

Plantations

BOUSTEAD PLANTATIONS BERHAD

194601000012 (1245-M)

(A member of Boustead Group)

BOUSTEAD PLANTATIONS BERHAD 194601000012 (1245-M) UNAUDITED CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CONSOLIDATED COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the quarter ended 30 September 2023	nded 30 September 2023 Current Quarter		Cumulative Period		
(All figures are stated in RM'000)	2023	2022	2023	2022	
Revenue	202,546	240,251	603,521	913,365	
Operating cost	(174,103)	(238,889)	(551,809)	(648,210)	
Profit from operations	28,443	1,362	51,712	265,155	
Gain on disposal of plantation assets	-	-	19	367,746	
Interest income	495	1,268	2,215	4,012	
Finance cost	(9,785)	(7,829)	(29,270)	(24,291)	
Share of results of Associate	1,494	3,110	3,243	6,454	
Profit/(loss) before taxation and zakat	20,647	(2,089)	27,919	619,076	
Taxation	(6,527)	(30)	(16,731)	(106,550)	
Zakat	(196)	(2,711)	(1,785)	(8,133)	
Profit/(loss) for the period	13,924	(4,830)	9,403	504,393	
Other comprehensive income/(loss): Share of other comprehensive income/(loss) of Associate Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period	13,924	(4,818)	(25) 9,378	12 504,405	
	10,724	(1,010)	7,5 70	301,103	
Profit/(loss) attributable to:					
Shareholders of the Company	15,216	(352)	14,912	508,023	
Non-controlling interests	(1,292)	(4,478)	(5,509)	(3,630)	
Profit/(loss) for the period	13,924	(4,830)	9,403	504,393	
Total comprehensive income/(loss) attributable to: Shareholders of the Company Non-controlling interests Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period	15,216 (1,292) 13,924	(340) (4,478) (4,818)	14,887 (5,509) 9,378	508,035 (3,630) 504,405	
Earnings per share – sen					
Basic	0.68	(0.02)	0.67	22.68	

The Unaudited Condensed Statement of Consolidated Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022.

BOUSTEAD PLANTATIONS BERHAD 194601000012 (1245-M) UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

ASSETS		As at 30 September	As at 31 December
Non-current assets 1,877,798 1,861,858 Property, plant and equipment 1,845,566 1,868,776 Investment in Associate 26,790 30,535 Goodwill on consolidation 2,281 2,281 Deferred tax assets - 2,765 Current assets Inventories 107,480 136,488 Biological assets 35,949 31,835 Receivables 43,149 133,333 Tax recoverable 14,251 2,243 Cash and bank balances 93,335 165,618 Equity attributable to equity holders of the Company 4,046,599 4,235,732 EQUITY AND LIABILITIES Equity attributable to equity holders of the Company Share capital 1,422,344 1,422,344 Reserves 1,468,841 1,550,274 Share capital 1,428,344 1,422,344 Reserves 1,468,841 1,550,274 Share capital 1,422,344 1,422,344 Reserves 1,468,841 1,550,274 Share capital 2,891,185 2,972,618 Non-	(All figures are stated in RM'000)	_	
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	TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	4,046,599	4,235,732

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.

BOUSTEAD PLANTATIONS BERHAD 194601000012 (1245-M) UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

← Attributable to Shareholders of the Company

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For the financial period ended 30 September 2023 (All figures are stated in RM'000)	Share Capital	distributable Other Capital Reserve	Distributable Retained Profits	Total	Non- controlling interests	Total Equity
2023						
Balance at 1 January 2023	1,422,344	(273)	1,550,547	2,972,618	(114,331)	2,858,287
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period Transactions with owners:	-	(25)	14,912	14,887	(5,509)	9,378
Dividends	-	-	(96,320)	(96,320)	-	(96,320)
Balance at 30 September 2023	1,422,344	(298)	1,469,139	2,891,185	(119,840)	2,771,345
2022						
Balance at 1 January 2022	1,422,344	(285)	1,294,596	2,716,655	(107,816)	2,608,839
Total comprehensive income						
for the period	-	12	508,023	508,035	(3,630)	504,405
Transactions with owners:						
Dividends	-	-	(314,722)	(314,722)	-	(314,722)
Balance at 30 September 2022	1,422,344	(273)	1,487,897	2,909,968	(111,446)	2,798,522

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.

