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Interim Financial Report for the Second Quarter Ended

Reg. No: 198201009470 (89194-P)

30 June 2023

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS

| | | INDIVIDUAL QUARTER | | | YEAR-TO-DATE ENDED | | |
|---|-------------|----------------------------|--|--------------|----------------------------|--|----------------|
| | <u>Note</u> | 30.6.2023 RM'000 | 30.6.2022 RM'000 (Restated) | Changes % | 30.6.2023 RM'000 | 30.6.2022 RM'000 (Restated) | Changes % |
| Continuing operations | | | | | | , , | |
| Gross sales proceeds | | 1,864,869 | 1,735,077 | 7 | 3,948,911 | 3,805,843 | - 4 |
| Revenue | 7 | 832,173 | 714,502 | 16 | 1,669,967 | 1,542,546 | 8 |
| Other operating income | | 92,928 | 76,793 | | 171,930 | 156,546 | |
| Operating expenses | | (766,149) | (734,694) | | (1,569,575) | (1,568,436) | |
| Operating profit | | 158,952 | 56,601 | >100 | 272,322 | 130,656 | >100 |
| Finance income | | 13,281 | 13,715 | | 26,745 | 27,426 | |
| Finance costs | 23(c) | (95,529) | (89,501) | | (195,438) | (175,405) | |
| Share of results of associates | | 1,875 | (4,904) | | 4,895 | (3,233) | |
| Share of results of joint ventures | | 6,555 | 109 | | 6,455 | (780) | |
| Exceptional items | 23(k) | (18,155) | (32,876) | | 5,601 | (32,876) | |
| Profit/(loss) before tax | 23 | 66,979 | (56,856) | >100 | 120,580 | (54,212) | >100 |
| Income tax expense | 16 | (25,647) | (2,233) | | (41,043) | (17,503) | |
| Profit/(loss) for the period from continuing operations | - | 41,332 | (59,089) | >100 | 79,537 | (71,715) | >100 |
| Discontinued operations (#) Profit/(loss) for the period from discontinued operations | | 190 | (41) | | 177 | (721) | |
| Profit/(loss) for the period from continuing and discontinued operations | | 41,522 | (59,130) | | 79,714 | (72,436) | = |
| Profit/(loss) for the period attributable to : - Owners of the parent - Non-controlling interests | | 19,343 22,179 | (31,127) (28,003) | >100 | 40,024 39,690 | (39,760) (32,676) | |
| | | 41,522 | (59,130) | | 79,714 | (72,436) | = |
| Earnings/(loss) per share attributable to owners of the parent (sen) : | | | | | | | |
| - Basic | 21 | 1.68 | (2.71) | | 3.48 | (3.49) | ≣ |
| - Diluted | 21 | 1.68 | (2.71) | | 3.48 | (3.49) | _ |

^(#) Relating to results of a subsidiary in Vietnam which had ceased operation.

The Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss should be read in conjunction with the Annual Audited Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the interim financial statements.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

| | INDIVIDUAL QUARTER | | YEAR-TO-D | DATE ENDED | |
|--|----------------------------|--|----------------------------|--|--|
| | 30.6.2023 RM'000 | 30.6.2022 RM'000 (Restated) | 30.6.2023 RM'000 | 30.6.2022 RM'000 (Restated) | |
| Profit/(loss) for the period | 41,522 | (59,130) | 79,714 | (72,436) | |
| Other comprehensive loss | | | | | |
| Foreign currency translation, representing item that may be reclassified subsequently to | | | | | |
| profit or loss | (80,127) | (83,357) | (20,404) | (54,789) | |
| Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the period | (38,605) | (142,487) | 59,310 | (127,225) | |
| ioi tile period | (30,003) | (142,401) | 39,310 | (127,223) | |
| Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the period attributable to : | | | | | |
| - Owners of the parent | (22,118) | (74,115) | 30,535 | (66,792) | |
| - Non-controlling interests | (16,487) | (68,372) | 28,775 | (60,433) | |
| | (38,605) | (142,487) | 59,310 | (127,225) | |

