

Company No. 48166-W (Incorporated in Malaysia)

INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 30 JUNE 2019

Explanatory Notes

1. Basis of Preparation

The unaudited interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards and paragraph 9.22 of the Main Marketing Listing Requirements (MMLR) of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad. The accounting policies and method of computation adopted for the interim financial reports were consistent with new standards effective from 1/1/2019 inclusive of those adopted for the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018.

2. Annual Audit Report

The audit report of the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018 was not subject to any qualification.

3. Seasonal or Cyclical Operations

The operations of the Group were not affected by any seasonal or cyclical factors.

4. Extraordinary and Exceptional Items

There were no extraordinary and exceptional items of an unusual nature affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income, or cash flows for the current quarter and unaudited financial period ended 30 June 2019.

5. Changes in Material Estimates

There were no significant changes in estimates used in the current quarter and financial period ended 30 June 2019.

6. Movement of Company's Securities

There were no issuance and repayment of debt and equity securities, share cancellations and resale of treasury shares in the current quarter and financial period ended 30 June 2019.

7. Dividend

On 04 January 2019, the directors approved an interim tax exempt dividend of 3.0 sen per ordinary share for the financial year ended 31 December 2018. The dividend of RM 38,368,074 was paid on 30 January 2019.

On 12 April 2019, the directors recommended a final tax exempt dividend of 3.0 sen per ordinary share for the financial year ended 31 December 2018. This dividend was approved at the 2019 Annual General Meeting and the amount of RM 38,368,074 will be paid on 21 June 2019.

There were no other dividends declared or paid in the current quarter and financial period ended 30 June 2019.

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8. Segmental Reporting

			Divisions		
	Technical			Investment	_
	Rubber	Gloves	Clean-Room	Holding	Total
	RM '000	RM '000	RM '000	RM '000	RM '000
Financial period ended - 30/06/2019					
Revenue	89,397	975,002	46,207	8,844	1,119,450
Intercompany elimination	0	0	0	(7,449)	(7,449)
	89,397	975,002	46,207	1,395	1,112,001
Profit before tax	14,261	129,870	1,206	(277)	145,060
- 30/06/2018					
Revenue	88,112	851,673	39,671	9,658	989,114
Intercompany elimination	0	0	0	(8,149)	(8,149)
	88,112	851,673	39,671	1,509	980,965
Profit before tax	13,151	93,805	1,542	(560)	107,938
Quarter ended - 30/06/2019					
Revenue	42,720	478,014	29,097	4,427	554,258
Intercompany elimination	0	0	0	(3,725)	(3,725)
	42,720	478,014	29,097	702	550,533
Profit before tax	7,450	61,908	630	(8)	69,980
- 30/06/2018					
Revenue	44,536	432,362	19,300	5,014	501,212
Intercompany elimination	0	0	0	(4,425)	(4,425)
	44,536	432,362	19,300	589	496,787
Profit before tax	8,109	46,336	1,125	(666)	54,904

9. Valuation of Property, Plant and Equipment

There were no changes or amendments to the valuation of property plant and equipment from the previous year audited financial statements.

10. Material Events Subsequent to the End of the Interim Report

There were no significant event that has occurred between 01 July 2019 and the date of this announcement which will materially affect the earnings or income of the Group.

11. Changes in the Composition of the Group

There were no changes in the composition of the Group including disposal of subsidiaries and long-term investment, restructuring and discontinuing operations of the Group in the current quarter and financial period ended 30 June 2019.

12. Contingent Liabilities

As at 30 June 2019, the Company has unsecured outstanding contingent liabilities amounting to RM581.355 million (31 Dec 2018: RM491.255 million) being corporate guarantees given to financial institutions for banking facilities granted to certain subsidiaries.