BOUSTEAD PLANTATIONS BERHAD 194601000012 (1245-M) UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the period	l ended 30 Se	ptember 2023
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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.

Notes to the interim financial report for the period ended 30 September 2023

Part A - Explanatory Notes Pursuant to MFRS 134

1. Basis of Preparation

The interim financial statements are prepared in accordance with requirements of paragraph 9.22 Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("Bursa Securities") Main Market Listing Requirements and complies with the requirements of Malaysian Financial Reporting Standard ("MFRS") 134 - Interim Financial Reporting. The interim financial statements is unaudited and should be read in conjunction with the Group's audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022. All figures are stated in RM'000, unless otherwise stated.

2. Accounting Policies

(i) Changes in Accounting Policies

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year, except in the current period, the Group adopted the following new and amended MFRSs mandatory for annual financial periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023:

Description	Effective for annual periods beginning on or after
MFRS 17: Insurance Contracts (including amendments on Initial	
Application of MFRS 17 and MFRS 9 – Comparative Information)	1 January 2023
Amendments to MFRS 101 and MFRS Practice Statement 2:	
Disclosure of Accounting Policies	1 January 2023
Amendments to MFRS 108: Definition of Accounting Estimates	1 January 2023
Amendments to MFRS 112: Deferred Tax related to Assets and	
Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction	1 January 2023
Amendments to MFRS 112: International Tax Reform –	
Pillar Two Modules Rules	1 January 2023
MFRS 17: Insurance Contracts (including amendments on Initial Application of MFRS 17 and MFRS 9 – Comparative Information) Amendments to MFRS 101 and MFRS Practice Statement 2: Disclosure of Accounting Policies Amendments to MFRS 108: Definition of Accounting Estimates Amendments to MFRS 112: Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction Amendments to MFRS 112: International Tax Reform –	1 January 2023 1 January 2023 1 January 2023 1 January 2023

The adoption of the above new and amended MFRSs did not have any significant financial impact to the Group.

2. Accounting Policies (Cont'd.)

(ii) Standards Issued but not yet Effective

The standards and interpretations that are issued but not yet effective up to the date of issuance of the Group and the Company's financial statements are disclosed below. The Group intends to adopt these standards, if applicable, when they become effective.

Description	Effective for annual periods beginning on or after
Amendment to MFRS 16: Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback Amendment to MFRS 101: Classification of Liabilities as Current or	1 January 2024
Non-current	1 January 2024
Amendments to MFRS 107 and MFRS 7: Supplier Finance	·
Arrangements	1 January 2024
Amendment to MFRS 121: Lack of Exchangeability	1 January 2025
Amendments to MFRS 10 and MFRS 128: Sale or Contribution of	
Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture	Deferred

The directors expect that the adoption of the above standards and interpretations will have no material impact on the financial statements in the period of application.

3. Auditor's Report on Preceding Annual Financial Statements

The audit report of the preceding audited financial statements was not qualified.

4. Comments about Seasonal or Cyclical Factors

The Group's operating result is influenced by both CPO prices and FFB crop production. The cropping pattern for oil palms is influenced by weather conditions. FFB production normally starts with a trough at the beginning of the year and thereafter increases gradually to reach a peak during the second half of the year.

5. Unusual Items Due to Their Nature, Size or Incidence

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

6. Change in Estimates

There were no material changes in estimates of amounts reported in the previous financial year.

7. Dividends

- (i) On 22 March 2023, the Company paid the 4th interim single tier dividend of 3.3 sen per share in respect of the previous financial year ending 31 December 2022 amounting to RM73.9 million.
- (ii) On 23 June 2023, the Company paid the 1st interim single tier dividend of 1.0 sen per share in respect of the year ended 31 December 2023 amounting to RM22.4 million.