The Condensed Consolidated Statement of Other Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the Annual Audited Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the interim financial statements.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

| | | AS AT | AS AT |
|--|------|-------------|-------------|
| | Note | 30.6.2023 | 31.12.2022 |
| | NOLE | RM'000 | RM'000 |
| ASSETS | | 11111000 | (Restated) |
| Non-current assets | | | (Hootatou) |
| Property, plant and equipment | | 1,888,013 | 1,906,538 |
| Investment properties | | 442,622 | 452,447 |
| Right-of-use assets | | 1,935,275 | 2,093,645 |
| Intangible assets | | 1,196,527 | 1,180,468 |
| Investments in associates | | 30,890 | 27,300 |
| Investments in joint ventures | | 14,760 | 8,197 |
| Deferred tax assets | | 196,581 | 187,266 |
| Receivables | | 524,948 | 551,586 |
| Investment securities | | 17,504 | 17,504 |
| Time deposits | | 16,115 | 15,869 |
| | | 6,263,235 | 6,440,820 |
| Current assets | | | |
| Inventories | | 317,621 | 386,831 |
| Receivables | | 609,188 | 480,248 |
| Investment securities | | 53,854 | 68,477 |
| Deposits, cash and bank balances | | 1,430,025 | 1,290,200 |
| | | 2,410,688 | 2,225,756 |
| Non-current assets classified as held for sale (@) | | 48,356 | 192,933 |
| | | 2,459,044 | 2,418,689 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | | 8,722,279 | 8,859,509 |
| TOTAL AGGLIG | | 0,122,213 | 0,000,000 |
| EQUITY AND LIABILITIES | | | |
| Share capital | | 2,160,580 | 2,160,580 |
| Other reserves | | (1,520,199) | (1,512,314) |
| Retained profits | | 828,618 | 790,198 |
| Equity attributable to owners of the parent | | 1,468,999 | 1,438,464 |
| Non-controlling interests | | 960,169 | 931,599 |
| Total equity | | 2,429,168 | 2,370,063 |
| , otal oquity | | _,, | |
| Non-current liabilities | | | |
| Deferred tax liabilities | | 153,776 | 175,903 |
| Loans and borrowings | 18 | 1,460,632 | 1,421,800 |
| Long term payables and provisions Lease liabilities | | 22,331 | 22,634 |
| Lease liabilities | | 2,157,641 | 2,329,785 |
| | | 3,794,380 | 3,950,122 |
| Current liabilities | | | |
| Payables, other liabilities and provisions | | 1,172,831 | 1,266,211 |
| Contract liabilities | | 399,454 | 414,305 |
| Loans and borrowings | 18 | 325,817 | 317,050 |
| Lease liabilities | | 546,012 | 516,887 |
| Tax payables | | 54,617 | 24,871 |
| | | 2,498,731 | 2,539,324 |
| Total liabilities | | 6,293,111 | 6,489,446 |
| TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES | | 8,722,279 | 8,859,509 |
| | | | |
| Net assets per share attributable to owners of the parent (RM) |) | 1.28 | 1.25 |

^(@) Relating to carrying amount of part of a leasehold land located in Melaka, Malaysia ("Melaka Land") (31.12.2022: Melaka Land and properties in Qingdao City, Shandong Province, the People's Republic of China).

The Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the Annual Audited Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the interim financial statements.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

