

PERMAJU INDUSTRIES BERHAD
(INCORPORATED IN MALAYSIA) Company No. 199601006711(379057-V)
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE QUARTER 31ST MAR 2023

	Note	Individual Quarter		Cumulative Quarter	
		Current Year Quarter 31.03.2023 RM'000 Unaudited	Preceding Year Quarter 31.03.2022 RM'000 Unaudited	Current Year To-Date 31.03.2023 RM'000 Unaudited	Preceding Year To-Date 31.03.2022 RM'000 Unaudited
Revenue		12,935	3,407	35,211	14,624
Cost of sales		(11,427)	(3,257)	(31,659)	(13,750)
Gross profit		<u>1,508</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>3,552</u>	<u>874</u>
Other income		771	345	2,070	1,408
Fair value gain/loss on other investment		(1,975)	(6,938)	(7,801)	(20,840)
Selling and marketing expenses		(504)	(355)	(1,252)	(853)
Administrative expenses		(6,834)	(1,545)	(11,232)	(5,350)
Other expenses		(198)	(197)	(593)	(637)
Operating loss		<u>(7,232)</u>	<u>(8,540)</u>	<u>(15,256)</u>	<u>(25,398)</u>
Finance costs		(107)	(144)	(354)	(342)
Loss before tax		<u>(7,339)</u>	<u>(8,684)</u>	<u>(15,610)</u>	<u>(25,740)</u>
Income tax expense		20	20	60	60
Loss for the period	19	<u>(7,319)</u>	<u>(8,664)</u>	<u>(15,550)</u>	<u>(25,680)</u>
for the period, net of tax		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Loss attributed to					
- Owners of the company		(7,319)	(8,664)	(15,550)	(25,680)
- Non-controlling interests		-	-	-	-
		<u>(7,319)</u>	<u>(8,664)</u>	<u>(15,550)</u>	<u>(25,680)</u>
Total comprehensive loss attributed to					
- Owners of the company		(7,319)	(8,664)	(15,550)	(25,680)
- Non-controlling interests		-	-	-	-
		<u>(7,319)</u>	<u>(8,664)</u>	<u>(15,550)</u>	<u>(25,680)</u>
Basic/diluted loss per share attributable to owners of the Company :					
Basic/diluted loss per share for the period (sen)		(0.43)	(0.64)	(0.92)	(1.89)

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31ST MAR 2023

	Note	As at 31.03.2023 RM'000 (Unaudited)	As at 30.06.2022 RM'000 (Audited)
Non - current assets			
Property, plant and equipment		61,732	56,211
Other investment		64,877	71,692
Land held for property development		106,293	106,268
Biological assets		1,041	5,204
Right use of assets		6,181	6,557
Deferred tax assets		129	129
		<u>240,253</u>	<u>246,061</u>
Current assets			
Inventories		7,031	1,311
Trade receivables		4,756	723
Other receivables, prepayments and deposits		22,928	22,035
Tax recoverable		302	302
Cash and bank balances		12,740	37,993
		<u>47,757</u>	<u>62,364</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u><u>288,010</u></u>	<u><u>308,425</u></u>
Current liabilities			
Trade payables		3,459	5,492
Other payables		3,965	6,456
Lease liabilities		413	413
Income tax payable		6	6
		<u>7,843</u>	<u>12,367</u>
Net current assets		<u>39,914</u>	<u>49,997</u>
Non - current liabilities			
Lease liabilities		6,178	6,459
Deferred tax liabilities		7,256	7,316
		<u>13,434</u>	<u>13,775</u>
Total liabilities		<u>21,277</u>	<u>26,142</u>
Net assets		<u>266,733</u>	<u>282,283</u>
Equity attributable to owners of the Company			
Treasury shares	7	-	-
Merger deficit		-	-

Revaluation reserve	21,552	21,552
Irredeemable convertible preference shares (ICPS)	40,203	41,791
Other reserves	(53,540)	(53,540)
Warrant reserves	53,540	53,540
Accumulated losses	(238,299)	(222,749)
Total equity	<u>266,733</u>	<u>282,283</u>
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	<u><u>288,010</u></u>	<u><u>308,425</u></u>
Net asset per share - RM	0.16	0.19

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE FINANCIAL QUARTER ENDED 31ST MAR 2023
(The figures have not been audited)