8. Segmental Information

Segment information for the cumulative period in respect of the Group's operations by geographical location is set out as follows:

	Peninsular			
RM'000	Malaysia	Sabah	Sarawak	Total
2023				
Revenue	246,036	321,849	35,636	603,521
Reportable segment operating				
profit/(loss)	50,766	17,373	(16,427)	51,712
Gain on disposal of plantation assets				19
Interest income				2,215
Finance cost				(29,270)
Share of results of Associate				3,243
Profit before taxation and zakat				27,919
Taxation				(16,731)
Zakat				(1,785)
Profit for the year				9,403

8. Segmental Information (Cont'd.)

RM'000	Malaysia	Sabah	Sarawak	Total
2022				
Revenue	337,687	486,720	88,958	913,365
Reportable segment operating				
profit/(loss)	159,131	106,214	(190)	265,155
Gain on disposal of plantation assets				367,746
Interest income				4,012
Finance cost				(24,291)
Share of results of Associate				6,454
Profit before taxation and zakat				619,076
Taxation				(106,550)
Zakat				(8,133)
Profit for the year				504,393

9. Debt and Equity Securities

There were no issuances and repayment of debt and equity securities, share buybacks, share cancellations, shares held as treasury shares and resale of treasury shares in the current financial period.

10. Subsequent Events

There were no subsequent events as at 22 November 2023 that will materially affect the financial statements for the financial period under review.

11. Changes in Group Composition

There were no changes in the Group composition during the period under review.

12. Changes in Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

No contingent liability has arisen since the previous financial year end.

13. Capital Commitments

The Group has the following commitments as at 30 September 2023:

	Cumulativ	e Period
	2023 RM'000	2022 RM'000
Capital expenditure		
- Authorised but not contracted for	134,690	259,033

14. Financial Risk Management

All aspects of the Group's financial risk management objectives and policies are consistent with those disclosed in the financial statements as at and for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Part B - Explanatory Notes Pursuant to Appendix 9B of the Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia

15. Performance Review

	Current Quarter				Cumulative Period			
	2023	2022	Increase/(I	Decrease)	2023	2022	Decre	ease
	RM	'000	(%)	RM'000		(%)	
CPO Price	3,861	4,089	(228)	-6%	3,934	5,527	(1,593)	-29%
Revenue	202,546	240,251	(37,705)	-16%	603,521	913,365	(309,844)	-34%
Profit from								
Operations	28,443	1,362	27,081	>100%	51,712	265,155	(213,443)	-80%
Profit/(loss)								
before taxation								
and zakat	20,647	(2,089)	22,736	>100%	27,919	619,076	(591,157)	-95%
Profit/(loss) for								
the period	13,924	(4,830)	18,754	>100%	9,403	504,393	(494,990)	-98%
Profit/(loss)								
attributable to								
Shareholders								
of the Company	15,216	(352)	15,568	>100%	14,912	508,023	(493,111)	-97%

In the third quarter of 2023, the Group reported an unaudited profit before taxation and zakat of RM20.6 million, signifying a major improvement of RM22.7 million compared to the RM2.1 million loss incurred during the same quarter in the previous year. The profit was mainly due to yield and OER improvement, reduction in operating costs coupled with favourable impact of FFB valuation.

15. Performance Review (Cont'd.)

In the third quarter of 2023, the average CPO price was RM3,861 per MT, representing a decrease of RM228 per MT (6%) from the average price of RM4,089 per MT in the corresponding quarter last year. Likewise, the average PK price saw a 16% decline, reaching RM2,101 per MT.

The Group harvested 218,130 MT of FFB during the third quarter of 2023, a 4% decrease from the FFB production of 227,335 MT recorded in the same quarter of 2022. The yield per Ha demonstrates a modest improvement, rising to 3.6 MT per Ha, in contrast to 3.4 MT per Ha achieved in the same quarter of last year. The improvement of the yield was attributable to a reduction in past prime mature areas resulting from replanting. The OER increased from 20.5% in the corresponding quarter last year to 21.0% in the third quarter of 2023. Contrarily, the KER reduced from 3.8% to 3.7% during the same period.

