

# STAR MEDIA GROUP BERHAD Company No. 197101000523 (10894-D)

(Incorporated in Malaysia)

# INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FIRST QUARTER ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

# **Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss**

	Note	3 month 31.03.2023 RM'000	ns ended 31.03.2022 (restated) RM'000	Financial pe 31.03.2023 RM'000	riod ended 31.03.2022 (restated) RM'000
Revenue		51,988	52,672	51,988	52,672
Operating expenses	A8	(55,309)	(51,862)	(55,309)	(51,862)
Other operating income	A9	4,677	2,400	4,677	2,400
Profit from operations	-	1,356	3,210	1,356	3,210
Finance cost		(207)	(238)	(207)	(238)
Profit before tax	-	1,149	2,972	1,149	2,972
Taxation	B5	(11)	(471)	(11)	(471)
Profit for the financial period	d	1,138	2,501	1,138	2,501
Attributable to: Owners of the parent Non-controlling interests		1,138 -	2,521 (20)	1,138	2,521 (20)
	-	1,138	2,501	1,138	2,501
Basic/Diluted earnings per ordinary share (sen):		0.16	0.35	0.16	0.35

(The unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022)

Included in the Operating				
Expenses are depreciation and				
amortisation expenses:	(3,917)	(4,034)	(3,917)	(4,034)

# Unaudited Condensed Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income For the period ended 31 March 2023

	3 months 31.03.2023 RM'000	s ended 31.03.2022 RM'000	Financial pe 31.03.2023 RM'000	riod ended 31.03.2022 RM'000
Profit for the financial period	1,138	2,501	1,138	2,501
Other comprehensive income				
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss				
<ul> <li>exchange differences on translating foreign operations</li> </ul>	1	3	1	3
Total comprehensive income for the financial period	1,139	2,504	1,139	2,504
Attributable to: Owners of the parent	1,139	2,524	1,139	2,524
Non-controlling interests	-	(20)		(20)
	1,139	2,504	1,139	2,504

(The unaudited Condensed Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022)

	31 March 2023	31 December 2022
	RM'000	RM'000
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment	154,465	155,372
Investment properties	142,263	143,056
Intangible assets	23,269	23,503
Right-of-use assets	12,311	12,728
Other investments		
-Financial assets at fair value through		
profit or loss	144	109
Deferred tax assets	1,221	1,221
	333,673	335,989
Current assets		
Inventories	11,855	8,943
Property development costs	9,712	9,656
Trade and other receivables	39,209	46,574
Current tax assets	1,846	9,351
Cash and bank balances	368,412	364,825
	431,034	439,349
TOTAL ASSETS	764,707	775,338

# Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position As at 31 March 2023

	31 March 2023 RM'000	31 December 2022 RM'000
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Share capital	738,564	738,564
Treasury shares	(6,124)	(6,124)
Reserves	(79,150)	(80,289)
Total equity	653,290	652,151
Non-current liabilities		
Lease liabilities	11,055	11,534
Deferred tax liabilities	53	53
	11,108	11,587
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	97,557	108,891
Lease liabilities	2,741	2,699
Taxation	11	10
	100,309	111,600
Total Liabilities	111,417	123,187
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	764,707	775,338
Net assets per share attributable to owners of the parent (RM)	0.90	0.90

# Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position As at 31 March 2023 (cont'd)

(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)

# Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity For the period ended 31 March 2023

	[ Attributable to equity holders of the Company							
	Share capital RM'000	Foreign exchange translation reserves RM'000	Treasury shares RM'000	Retained earnings/ (Accumulated losses) RM'000	Total Equity RM'000			
Balance as at 1 January 2023	738,564	2,651	(6,124)	(82,940)	652,151			
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	1	-	1,138	1,139			
Balance as at 31 March 2023	738,564	2,652	(6,124)	(81,802)	653,290			

# Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity For the year ended 31 March 2022 (cont'd)

