

ASTRAL ASIA BHD (374600-X)

Part A1 : Quarterly Report

Quarterly report for the financial period ended : 31.12.2021
 Quarter : 4th Quarter
 Financial Year End : 31.12.2021
 The Figures : Have not been audited

Part A2 : Summary of Key Financial Information for the financial period ending 31/12/2021

	Individual Quarter		Cumulative Period	
	Current year quarter 31.12.2021	Preceding year quarter 31.12.2020	Current year to date 31.12.2021	Preceding year to date 31.12.2020
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
1 Revenue	4,949	2,256	18,950	17,302
2 Profit/(Loss) before tax	(6,708)	1,596	(7,225)	(6,350)
3 Profit/(Loss) for the period	(5,351)	6,580	(7,433)	(2,454)
4 Profit/(Loss) attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent	(3,991)	4,389	(6,072)	(1,712)
5 Basic earning / (loss) per shares (sen)	(0.60)	0.67	(0.92)	(0.26)
6 Proposed /Declared dividend per share (sen)	-	-	-	-
	As at end of current quarter		As at preceding financial year end	
7 Net assets per share attributable to ordinary equity holders of the company (RM)		0.2699		0.2791

Part A3 : Additional Information

	Individual Quarter		Cumulative Period	
	Current year quarter 31.12.2021	Preceding year quarter 31.12.2020	Current year to date 31.12.2021	Preceding year to date 31.12.2020
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
1 Gross interest income	0	5	5	5
2 Gross interest expenses	649	490	791	1,084

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INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT ON CONSOLIDATED RESULTS FOR THE 4TH QUARTER ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Note	Individual Quarter		Cumulative Quarter	
		Current	Preceding	Current	Preceding
		Year	Year	Year	Year
		4th Quarter		ToDate	
		31-Dec-21	31-Dec-20	31-Dec-21	31-Dec-20
		RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
<u>Continuing Operations</u>					
Revenue		4,949	2,256	18,950	17,302
Cost of sales		(2,104)	(939)	(6,983)	(8,304)
Gross profit		2,845	1,317	11,967	8,998
Other income		443	3,014	597	2,364
Administrative expenses		(1,472)	57	(6,159)	(4,308)
Other expenses		-	(308)	-	(308)
Finance costs		(649)	(490)	(791)	(1,084)
Finance income		-	-	5	5
Depreciation and amortisation		(2,049)	(1,955)	(7,018)	(7,060)
Bearer plants written off due to replanting		(5,787)	-	(5,787)	(4,918)
Share of profit / (loss) in associate		(39)	(39)	(39)	(39)
Profit/(loss) before taxation		(6,708)	1,596	(7,225)	(6,350)
Tax income/(expense)	18	1,357	4,984	(208)	3,896
Profit/(loss) after taxation		(5,351)	6,580	(7,433)	(2,454)
Other Comprehensive Income/(loss), net of tax		-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period		(5,351)	6,580	(7,433)	(2,454)
Profit/(loss) attributable to:					
Owners of the parent		(3,991)	4,389	(6,072)	(1,712)
Non-controlling interests		(1,360)	1,392	(1,361)	(742)
Profit/(loss) for the period		(5,351)	6,580	(7,433)	(2,454)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) attributable to:					
Owners of the parent		(3,991)	4,389	(6,072)	(1,712)
Non-controlling interests		(1,360)	1,392	(1,361)	(742)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period		(5,351)	6,580	(7,433)	(2,454)
Earning Per Share attributable to owners of the parent:					
Earning / (loss) per share (Sen)	26	(0.60)	0.67	(0.92)	(0.26)

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UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	(UNAUDITED) CURRENT QUARTER END 31-Dec-21 RM'000	(AUDITED) PRECEDING YEAR END 31-Dec-20 RM'000
ASSETS		
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment	45,711	50,326
Right-of-use assets	279,116	283,341
Investment property	18,800	18,800
Investment in associated company	1,127	1,167
	<u>344,754</u>	<u>353,634</u>
Current assets		
Inventories	1,322	974
Bearer biological assets	975	998
Trade receivables	259	317
Other receivables	499	11,654
Cash and cash equivalents	7,564	3,647
Tax recoverable		66
	<u>10,619</u>	<u>17,656</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	355,373	371,290
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Equity Attributable To Owners of the parent		
Share capital	131,997	131,997
Reserves	46,133	52,205
Total equity attributable to owners of the parent	<u>178,130</u>	<u>184,202</u>
Non-controlling Interests	82,567	84,978
TOTAL EQUITY	260,697	269,180
Non-current liabilities		
Borrowings	9,121	10,271
Lease liabilities	7,536	7,737
Finance lease payables	-	-
Deferred taxation	69,773	70,854
	<u>86,430</u>	<u>88,862</u>
Current liabilities		
Trade payables	434	618
Other payables	4,564	4,892
Dividend payables	-	-
Bank borrowings	2,251	6,920
Lease liabilities	180	253
Amount due to associate company	565	565
Provision for Taxation	252	-
	<u>8,246</u>	<u>13,248</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	94,676	102,110
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	355,373	371,290