During the nine-month period of 2023, the Group achieved an unaudited profit before taxation and zakat amounting to RM27.9 million. This represents a substantial decrease when compared to the corresponding period last year of RM251.4 million (excluding gain on disposal of Kulai Young land of RM364.1 million and gain on government land acquisition at Telok Sengat Estate of RM3.6 million). The downturn in palm product prices had adversely impacted the profitability in the current period. However, the impact was partially mitigated by the favourable effects of FFB valuation and lower operating costs.

The average CPO price settled at RM3,934 per MT, marking a notable decrease of RM1,593 per MT (29%) compared to RM5,527 per MT average recorded in the same period last year. Similarly, the average PK price also saw a substantial reduction by RM1,455 per MT (41%) to RM2,112 per MT. The downward trend in palm product prices reduced the Group's overall revenue by 34% or RM309.8 million when compared to the corresponding period last year.

In regard to the production, the Group harvested 589,256 MT of FFB throughout the nine-month period in 2023. This figure signifies a decline from the same period last year of 619,572 MT. While FFB production decreased in both Peninsular Malaysia and Sarawak, the Sabah region showed an improvement which helped offsetting the overall decline in production. Although production decreased, there was a modest improvement in the yield per Ha, which increased from 9.2 MT per Ha to 9.6 MT per Ha compared to the same period last year. The increase in yield was attributed to the reduction of past prime mature areas, primarily due to replanting mainly in Sabah. OER improved from 20.5% to 20.7% whilst KER dropped from 4.0% to 3.9% in the current period.

Peninsular Malaysia region

In the Peninsular Malaysia region, a segment profit of RM50.7 million was realised, reflecting a decrease of RM108.4 million compared to the profit of RM159.1 million achieved in the same period last year. This decline in overall profit was attributed to lower palm product prices and decrease in FFB crop, with the region harvesting 244,259 MT of FFB in contrast to 268,764 MT recorded in the preceding year due to impact of flooding in the Southern region. OER increased to 21.1% from 21.0% recorded in same period last year, while KER decreased from 3.9% to 3.7%.

15. Performance Review (Cont'd.)

Sabah region

In the Sabah region, the segment's profit for the nine months stood at RM17.4 million, marking a decrease of RM88.8 million from RM106.2 million achieved in the previous year. This decline in profit was mainly attributed to lower palm product prices. Despite a reduction in past prime mature areas due to replanting, FFB production in the region experienced growth, totaling 300,520 MT compared to 296,957 MT recorded in the same period last year. OER and KER reduced from 20.8% to 20.7% and from 4.0% to 3.9% respectively, as compared to the corresponding period last year.

Sarawak region

The Sarawak region reported a segment loss of RM16.4 million, a significant contrast to the lower loss of RM0.2 million incurred in the previous year. The increase in loss was attributable to a combination of lower palm product prices and reduced production levels. FFB production decreased from 53,851 MT in the previous year to 44,477 MT this year, primarily due to factors such as ageing palm trees and shortage of workers.

16. Material Changes in Quarterly Results Compared to the Results of the Immediately Preceding Quarter

	Current Quarter	Immediate Preceding Quarter	Incre	ase
		RM'000		(%)
Revenue	202,546	201,233	1,313	1%
Profit from operations	28,443	1,494	26,949	>100%
Profit/(loss) before taxation and zakat	20,647	(6,199)	26,846	>100%
Profit/(loss) for the period	13,924	(7,525)	21,449	>100%
Profit/(loss) attributable to				
Shareholders of the Company	15,216	(5,519)	20,735	>100%

For the current quarter, the Group recorded an unaudited profit before taxation and zakat amounted to RM20.6 million. This marks a turnaround from a loss of RM6.2 million incurred in the preceding quarter, primarily due to an increase in FFB production.

The profit from operations in the current quarter reached RM28.4 million, indicating a substantial increase of over 100% compared to the profit of RM1.5 million in the immediate preceding quarter. The improvement can be attributed to several factors, including a rise in FFB production, lower operating costs and favourable impact of FFB valuation.