	----- Attributable to Owners of the Company -----										
	----- Non-Distributable -----							Distributable			
	Equity Total RM'000	Equity attributable to owners of the parent, Total RM'000	Share Capital RM'000	Treasury Shares RM'000	Merger Deficit RM'000	Revaluation Reserves RM'000	Irredeemable Convertible Preference Shares ("ICPS") RM'000	Other Reserves RM'000	Warrant Reserves RM'000	Accumulated Losses RM'000	Non controlling interest RM'000
As at 1st July 2022	282,283	282,283	441,689	-	-	21,552	41,791	(53,540)	53,540	(222,749)	-
Rights Issue of ICPS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Conversion of ICPS to ordinary shares	-	-	1,588	-	-	-	(1,588)	-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive loss for the period	(15,550)	(15,550)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(15,550)	-
As at 31st Mar 2023	<u>266,733</u>	<u>266,733</u>	<u>443,277</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,552</u>	<u>40,203</u>	<u>(53,540)</u>	<u>53,540</u>	<u>(238,299)</u>	<u>-</u>
As at 1st July 2021	270,832	259,796	363,925	-	(629)	21,552	51,852	(53,540)	53,540	(176,904)	11,036
Rights Issue of ICPS	67,187	67,187	67,187	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Conversion of ICPS to ordinary shares	-	-	8,431	-	-	-	(8,431)	-	-	-	-
Reversal of Merger Deficit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acquisition shares from NCI of a subsi	(21,796)	(10,760)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(10,760)	(11,036)
Employee Share Option Exercised	515	515	515	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive loss for the period	(25,680)	(25,680)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(25,680)	-
As at 31st Mar 2022	<u>291,058</u>	<u>291,058</u>	<u>440,058</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(629)</u>	<u>21,552</u>	<u>43,421</u>	<u>(53,540)</u>	<u>53,540</u>	<u>(213,344)</u>	<u>-</u>

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE FINANCIAL QUARTER ENDED 31ST MAR 2023

	Current Year To-Date 31.03.2023 RM'000 Unaudited	Preceding Year To-Date 31.03.2022 RM'000 Audited
Operating activities		
Loss before tax	(15,610)	(25,740)
Adjustments for :		
Interest income	(1,446)	(701)
Finance costs	354	342
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	706	310
Depreciation of right of use asset	376	376
Loss on disposal of Biological assets	4,163	-
Impairment of Biological assets	484	482
Inventories written off	-	(2)
Net gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	(51)
Impairment of Inventory	-	62
Property, plant and equipment written off	6	-
Impairment on trade and other receivables	317	283
Write off on trade and other receivables	-	(13)
Unrealised loss on marketable securities	7,801	20,840
Realised gain on marketable securities	-	440
Operating cash flows before changes in working capital	<u>(2,849)</u>	<u>(3,372)</u>
(Increase)/Decrease in inventories	(5,720)	3,571
(Increase)/Decrease in property development cost	(25)	8,514
Increase in trade and other receivables	(5,244)	-
Decrease in trade and other payables	(4,524)	(9,810)
Cash used in operations	<u>(18,362)</u>	<u>(1,097)</u>
Interest received	1,446	701
Interest paid	(95)	(69)
Tax paid	-	(68)
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>(17,011)</u>	<u>(533)</u>
Placement in licensed banks	(985)	(30,363)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(6,717)	(122)
Purchase of marketable securities	-	(16,008)
Proceeds from disposal of marketable securities	-	3,740
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	100
Acquisition of shares from non-controlling interests of a subsidiary	-	(21,796)
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(7,702)</u>	<u>(64,449)</u>
Financing activities		
Issuance of Ordinary Share pursuant to Right ICPS	1,588	8,431
Employee shares option exercised	-	515
Proceeds from conversion of ICPS	(1,588)	(8,431)

<i>Proceed from issuance - Rights Issue</i>	-	67,187
<i>Repayment of finance lease</i>	<u>(540)</u>	<u>(540)</u>
<i>Net cash (used in)/generated from financing activities</i>	<u>(540)</u>	<u>67,162</u>
<i>Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents</i>	(25,253)	2,180
<i>Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial period</i>	37,132	33,374
<i>Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial period</i>	<u>11,879</u>	<u>35,554</u>
<i>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial period comprise the following :</i>		
	As at	As at
	31.03.2023	31.03.2022
	RM'000	RM'000
<i>Cash and bank balances</i>	12,740	36,318
<i>Less: Deposits pledged</i>	<u>(861)</u>	<u>(764)</u>
	<u>11,879</u>	<u>35,554</u>

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**INTERIM REPORT FOR THE FINANCIAL QUARTER
ENDED 31 MAR 2023**

*NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD
ENDED 31ST MAR 2023*

PART A – EXPLANATORY NOTES PURSUANT TO MFRS 134

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial statements of the Group and the Company have been prepared in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards (“MFRS”), International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Companies Act, 2016 in Malaysia.