| | ← Attributable to owners of the parent ← → | | | | | | | |
|--|--|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|--|---------------------------|--|--|
| | Share capital RM'000 | Other reserves RM'000 | Retained profits RM'000 | Total RM'000 | Non- controlling interests RM'000 | Total equity RM'000 | | |
| 30 June 2023 | | | | | | | | |
| At 1 January 2023, as previously reported | 2,160,580 | (1,512,314) | 835,827 | 1,484,093 | 968,972 | 2,453,065 | | |
| Effects of adoption of amendments to MFRS 112 (Note 1) | - | - | (45,629) | (45,629) | (37,373) | (83,002) | | |
| At 1 January 2023, restated | 2,160,580 | (1,512,314) | 790,198 | 1,438,464 | 931,599 | 2,370,063 | | |
| Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the period | - | (9,489) | 40,024 | 30,535 | 28,775 | 59,310 | | |
| Transfer to capital reserves | - | 1,604 | (1,604) | - | - | - | | |
| Dividends to non-controlling interests | - | - | - | | (205) | (205) | | |
| At 30 June 2023 | 2,160,580 | (1,520,199) | 828,618 | 1,468,999 | 960,169 | 2,429,168 | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| 30 June 2022 | | | ſ | | | | | |
| At 1 January 2022, as previously reported | 2,155,630 | (1,409,122) | 954,143 | 1,700,651 | 1,153,071 | 2,853,722 | | |
| Effects of adoption of amendments to MFRS 112 (Note 1) | - | - | (55,909) | (55,909) | (45,793) | (101,702) | | |
| At 1 January 2022, restated | 2,155,630 | (1,409,122) | 898,234 | 1,644,742 | 1,107,278 | 2,752,020 | | |
| Total comprehensive loss for the period | - | (27,032) | (39,760) | (66,792) | (60,433) | (127,225) | | |
| Issue of share capital | 4,950 | - | - | 4,950 | - | 4,950 | | |
| At 30 June 2022 | 2,160,580 | (1,436,154) | 858,474 | 1,582,900 | 1,046,845 | 2,629,745 | | |

The Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the Annual Audited Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the interim financial statements.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

| | YEAR-TO-DATE ENDED | | |
|---|--------------------|-----------|--|
| | 30.6.2023 | 30.6.2022 | |
| | RM'000 | RM'000 | |
| ODEDATING ACTIVITIES | | | |
| OPERATING ACTIVITIES | | | |
| Profit/(loss) before tax : | 400 500 | (54.040) | |
| Continuing operations | 120,580 177 | (54,212) | |
| Discontinued operations Adjustments for : | 111 | (721) | |
| Non-cash items | 251,551 | 299,571 | |
| Non-operating items | 157,343 | 151,994 | |
| Non-operating items | 107,040 | 131,994 | |
| Operating profit before working capital changes | 529,651 | 396,632 | |
| Changes in working capital : | | | |
| Net changes in assets | (1,985) | 94,363 | |
| Net changes in liabilities | (20,068) | (129,565) | |
| Others (mainly interest and tax paid) | (86,745) | (36,496) | |
| | 420,853 | 324,934 | |
| INVESTING ACTIVITIES | | | |
| INVESTING ACTIVITIES | 50.007 | | |
| Proceeds received from non-current assets classified as held for sale | 53,987 | - 007.040 | |
| Changes in deposits with banks and investment securities | (34,051) | 397,849 | |
| Others (mainly purchase of property, plant and equipment) | (24,520) | (49,238) | |
| | (4,584) | 348,611 | |
| FINANCING ACTIVITIES | | | |
| Dividends paid to non-controlling interests | (205) | - | |
| Loans and borrowings | (40,132) | 270,737 | |
| Payment of lease liabilities | (316,672) | (284,664) | |
| Issue of share capital | - | 4,950 | |
| | (357,009) | (8,977) | |
| Net changes in cash and cash equivalents | 59,260 | 664,568 | |
| · | , | • | |
| Effects of changes in exchange rates | 29,906 | 7,527 | |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 1,251,268 | 807,145 | |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | 1,340,434 | 1,479,240 | |
| | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period comprise the following: | | | |
| Deposits, cash and bank balances | 1,446,140 | 1,587,972 | |
| Less : Bank overdrafts | (896) | (877) | |
| Less : Deposits with banks with original maturity of more than | (404.040) | (107.055) | |
| three months when acquired | (104,810) | (107,855) | |
| | 1,340,434 | 1,479,240 | |

The Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the Annual Audited Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the interim financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Accounting policies and methods of computation

The condensed consolidated financial statements are unaudited and have been prepared in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standard ("MFRS") 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and paragraph 9.22 of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad. The interim financial statements also comply with International Accounting Standard ("IAS") 34 *Interim Financial Reporting* issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB").

The condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Annual Audited Financial Statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 December 2022. These explanatory notes 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 significant accounting policies adopted in the condensed consolidated financial statements are consistent with those of the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 except for the adoption of the following standards effective for the financial period beginning 1 January 2023:

- MFRS 17 Insurance Contracts
- Amendments to MFRS 17 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 101 Presentation of Financial Statements Disclosure of Accounting Policies
- 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

The adoption of the above-mentioned standards did not have a material impact on the financial statements of the Group, except for the following:

Amendments to MFRS 112 Income Taxes

The amendments clarify that the initial recognition exemption of deferred tax in MFRS 112 does not apply to transactions that give rise to equal taxable and deductible temporary differences, such as lease contracts that give rise to the recognition of a lease liability and the corresponding right-of-use assets and contracts that give rise to the recognition of decommissioning obligations and corresponding amounts recognised as assets. Instead, entities are required to recognise the related deferred tax asset and liability on initial recognition, with the recognition of any deferred tax asset being subject to the recoverability criteria in MFRS 112.

Prior to the application of the amendments, the Group had recognised the deferred tax assets and liabilities arising from leases on a net basis. Following the requirements of the amendments, the Group has recognised deferred tax liabilities in relation to its right-of-use assets as at 1 January 2022 and has only recognised deferred tax assets to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary difference can be utilised.

1. Accounting policies and methods of computation (Cont'd.)

The impact of the retrospective adjustments of the changes in accounting policies on the items and amounts in the consolidated financial statements for the comparative period, is as follows:

| | As | | |
|--|------------|----------|-----------|
| | previously | | |
| | reported | Effects | Restated |
| | RM'000 | RM'000 | RM'000 |
| Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss Year-to-date ended 30.6.2022 | | | |
| Income tax expense | (27,446) | 9,943 | (17,503) |
| Loss for the period from continuing operations | (81,658) | 9,943 | (71,715) |
| Loss for the period attributable to : | | | |
| - Owners of the parent | (45,226) | 5,466 | (39,760) |
| - Non-controlling interests | (37,153) | 4,477 | (32,676) |
| Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position As at 1.1.2022 | | | |
| Deferred tax assets | 200,170 | (28,562) | 171,608 |
| Deferred tax liabilities | 136,524 | 73,140 | 209,664 |
| Retained profits | 954,143 | (55,909) | 898,234 |
| Non-controlling interests | 1,153,071 | (45,793) | 1,107,278 |
| As at 31.12.2022 | | | |
| Deferred tax assets | 220,514 | (33,248) | 187,266 |
| Deferred tax liabilities | 126,149 | 49,754 | 175,903 |
| Retained profits | 835,827 | (45,629) | 790,198 |
| Non-controlling interests | 968,972 | (37,373) | 931,599 |

2. Comments about seasonal or cyclical factors

The Group's retail operations generally performed better with higher sales generated during the festive and holiday seasons.

3. Unusual items due to their nature, size or incidence

Other than as disclosed in Note 23, there were no unusual items affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flows during the current reporting periods.

4. Changes in estimates

There were no changes in estimates that have had a material effect in the results for the current reporting periods.

5. Debt and equity securities

There were no issuance, cancellation, repurchase, resale and repayment of debt and equity securities for the financial year-to-date.

6. <u>Dividend paid</u>

There were no dividends paid during the current reporting periods.

7. Revenue and segmental information

The Group's revenue for the financial year-to-date was as follows :

| | RM'000 | RM'000 |
|---|-------------|-----------|
| Concessionaire sales (gross) | 2,753,464 | |
| Less : Cost of concessionaire sales | (2,278,944) | |
| Commissions from concessionaire sales | | 474,520 |
| Sales of goods - Direct sales | | 932,054 |
| Others (including rental income, credit services and management service fees) | | 263,393 |
| | _ | 1,669,967 |