16. Material Changes in Quarterly Results Compared to the Results of the Immediately Preceding Quarter (Cont'd.)

The average CPO price for the current quarter stood at RM3,861 per MT, reflecting a decrease of RM65 compared to RM3,926 per MT observed in the second quarter of 2023. FFB production increased to 218,130 MT from 180,726 MT in the immediate preceding quarter. The FFB yield also showed improvement, rising to 3.6 MT per Ha as compared to the immediate preceding quarter at 3.0 MT per Ha. OER increased to 21.0% from 20.7% while KER decreased to 3.7% from 3.9%.

17. Prospects for Rest of the Year

The increase in output during the third quarter was primarily driven by favourable weather conditions and the return of a higher number of foreign workers to estates. However, it is anticipated that this growth may taper off slightly due to seasonal fluctuations and the prevalence of frequent intermittent rainfall.

Despite the expected presence of the El Niño weather pattern, Malaysia's palm oil production is projected to rise in 2024. This growth can be attributed to the improved workforce and the increased maturity of palm trees available for harvesting. The potential adverse effects of dry conditions associated with El Niño on Malaysian palm trees is expected to be mild with the arrival of the monsoon season.

Palm oil prices are experiencing a downturn due to a combination of factors, including the current high crop season, rising palm oil stocks, and dragged by erosions in vegetable oil complex. On a positive note, the demand for biodiesel blending has surged owing to elevated gasoil prices, resulting in increased palm oil consumption. Nevertheless, it might require some time for the bullish impact on the market to fully materialise.

To cushion the potential downside in the palm oil market, the Group will continue to focus on cost rationalization and will strive for improved productivity through continued mechanisation initiatives and replanting older, less productive oil palm stands.

18. Notes on Variance in Actual Profit and Shortfall in Profit Guarantee

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

19. Taxation

	Current Quarter	Cumulative Period
	2023	2023
	RM'000	RM'000
Malaysian taxation based on profit for the period:		
- Current tax	7,070	19,651
- Deferred tax	(305)	(2,850)
	6,765	16,801
Over-provision of prior year current tax	(186)	(80)
(Over)/under-provision of prior year deferred tax	(52)	10
	6,527	16,731

The Group's effective tax rate for the nine-month period is higher than the statutory tax rate mainly due to several subsidiaries were in the loss-making position and certain expenses were non-deductible for tax purposes.

20. Status of Corporate Proposals

As at 22 November 2023, there were no corporate proposal involving the Group.

21. Changes in Material Litigations

As at 22 November 2023, there were no material litigation involving the Group.

22. Statement of Financial Position

The Group's receivables decreased to RM43.1 million from RM133.3 million reflecting the settlement of outstanding proceeds from plantation land disposal. Short-term borrowings increased to RM511.2 million from RM462.1 million, primarily due to the utilisation of revolving credit facilities.

Moreover, there was a decline of RM72.3 million in cash and bank balances and payables by RM60.1 million. The Debt-to-Equity ratio remained consistent at 0.29 times, in line with the position recorded as of 31 December 2022.

In addition to the above changes, there was no significant movement in balance as of 30 September 2023 in comparison to the position at 31 December 2022.

23. Statement of Cash Flows

During the period, reduced customer collections resulting from the weaker CPO price had an adverse impact on the cash position at the period end. Cash generated from operations during the period was RM98.3 million as compared to the same period last year of RM391.3 million.

24. Earnings Per Share – Basic

	Current Quarter		Cumulative Period	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
Net profit/(loss) attributable to shareholders (RM'000)	15,216	(352)	14,912	508,023
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue ('000)	2,240,000	2,240,000	2,240,000	2,240,000
Basic earnings per ordinary share (Sen)	0.68	(0.02)	0.67	22.68

25. Group Borrowings

Total group borrowings as at 30 September 2023 are as follows:

	At 30 September	At 31 December
	2023	2022
	RM'000	RM'000
Non-Current:		
<u>Unsecured</u>		
Term loans	290,869	394,757
Current:		
<u>Unsecured</u>		
Bank overdrafts	12	13
Revolving credits	400,000	345,400
Term loans	151,183	116,683
	551,195	462,096
Total borrowings	842,064	856,853

⁽i) The bank overdrafts bear interest at a weighted average rate of 6.34% (2022: 7.32%) per annum.

⁽ii) The revolving credits bear interest at a weighted average rate of 4.67% (2022: 3.73%) per annum.