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except as disclosed in the accounting policies below. The financial statements are presented in Ringgit Malaysia (RM).

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Adoption of MFRSs, amendments to MFRSs and IC Interpretation

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial period except as follows:

On 1 July 2021, the Company adopted the following new and amended MFRS and Interpretations Committee (“IC”) Interpretations mandatory for annual financial periods beginning on or after 1 July 2021.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Effective for annual periods beginning on or after</u>
Amendments to MFRS 9, MFRS 139, MFRS 7, MFRS 4 and MFRS 16: Interest Rate Benchmark Reform – Phase 2	1 January 2021
Amendments to MFRS 16: Covid-19-Related Rent Concessions beyond 30 June 2021	1 April 2021

The above standards did not have material effect on the financial performance or position of the Group and the Company except as disclosed below:

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D.)

(a) Standard and Interpretation issued but not yet effective

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

<u>Description</u>	<u>Effective for annual periods beginning on or after</u>
Amendments to MFRS 3: Reference to Conceptual Framework	1 January 2022
Amendments to MFRS 116: Property, Plant and Equipment - Proceeds before Intended Use	1 January 2022
Amendments to MFRS 137: Onerous Contracts - Cost of Fulfilling a Contract	1 January 2022
Annual improvements to MFRS 2018 - 2020	1 January 2022
MFRS 17: Insurance Contracts	1 January 2023
Amendments to MFRS 17: Initial Application of MFRS 17 and MFRS 9 - Comparative Information	1 January 2023
Amendments to MFRS 17: Insurance Contracts	1 January 2023
Amendments to MFRS 101: Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current	1 January 2023
Amendments to MFRS 101: Disclosure of Accounting Policies	1 January 2023
Amendments to MFRS 108: Definition of Accounting Estimates	1 January 2023
Amendments to MFRS 112: Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction	1 January 2023
Amendments to MFRS 10 and MFRS 128: Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture	Deferred

The Directors expect that the adoption of the above standards and interpretations will have no material impact on the financial statements in the year of initial applications.

3. AUDITOR'S REPORT ON PRECEEDING ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The audit report of the Group's annual financial statements for the financial year ended 30th June 2022 was not subject to any qualification.

4. SEASONAL OR CYCLICAL FACTORS OF INTERIM OPERATIONS

The Group's business operations for the period ended 31st Mar 2023 have not been materially affected by seasonal or cyclical factors.

5. UNUSUAL ITEMS DUE TO THEIR NATURE, SIZE OR INCIDENCE

There were no unusual items affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flows of the Group for the financial quarter ended 31st Mar 2023.

6. EFFECTS OF CHANGES IN ESTIMATES

There were no changes in estimates that have a material effect in the financial quarter ended 31st Mar 2023.

7. CHANGES IN DEBTS AND EQUITY SECURITIES

During the current quarter ended 31st Mar 2023, there were no other issuances, cancellations, repurchases, resale and repayments of debts and equity securities except for the conversion of ICPS to 4,025,000 ordinary shares.

8. DIVIDEND PAYMENT

There was no dividend paid for the current quarter and financial period ended 31st Mar 2023.

9. CARRYING AMOUNT OF REVALUED ASSETS

The Group has revalued its leasehold land during the financial year 2022 based on valuations carried out by an independent professional valuer on an open market value basis during that financial year.

10. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

There were no material events subsequent to the interim financial report under review as at the date of this announcement.

11. OPERATING SEGMENTS

The Group has three reportable segments, namely automotive, property development and others which involved in Group-level corporate services, treasury functions and investments in marketable securities, which are the Group's strategic business units. The strategic business units offer different products and services, and are managed separately.