The Group's segmental information for the financial year-to-date was as follows :

| | Malaysia RM'000 | People's Republic of China RM'000 | Vietnam RM'000 | Others RM'000 | Total continuing operations | Discontinued operations RM'000 | Total |
|---|-----------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Revenue | 399,833 | 1,232,385 | 3,847 | 33,902 | 1,669,967 | - | 1,669,967 |
| Results Segment profit/(loss) Finance income Finance costs | 113,523 | 171,260 | (2,647) | (9,814) | 272,322 26,745 (195,438) | 177 - - | 272,499 26,745 (195,438) |
| Share of results of associates Share of results of joint ventures Exceptional items | | | | | 4,895 6,455 5,601 | - - - | 4,895 6,455 5,601 |
| Profit before tax | | | | | 120,580 | 177 | 120,757 |
| Total assets | 996,312 | 7,021,157 | 120,409 | 581,965 | 8,719,843 | 2,436 | 8,722,279 |

8. Subsequent events

There were no material events subsequent to the end of the current quarter.

9. Changes in composition of the Group

There were no material changes in the composition of the Group during the financial year-to-date.

10. Changes in contingent liabilities and contingent assets

There were no material changes in contingent liabilities or contingent assets since 31 December 2022.

11. Performance review

| | IND | IVIDUAL QUARTE | ER | YEAR-TO-DATE ENDED | | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------|----------------|---------|--------------------|-----------|---------|--|
| | 30.6.2023 | 30.6.2022 | Changes | 30.6.2023 | 30.6.2022 | Changes | |
| | RM'000 | RM'000 | % | RM'000 | RM'000 | % | |
| Revenue | | | | | | | |
| Retailing : | | | | | | | |
| - Malaysia | 198,634 | 206,707 | (4) | 399,833 | 367,090 | 9 | |
| - China | 613,824 | 493,026 | 25 | 1,232,385 | 1,146,562 | 7 | |
| - Vietnam | 1,707 | 2,114 | (19) | 3,847 | 4,553 | (16) | |
| | 814,165 | 701,847 | 16 | 1,636,065 | 1,518,205 | 8 | |
| Others | 18,008 | 12,655 | 42 | 33,902 | 24,341 | 39 | |
| | 832,173 | 714,502 | 16 | 1,669,967 | 1,542,546 | 8 | |
| Segment profit/(loss) Retailing: | | | | | | | |
| - Malaysia | 57,087 | 77,160 | (26) | 113,523 | 112,481 | 1 | |
| - China | 113,677 | (10,108) | >100 | 171,260 | 32,034 | >100 | |
| - Vietnam | (1,863) | (1,082) | (72) | (2,647) | (2,528) | (5) | |
| | 168,901 | 65,970 | >100 | 282,136 | 141,987 | 99 | |
| Others | (9,949) | (9,369) | (6) | (9,814) | (11,331) | 13 | |
| | 158,952 | 56,601 | >100 | 272,322 | 130,656 | >100 | |

For the 6 months ended 30 June 2023, the Group's **Retailing** division recorded an 8% higher revenue of RM1,636 million with operating profit increasing to RM282 million. Performance of our retailing operations in each location were as follows:

- Malaysia

For the 6 months ended 30 June 2023, the Group's Malaysia retailing operations registered a 9% improvement in revenue to RM400 million. This was attributable to the increasing stores' footfall in tandem with the full lifting of movement restrictions. Accordingly, the operations achieved a higher operating profit of RM114 million as compared with a year ago.

Parkson Malaysia had, during the current quarter under review, closed *Parkson The Spring Kuching* and *Parkson Nu Sentral* at the expiration of their lease commitments. As at 30 June 2023, the Group has 36 Parkson stores in Malaysia.

11. Performance review (Cont'd.)

- China

The recovery of shopper traffic to our retailing stores following the full lifting of COVID-19 related prevention and control measures since end of 2022, coupled with the additional rental income source from an investment property in Beijing in this quarter, have enabled Parkson China to post an encouraging sales performance of RM1,232 million for the 6 months ended 30 June 2023.

In line with the higher sales, added with the continuous efforts in optimising operating efficiencies and cost control measures, an impressive operating profit of RM171 million was reported for the first half of this financial year.

As at 30 June 2023, the Group has a network coverage of 43 stores in 29 cities across China.