	[] Attributable to equity holders of the Company]							
	Share capital	Foreign exchange translation reserves	Treasury Retained shares earnings/ (Accumulated losses)		Total	Non- controlling interest	Total Equity	
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	
Balance as at 1 January 2022	738,564	2,610	(6,124)	(87,877)	647,173	(1,947)	645,226	
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	3	-	2,521	2,524	(20)	2,504	
Balance as at 31 March 2022	738,564	2,613	(6,124)	(85,356)	649,697	(1,967)	647,730	

(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)

# Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows For the period ended 31 March 2023

	31 March 2023 RM'000	31 March 2022 RM'000
Profit before tax	1,149	2,972
Adjustments for non-cash flow items:-		
Non-cash items	4,253	3,812
Non-operating items	(3,117)	(1,314)
Operating profit before working capital changes Changes in working capital	2,285	5,470
Net change in current assets	1,122	3,432
Net change in current liabilities	(8,431)	(5,470)
Cash (used in)/generated from operations	(5,024)	3,432
Net tax refund/(paid)	7,494	(175)
Net cash generated from operating activities	2,470	3,257
Investing Activities		
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	109
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(1,525)	(824)
Purchases of intangible assets	(42)	(71)
Interest and investment income received	3,324	1,552
Net cash generated from investing activities	1,757	766
Financing Activities		
Interest paid	(207)	(238)
Repayment of lease liabilities	(437)	(731)
Net cash used in financing activities	(644)	(969)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	3,583	3,054
Effect of exchange rates fluctuations on cash held	4	5
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	364,825	343,085
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	368,412	346,144

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise the following as at the end of the financial period:

	31 March 2023 RM'000	31 March 2022 RM'000
Deposits placed with licensed banks Cash and bank balances	348,897 19,515	333,950 12,194
	368,412	346,144

(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).

#### A1. Basis of Preparation

The interim financial statements are unaudited and have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Malaysian Financial Reporting Standard ("MFRS") 134, Interim Financial Reporting issued by the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board ("MASB") 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 of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2022.

The accounting policies and methods of computation adopted by the Group in these quarterly financial statements are consistent with those adopted in the most recent audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 except for the adoption of the following MFRSs, IC Interpretation and Amendments to MFRSs during the current financial year:

MFRS 17 Amendments to MFRS 17	Insurance Contracts Initial Application of MFRS 17 and MFRS 9 – Comparative Information
Amendments to MFRS 101	Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current and Disclosure of Accounting Policies
Amendments to MFRS 101	Non-Current Liabilities with Covenants
Amendments to MFRS 108	Definition of Accounting Estimates
Amendments to MFRS 112	Deferred tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction

The adoption of the above did not have any significant effects on the interim financial report upon their initial application.

The following MFRSs and Amendments to MFRSs have been issued by MASB but are not yet effective to the Group:

Effective for annual periods on or after 1 January 2024

Amendments to MFRS 16	Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback
Amendments to MFRS 10	Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor
and MFRS 128	and its Associate or Joint Venture

The Group is in the process of assessing the impact of implementing these Standards and Amendments, since the effects would only be observable for future financial years.

#### A2. Seasonal or cyclical factors

The operations of our major business segment are generally affected by the major festive seasons.

# A3. Unusual items

There were no unusual items affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income, or cash flows during the financial period ended 31 March 2023.

# A4. Changes in estimates

There were no changes in estimates of amounts reported in prior financial years that have a material effect on the current quarter.

# A5. Debt and equity securities

There were no issuances and repayment of debts and equity securities, share cancellations and resale of treasury shares during the financial period ended 31 March 2023.

# A6. Dividend paid

No dividend was paid in the current financial period ended 31 March 2023.

