CREST BUILDER HOLDINGS BERHAD 200201005719 (573382-P)

UNAUDITED INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE THIRD QUARTER ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

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CREST BUILDER HOLDINGS BERHAD ^{200201005719 (573382-P)} CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE THIRD QUARTER ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

	INDIVIDUAL PERIOD		CUMULATIVE PERIOD		
	Current Year Quarter 30-09-2023 RM'000	Preceding Year Quarter 30-09-2022 RM'000	Current Year To Date 30-09-2023 RM'000	Preceding Year To Date 30-09-2022 RM'000	
Revenue	141,624	77,531	358,586	244,623	
Cost of sales	(132,914)	(68,779)	(322,359)	(211,314)	
Gross profit	8,710	8,752	36,227	33,309	
Other income	1,598	743	5,562	2,812	
	10,308	9,495	41,789	36,121	
Adminstrative expenses	(6,415)	(4,865)	(17,964)	(14,531)	
Impairment loss on contract assets			(12,723)		
Operating profit	3,893	4,630	11,102	21,590	
Finance costs	(9,064)	(8,331)	(24,979)	(24,138)	
Loss before tax	(5,171)	(3,701)	(13,877)	(2,548)	
Income tax (expense)/credit	(73)	366	1,310	(270)	
Loss for the financial period	(5,244)	(3,335)	(12,567)	(2,818)	
Other comprehensive income, net of tax					
Total comprehensive loss for the financial period	(5,244)	(3,335)	(12,567)	(2,818)	
(Loss)/Profit for the financial period / Total comprehensive (loss)/income attributable to:					
Owners of the Company	(6,055)	(3,999)	(14,936)	(4,760)	
Non-controlling interests	811	664	2,369	1,942	
	(5,244)	(3,335)	(12,567)	(2,818)	
Loss per share (sen) - Basic	(3.7)	(2.5)	(9.2)	(2.9)	
- Diluted	(3.7)	(2.5)	(9.2)	(2.9)	

The condensed consolidated statement of comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the quarterly report.

CREST BUILDER HOLDINGS BERHAD ²⁰⁰²⁰¹⁰⁰⁵⁷¹⁹ (573382-P) CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

	As at 30-09-2023 RM'000	As at 31-12-2022 RM'000
ASSETS		
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment	35,431	32,286
Investment properties	275,328	275,328
Golf club membership	54	54
Inventories - land held for development	18,302	18,302
Goodwill	23,660	23,660
Operating financial asset	244,469	257,300
Deferred tax assets	46,769	41,164
Total non-current assets	644,013	648,094
Current assets		
Inventories - property under development	288,546	277,517
Inventories - completed properties and others	22,428	24,765
Operating financial asset	12,434	12,434
Trade and other receivables	223,358	198,998
Contract assets	52,097	39,758
Current tax assets	1,018	1,518
Short term investments	3,964	3,889
Fixed deposits placed with licensed banks	58,117	52,440
Cash and bank balances	26,422	17,884
Total current assets	688,384	629,203
TOTAL ASSETS	1,332,397	1,277,297
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Equity attributable to owners of the Company		
Share capital	181,191	181,191
Treasury shares	(13,661)	(13,661)
Retained earnings	163,778	178,714
<u>-</u>	331,308	346,244
Non-controlling interests	26,847	24,478
TOTAL EQUITY	358,155	370,722
Non-current liabilities		
Loans and borrowings	342,413	317,238
Deferred tax liabilities	37,426	35,093
Tax liabilities	1,680	2,040
Trade and other payables	19,722	22,024
Total non-current liabilities	401,241	376,395
Current liabilities		
Loans and borrowings	229,696	239,789
Current tax liabilities	962	561
Trade and other payables	322,888	274,455
Contract liabilities	19,455	15,375
Total current liabilities	573,001	530,180
TOTAL LIABILITIES	974,242	906,575
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	1,332,397	1,277,297
Net assets per share attributable to owners of the Company (RM)	2.04	2.14

The condensed consolidated statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the quarterly report.