Vietnam

The Group's only store in Vietnam, *Parkson Saigon Tourist Plaza*, recorded a revenue of RM4 million with operating loss of RM3 million for the 6 months ended 30 June 2023.

The subsidiary in Vietnam had on 28 April 2023, filed an application for the commencement of voluntary bankruptcy proceedings. The application is subject to the approval from the relevant authorities in Vietnam.

Results of the **Others** division were mainly derived from the consumer financing business, operation of food and beverage business, and investment holding. For the 6 months ended 30 June 2023, the Group's consumer financing business continued to increase its revenue and operating profit; whilst the bakery operation has gradually improve its performance. Operating losses for the current and preceding financial year-to-date included foreign exchange losses arising from the weakening of the Ringgit Malaysia against the United States Dollar.

12. Comment on material change in profit

| | Current Quarter 30.6.2023 RM'000 | Immediate Preceding Quarter 31.3.2023 RM'000 | Changes % |
|-------------------|---|--|--------------|
| Revenue | 832,173 | 837,794 | -1 |
| Operating profit | 158,952 | 113,370 | 40 |
| Profit before tax | 66,979 | 53,601 | 25 |

For the current quarter under review, an uptick in consumer spending in Malaysia during the Muslim celebrations in April 2023 and the rental income contribution from an investment property in China, have partially alleviated the generally softer consumer sentiments across the Group's retailing regions. Compared with the strong consumer spending during the Chinese New Year festivities in the immediate preceding quarter, the Group reported a marginally lower revenue of RM832 million.

The increased rental income source of Parkson China, along with the Group's efforts in optimising operational efficiencies, have enabled the Group to register a 25% higher profit before tax of RM67 million.

13. a) Prospects

For the third quarter ending 30 September 2023, notwithstanding the gradual recovery in stores' footfall following the resumption of cross province and cross border travel in China, the Group's retailing operations are expected to experience low traffic flow in the absence of major festivities.

The Group continues to stay focused on increasing stores' productivity and implementing cost improvements strategies, besides continuing to diversify the income sources to fully seize the opportunities, and promote long-term sustainable development of its businesses.

b) Forecast or target previously announced

The disclosure requirements are not applicable for the current reporting periods.

14. Statement of the Board of Directors' opinion on achievement of forecast or target

The disclosure requirements are not applicable for the current reporting periods.

15. Profit forecast or profit guarantee

No profit forecast or profit guarantee was published.

16. Income tax expense

| INDIVIDUA | L QUARTER | YEAR-TO-DATE ENDED | | |
|-----------|---|---|---|--|
| 30.6.2023 | 30.6.2022 | 30.6.2023 | 30.6.2022 | |
| RM'000 | RM'000 | RM'000 | RM'000 | |
| | (Restated) | | (Restated) | |
| | | | | |
| 12,491 | 16,318 | 23,750 | 24,722 | |
| 13,156 | (14,085) | 17,293 | (7,219) | |
| 25,647 | 2,233 | 41,043 | 17,503 | |
| | 30.6.2023 RM'000 12,491 13,156 | RM'000 RM'000 (Restated) 12,491 16,318 13,156 (14,085) | 30.6.2023 30.6.2022 30.6.2023 RM'000 RM'000 (Restated) 12,491 16,318 23,750 13,156 (14,085) 17,293 | |

Excluding the share of results of associates and joint ventures, the effective tax rate of the Group for the current quarter and financial year-to-date were higher than the Malaysian statutory tax rate mainly due to certain expenses which were not deductible for tax purposes.

17. Corporate proposals

a) Status of corporate proposals

| Date of Announcements | Subject | Status |
|---|--|--|
| 9.9.2022 11.10.2022 13.10.2022 28.10.2022 15.2.2023 | Proposed disposal by Qingdao No. 1 Parkson Co., Ltd., an indirect 95.91% owned subsidiary of Parkson Retail Group Limited ("PRGL") which is in turn a 54.97% owned subsidiary of the Company, of the properties in Qingdao City, Shandong Province, the People's Republic of China ("PRC") with an aggregate construction area of approximately 76,013 square metres, at the consideration of Rmb280 million (equivalent to approximately RM180 million) ("Disposal"). | The shareholders' approval for PRGL on the Disposal had been obtained on 28 October 2022. The Disposal is pending the fulfilment of conditions precedent. |

17. Corporate proposals (Cont'd.)

b) Status of utilisation of proceeds

The disclosure requirements are not applicable.

