRS 16, <i>Leases – Lease liability in a Sale and Leaseback</i>	01 January 2024
• Amendments to MFRS 101, <i>Presentation of Financial Statements – Non-current Liabilities with Covenants and Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current</i>	01 January 2024
• Amendments to MFRS 107, <i>Statement of Cash Flows</i> and MFRS 7, <i>Financial Instruments: Disclosures – Supplier Finance Arrangements</i>	01 January 2024
• Amendments to MFRS 121, <i>The Effect of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates – Lack of Exchangeability</i>	01 January 2025
• Amendments to MFRS 10, <i>Consolidated Financial Statements</i> and MFRS 128, <i>Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures – Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investors and its Associate or Joint Venture</i>	To be determined

**A2. Disclosure of audit report qualification and status of matters raised**

There were no qualifications in the audit report on the preceding annual financial statements.

**A3. Seasonality or cyclicity of interim operations**

The Group's performance is subjected to the cropping pattern of the palms.

**A4. Unusual Items affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income, or cash flow**

There were no unusual items affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income, or cash flows that were unusual in nature, size, or incidence during the financial year under review.

**A5. Material changes in estimates**

There were no changes in estimates of amounts reported in prior interim periods or changes in estimates of amounts reported in prior financial years, which have a material effect in the current financial year.

**A6. Debt and Equity Securities**

There were no issuance, cancellations, repurchases, resale or repayment of debt and equity securities during the current quarter, other than listing and quotation of 19,800 shares exercised under Employee's Share Option Scheme.



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**A7. Dividends paid**

The Company has paid RM53,416,650 on 14 July 2023, being the final single tier dividend of 6 sen per ordinary share declared for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 and which was duly approved during the Annual General Meeting held on 22 June 2023.

On 12 January 2024, the Company has paid the first interim single-tier dividend of 4 sen per share, on 890,302,154 ordinary shares for the financial year ended 31 December 2023 amounting to RM35,612,086, as approved by the Board of Directors on 29 November 2023.

**A8. Segment Information**

Segment information is presented in respect of the Group's reportable segments which are based on the Group's management and internal reporting structure.

**Year ended 31 December 2023**

	Palm oil Segment RM'000	Property Segment RM'000	Consolidation Adjustment RM'000	Consolidated RM'000
Total segment revenue	5,118,884	5,616	-	5,124,500
Revenue from external customers	5,118,884	5,616	-	5,124,500
Finance income	52,842	82	(5,318)	47,606
Finance costs	(39,644)	(332)	6,969	(33,007)
Depreciation and amortisation	(179,405)	(229)	-	(179,634)
Profit before tax	419,304	(788)	3,116	421,632

**Year ended 31 December 2022**

	Palm oil Segment RM'000	Property Segment RM'000	Consolidation Adjustment RM'000	Consolidated RM'000
Total segment revenue	5,296,293	11,992	-	5,308,285
Revenue from external customers	5,296,293	11,992	-	5,308,285
Finance income	32,683	789	(6,585)	26,887
Finance costs	(29,358)	(6,471)	6,563	(29,266)
Depreciation and amortisation	(173,348)	(265)	-	(173,613)
Profit before tax	668,009	2,897	(2,117)	668,789



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### A9. Valuation of property, plant and equipment

There were no amendments in the valuations of property, plant and equipment brought forward from previous annual financial statements.

### A10. Material events subsequent to the end of the year

There were no material events subsequent to the end of the year that have not been reflected in the financial statements for the year.

### A11. Changes in the composition of the Group

There were no changes in the composition of the Group arising from business combinations, acquisition or disposal of subsidiary companies and long-term investments, restructurings, and discontinued operations for the current year.

### A12. Changes in contingent liabilities and contingent assets

There were no contingent liabilities or contingent assets as at 31 December 2023.

### A13. Capital Commitments

The amount of commitments for the purchase of property, plant and equipment and for bearer plants not provided for in the financial statements as at 31 December 2023 is as follows:-

	<b>31 December 2023</b>
	<b>RM'000</b>
Property, plant and equipment	
Authorised but not contracted for	149,176
Contracted but not provided in the financial statements	42,932
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	192,108
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Bearer plants	
Authorised but not contracted for	15,948
Contracted but not provided in the financial statements	3,298
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	19,246
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**B. BMSB Listing Requirements (Part A of Appendix 9B)**

**B1. Review of Group's Financial Performance**

**Financial review for current quarter and financial year**

	Individual Period			Cumulative Period		
	Current Year Quarter	Preceding Year Corresponding Quarter	Changes (%)	Current Year	Preceding Year	Changes (%)
	RM'000	RM'000		RM'000	RM'000	
	31/12/2023	31/12/2022	31/12/2023	31/12/2022		
<b>Revenue</b>	1,469,087	1,150,472	28%	5,124,500	5,308,285	-3%
<b>Gross Profit</b>	156,200	79,889	96%	418,079	685,201	-39%
<b>Operating profit</b>	154,333	77,714	99%	403,959	673,699	-40%
<b>Profit Before Tax</b>	158,045	77,106	105%	421,632	668,789	-37%
<b>Profit After Tax</b>	117,787	50,163	135%	313,974	504,250	-38%
<b>Profit Attributable to Owners of the Company</b>	113,610	47,867	137%	300,450	479,652	-37%

**4<sup>th</sup> Quarter FY2023 (“Q4FY2023”) vs 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter FY2022 (“Q4FY2022”)**

The Group registered a total revenue of RM1,469.1 million for Q4FY2023 compared with RM1,150.5 million reported in Q4FY2022.