CREST BUILDER HOLDINGS BERHAD ^{200201005719 (573382-P)} CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE THIRD QUARTER ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

←ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNERS OF THE COMPANY →

	Share capital RM'000	Treasury shares RM'000	Retained earnings RM'000	Sub-total RM'000	Non-controlling interests RM'000	Total equity RM'000
At 1 January 2022 Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the financial	181,191	(13,661)	193,665	361,195	21,832	383,027
period	-	-	(4,760)	(4,760)	1,942	(2,818)
At 30 September 2022	181,191	(13,661)	188,905	356,435	23,774	380,209
At 1 January 2023	181,191	(13,661)	178,714	346,244	24,478	370,722
Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the financial						
period	_	-	(14,936)	(14,936)	2,369	(12,567)
At 30 September 2023	181,191	(13,661)	163,778	331,308	26,847	358,155

The condensed consolidated statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the quarterly report.

CREST BUILDER HOLDINGS BERHAD ²⁰⁰²⁰¹⁰⁰⁵⁷¹⁹ (573382-P) CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE THIRD QUARTER ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

	9 Months Ended 30-09-2023 RM'000	9 Months Ended 30-09-2022 RM'000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Loss before tax	(13,877)	(2,548)
Adjustments for: Amortisation of discount on Sukuk Murabahah Depreciation of property, plant and equipment Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment Impairment loss on contract assets Interest expense Interest income Reversal of impairment loss on trade and other receivables	1,671 5,785 (53) 12,723 23,308 (1,120) (942)	1,821 5,013 - - 22,317 (742) (949)
Operating profit before changes in working capital	27,495	24,912
Net change in assets Net change in liabilities	(44,340) 50,211 5,871	(30,584) 3,936 (26,648)
Cash generated from/(used in) operations	33,366	(1,736)
Income tax paid Income tax refunded	(1,958) 537	(1,349) 305
Net cash from/(used in) operating activities	31,945	(2,780)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Interest received Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment Proceeds from disposal of short term investments Purchase of property, plant and equipment Change in pledged deposits	1,045 53 - (8,930) (25)	602 - 3,000 (4,519) 11
Net cash used in investing activities	(7,857)	(906)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Interest paid Drawdown of term loans Drawdown of bankers' acceptances Drawdown of revolving credits Payment of lease liabilities Repayment of Sukuk Murabahah	(23,308) 28,186 6,875 9,781 (2,201) (10,000)	(22,317) - 16,454 16,284 (2,401) (10,000)
Net cash from/(used in) financing activities	9,333	(1,980)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents brought forward	33,421 21,267	(5,666) 34,967
Cash and cash equivalents carried forward	54,688	29,301
Analysis of cash and cash equivalents Cash and bank balances Fixed deposits placed with licensed banks	26,422 58,117 84,539	16,409 59,203 75,612
Less: Bank overdrafts	(25,028)	(41,513)
Fixed deposits pledged with licensed banks	(4,823)	(4,798)
Cash and cash equivalents	54,688	29,301

The condensed consolidated statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the quarterly report.

PART A: EXPLANATORY NOTES PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 16, MFRS 134 INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORTING

A1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The unaudited interim financial report has been prepared in accordance with the reporting requirements as set out in Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ("MFRS") 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and paragraph 9.22 of the Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("Bursa Securities") Listing Requirements, and should be read in conjunction with the Group's audited statutory financial statements presented in the Annual Report for the financial year ended 31 December 2022.

The accounting policies and presentation adopted by the Group in this interim financial report are consistent with those adopted for the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2022, except for the adoption of the following new MFRS and amendments/improvements to MFRSs that are mandatory for the current financial year.

New MFRS

MFRS 17 Insurance Contracts

Amendments/Improvements to MFRSs

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MFRS 1	First-time Adoption of Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards*
MFRS 3	Business Combinations*
MFRS 5	Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations*
MFRS 7	Financial Instruments: Disclosures*
MFRS 9	Financial Instruments*
MFRS 15	Revenue from Contracts with Customers*
MFRS 17	Insurance Contracts
MFRS 101	Presentation of Financial Statements*#
MFRS 107	Statement of Cash Flows*
MFRS 108	Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors
MFRS 112	Income Taxes
MFRS 116	Property, Plant and Equipment*
MFRS 119	Employee Benefits*
MFRS 128	Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures*
MFRS 132	Financial Instruments: Presentation*
MFRS 136	Impairment of Assets*
MFRS 137	Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets*
MFRS 138	Intangible Assets*
MFRS 140	Investment Property*

^{*} Amendments as to the consequence of effective of MFRS 17 Insurance Contracts

The adoption of the above new MFRS and amendments/improvements to MFRSs did not have significant effect on the financial position and performance of the Group.