18. Borrowings and debt securities

The Group's loans and borrowings as at the end of the reporting period were as follows:

| | AS AT 30.6.2023 | | AS AT 30.6.2022 | |
|--|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
| | Foreign | | Foreign | _ |
| | Currency | | Currency | |
| | '000 | RM'000 | '000 | RM'000 |
| Non-current | | | | |
| Secured | | | | |
| - Term loans and bank loans : | | | | |
| HK\$ denominated | 2,467,600 | 1,460,632 | 2,567,600 | 1,443,087 |
| Rmb denominated | - | | 21,006 | 13,805 |
| Total non-current loans and borrowings | | 1,460,632 | | 1,456,892 |
| Current | | | | |
| Secured | | | | |
| - Bankers' acceptance | - | 4,612 | - | 5,044 |
| - Revolving financing | - | 130,459 | - | 91,003 |
| - Term loans and bank loans : | | | | |
| HK\$ denominated | 100,000 | 59,503 | 100,000 | 56,104 |
| US\$ denominated | 28,000 | 130,347 | 29,000 | 127,626 |
| Rmb denominated | - | - | 10,000 | 6,572 |
| - Bank overdrafts | - | 893 | - | 874 |
| | | 325,814 | | 287,223 |
| <u>Unsecured</u> | | | | |
| - Term loan : US\$ denominated | - | - | 1,000 | 4,398 |
| - Bank overdrafts | - | 3 | - | 3 |
| | | 3 | | 4,401 |
| Total current loans and borrowings | | 325,817 | | 291,624 |
| Total loans and borrowings | | 1,786,449 | | 1,748,516 |

Exchange rates used :

As at 30.6.2023 - HK\$1.00: RM0.59 ; US\$1.00: RM4.66

As at 30.6.2022 - HK\$1.00: RM0.56 ; US\$1.00: RM4.40 ; Rmb1.00: RM0.66

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19. Changes in material litigation

There were no changes in the material litigations since 31 December 2022 other than the following:

On 2 April 2021, Parkson Corporation Sdn Bhd ("PCSB"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Parkson Retail Asia Limited ("PRA") which is in turn a 67.96% owned subsidiary of the Company, was served with a Writ of Summons and Statement of Claim filed by Millennium Mall Sdn Bhd ("MMSB"), the lessor of "M Square Mall", in the Kuala Lumpur High Court ("Court") in relation to an alleged breach of a settlement agreement which MMSB alleged was purportedly entered into between PCSB and MMSB on 21 July 2020 ("Suit").

PCSB is of the view that there was no settlement reached between the parties to begin with, and therefore, there could not have been a breach of any settlement agreement.

On 26 April 2021, PCSB had filed a Notice of Application to strike out the Suit ("Striking Out Application"). The Court had on 6 January 2022 allowed the Striking Out Application with costs of RM10,000 being awarded to PCSB ("Court's Decision").

MMSB had on 17 January 2022, filed an appeal to the Court of Appeal against the Court's Decision.

On 20 February 2023, PCSB and MMSB had entered into a settlement agreement for the full and final settlement of all disputes and claims between PCSB and MMSB in relation to the sub-lease arrangements between PCSB and MMSB ("Sub-lease Arrangements") ("Settlement Agreement"). Pursuant to the terms of the Settlement Agreement, it had been agreed, amongst others, that:

- a) PCSB shall pay a lump sum of RM10.4 million to MMSB, without admission as to liability, within 14 days from the date of the Settlement Agreement; and
- b) PCSB and MMSB shall relinquish, waive, release and/or discharge each other from all claims, debts and liabilities whatsoever in connection with and/or arising from the existing legal and arbitration proceedings involving PCSB and MMSB in relation to the Sub-lease Arrangements, and MMSB shall not in the future institute any proceedings and/or action against PCSB in relation to the Sub-lease Arrangements.

