NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:-

1 Basis of Preparation

The interim financial report has been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure provisions of the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standard (MFRS) 134, *Interim Financial Reporting*, issued by the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board ("MASB") and paragraph 9.22 of the Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("Bursa Securities").

The interim financial statements should read in conjunction with the audited financial statements as at and for the year ended 31 December 2022 which were prepared in compliance with MFRS. These explanatory notes attached to the interim financial statement explain events and transactions that are significant to an understanding of the changes in the financial position and performance of the Group since the year ended 31 December 2022.

1.1 Adoption of Standards, Amendments and IC interpretations

The significant accounting policies adopted in the interim financial report are consistent with those adopted in the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 except for the adoption of the following standards which are effective for annual periods beginning on and after 1 January 2023:

	Effective for Periods
Description	beginning on or after

Amendments to MFRS 101, Presentation of	1 January 2023
Financial Statements - Classification of Liabilities	2
as Current or Non-current and Disclosures	
of Accounting Policies	
Amendments to MFRS 108, Accounting Policies,	1 January 2023
Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors -	
Definition of Accounting Estimates	
Amendments to MFRS 112, Income Taxes – Deferred Tax	1 January 2023
related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single	
Transaction	

The adoption of the above standards does not have a significant impact to the current financial period.

2 Auditors' Report on Preceding Annual Financial Statements

The audited financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2022 were reported without any qualification.

3 Seasonality or Cyclicality of interim operations

The Group's operations are not subject to seasonal or cyclical factors.

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4 Nature and amount of items affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income, or cash flows that are unusual because of their nature, size or incidence

There were no items affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income, or cash flows that are unusual because of their nature, size and incidence during the quarter under review.

5 Nature and amount of changes in estimates of amounts reported in prior interim periods of the current financial year, which give a material effect in the current interim period

There were no changes in estimates that have had a material effect on the current quarter's results.

6 Issuances, cancellations, repurchases, resale and repayments of debt and equity securities

There were no issuances, cancellations, repurchases, resale and repayments of debt and equity securities during the quarter under review.

7 Dividends

There were no dividends paid during the financial quarter.

8 Segmental reporting

Segmental information for the Group's business segments is as follows:

Continuing operation	East	West	Inter-	Total
	Malaysia	Malaysia	segment	
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
1st Quarter 2023				
Revenue from				
external customers	47,620	17,651	-	65,271
Inter-segment	926	282	(1,208)	-
-	48,545	17,934	(1,208)	65,271

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	East	West	Inter-	Total
	Malaysia	Malaysia	Segment	
1 st Quarter 2022	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Revenue from				
external customers	46,892	11,267	-	58,159
Inter-segment	1,463	4	(1,467)	-
	48,355	11,271	(1,467)	58,159

East Malaysia: Manufacture and sale of Pre-painted, Galvanised Iron, Roll-formed products and trading in hardware and building materials in East Malaysia.

West Malaysia: Manufacture and sale of roll-formed products, trading of coated and non-coated coils, hardware and building materials.

For decision making and resources allocation, the Deputy Executive Chairman together with the Managing Director review the statements of financial position of the respective subsidiaries.

9 Valuation of property, plant and equipment

The valuation of land and building was brought forward without amendment from the revaluation made in the previous quarter period.

10 Material events subsequent to the end of the financial period

There were no material events subsequent to the end of the financial period.

11 Changes in the composition of the Group

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

12 Changes in contingent liabilities or contingent assets

There are no contingent liabilities or assets for the current financial period.

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13 Review of performance

Financial review for the current quarter and financial year to date

	Individu	al Period	Changes		Cumulative Period		Changes	
Continuing operations	Current Year Quarter 31 Mar	Preceding Year Correspon ding Quarter 31 Mar			Current Year To-date	Preceding Year Correspo nding Period 31 Mar		
	2023 RM'000	2022 RM'000	RM'000	%	2023 RM'000	2022 RM'000	RM'000	%
Revenue	65,271	58,159	7,113	12.2%	65,271	58,159	7,113	12.2%
Operating profit	4,424	2,742	1,681	61%	4,424	2,742	1,681	61%
Profit Before Interest and Tax	1,969	433	1,535	354%	1,969	433	1,535	354%
Profit/(Loss) Before Tax	476	(791)	1,267	160%	476	(791)	1,267	160%
Profit/(Loss) After Tax	291	(947)	1,239	131%	291	(947)	1,239	131%
Profit/(Loss) Attributable to Ordinary owner of the Company	161	(813)	974	120%	161	(813)	974	120%

The Group's total revenue for the current quarter increased by RM7.1 million or 12% to RM65.3 million as compared to RM58.2 million in the corresponding quarter last year ("1Q22"). The higher sales revenue was derived from better market demand on the Group's products and higher revenue from projects.

The Group reported profit before interest and tax of RM1.97 million compared to profit before interest and tax of RM0.43 million in 1Q22, an increase of 354%. The better result in 1Q23 was due to higher gross profit margin benefitted from increase in selling price during the quarter.