# A7. <u>Segment Reporting</u>

	Print, digital and events RM'000	Radio RM'000	Property Development & Investment RM'000	Others RM'000	Elimination RM'000	Consolidated RM'000
Financial period ended 31 March 2023						
Sales to external customers	43,107	7,592	1,289	-	-	51,988
Inter-segment sales	276	-	-	6,637	(6,913)	-
Total revenue	43,383	7,592	1,289	6,637	(6,913)	51,988
Profit/(Loss) before tax	516	810	(529)	352	-	1,149
Assets	489,300	74,395	195,539	5,473	-	764,707
Financial period ended 31 March 2022 (restated)						
Sales to external customers	43,489	8,495	688	-	-	52,672
Inter-segment sales	22	5	-	6,825	(6,852)	-
Total revenue	43,511	8,500	688	6,825	(6,852)	52,672
Profit/(Loss) before tax	1,523	2,200	(1,075)	338	(14)	2,972
Assets	472,636	84,181	197,699	4,458	-	758,974

# A8. Operating expenses

	3 months ended		Financial period ended	
	31.03.2023 RM'000	31.03.2022 RM'000	31.03.2023 RM'000	31.03.2022 RM'000
Allowance of credit losses	513	(223)	513	(223)
Foreign exchange loss	3	119	3	119
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	49	-	49

# A9. Other operating income

	3 months ended 31.03.2023 31.03.2022 (restated)		Financial pe 31.03.2023	eriod ended 31.03.2022 (restated)	
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	
Interest income	132	61	132	61	
Investment income	3,192	1,491	3,192	1,491	
Reversal of allowance of credit losses	141	-	141	-	
Foreign exchange gain	16	5	16	5	
Gain on disposal of property, plant					
and equipment	-	36	-	36	
Other income	1,196	807	1,196	807	
Total	4,677	2,400	4,677	2,400	

# A10. Events subsequent to the end of the reporting period

There are no material events subsequent to the end of the reporting period under review that have not been reflected in the quarterly financial statements.

# A11. Changes in composition of the Group

There are no changes in the composition of the Group during the quarter under review.

# A12. Capital commitments

	RM'000
Authorised capital expenditure not provided for in the financial statements - contracted - not contracted	157 2,840
	2,997

		Preceding Year
	Current Year	Corresponding
	Quarter	Quarter
	31.03.2023	31.03.2022
	(1Q 2023)	(1Q 2022)
	RM'000	RM'000
		(restated)
Revenue	51,988	52,672
Consolidated Profit/(Loss) before tax	1,149	2,972
Consolidated Profit/(Loss) after tax	1,138	2,501

# B1. <u>Review of performance</u>

The Group's total revenue in 1Q 2023 is at RM52.0 million, a slight 1% decline compared to 1Q 2022. The Group registered a lower profit before tax of RM1.1 million in 1Q 2023 as compared to RM3.0 million in 1Q 2022.

Performance of the respective business segments for 1Q 2023 compared to the corresponding quarter of 2022 are as follows:-

*Print, Digital and Events* – 1Q 2023 revenue decreased slightly by 1% against 1Q 2022. This segment recorded a profit before tax of RM0.5 million in 1Q 2023 as compared to profit before tax of RM1.5 million in 1Q 2022 due to increased newsprint costs in 1Q 2023.

*Radio Broadcasting* – Radio generated a lower revenue by 11% amounting to RM7.6 million in 1Q 2023 as compared to RM8.5 million in 1Q 2022. This segment recorded a profit before tax of RM0.8 million as compared to 1Q 2022 profit before tax of RM2.2 million which was affected by seasonality factors thus lower revenue contribution of commercial airtime.

*Property Development & Investment* – This segment recorded a loss before tax of RM0.5 million in 1Q 2023 compared to loss before tax of RM1.1 million in 1Q 2022. The improvement was mainly due to the increase in occupancy rate of the properties.

# B2. Variation of results against preceding quarter

	Current	Preceding
	Quarter	Quarter
	31.03.2023	31.12.2022
	(1Q 2023)	(4Q 2022)
	RM'000	RM'000
		(restated)
Revenue	51,988	58,962
Consolidated Profit before tax	1,149	1,693
Consolidated (Loss)/Profit after tax	1,138	388

1Q 2023 recorded a decrease in revenue of 12% to RM52.0 million as compared to RM59.0 million in 4Q 2022 mainly attributed to the decrease in revenue from Print, Digital and Events segment of the Group. The Group recorded a profit before tax of RM1.1 million compared to 4Q 2022 of RM1.7 million which was attributed by higher operating expenses arising from the increased newsprint costs and the weakening of MYR against USD.