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INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT ON CONSOLIDATED RESULTS FOR THE 4TH QUARTER ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	Attributable to owners of the parent									
	Share Capital	Share Premium	Capital Reserve	Revaluation Reserve	Available-for-sales Fair Value Reserve	Other Reserve	Accumulated Profit	Total	Non-controlling Interest	Total Equity
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
As at 1 January 2020	131,997	-	-	-	-	-	53,918	185,914	86,769	272,683
Transactions with owners:-										
Total transactions with owners										
Profit / (loss) for the year							(1,712)	(1,712)	(741)	(2,453)
Dividend paid to non-controlling interests							-	-	(1,050)	(1,050)
Total Comprehensive income for the period							(1,712)	(1,712)	(1,791)	(3,503)
Balance as at 31 December 2020	131,997	-	-	-	-	-	52,206	184,202	84,978	269,180
As at 1 January 2021	131,997						52,206	184,202	84,978	269,180
Transactions with owners:-										
Dividend paid to non-controlling interests										
Total transactions with owners							(6,072)	(6,072)	(1,361)	(7,433)
Profit / (loss) for the financial period									(1,050)	(1,050)
Other Comprehensive income for the financial period										
Total Comprehensive income for the financial period							(6,072)	(6,072)	(2,411)	(8,483)
Effects on adoption of MFRS										
Balance as at 31 December 2021	131,997	-	-	-	-	-	46,134	178,130	82,567	260,697

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INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT ON CONSOLIDATED RESULTS FOR THE
4TH QUARTER ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021
UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	PERIOD ENDED 31-Dec-21 RM'000	YEAR ENDED 31-Dec-20 RM'000
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</u>		
Loss before taxation	(7,225)	(6,351)
<i>Adjustments for:-</i>		
Non-cash items/non-operating items	12,811	10,050
Interest expense	791	1,084
Interest income	(5)	(5)
<i>Operating profit before working capital changes</i>	6,372	4,778
<i>Changes in working capital:-</i>		
Net Change In Current Assets / Current Liabilities	10,353	(1,243)
Tax refund / (paid)	(971)	(664)
<i>Net cash (Used In)/ generated from operating activities</i>	15,754	2,871
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</u>		
Interest received	5	5
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	100	1,017
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(4,008)	(3,589)
Purchase of right of use assets	-	(21)
<i>Net cash used in investing activities</i>	(3,903)	(2,588)
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</u>		
Dividend Paid to Non-controlling interests	(1,050)	(1,050)
Repayment of term / flexi loan	(1,679)	(296)
Repayment of lease liabilities/payables	(201)	(329)
Interest paid	(791)	(1,084)
Drawdown of borrowings	-	442
<i>Net cash used in financing activities</i>	(3,721)	(2,317)
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	8,130	(2,034)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF FINANCIAL YEAR	(1,675)	359
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	6,455	(1,675)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS COMPRISE THE FOLLOWING:		
Cash and bank balances	7,560	3,643
Fixed Deposit placed with licensed banks	-	-
Bank overdraft	(1,105)	(5,318)
	6,455	(1,675)

5(The Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows should be read conjunction with the Annual Financial Report for the year ended 31st December 2020)

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Notes to the Interim Financial Statement - 31 December 2021

1 Statement of compliance

The interim financial report is unaudited and has been prepared in compliance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standard ("MFRS") 134 *Interim Financial Reporting*, issued by the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board and Paragraph 9.22 of the Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad's ("Bursa Securities") Main Market Listing Requirements.

2 Accounting policies and basis of preparation

The interim financial report should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 December 2020. The accounting policies and methods of computation adopted by the Group in this interim financial report are consistent with those adopted in the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020.

The accounting policies are consistent with the recent audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020.

3 Auditors' report on preceding annual financial statements

The auditors' report on the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 was not qualified.

4 Seasonal or cyclical factors

The business of the Group was not affected by any significant seasonal or cyclical factors in the current quarter.

5 Unusual items affecting the assets, liabilities, equity, net income, or cash flows

There were no unusual items affecting the assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flow of the Group for the current quarter and financial year-to-date.