The Group's profit before tax for the current quarter was RM158.0 million, an increase from RM77.1 million reported in the corresponding quarter last year. The higher profit before tax was mainly attributed to increase in FFB production and sales volume when compared to Q4FY2022.

**Current Year To Date (“4QFY2023”) vs Preceding Year To Date (“4QFY2022”)**

The Group registered a total revenue of RM5,124.5 million for the 4QFY2023 compared to RM5,308.3 million reported in 4QFY2022.

The Group's profit before tax for 4QFY2023 was RM421.6 million a decrease from the RM668.8 million achieved in 4QFY2022. The decline in profit before tax was primarily attributed to decrease in average realised prices of palm products compared to previous financial year.



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**B2. Group's Financial Performance Review and Segmental Analysis**

**Financial review for current quarter compared with immediate preceding quarter**

	Current Quarter	Immediate Preceding Quarter	Changes (%)
	RM'000	RM'000	
	31/12/2023	30/09/2023	
<b>Revenue</b>	1,469,087	1,273,048	15%
<b>Gross Profit</b>	156,200	120,715	29%
<b>Operating profit</b>	154,333	126,112	22%
<b>Profit Before Tax</b>	158,045	129,317	22%
<b>Profit After Tax</b>	117,787	98,918	19%
<b>Profit Attributable to owners of the Company</b>	113,610	94,550	20%

**4<sup>th</sup> Quarter FY2023 (“Q4FY2023”) vs 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter FY2023 (“Q3FY2023”)**

The Group registered a total revenue of RM1,469.1 million for Q4FY2023 compared with RM1,273.0 million reported in Q3FY2023.

The Group reported a profit before tax of RM158.0 million, an increase from the RM129.3 million reported in Q3FY2023. The increase is attributed to higher volume of palm products sold as compared to the preceeding quarter.

For the quarter under review, simple average palm products' realised prices against last quarter were as below:-

	Q4FY 2023	Q3FY 2023
Palm Oil Products (RM/mt)	3,778	3,863
Palm Kernel Products (RM/mt)	2,262	2,264

**B3. Prospect**

The performance of the Group would continue to be driven by the cyclical FFB production, global world edible oil price movement, effect of supply chain on fertilisers, chemicals and fuel prices which will affect the costs of production. The Group is taking effective steps to improve its production through aggressive recovery program, including cost control and replanting program. The Group will continue to exercise prudence and discipline in relation to its financial and operational management. Notwithstanding this, industry will continue to face challenges in view of global economic conditions and softening of commodity prices.

**B4. Variance of actual profit from forecast profit**

The disclosure requirement for explanatory notes for the variance of actual profit after tax and non-controlling interest and forecast profit after tax and non-controlling interests and for the shortfall in profit guarantee are not applicable.



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**B5. Profit before tax**

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

	Individual quarter		Cumulative quarter	
	3 months ended		12 months ended	
	31 December		31 December	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Depreciation and amortisation	46,651	44,277	179,634	173,613
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(401)	(63)	(1,044)	(574)
Property, plant and equipment written off	235	147	745	453
Bearer plant written off	2,198	1,312	5,156	2,875
Reversal of impairment loss on investments in a joint venture	(2,969)	-	(2,969)	-
Finance income	(13,095)	(7,930)	(47,606)	(26,887)
Finance costs	7,621	6,598	33,007	29,266
Fair value (gain)/loss on biological assets	798	5,549	(2,120)	12,239
Unrealised loss/(gain) on foreign exchange	3,332	288	1,736	(188)
Fair value (gain)/loss on derivatives	<u>(10,729)</u>	<u>(4,581)</u>	<u>(7,318)</u>	<u>7,516</u>

**B6. Taxation**

Current tax expenses	40,512	41,409	104,520	139,075
Deferred tax increase/(decrease)	<u>(254)</u>	<u>(14,466)</u>	<u>3,138</u>	<u>25,464</u>
	<u>40,258</u>	<u>26,943</u>	<u>107,658</u>	<u>164,539</u>
Deferred tax related to other comprehensive income:-				
Derivative financial instruments	<u>-</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>(90)</u>	<u>550</u>

**B7. Status of corporate proposal announced**

There was no corporate proposal announced that was not completed as at the date of this announcement.