# B3. Prospects

The Group remains resilient despite cautious consumer spending which has slightly impacted our financial performance. Geopolitical tensions among major economies and elevated costs of living and input costs are expected to impact spending by households and businesses. The Group will remain financially prudent and continue to focus on its revenue enhancement initiatives and to improve its operational efficiencies.

As part of the Group's diversification strategies, the Group has launched its maiden foray property development project, Star Business Hub, an industrial freehold development.

The Group will continue its efforts in retaining and sustaining its investments in its digital transformation initiatives and strategies with various digitally driven product such as The Star Online, mStar, Majoriti and the BM print publication, Majoriti 7, which aims to further strengthen our market share in the Malay segment.

#### B4. <u>Profit forecast</u>

The Group has not provided any profit forecast in a public document.

#### B5. <u>Taxation</u>

Taxation comprises the following: -

	3 months ended		Financial per	iod ended
	31.03.2023	31.03.2022	31.03.2023	31.03.2022
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Current period tax expense based on profit for the financial period				
1. Malaysian taxation	11	471	11	471
2. Foreign taxation	-	-	-	-
3. Deferred taxation	-	-	-	-
	11	471	11	471

The Group's tax expense for the financial period is mainly due to income tax expense incurred by profitable subsidiaries within the Group.

#### B6. Status of corporate proposal announced

a) On 12 May 2017, the Company announced that Laviani Pte Ltd, a wholly-owned subsidiary company, entered into a conditional share purchase agreement with Lucrum 1 Investment for the proposed disposal of its entire equity interest in Cityneon Holdings Limited for a disposal consideration of SGD115,612,731 (equivalent to RM360,179,902) to be satisfied entirely via cash.

Subsequently, the Company obtained approval from its shareholders at the Extraordinary General Meeting held on 7 July 2017 for the abovementioned disposal.

On 12 July 2017, the Company announced the completion on the disposal of Cityneon Holdings Limited by Laviani Pte Ltd. Accordingly, Cityneon Holdings Limited and its subsidiaries ceased to be the indirect subsidiary companies of the Company.

On 1 August 2019, the Company announced that it has only utilised RM207.68 million out of the Disposal Proceeds and proposed variation to the utilisation of proceeds. Revised amount on the utilisation of proceeds are tabulated below.

Purposes	Revised Amount (as at 30 June 2019)	Actual utilisation	Remaining Balance	Revised Expected Timeframe Utilisation	for
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000		
Future investments				Within	24
	66,500	-	66,500	months	
General working					
capital	86,000	(86,000)	-	Fully utilised	
Total	152,500	(86,000)	66,500		

As at 31 March 2023, the details of utilisation of proceeds are as follows:-

#### B6. Status of corporate proposal announced (cont'd)

The proposed revised timeframe for future investment purpose which was due in July 2021 was extended for a period of 24 months as the Group continues to identify and evaluate growth opportunities through potential Mergers and Acquisitions.

b) On 10 February 2023, the Company entered into a conditional sale and purchase agreement with Matang Berhad ("Matang") for the proposed disposal of two (2) units of double-storey semi-detached factory and warehouse annexed with a one-and-a-half (1 ½)- storey office building and other anciliary buildings to be erected on part of the land held under Geran 204626, Lot 78658, Mukim Damansara, Daerah Petaling, Negeri Selangor by SMG Land Sdn Bhd, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, to Matang at the aggregated disposal consideration of RM33,000,000 only, to be satisfied via a combination of cash payment and via issuance of 357,000,000 new ordinary shares of Matang. As at the end of the reporting period, the disposal is yet to be completed.

#### B7. Lease liabilities

The Group's lease liabilities as at the end of the financial period are as follows:

	As at 31.03.2023 RM'000	As at 31.03.2022 RM'000
Short Term Lease Liabilities		
Unsecured - Lease liabilities	2,741	1,997
Long Term Lease Liabilities		
Unsecured - Lease liabilities	11,055	13,725

All lease liabilities in 2023 and 2022 are denominated in Ringgit Malaysia.