(a) Information about reportable segments

	For the period ended 31.03.2023									
	Automotive		Property Development		Others		Adjustments and elimination		Total	
	31.03.23 RM'000	31.03.22 RM'000	31.03.23 RM'000	31.03.22 RM'000	31.03.23 RM'000	31.03.22 RM'000	31.03.23 RM'000	31.03.22 RM'000	31.03.23 RM'000	31.03.22 RM'000
External revenue	35,562	12,950	-	2,025	-	-	(351)	(351)	35,211	14,624
Segment loss after tax	(574)	(2,185)	(490)	(78)	(14,274)	(23,035)	(211)	(382)	(15,550)	(25,680)
Segment assets	50,282	15,620	71,055	75,793	381,460	397,249	(214,786)	(172,044)	288,010	316,618
Segment liabilities	87,269	51,602	80,137	80,804	120,299	117,222	(266,428)	(224,067)	21,277	25,561

12. CHANGES IN COMPOSITION OF THE GROUP

There were no changes in the composition of the Group for the current quarter ended 31st Mar 2023.

13. CHANGES IN CONTINGENT LIABILITIES OR CONTINGENT ASSETS

There were no changes in contingent liabilities or contingent assets of the Group since the last statement of financial position as at 31st Mar 2023.

PART B – EXPLANATORY NOTES PURSUANT TO APPENDIX 9B OF THE LISTING REQUIREMENTS OF BURSA MALAYSIA SECURITIES BERHAD

14. REVIEW OF PERFORMANCE

The Group's revenue for the current quarter of RM12.94 million has increased by RM9.53 million compared to the preceding year corresponding quarter of RM3.41 million due to the increase of 240% in Automotive Division. There are 66 units of Ford Ranger sold during the current quarter compared to 18 units in preceding year corresponding quarter.

The Group registered pre-tax loss of RM7.32 million despite an increase of gross profit of RM1.36million as compared to loss of RM8.66 million in previous corresponding quarter. The significant reduction in loss was mainly due to the combination of the following: -

- (i) decrease in fair value loss on quoted investment of RM4.96 million; and
- (ii) increase in administrative expenses which was mainly due to disposal of biological assets of RM4.16 million.

15. COMPARISON WITH IMMEDIATE PRECEDING QUARTER'S RESULTS

	Current Quarter As at 31 Mar 2023 RM'000	Previous Quarter As at 31 Dec 2022 RM'000
Revenue	12,935	12,524
Loss before tax	(7,339)	(401)

The increase of revenue of RM0.41 million as compared to last quarter was contributed solely by the Automotive Division.

Despite, the Group suffered a higher loss before taxation of RM 7.33 million as compared to a pre-tax loss of RM 0.40 million in previous quarter was mainly attributed by the loss on disposal of biological assets during the quarter.

16. PROSPECTS

Automotive

In the recovery process from the Covid-19 pandemic environment, the Group is currently consolidating its automotive resources to focus on Ford vehicles and electric vehicles (EV's) with the aim of reviving its automotive division. In addition, the Group has also started a luxury car rental business especially Electrical Vehicles which is expected to transform the Group into a fully-fledged automotive service provider in the future.

Property Division

The Group is cautiously enthusiastic about the property division. The Group currently reviewing in terms of existing gross development costs (GDC), gross development value (GDV), and current land values. The Group intends to proceed with the current plan and is actively seeking new property development markets.

Plantation Division

The collaboration with the Malaysian Cocoa Board to venture into cocoa plantation through the development of Cocoa Smart Farming is progressing, with land clearing completed and earthworks (terracing, roads, and drainage), nursery, and planting underway and expected to be completed by the end of the quarter.

The cooperation with Felcra Bekalan & Perkhidmatan Sdn. Bhd. has begun with land clearing and is expected to be completed by end of fourth quarter. The plantation division is anticipated to increase its involvement in the future, and the Group will profit from these efforts.

17. PROFIT FORECAST OR PROFIT GUARANTEE

The Group did not issue any profit forecast and/or profit guarantee to the public given.