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13. Capital and other Commitments

As at financial period ended 30/06/2019 31/12/2018 RM'000 RM'000

Property, plant and equipment
Within one year: Contracted but not provided 4,234 7,734

14. Additional Information required pursuant to MMLR.

14.1 Review of Results

	Individ	lual Period				
	Cumulative Period					
	Current Year	Quarter) Preceding Year Corresponding		Current Year	Preceding Year Corresponding	
	Quarter 30/06/19 RM '000	Quarter 30/06/18 RM '000	Changes %	to-date 30/06/19 RM '000	Period 30/06/18 RM '000	Changes %
Revenue	550,533	496,787	10.82	1,112,001	980,965	13.36
Operating profit	75,226	58,969	27.57	154,949	115,929	33.66
Profit Before						
Interest and Tax	75,226	58,969	27.57	154,949	115,929	33.66
Profit before tax	69,980	54,904	27.46	145,060	107,938	34.39
Profit after tax	56,709	44,703	26.86	116,182	89,993	29.10
Profit attributed To Ordinary Equity						
Shareholders	55,883	43,443	28.64	114,607	87,958	30.30

			Divisions		
	Technical Rubber RM '000	Gloves RM '000	Clean-Room RM '000	Investment Holding RM '000	Total RM '000
Financial period ended - 30/06/2019					
Revenue	89,397	975,002	46,207	8,844	1,119,450
Intercompany elimination	0	0	0	(7,449)	(7,449)
	89,397	975,002	46,207	1,395	1,112,001
Profit before tax	14,261	129,870	1,206	(277)	145,060
PBT/Revenue %	15.95	13.32	2.61	(19.86)	13.05
- 30/06/2018					
Revenue	88,112	851,673	39,671	9,658	989,114
Intercompany elimination	0	0	0	(8,149)	(8,149)
	88,112	851,673	39,671	1,509	980,965
Profit before tax	13,151	93,805	1,542	(560)	107,938
PBT/Revenue %	14.93	11.01	3.89	(37.11)	11.00
Comparison of financial period					
Percentage change	%	%	%	%	% 12.26
Revenue	1.46	14.48	16.48	(7.55)	13.36
Profit before tax	8.44	38.45	(21.79)	na	34.39

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14.1 Review of Results (continue)

	Divisions					
Financial period ended	Technical Rubber RM '000	Gloves RM '000	Clean-Room RM '000	Investment Holding RM '000	Total RM '000	
Quarter ended - 30/06/2019						
Revenue	42,720	478,014	29,097	4,427	554,258	
Intercompany elimination	0	0	0	(3,725)	(3,725)	
	42,720	478,014	29,097	702	550,533	
Profit before tax	7,450	61,908	630	(8)	69,980	
PBT/Revenue %	17.44	12.95	2.17	na	12.71	
- 30/06/2018						
Revenue	44,536	432,362	19,300	5,014	501,212	
Intercompany elimination	0	0	0	(4,425)	(4,425)	
	44,536	432,362	19,300	589	496,787	
Profit before tax	8,109	46,336	1,125	(666)	54,904	
PBT/Revenue %	18.21	10.72	5.83	na	11.05	
Comparison of financial	period					
Percentage change	%	%	%	%	%	
Revenue	(4.08)	10.56	50.76	19.19	10.82	
Profit before tax	(8.13)	33.61	(44.00)	na	27.46	

Additional Information required by MMLR.

Comparison of Current financial period to date ("1H19") with corresponding financial period ("1H18")

For the 1H19, the Group's revenue increased by 13.36% to RM1,112.00 million as compared with RM980.97 million for the corresponding period in 2018. Profit before taxation (PBT) rose 34.39% to RM145.06 million in 1H19 as compared with RM107.94 million for the corresponding period last year. The improved year-to-date performance was mainly attributable to the improved performance from the Gloves and TRPs division.

The Gloves division's revenue rose 14.48% to RM975.00 million in 1H19 as compared with RM851.67 million in 1H18. PBT rose 38.45% to RM129.87 million as compared with RM93.81 million recorded in the corresponding period last year. The improved performance was achieved on the back of demand growth for the Group's glove products, with higher volume sold (+14.88%) from increased production output, as well as increased manufacturing efficiency and effective cost controls as compared with the previous year corresponding period.