6 Material changes in estimates

There were no changes in estimates that have had material effect in the current results.

7 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 for the current financial year-to-date.

8 Dividend paid

No dividend was paid out during the current quarter under review.

9 Segmental reporting

Segmental information for the Group is presented as follows:

	Financial Year ended 31 December 2021				
	Plantation	Construction & Property Development	Investment	Trading	Adjustments & eliminations
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Segment Revenue					
External revenue	18,010	-	295	645	18,950
Inter-segment revenue	-	-	2,631	-	-2,631
Total revenue	18,010	-	2,926	645	18,950
Segment Results					
Operating results	9,069	(1,985)	(1,166)	(184)	6,405
Depreciation and bearer plant write off	(6,550)	(279)	(186)	(3)	(7,018)
Bearer plant written off due to replanting	(5,787)	-	-	-	(5,787)
Share of results of associate company	-	-	(39)	-	(39)
Interest Income	(501)	(22)	5	-	5
Finance cost	(3,769)	(2,296)	(268)	(187)	(7,225)
Profit/(loss) before tax	(120)	-	(88)	(187)	(208)
Tax (expense)/income	(3,889)	(2,296)	(1,742)	(187)	(7,433)

	Financial Year ended 31 December 2020				
	Plantation	Construction & Property Development	Investment	Trading	Adjustments & eliminations
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Segment Revenue					
External revenue	15,778	1,071	449	4	17,302
Inter-segment revenue	-	-	2,579	-	(2,579)
Total revenue	15,778	1,071	3,028	4	17,302
Segment Results					
Operating results	6,288	(1,845)	1,706	(73)	6,746
Depreciation and bearer plant write off	(6,481)	(378)	(200)	(1)	(7,060)
Bearer plant written off due to replanting	(4,918)	-	-	-	(4,918)
Share of results of associate company	-	-	5	-	(39)
Interest Income	(442)	(180)	(462)	-	5
Finance cost	(5,553)	(2,403)	1,049	(74)	(1,064)
Profit/(loss) before tax	3,435	517	(56)	-	(6,950)
Tax (expense)/income	(2,118)	(1,886)	993	(74)	3,896
					(2,454)

The Group principally operates within Malaysia.

10 Valuation of Property, Plant & Equipment

There were no material changes to the valuation of property, plant & equipment brought forward from the previous annual financial statements.

11 Material subsequent events to the end of the current quarter.

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

12 **Changes in the composition of the Group**

There were no changes in the composition of the Group for the current quarter and year-to-date.

13 **Contingent liabilities or assets**

There were no material contingent liabilities or contingent assets as at the date of this report.

14 **Review of performance**

The Group incurred a pre-tax loss of RM7.2 million on a revenue of RM19.0 million for the year under review compared to the pre-tax loss of RM6.3 million on revenue of RM17 million for the corresponding year in 2020. The lower pre-tax losses recorded was mainly attributed to the significant improvement in CPO prices offset by a lower FFB harvested.

During the financial year under review, Clean Link Sdn Bhd which has started the e-commerce business since December 2020 had generated a revenue of RM645,000 during the first year of trading. In the construction segment, the Group had not been successful to secure new construction projects during the year under review. The progression of the Covid -19 pandemic and uncertainties surrounding the Delta and now Omicron variants have dampened the economic recovery of the construction sector.

The revenue of the plantation segment had increased by 14.4 % to RM18.0 million for the financial year under review compared to the previous financial year. The Fresh Fruit Bunches ("FFB") harvested for the year under review had decreased by 35.5% to 18,478 M/T (2020: 28,636 M/T). This was in line with the lower industry output and the current replanting programme at both the Kertau and Pejing estates. However, the drop in revenue due to the lower FFB production was compensated by a significant higher CPO prices realised during the financial year. The average CPO prices realised during the year under review had increased by 66.4% to RM 4,450 M/T (2020: 2,675 M/T). The planted acreage, FFB production and yield of the Group's estates during the financial year were as follows:-

Table of FFB production and yield

Estate	Planted area as at 31.12.2021		Total (ha)	FFB production (m/t)		Yield (m/t / ha)	
	Immature (ha)	Mature (ha)		year ended 31.12.2021	year ended 31.12.2020	year ended 31.12.2021	year ended 31.12.2020
Bukit Kuin 1	0	601	601	7,047	8,619	11.7	14.3
Bukit Kuin 2	0	191	191	2,566	4,062	13.4	21.3
Kertau	800	802	1,602	4,284	6,609	5.3	8.1
Sungai Pejing	500	643	1,143	4,581	9,346	7.1	8.2
	1,300	2,237	3,537				
Buildings, roads and others			428				
Total area (hectares)			3,965				
Total FFB production (m/t)				18,478	28,636		

15 **Comparison with the immediate preceding quarter's results**

The Group reported a loss before tax of RM6.7 million for the current quarter as compared to a profit before tax amounted to RM1.6 million for the immediate preceding quarter mainly due to written off of the previously capitalised bearer plant cost of RM5.8 million in the current quarter and there was a gain on disposal of land from Tasja Sdn Bhd amounted to RM1.5million in preceding quarter.