18. INCOME TAX BENEFIT

	Quarter		To Date	
	31.03.2023 RM'000	31.03.2022 RM'000	31.03.2023 RM'000	31.03.2022 RM'000
Income tax	20	20	40	40
	<u>20</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>40</u>

19. LOSS FOR THE PERIOD

Loss for the period is arrived at after charging:

	Current Year	Cumulative Year
	Quarter 31.03.2023 RM'000	To Date 31.03.2023 RM'000
Finance costs	107	354
Depreciation and amortization	361	706
Impairment of biological assets	162	484
Impairment on expected credit loss (Net)	3	317
Fixed assets written off/impaired	-	6

20. SALE OF UNQUOTED INVESTMENTS AND PROPERTIES

There were no sales of unquoted investments and properties for the financial quarter under review.

21. CORPORATE PROPOSALS 2020

NEW ISSUE OF SECURITIES (CHAPTER 6 OF LISTING REQUIREMENTS) FUND RAISING

- (I) RIGHTS ISSUE OF ICPC WITH WARRANTS
- (II) SETTLEMENT
- (III) CONSTITUTION AMENDMENTS

(COLLECTIVELY REFERRED TO AS THE “CORPORATE EXERCISE”)

(For consistency purposes, the abbreviations and definitions used throughout this announcement shall have the same meanings as those previously defined in the Abridged Prospectus of the Company dated 14 July 2020 in relation to the Rights Issue of ICPS with Warrants.)

- a. On behalf of the Board, Mercury Securities had announced that the Corporate Exercises have been completed following the listing and quotation of 1,381,288,215 ICPS (comprising 936,309,855 Rights ICPS and 444,978,360 Settlement ICPS) and 93,630,984 Securities on 21 August 2020.
- b. Utilisation of proceeds

The gross proceeds raised from ICPS was RM46,815,492.75 and the current utilisation status is set out as follows: -

Purpose	Intended Timeframe for Utilisation from Completion Date	Proposed Utilisation RM'000	Actual Utilisation as at 30 May 2023 RM'000	Balance Utilisation RM'000
Development of the Mydin Project	Within 36 months	38,470	(18,427)	20,043
Funding for automotive division	Within 12 months	5,000	(5,000)	-
Repayment of bank borrowings	Within 3 months	1,995	(1,995)	-
Estimated expenses for the Corporate Exercises	Immediate	1,350	(1,350)	-
TOTAL		46,815	(26,772)	20,043

22. PRIVATE PLACEMENT 2020

On 18 November 2020, the Company completed a private placement exercise involving the issuance of 49,331,502 new Shares and raising a total of RM 7.95 million.

The current utilisation status as follows:-

Utilisation of proceeds	Intended Timeframe for Utilisation from 18 November 2020	Extended Timeframe for Utilisation RM'000	Proposed Utilisation RM'000	Actual Utilisation as at 30 May 2023 RM'000	Balance Utilisation RM'000
Development of an online platform for luxury car rentals	Within 9 months	Within 12 months ⁽ⁱ⁾	2,500	(830)	1,670
Acquisition of new cars for the Group's luxury car rental business	Within 24 months	-	3,950	(3,950)	-
Working Capital	Within 24 months	-	1,062	(1,062)	-
Estimated expenses for the Private Placement 2020	Immediate	-	440	(440)	-
TOTAL			7,952	(6,282)	1,670

Notes:-

- i) Development of an online platform for luxury car rentals unutilised due to negotiation with the supplier on the price and design still ongoing. The fund will be utilised in next 12 months

23. CORPORATE PROPOSALS 2021

NEW ISSUE OF SECURITIES (CHAPTER 6 OF LISTING REQUIREMENTS) FUND RAISING

(I) RIGHTS ISSUE

(COLLECTIVELY REFERRED TO AS THE “CORPORATE EXERCISE”)

(For consistency purposes, the abbreviations and definitions used throughout this announcement shall have the same meanings as those previously defined in the Abridged Prospectus dated 5 November 2021 issued by the Company in relation to the Right Issue.)

a. On behalf of the Board, Mercury Securities wishes to announce that the Rights Issue has been completed following the listing and quotation of 959,813,224 Right Shares on the Main Market of Bursa Securities on 6 December 2021.

b. Utilisation of proceeds

Based on the issue price of RM0.07 per Right Share, the gross proceeds to be raised from the Right Issue are intended to be utilised in the following manner: -

Utilisation of proceeds	Intended timeframe for utilisation from completion date	Proposed Utilisation RM'000	Actual utilised as at 30 May 2023 RM'000	Balance unutilised RM'000
(i) Importation of luxury and premium EVs	Within 24 months	25,000	(16,512)	8,488
(ii) Establishment of an EV showroom and after-sales service centre	Within 15 months	29,000	-	29,000
(iii) Advertising and promotional activities to promote EVs	Within 24 months	8,000	-	8,000
(iv) Working capital	Within 24 months	4,437	(2,387)	2,050
(v) Estimated expenses for the Right Issue	Immediate	750	(750)	-
Total		67,187	(19,649)	47,538

24. OFF BALANCE SHEET FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

There were no off balance sheet financial instruments as at the date of this announcement.