The TRPs division's revenue rose 1.46% to RM89.40 million in 1H19 as compared with RM88.11 million in 1H18, while PBT rose 8.44% to RM14.26 million from RM13.15 million recorded in the previous year corresponding period last year. The improved performance was mainly attributable to increased sales deliveries and sales of higher margin products.

The Cleanroom division recorded revenue and PBT of RM46.21 million and RM1.21 million respectively in 1H19, as compared with RM39.67 million and RM1.54 million in 1H18.

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14.1 Review of Results (continue)

Additional Information required by MMLR.

Comparison of Current quarter (2Q19) with corresponding quarter (2Q18)

For the 2Q19, the Group recorded higher revenue of 10.82% to RM550.53 million as compared with RM496.79 million in 2Q18, while PBT rose 27.46% to RM69.98 million as compared with RM54.90 million in the previous year. The better performance was attributable to the improved performance in the Gloves division as compared with the previous year.

The Gloves division's revenue rose 10.56% to RM478.01 million in 2Q19 from RM432.36 million in 2Q18, with PBT rising 33.61% to RM61.91 million in the current quarter as compared with RM46.34 million from a year ago. The improved performance was achieved on the back of demand growth for the Group's glove products, with higher volume sold (+8.71%) from increased production output, as well as increased manufacturing efficiency and effective cost controls as compared with the previous year corresponding period.

The TRPs division's revenue of RM42.70 million in 2Q19 was 4.08% lower as compared with RM44.54 million in 2Q18, while PBT decreased 8.13% to RM7.45 million in the current quarter compared to RM8.11 million in the previous year corresponding quarter. The weaker performance was mainly attributable to lower sales deliveries and increase in raw material prices (SMR10 +13.91%).

The Cleanroom division recorded revenue and PBT of RM29.10 million and RM0.63 million respectively in 2Q19, as compared with RM19.30 million and RM1.13 million in 2Q18.

14.2 Explanatory comments on any material change in the profit before taxation for the quarter reported on as compared with the preceding quarter.

	Current Quarter 30/06/2019 RM '000	Preceding Quarter 31/03/2019 RM '000	Changes %
Revenue	550,533	561,468	(1.95)
Operating profit	75,226	79,721	(5.64)
Profit Before Interest and Tax	75,226	79,721	(5.64)
Profit before tax	69,980	75,078	(6.79)
Profit after tax	56,709	59,472	(4.65)
Profit attributed To Ordinary Equity Shareholders	55,883	58,723	(4.84)

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14.2 Explanatory comments on any material change in the profit before taxation for the quarter reported on as compared with the preceding quarter. (continue)

	Divisions				
	Technical Rubber	Gloves	Clean-Room	Investment Holding	 Total
	RM '000	RM '000	RM '000	RM '000	RM '000
Current Quarter ended - 30/06/2019 (2Q19)					
Revenue	42,720	478,014	29,097	4,427	554,258
Intercompany elimination	0	0	0	(3,725)	(3,725)
	42,720	478,014	29,097	702	550,533
Profit before tax	7,450	61,908	630	(8)	69,980
PBT/Revenue %	17.44	12.95	2.17	na	12.71
Preceding Quarter ended - 31/03/2019 (1Q19)	i				
Revenue	46,678	496,988	17,110	4,416	565,192
Intercompany elimination	0	0	0	(3,724)	(3,724)
	46,678	496,988	17,110	692	561,468
Profit before taxation	6,811	67,961	575	(269)	75,078
PBT/Revenue %	14.59	13.68	3.36	(38.87)	13.37
Comparison of quarters Percentage change Revenue Profit before tax	% (8.48) 9.38	% (3.82) (8.91)	% 70.06 9.57	% 1.45 na	% (1.95) (6.79)

Comparison of Current Quarter ("2Q19") with immediate Preceding Quarter ("1Q19")

On a quarter-on-quarter basis, the Group recorded revenue of RM550.53 million in 2Q19, easing 1.95% as compared with RM 561.47 million in the immediate preceding quarter. PBT eased 6.79% to RM69.98 million from RM75.08 million in 1Q19.