15 **Commentary on prospects**

The prices of CPO continued on the uptrend and surpassed RM5,000 per tonne in January 2022, closing at its peak of RM5,700 per tonne at the end of January 2022 and raised the monthly average CPO price to its highest to-date of RM5,354.50 per tonne. In the first 15 days of February 2022, CPO prices ranged between RM5,500 to RM5,900 per tonne and market analysts expect CPO prices to remain at current level in the near term. The current buoyant CPO prices will mitigate the losses of the Group's plantation segment.

We expect a lower FFB production for the Group during the FYE 2021 due to the on-going oil palm replanting programme at both the Kertau and Pejing estates. In the absence of positive contributions from the Group's other business segments in the near term, the Group's operating results in 2022 is not expected to improve further compared to the FYE 2021.

17 **Profit forecast**

Not applicable as there was no profit forecast published.

18 **Taxation**

	<u>Individual Quarter ended</u>			<u>Cumulative Quarter ended</u>	
	31.12.2021 RM'000	31.12.2020 RM'000	31.12.2021 RM'000	31.12.2020 RM'000	31.12.2021 RM'000
Current Taxation	2,307	452	1,158	(635)	
Over provision of tax in prior year	130	214	130	214	
Deferred tax	2,437	666	1,288	(421)	
Over provision of deferred tax in prior year	(1,080)	966	(1,080)	966	
Tax income/(expense)	-	3,352	(208)	3,352	
	1,357	4,984	(208)	3,896	

The provision for income tax for the Group is mainly due to the chargeable income of the plantation segment. The tax charge is higher than the statutory rate owing to certain expenses not claimable for tax purposes.

19 **Unquoted investments and properties**

There were no disposals of unquoted investments or properties during the current quarter.

20 **Purchase or disposal of quoted securities**

a. **Sale proceeds and purchase consideration**

There were no disposal and purchase of quoted investments or properties for the current quarter and financial year-to-date.

b. **Investment in quoted securities as at end of the reporting period**

There were no quoted securities held as at end of the current quarter and year-to-date.

21 Status of uncompleted corporate proposals

There were no uncompleted corporate proposals as of the date of this report.

22 Borrowings and debts securities

The Group's borrowings and debts securities were as follows:

	As at 31.12.2021 RM'000	As at 31.12.2020 RM'000
Short term bank borrowings	2,251	6,820
Long term bank borrowings	9,121	10,271
	<u>11,372</u>	<u>17,191</u>

The above bank borrowings are secured by the properties of the subsidiary companies and the corporate guarantee of the Company.

23 Off balance sheet financial instruments

During the quarter under review, the Group did not enter into any contracts involving off balance sheet financial instruments.

24 Material Litigation

There were no pending material litigation claims against the Group as at end of this quarter.

25 Dividend Payable

No dividend has been proposed for the financial quarter under review.

26 Earnings per share

	Individual Quarter ended		Cumulative Quarter ended	
	31.12.2021	31.12.2020	31.12.2021	31.12.2020
Profit / (loss) attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent (RM'000)	(3,991)	4,389	(6,072)	(1,712)
Weighted average number of ordinary share in issue ('000)	659,984	659,984	659,984	659,984
Basic earning / (loss) per share (sen)	(0.60)	0.67	(0.92)	(0.26)

There is no diluted earning per share as the Group has no dilutive potential ordinary share.

27 Additional notes to the Statement of Comprehensive Income

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

	Individual Quarter ended		Cumulative Quarter ended	
	31.12.2021	31.12.2020	31.12.2021	31.12.2020
Interest income	0	0	5	5
Interest expense	649	490	791	1,084
Depreciation and amortization	2,049	1,955	7,018	7,060

28 Capital Commitment not provided for in the Financial Statements

As at 31.12.2021, the oil palm replanting cost contracted but not provided for in the financial statements amounted to RM1,393,000 (2020 : RM Nil).

This announcement is dated 31 December 2021.