

HARN LEN REPORTS HUGE EARNINGS TURNAROUND FOR 2020

PAT of RM98 million from 2019's loss of RM60 million

Johor Bahru, 22 March 2021 – Harn Len Corporation Bhd (“Harn Len” or “Group”) today announced its financial results for the fourth quarter and full year ended 31 December 2020 (“FYE2020”).

Harn Len reported a higher revenue of RM121.9 million for FYE2020 as compared to the preceding year’s RM116.9 million. The Group recorded a profit after tax (“PAT”) of RM98.1 million in stark contrast to the loss after tax (“LAT”) of RM60.0 million incurred in the preceding year. The profit after tax and minority interest (“PATAMI”) in turn was RM98.8 million as compared to the loss after tax and minority interest (“LATAMI”) of RM58.3 million for FYE2019. The commendable performance was mainly due to the favourable crude palm oil (“CPO”) and palm kernel (“PK”) prices, coupled with the gain from the disposal of an estate and oil palm mill in Pahang which took place in the third quarter of FYE2020.

For the fourth quarter of FYE2020, the Group reported a revenue of RM39.1 million, as compared to the corresponding quarter of RM43.1 million in the preceding year. The PAT was RM0.2 million in contrast to the LAT of RM31.3 million recorded for the corresponding quarter in FYE2019. The Group reported an improved LATAMI of RM0.1 million as compared to its corresponding quarter LATAMI of RM31.4 million. The improvement was mainly due to higher average selling prices of CPO and PK.

The CPO average selling price in FYE2020 was RM2,718 per metric tonne (“per m/t”) (2019: RM2,040), fresh fruit bunch (“FFB”) was RM507 per m/t (2019: RM358) while for PK, the average selling price was RM1,497 per m/t (2019: RM1,139).

The plantation division remains as the major revenue contributor, accounting for 97.5% of the total revenue while the remaining 2.5% comes from the property and other divisions.

Commenting on the results, **Harn Len managing director Low Quek Kiong** said, “I am delighted that Harn Len managed to record substantial earnings after the losses incurred in 2019 despite the challenging conditions of the economy. The improved financial performance is an end result of our key strategic measures in enhancing our productivity, no doubt aided by the favourable CPO and PK prices. Moving forward, we are confident the palm oil prices will continue to remain at the high levels. For the first two months of this year, the CPO price has averaged around RM4,000 while it is currently at about RM3,900. This should translate to a bright and even better year for us.”

About Harn Len Corporation Bhd (“Harn Len”)

Harn Len was incorporated on 1 January 2000 and was listed on Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad on 25 July 2003. Harn Len’s principal activities are in the cultivation of oil palm plantations, operation of palm

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oil mill, provision of plantation development services, palm oil estate and plantation management, investment holding, real property investment and operation of a food and beverage outlet.

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