The Gloves division recorded revenue of RM478.01 million in 2Q19, easing 3.82% from RM496.99 million in 1Q19. PBT eased 8.91% to RM61.91 million in 2Q19 as compared with RM67.96 million in the immediate preceding quarter. The weaker earnings were a result of scheduled revamp and upgrading works across the Group's plants for efficiency improvements and energy savings in the current quarter as compared with 1Q19.

The TRPs division recorded revenue of RM42.72 million in the current quarter, easing 8.48% as compared with RM46.68 million in 1Q19. PBT meanwhile increased 9.38% to RM7.45 million as compared with RM6.81 million in the immediate preceding quarter. The improved performance was mainly attributable to sales of higher margin products.

The Cleanroom division recorded revenue and PBT of RM29.10 million and RM0.63 million respectively in 2Q19, as compared with RM17.11 million and RM0.58 million in 1Q19.

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14.3 Current Year Prospects

The first half of the 2019 year has been characterised by cost increases and increased competition. Despite the challenging operating environment affecting the industry, Kossan continues to outperform, with a 34% increase in profit before taxation for the 1st half of 2019 compared with the previous year corresponding period.

For the Technical Rubber Products division, the Group views this division as stable.

With the Group's transformation plans and a growth strategy that focuses on cost savings, advanced manufacturing technology and continuous improvements in operating efficiency, Management is confident that FY2019 will be a growth year for the Group.

14.4 Explanatory notes for variance of actual from forecast profit and shortfall in the profit guarantee (only applicable to the final quarter).

Not applicable.

14.5 Taxation

	Quarter period ended			Financial period ended		
	30/06/2019	30/06/2018	30/06/2019	30/06/2018		
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000		
Tax expense - current	10,971	8,501	24,303	14,650		
Deferred taxation	_2,300	1,700	4,575	3,295		
	13,271	10,201	28,878	17,945		

The effective income tax rate for the current quarter and financial period ended 30 June 2019 was lower than the statutory rate due to the availability of tax incentives.

14.6 Status of Corporate Proposal announced but not completed

There were no corporate proposals announced but not completed, for the current quarter and financial period ended 30 June 2019.

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14.7 Group Borrowings

a) The Group borrowings as at 30 June 2019 were as follows:

	Total Unsecured		
	As at	As at	
	30/06/2019	31/12/2018	
	RM'000	RM'000	
Short Term			
Revolving credit	179,418	79,450	
Bankers' acceptances	121,738	116,846	
Term loans due within 12 months	78,109	82,133	
	379,265	278,429	
Long Term			
Term loans due after 12 months	202,642	228,400	
	581,907	506,829	

Included in the above Group borrowings in foreign denomination were as follows:

	As at 30/06/2019	As at 31/12/2018
Unsecured Short term – revolving credit		
Foreign currency	<u>US\$10,000,000</u>	US\$10,000,000
RM equivalent	RM 41,418,000	RM 41,415,000
Average exchange rate RM to US\$ 1.00	RM 4.1418	RM 4.1450

Other than the above, all the other borrowings were denominated in Ringgit Malaysia.

b) There were no debt securities for the financial period ended 30 June 2019.

14.8 Material Litigation

There were no pending material litigation since the last audited annual financial statements date to the date of issue of the quarterly report.

14.9 Earnings Per Share

	Current Quarter ended 30/06/2019 30/06/2018 RM'000 RM'000		Financial period endo 30/06/2019 30/06/201 RM'000 RM'000	
Profit after tax and minority interest	55,883	43,443	114,607	87,958
Basic earnings per share Basic number of ordinary shares in issue ('000)	1,278,936	1,278,936	1,278,936	1,278,936
Basic earnings per share (sen)	4.37	3.40	8.96	6.88

On behalf of the Board

Tan Sri Dato' Lim Kuang Sia Managing Director 22 August 2019