PCSB had on 2 March 2023 fully paid the RM10.4 million to MMSB and the parties had discontinued the entire Suit on 7 March 2023.

20. Dividend proposed

The Board of Directors does not recommend any dividend for the current reporting periods.

21. Earnings/(loss) per share ("EPS" / "LPS")

Basic

Basic EPS/LPS is calculated by dividing the profit/(loss) for the period attributable to owners of the parent by the weighted average number of ordinary shares of the Company in issue during the reporting periods.

| Profit/(loss) attributable to owners of the parent (RM'000) | | | |
|---|--|--|--|
| of the parent (this ood) | | | |
| Weighted average number of | | | |
| ordinary shares in issue ('000) | | | |
| Basic EPS/LPS (sen) | | | |

| INDIVIDUA | L QUARTER | YEAR-TO-DATE ENDED | | |
|-----------|------------|--------------------|------------|--|
| 30.6.2023 | 30.6.2022 | 30.6.2023 | 30.6.2022 | |
| | (Restated) | | (Restated) | |
| 19,343 | (31,127) | 40,024 | (39,760) | |
| | | | | |
| 1,148,902 | 1,148,902 | 1,148,902 | 1,138,957 | |
| 1.68 | (2.71) | 3.48 | (3.49) | |
| | | | | |

21. **EPS / LPS** (Cont'd.)

Diluted

The basic EPS/LPS and the diluted EPS/LPS are the same for the periods as the Company has no dilutive potential ordinary shares as at the end of the reporting period.

22. Auditors' report on preceding annual financial statements

The auditors' report on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 was not qualified.

23. Profit/(loss) before tax

Profit/(loss) before tax is arrived at after crediting/(charging) the following income/(expenses):

| | | INDIVIDUAL QUARTER | | YEAR-TO-DATE ENDED | |
|----|--|--------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|
| | | 30.6.2023 | 30.6.2022 | 30.6.2023 | 30.6.2022 |
| | | RM'000 | RM'000 | RM'000 | RM'000 |
| | | | | | |
| a) | Interest income | 13,281 | 13,715 | 26,745 | 27,426 |
| b) | Other income including investment income | 92,928 | 76,793 | 171,930 | 156,546 |
| c) | Interest expenses : | | | | |
| | - Lease interest | (61,338) | (69,270) | (123,847) | (141,032) |
| | - Other interest expenses | (34,191) | (20,231) | (71,591) | (34,373) |
| | | (95,529) | (89,501) | (195,438) | (175,405) |
| d) | Depreciation and amortisation : | | | | |
| | - Right-of-use assets | (90,859) | (100,978) | (181,917) | (200,377) |
| | - Others | (47,396) | (39,888) | (82,257) | (83,437) |
| | | (138,255) | (140,866) | (264,174) | (283,814) |
| e) | Provision for and write off of receivables | (3,940) | (849) | (6,220) | (2,533) |
| f) | Provision for and write off of inventories | 1,125 | - | (321) | - |
| g) | Gain/(loss) on disposal of quoted or | | | | |
| | unquoted investments or properties | - | - | - | - |
| h) | Impairment of assets | - | - | - | - |
| i) | Foreign exchange gain/(loss) | (10,008) | (7,321) | (9,160) | (8,129) |
| j) | Gain/(loss) on derivatives | - | - | - | - |
| k) | Exceptional items : | (18,155) | (32,876) | 5,601 | (32,876) |
| | - Gain on disposal of properties (*) | - | - | 23,756 | - |
| | - Impairment loss on : | | | | |
| | Property, plant and equipment and others | (2,738) | (2,503) | (2,738) | (2,503) |
| | Right-of-use assets | (15,417) | (25,365) | (15,417) | (25,365) |
| | Intangible assets | - | (5,008) | - | (5,008) |
| | | | · | | · |

^{(*):} Relating to disposal of properties in Qingdao City, Shandong Province, the PRC as disclosed in Note 17(a), following registration of title transfer of the properties from the Group to the purchaser.