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14 Variation of results against preceding quarter

Financial review for the current quarter compared with the immediately preceding quarter

Continuing operations	Current Quarter	Immediate Preceding Quarter	Changes	
	31 March 2023	31 December 2022		
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	%
Revenue	65,271	74,290	(9,019)	-12.1%
Operating profit	4,424	1,635	2,788	170%
Profit/(Loss) Before Interest and Tax	1,969	(674)	2,642	392%
Profit/(Loss) Before Tax	476	(1,549)	2,025	131%
Profit/(Loss) After Tax	291	(1,879)	2,170	115%
Profit/(Loss) Attributable to Ordinary Owner of the Company	161	(2,238)	2,399	107%

For the quarter under review, the Group's revenue has decreased by 12.1% or RM9 million as compared to RM74.3 million recorded in the previous quarter. Despite lower revenue, profit before tax has increased by 131% from pre-tax loss of RM1.55 million to pre-tax profit of RM0.48 million. The operating profit for the period was RM4.42 million versus an operating profit of RM1.64 million, an improvement of 170%. The better performance in 1Q23 was mainly due to higher selling price which contributed to an increase in gross profit margin.

15 Prospects

Steel price is weak in its momentum and hovering in a narrow band. The 2023 US banking crisis and high debt obligation have brought negative impact to the global economy, in particular Asian countries. The recent surprise hike by Bank Negara Malaysia in Overnight Policy Rate by 25 basis points has added burden to the local businesses. Market is expected to be sluggish. While we foresee that the result for second quarter 2023 may not be promising, the Group is nonetheless cautiously optimistic of the overall result for 2023.

16 Statement of the Board of Directors' opinion on the achievement of forecast

The Group did not make any announcement or disclosure in any public document on any revenue or financial estimate, forecast, projection or profit guarantee as at the date of this announcement.

17 Profit forecast

No profit forecast was published.

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18 Income tax expense

The income tax expense derived as below:	Current Quarter RM'000	Financial Year-To-Date RM'000
Current tax expense - Current year	185	185
Deferred tax expense - Current year	-	-
Total	185	185

The effective tax rate for the current quarter was higher than the statutory tax rate due to non-tax-deductible expenses and non-recognition of deferred tax assets by certain loss-making subsidiaries.

19 Results for the period

_	Current qua 31 M		The cumulative period ended 31 March	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Results for the period is arrived at after charging:				
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	2,455	2,237	2,455	2,237
Impairment on trade receivables	-	-	-	-
Impairment on inventories Net foreign exchange	-	-	-	-
(gain)/loss - Realised	(108)	21	(108)	21
- Unrealised	-	-	-	-
-				
And after crediting: Gain on disposal of property,				
plant and equipment Finance income	- 129	- 129	- 129	- 129
Reversal of impairment on trade receivables	-	28	_	28
		-0		20

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20 Status of the corporate proposal announced

(i) On 20 February 2023, the Company announced that ASTEEL Development Sdn Bhd ("ADSB"), a 80.36% owned indirect subsidiary, had on 20 February 2023, accepted the terms and conditions offered by Housing Development Corporation, Sarawak ("HDC") to undergo the property development project to develop affordable houses and apartments on Phases 3, 5 and part of Phase 4 of Lot 37-43 and 45-47 (New Lot 2488 - 3298) Block 7, Matang Land District, Sungai Tengah, Kuching, Sarawak ("Proposed Development"). The formal agreement in respect of Proposed Development will be executed between ADSB and HDC in due course.

On 5 May 2023, the Company announced that the Company intends to diversify the Existing Business Operations of the YKGI Group to include the following business activities:-

- (a) Construction Business; and
- (b) Property Development Business.

In view of the above, the Company anticipates that, barring any unforeseen circumstances, the Construction Business and Property Development Business will potentially contribute 25% or more to the net profits or net assets ("NA") of YKGI Group, respectively and/or result in a diversion of more than 25% of the NA of YKGI Group, respectively. Pursuant thereto, the Company proposes to seek the approval from the shareholders of YKGI for the Proposed Diversification pursuant to Paragraph 10.13(1) of the Listing Requirements.

An Extraordinary General Meeting will be convened for the above Proposal in due course.

21 Borrowing and debt securities

The Group's borrowings from lending institutions as at 31 March 2023, which are denominated entirely in Ringgit Malaysia, are as follows:-

Denominated in	As at 31 March 2023					
Ringgit Malaysia	Long Term	Long Term Short Term Total Borrowin				
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000			
Secured	17,699	69,321	87,020			
Unsecured	-	900	900			
Total	17,699	70,221	87,920			

Based on the above, the Group's bank-gearing ratio is around 1.08 times.

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22 Financial derivative instruments

Forward foreign exchange contracts are used to hedge foreign exchange risks associated with certain purchase transactions.

As at the end of the current quarter under review, there was no outstanding forward foreign currency exchange contracts.

23 Changes in material litigation

There was no material litigation during the quarter under review.

24 Proposed dividend

The Board of Directors has not recommended any interim dividend for the financial quarter ended 31 March 2023.

25 Earnings per share

	Quarter er	nded 31 Mar	Year ende	ed 31 Mar
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)
Basic Earnings/(Loss) per ordina	ary share			
Profit/(Loss) attributable to				
owners of the Company	161	(813)	161	(813)
(RM'000)				
Number of ordinary shares in				
issue at the beginning period	484,869.5	440,794.5	484,869.5	440,794.5
Effect of shares issued during				
the quarter		-	-	-
Weighted average number of				
ordinary shares issued as				
at end of period	484,869.5	440,794.5	484,869.5	440,794.5
Basic earnings/(loss) per				
ordinary share (sen)	0.03	(0.18)	0.03	(0.18)

The exercise price of the outstanding ESOS is higher than the average market price of the ordinary shares of the Company for the period under review. As the ESOS are anti-dilutive in nature, they have been ignored for the purposes of the computation of the diluted earnings per share.