#### B8. Changes in material litigation

The Company had on 19 August 2011 entered into a Sale and Purchase Agreement with JAKS Island Circle Sdn Bhd ("JIC") for the proposed disposal of the Company's land held under H.S. (D) 259880, No. Lot PT 16, Seksyen 13, Bandar Petaling Jaya, Daerah Petaling, Negeri Selangor together with the buildings erected thereon to JIC for a consideration of RM135,000,000 only ("JAKS SPA").

Under the JAKS SPA, JIC shall pay the purchase consideration partly through the completion, delivery and transfer of the legal title with vacant possession and certificate of completion and compliance, free from all encumbrances whatsoever of a fifteen (15) storey office block to be constructed on PT 16 ("Tower A") to the Company as the Company's entitlement.

Pursuant to the JAKS SPA, JIC shall also provide a bank guarantee for the sum of RM50,000,000 only in favour of the Company to guarantee, among others, the completion and delivery of the vacant possession of the Tower A in accordance with the terms of the JAKS SPA. In addition, JIC's holding company, JAKS Resources Berhad ("JRB") shall also provide a corporate guarantee in favour of the Company to guarantee the performance of the obligations of JIC under the JAKS SPA ("JRB Corporate Guarantee").

### B8. Changes in material litigation (cont'd)

As JIC had failed to deliver the vacant possession of Tower A by the stipulated timeline, the Company had, on 15 February 2018, made a demand on the bank guarantees amounting to RM50,000,000 ("JIC Bank Guarantees") in accordance with the terms of the JAKS SPA. In an attempt to injunct or prevent the Company from calling on the JIC Bank Guarantees, JIC had, on 23 February 2018, initiated suits WA-24C(ARB)-11-02/2018 and WA-24C(ARB)-12-02/2018 (collectively, "OS 11 & 12") in the High Court.

The High Court in OS 11 & 12 had ruled in favour of the Company for the release of the JIC Bank Guarantees by the financial institutions in the sum of RM50,000,000 to the Company and ultimately rejected JIC's contention that the Company's calls on the JIC Bank Guarantees were unconscionable and premature. This decision was further upheld by the Court of Appeal, and JIC's motions for leave to appeal to the Federal Court against the decision of the Court of Appeal were dismissed on 7 January 2019.

Subsequently, the Company had on 19 April 2019 filed a Writ of Summons and a Statement of Claim against JRB vide the Civil Suit No. WA-22NCvC-258-04/2019 ("Suit 258") for JRB's alleged breach and failure to perform its obligations under the JRB Corporate Guarantee. The Company has claimed for, among others, specific performance to order JRB to complete or cause to be completed JIC's obligations under the JAKS SPA by 31 October 2019 in full and proper compliance with the terms of the JAKS SPA and damages being the late payment interest calculated at eight (8%) per annum on the balance purchase price under the JAKS SPA of RM134,500,000 from 25 October 2015 until the date of full payment of the RM134,500,000.

Thereafter, JRB and JIC (collectively, "JAKS") had filed a counterclaim and served a Writ of Summons and a Statement of Claim both dated 30 May 2019 against the Company for an alleged premature call on the JIC Bank Guarantees. JAKS in this Suit No. WA-22NCvC-374-05/2019 ("Suit 374") has claimed for among others, the sum of RM50,000,000 pursuant to the JIC Bank Guarantees to be refunded or returned and the sum of RM248,242,988 as liquidated and ascertained damages and RM297,035,481 for loss of proceeds from JRB's corporate fundraising exercises.

The Company had on 1 August 2019 filed an application for a preliminary determination under Order 14A of the Rules of Court and to strike out JAKS' counter claim in Suit 258 and Suit 374 respectively on the grounds of res judicata and multiplicity of proceedings. The Company contended that JAKS' position in both Suit 258 and Suit 374 on the alleged variations of the building plans which required the resubmission of the plans for the approval of Majlis Bandaraya Petaling Jaya and the alleged new completion date under the JAKS SPA being 20 June 2020 were exactly the same arguments raised by JIC ("Alleged Variations and Alleged New Completion Date") in the previous suits OS 11 & 12, which had been fully litigated in the High Court.