25. Group Borrowings (Cont'd.)

(iii) Included in term loans of the Group of RM444.0 million (2022: RM514.0 million) is an Islamic term loan of the Group of RM147.0 million (2022: RM189.0 million) which bears an average profit rate of 5.60% (2022: 4.69%) per annum. The remaining term loans of the Group of RM297.0 million (2022: RM325.0 million) bears interest rates which range from 5.20% to 5.60% (2022: 3.42% to 5.15%) per annum.

The debt for the current year and last year comprised wholly of floating interest rate debt and denominated in Malaysian Ringgit.

26. Additional Disclosures

The Group's profit before taxation is stated after debiting the following:

	Current Quarter		Cumulative Period		
_	2023 202		2023	2022	
_	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	
Depreciation of PPE and ROU	29,151	30,910	89,590	93,415	

27. Other Disclosures

Updates on the status of Offer by Lembaga Tabung Angkatan Tentera (LTAT) to acquire the remaining shares in the Company

On 24 August 2023, the Company received a notification from the controlling shareholders of the Company, Boustead Holdings Berhad (BHB) and LTAT, that they have entered into a Strategic Collaboration Agreement (SCA) with Kuala Lumpur Kepong Berhad (KLK) on 24 August 2023 in relation to, among others, the following:

- (i) proposed disposal by BHB of a total of 739,199,966 ordinary shares in the Company, representing 33% and 1 share of the total issued shares of the Company, to KLK for as cash consideration of RM1,145,759,947.30 or RM1.55 per share (Proposed Disposal);
- (ii) proposed mandatory take-over offer to acquire all remaining shares not already owned by BHB, LTAT and KLK resulting from Proposed Disposal at a cash offer price of RM1.55 per share; and
- (iii) improving the operational efficiencies and crude palm oil yields of the plantations of the Company over the long-term

(collectively, the Proposed Strategic Collaboration)

27. Other Disclosures (Cont'd.)

Updates on the status of Offer by Lembaga Tabung Angkatan Tentera (LTAT) to acquire the remaining shares in the Company (Cont'd.)

On 4 October 2023, the controlling shareholders of the Company, BHB and LTAT, notified the Company that the Condition Precedent under the SCA will not be satisfied by the Cut-Off Date of 6 October 2023 and accordingly, the parties of the SCA have agreed not to proceed with the Proposed Strategic Collaboration. In the circumstances, the transacting parties mutually agree that the SCA shall be terminated with immediate effect on 4 October 2023.

Subsequently, the Company received a letter from LTAT on the intention to proceed with the general offer of the Company at the offer price of RM1.55 per shares notwithstanding the termination of the SCA, subject to regulatory approvals.

On 10 November 2023, LTAT acquired 739,199,966 shares from BHB for a total cash consideration of RM1,145,759,947.30 or RM1.55 per share. LTAT shareholding stood at 43.59%.

Accordingly, the Company received a notice of unconditional mandatory take-over offer from UOB Kay Hian Securities (M) Sdn Bhd and Maybank Investment Bank Berhad, collectively as the Joint Principal Advisers, on behalf of the LTAT (Offeror), to acquire all the remaining shares in the Company not already held by the Offeror for a cash offer price of RM1.55 per share.

As at 22 November 2023, no further development on the above matter.

28. Plantation Statistics

		Cumulative Period	
		2023	2022
(a)	Production and yield		
	FFB (MT)	589,256	619,572
	FFB (MT per Ha)	9.6	9.2
	CPO (MT)	137,651	152,664
	PK (MT)	25,863	29,649
b)	Oil extraction rate (%)		
,	СРО	20.7	20.5
	PK	3.9	4.0
(c)	Average Selling Prices (RM per MT)		
` '	FFB	710	1,260
	СРО	3,934	5,527
	PK	2,112	3,567

28. Plantation Statistics (Cont'd.)

		At 30 September 2023	At 31 December 2022
(d)	Planted areas (hectares)		
	Past prime	28,585	32,964
	Prime mature	21,189	19,991
	Young mature	10,317	12,639
	Immature	12,116	6,697
		72,207	72,291