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**B8. Loans and borrowings**

	As at 4 <sup>th</sup> quarter ended 2023							
	Long term		Short term			Total borrowings		
	Denomination in		Denomination in			Denomination in		
	SGD	RM	SGD	USD	RM	SGD	USD	RM
RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	
<b><u>Secured</u></b>								
Hire purchase	-	-	-	-	23	-	-	23
Sukuk Murabahah	-	219,612	-	-	-	-	-	219,612
Term loans	-	3,467	1,571	-	210,400	1,571	-	213,867
<b><u>Unsecured</u></b>								
Trade loans	-	-	-	19,707	370,112	-	19,707	370,112
Trust receipts	-	-	-	20,196	-	-	20,196	-
	-	223,079	1,571	39,903#	580,535	1,571 <sup>^</sup>	39,903#	803,614

<sup>^</sup> SGD 0.45 million equivalent

# USD 1.13 million equivalent

	As at 4 <sup>th</sup> quarter ended 2022							
	Long term		Short term			Total borrowings		
	Denomination in		Denomination in			Denomination in		
	SGD	RM	SGD	USD	RM	SGD	USD	RM
RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	
<b><u>Secured</u></b>								
Hire purchase	-	23	-	-	1,852	-	-	1,875
Revolving credit	-	-	-	-	5,000	-	-	5,000
Sukuk Murabahah	-	19,536	-	-	-	-	-	19,536
Term loans	1,477	425,089	1,477	-	72,900	2,954	-	497,989
<b><u>Unsecured</u></b>								
Trade loans	-	-	-	-	233,600	-	-	233,600
	1,477 <sup>^</sup>	444,648	1,477 <sup>^</sup>	-	313,352	2,954 <sup>^</sup>	-	758,000

<sup>^</sup>SGD0.90 million equivalent



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**B9. Derivatives**

The outstanding commodity forward contracts and forward currency contracts as at 31 December 2023 are as follows:-

	Contract/Notional Value (RM'Million)					Fair Value assets/(liabilities) (RM'000)			
	Base Currency	<1 year	1 year to 3 years	More than 3 years	Total	<1 year	1 year to 3 years	More than 3 years	Total
Commodity forward contracts	RM	16	-	-	16	(161)	-	-	(161)
Commodity forward contracts	USD	47	-	-	47	2,341	-	-	2,341
Forward currency contracts	USD	512	-	-	512	6,319	-	-	6,319

The Group uses commodity forward contracts and forward currency contracts to manage some of the transaction exposure. These contracts are not designated as cash flow or fair value hedges and are entered into for periods consistent with currency transaction exposure and fair value changes exposure. Such derivatives do not qualify for hedge accounting.

Forward currency contracts are used to hedge the Group's sales denominated in USD for which firm commitments existed at the reporting date.

**B10. Changes in material litigation**

There was no material litigation during the financial year under review.



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**B11. Dividends**

Final single-tier dividend in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2022, of 6 sen per ordinary share amounting to RM53,416,650 has been approved by shareholders during the Annual General Meeting held on 22 June 2023 and the payment was subsequently made on 14 July 2023.

On 29 November 2023, the Board of Directors approved an interim single-tier dividend of 4 sen per share, on 890,302,154 ordinary shares for the financial year ending 31 December 2023 amounting to RM35,612,086. The dividend payment was made on 12 January 2024.

**B12. Earnings per share**

*Basic earnings per share*

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the profit attributable to owners of the Company divided by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period.

	Individual Quarter		Cummulative Quarter	
	3 months ended		12 months ended	
	31/12/2023	31/12/2022	31/12/2023	31/12/2022
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Profit attributable to owners of the Company	113,610	47,867	300,450	479,652
	'000	'000	'000	'000
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue	890,313	890,164	890,253	877,717
	Sen	Sen	Sen	Sen
Basic earnings per share	12.76	5.38	33.75	54.65



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**B12. Earnings per Share (Continued)**

*Diluted earnings per share*

The calculation of diluted earnings per share is based on the profit attributable to owners of the Company divided by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period plus the weighted average number of ordinary shares that would be issued on the conversion of all the dilutive potential ordinary shares into ordinary shares.

	<b>Individual Quarter</b>		<b>Cummulative Quarter</b>	
	<b>3 months ended</b>		<b>12 months ended</b>	
	<b>31/12/2023</b>	<b>31/12/2022</b>	<b>31/12/2023</b>	<b>31/12/2022</b>
	<b>RM'000</b>	<b>RM'000</b>	<b>RM'000</b>	<b>RM'000</b>
Profit attributable to owners of the Company	113,610	47,867	300,450	479,652
	<b>'000</b>	<b>'000</b>	<b>'000</b>	<b>'000</b>
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue	891,254	892,443	890,936	879,606
	<b>Sen</b>	<b>Sen</b>	<b>Sen</b>	<b>Sen</b>
Diluted earnings per share	12.75	5.36	33.72	54.53

**B13. Authorised for Issue**

The interim financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors in accordance with a resolution of the Directors on 29 February 2024

*By Order of the Board*  
Eric Kiu Kwong Seng  
Company Secretary

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**29 February 2024**