#### B8. Changes in material litigation (cont'd)

In respect of Suit 258, the High Court had on 7 August 2020 allowed the Company's application for preliminary determination under Order 14A partially and, among others, ordered JRB to compensate the Company at the rate of eight (8%) per annum on the balance purchase price of RM134,500,000 from 25 October 2015 to 6 July 2020 which will continue to run from 6 July 2020 to the date JRB completes or cause to be completed JIC's obligations under the JAKS SPA. However, the High Court dismissed the Company's question in the same application to compel JRB to provide full set of the construction drawings, details and specifications requested by the Company in order to carry out a proper and meaningful joint inspection ("the Dismissal"). Therefore, JRB had on 21 August 2020 appealed against the decision delivered in favour of the Company and the Company had on 1 September 2020 also appealed against the Dismissal.

In respect of Suit 374, the High Court had on 28 September 2020 dismissed the Company's application for preliminary determination. Subsequently, the Company had on 2 October 2020 filed an appeal against the decision of the High Court in respect of Suit 374.

Hence, there were three (3) appeals in total filed in the Court of Appeal as follows:

- a) Appeal No. W-02(IM)(NCVC)-1122-08/2020 filed by JRB against the orders in favour of the Company's preliminary determination in Suit 258;
- b) Appeal No. W-02(IM)(NCVC)-1188-09/2020 filed by the Company against the Dismissal in Suit 258; and
- c) Appeal No. W-02(IM)(NCVC)-1435-09/2020 filed by the Company against the dismissal of the Company's application for preliminary determination in Suit 374.

On appeal, the Court of Appeal heard the three (3) appeals together and decided against the Company on 27 July 2021. As a result, the Company had on 25 August 2021 filed three (3) motions for leave to appeal to the Federal Court against the decision of the Court of Appeal. As JIC has been put into creditors' voluntary winding-up, any legal proceedings against a company in liquidation shall be subject to leave from the High Court being obtained. The Company filed an Originating Summon for leave which was granted by the High Court on 6 October 2022 to continue the appeal proceedings against JIC. The leave application to the Federal Court in respect of the three (3) motions was heard on 23 February 2023 whereupon the Federal Court has unanimously granted the Company the leave to appeal against the Court of Appeal's decision, to the Federal Court.

Accordingly, the Company had on 6 March 2023 filed and served the notices of appeal to the Federal Court and JAKS ("Federal Court Appeals"). The Federal Court had sealed and registered the notices of the Federal Court Appeals and fixed 8 May 2023 for case management. During the case management on 8 May 2023, the Federal Court set the next case management on 3 July 2023 for the Company to update on the status of the filing of the grounds of judgement from the Court of Appeal as a Supplementary Records of Appeal.

Pending the outcome of the Federal Court Appeals as stated above, the High Court had fixed five (5) days trial from 4 March 2024 to 8 March 2024 for both Suit 258 and Suit 374, which will be heard together. During the case management on 15 March 2023, the High Court had instructed the Company to formally file a notice of application supported by affidavit for the stay application made by the Company, which was fixed for hearing on 22 May 2023. On 22 May 2023, the High Court allowed the Company's stay application and the initial five (5) trial dates in March 2024 has been vacated pending the outcome of the Federal Court Appeals.

# B9. Dividend

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No interim dividend has been recommended for the current quarter under review.

### B10. Basic earnings per share

The basic earnings per share has been calculated based on the Group's profit after tax attributable to owners of the parent divided by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the financial period.

	3 months ended		Financial period ende	
	31.03.2023	31.03.2022	31.03.2023	31.03.2022
Group's profit after tax attributable to owners of the parent (RM'000)	1,138	2,521	1,138	2,521
Weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding ('000)	724,765	724,765	724,765	724,765
Basic earnings per share (sen)	0.16	0.35	0.16	0.35

# **Diluted earnings per share**

The Group does not have in issue any financial instrument or other contract that may entitle its holder to ordinary shares and therefore, dilutive to its basic earnings per share.

By Order of the Board

Hoh Yik Siew Group Company Secretary 23 May 2023 Petaling Jaya, Selangor Darul Ehsan