25. CHANGES IN MATERIAL LITIGATION

There were no material changes in the following litigation where:

An architect ("the Claimant") filed a civil suit against both the Company and the subsidiary for wrongful termination of his services and claimed outstanding fees with interest and loss of income amounting to RM11.4 million.

The High Court directed that the claim by the Claimant against the subsidiary be referred to arbitration. On 28 March 2013, upon the appointment of the Arbitrator, the High Court struck off the claim against the subsidiary. On 7 November 2014, all parties agreed to withdraw the suit between the Claimant and the Company. Thereafter, the Arbitrator will hear both claims together.

The Arbitration proceeded with the Claimant and the respondent calling their respective witnesses. The principal issue to be decided by the Arbitrator is on whether there had been a mutual termination or wrongful termination of the Claimant's engagement. Based on the oral and documentary evidences produced in the Arbitration and supported by legal position, the Company's solicitors are of the view that the Company has established on a balance of probability that there was a mutual termination of the Claimant's engagement.

On 21 May 2018, the subsidiary's solicitors have informed that the Arbitrator has given a partial award on the Breach of Contract Arbitration ("Partial Award") and held that the subsidiary had wrongfully terminated the Claimant's for its services and has awarded costs in the cause in the final award to the Claimant. There has been no award made by the Arbitrator in respect of the quantum of damages payable to the Claimant in relation to the Breach of Contract Arbitration and no directions from the Arbitrator in respect of the Permaju Arbitration.

Pursuant to the directions given at the case management on 28 June 2019, the Tribunal had directed parties to submit submissions incorporating previous submissions on the issue of illegality with answers to clarification questions posed by the Tribunal. On 1 August 2019, the subsidiary's solicitors have filed the necessary information to the Tribunal.

On 7 October 2019, the Arbitrator issued Partial Award No.2 which found that the Claimant's services had not been voided by illegality and he had been, wrongfully terminated. The Company is appealing against this decision and the Company's solicitors had filed the necessary application to set aside the Partial Award.

The hearing of the Claimant's claim against the Company and the subsidiary for inducing to breach their contract with the Claimant is fixed for hearing on 6 to 9 April 2021. Apart from the foregoing, in respect of the Partial Award 1 and 2 is fixed for Hearing of Appeal on 21 April 2021.

Both of the matters were adjourned on the grounds that parties are trying for settlement on 21 April 2021. The next hearing is fixed on 1 September 2021 which the Court of Appeal heard arguments from both the Applicant's Counsel and the subsidiary's Counsel and

reserved Judgment to 16 November 2021.

Notwithstanding the earlier Directions given by the Learned Arbitrator, the Learned Arbitrator gave Directions for Parties to file Submissions on the issue of quantum. On 17 March 2021, the Arbitrator published Partial Award No. 3. The Award reads as follows:

- (i) The subsidiary to pay the Claimant the net principal sum of RM2,600,724.04 as the amount of outstanding Professional Fees;
- (ii) The subsidiary to pay the Claimant a Pre-Award interest of RM1,943,374.40;
- (iii) The subsidiary shall bear in full the cost of award of Partial Award 1, Partial Award No.2 and Partial Award No.3 Tax by the Tribunal as RM132,000.00;
- (iv) Cost in reference for the subsidiary and the Company Arbitration shall be reserved until the Final Award;
- (v) Any sum awarded by the Tribunal shall be payable within four (4) weeks from the date of the said Award, failing this David Shen is entitled to impose a further interest at the rate of 5% per annum.

Meanwhile, the Claimant's Solicitors filed an application for the enforcement of Partial Award No.3 at the Kota Kinabalu High Court vide Originating Summons No. BKI-24NCC(ARB)-4/6-2021. The subsidiary's Solicitors filed an application to set aside Partial Award No.3 vide Originating Summons No. BKI-24NCC(ARB)-4/6-2021.

On 26 July 2021, the Judge directed that the application filed by the subsidiary to set aside Partial Award No.3 will be heard first and if the subsidiary's application is allowed, then the Claimant's application would fall. The Court fixed Hardie's application for Hearing on 14 September 2021.

However, in view of the pending decision from the Court of Appeal, both parties by mutual agreement agreed to defer the hearing until the outcome of the Court of Appeal's decision in respect of Partial Award 1 and 2 which is fixed for decision on 16 November 2021.

Meanwhile, the hearing of setting aside Partial Award No.3 and the Application for the enforcement of Partial Award is now fixed for hearing on 23 November 2021.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, as a result of the Partial Award No.3, the subsidiary's Solicitors commenced negotiations with the Claimant's Solicitors and still on-going.

In respect of David Shen's claim against the Company for inducing the subsidiary to breach their contract, the Arbitrator vacated hearing dates pending negotiations in respect of Partial Award No.3. In view of the negotiations, there are no Hearing dates in respect of the Claimant's claim against the Company.

As at 30 June 2021, the subsidiary has provided the contingent liability amounting to RM4,909,903.36. On 21 April 2021, the parties are trying for settlement and the next hearing is fixed on 23 November 2021.

Based on latest update, the Court had directed that both the above-mentioned Originating Summons will be heard together and parties are to file their Written Submissions on or before 15th December 2021. Submissions for rebuttal (if any) are to be filed on or before 31st December 2021.

The Hearing date will be fixed before the High Court Judicial Commissioner, Puan Amelati Parnell on 12th January 2022.

The decision has been fixed on 28th March 2022 in respect of Hardie's Application to Set Aside Partial Award No.3 (original summons no: BKI-24NCC(ARB)3/6-2021) and David Shen I-Tan's Application to register Partial Award No.3 (original summons no: BKI-24NCC(ARB)4/6-2021).

The Court had set aside the pre-award interest of RM 1,943,374.40 as awarded by the Learned Arbitrator (original summons no: BKI-24NCC(ARB)3/6-2021) on 28 March 2022. However, the Court disallowed the application filed by Hardie Development Sdn Bhd to set aside the rest of the Arbitrator's Award.

The Court had allowed the application filed by David Shen I-Tan for the registration of Arbitrator's Award as a Court Judgement, which subject to the setting aside the pre-award interest of RM1,943,374.40 (original summons no: BKI-24NCC(ARB)4/6-2021).

The Arbitration proceedings by David Shen I-Tan against Permaju Industries Berhad is in abeyance until the outcome of the Appeals by both parties, which is currently pending in the Court of Appeal.

26. DIVIDEND PAYABLE

No interim ordinary dividend has been declared for the financial period ended 31st Mar 2023 (31st Mar 2022: Nil).

27. LOSS PER ORDINARY SHARE

Basic loss per share amounts are calculated by dividing loss for the year, net of tax, attributable to owners of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the financial year.

The following reflect the loss and share data used in the computation of basic and diluted loss per share for the financial year ended 31st Mar 2023:

	Individual Quarter		Cumulative Quarter	
	Current Year Quarter 31.03.2023	Preceding Year Quarter 31.03.2022	Current Year Quarter 31.03.2023	Preceding Year Quarter 31.03.2022
Net loss for the period (RM'000)	(7,319)	(8,664)	(15,550)	(25,680)
Weighted average number of ordinary shares ('000)	1,685,756	1,355,598	1,685,756	1,355,598
Basic/diluted loss per share (sen)	<u>(0.43)</u>	<u>(0.64)</u>	<u>(0.92)</u>	<u>(1.89)</u>

*The weighted average number of shares takes into account the weighted average effect of changes in treasury shares transactions during the financial year, if any.

28. REALISED AND UNREALISED LOSSES DISCLOSURE

	As at 31.03.2023 RM'000	As at 31.03.2022 RM'000
Total retained accumulated losses of Permaju Industries Berhad and its subsidiaries :		
- Realised	(231,273)	(206,318)
- Unrealised	<u>(7,026)</u>	<u>(7,026)</u>
Total group accumulated losses as per consolidated accounts	<u>(238,299)</u>	<u>(213,344)</u>

29. AUTHORISATION FOR ISSUE

The interim financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors in accordance with a resolution of the Directors on 30 May 2023.