[#] Amendment to MFRS 101 Presentation of Financial Statements in relation to Disclosure of Accounting Policies

A1. BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONTINUED)

Amendments/Improvements to MFRSs that have been issued, but yet to be effective

The Group has not adopted the following amendments/improvements to MFRSs that have been issued, but yet to be effective:

Effective for financial periods beginning on or after

Amendments/Improvements to MFRSs

MFRS 10	Consolidated Financial Statements	Deferred
MFRS 16	Leases	1 January 2024
MFRS 101	Presentation of Financial Statements	1 January 2024
MFRS 128	Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures	Deferred

The Group plans to adopt the above applicable amendments/improvements to MFRSs when they become effective.

A2. AUDIT QUALIFICATION OF PRECEDING ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The auditors' report on the annual audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 was not qualified.

A3. SEASONALITY AND CYCLICALITY FACTORS

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

A4. UNUSUAL ITEMS DUE TO THEIR NATURE, SIZE OR INCIDENCE

There were no unusual items affecting the assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flows for the current quarter ended 30 September 2023.

A5. CHANGES IN ESTIMATES

Except for reversal of impairment loss on trade and other receivables amounting to RM0.3 million, there were no changes in estimates of amounts reported in prior financial year that have a material effect on the current quarter ended 30 September 2023.

A6. ISSUANCE OR REPAYMENT OF DEBT AND EQUITY SECURITIES

There were no issuance and repayment of debt securities, share cancellations, and/or resale of treasury shares for the current quarter under review.

A7. DIVIDEND PAID

There was no dividend paid during the current quarter.

A8. SEGMENTAL REPORTING

The segmental reporting by industry of the Group is set out as below:

(i) For the nine (9) months period ended 30 September 2023

Segment Revenue and Segment Results

Business segment	Construction RM'000	Concession arrangement RM'000	Investment RM'000	Property development RM'000	Eliminations RM'000	Consolidated RM'000
Revenue						
- External customer	295,831	30,927	6,550	25,278	-	358,586
- Inter- segment	42,863	-	7,436	(1,350)	(48,949)	-
Total revenue	338,694	30,927	13,986	23,928	(48,949)	358,586
Results						
- Segment results	(15,194)	24,482	8,644	3,413	(10,243)	11,102
Finance costs						(24,979)
Income tax credit						1,310
Loss for the financial						
period						(12,567)

No geographical segment is presented as the Group operates principally in Malaysia.

A8. SEGMENTAL REPORTING (CONTINUED)

The segmental reporting by industry of the Group is set out as below (Continued):

(ii) For the nine (9) months period ended 30 September 2022

Segment Revenue and Segment Results

Business segment	Construction RM'000	Concession arrangement RM'000	Investment RM'000	Property development RM'000	Eliminations RM'000	Consolidated RM'000
Revenue						
- External customer	204,035	32,292	6,236	2,060	-	244,623
- Inter- segment	4,890	-	6,255	(1,300)	(9,845)	-
Total revenue	208,925	32,292	12,491	760	(9,845)	244,623
Results						
- Segment results	(2,865)	24,739	7,630	(1,745)	(6,169)	21,590
Finance costs						(24,138)
Income tax expense						(270)
Loss for the financial period						(2,818)

No geographical segment is presented as the Group operates principally in Malaysia.

A9. VALUATIONS OF PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

The valuations of property, plant and equipment have been brought forward without amendment from the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2022.

A10. SUBSEQUENT MATERIAL EVENTS

There were no material events subsequent to the reporting period up to 22 November 2023, being the latest practicable date, which is not earlier than 7 days from the date of issue of this quarterly report, that have not been reflected in the financial statements for the current quarter ended 30 September 2023.

A11. CHANGES IN THE COMPOSITION OF THE GROUP

There were no changes in the composition of the Group for the current quarter ended 30 September 2023.

A12. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

There were no capital commitments that have a material effect in the current quarter ended 30 September 2023.

A13. SIGNIFICANT RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The Group has no significant related party transactions during the current quarter ended 30 September 2023, except for reversal of impairment loss on trade and other receivables of RM0.3 million from a company in which a director of the Company has interest.

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

B1. REVIEW OF PERFORMANCE

For the third quarter under review, the Group recorded revenue of RM141.6 million and loss before tax of RM5.2 million as compared to the corresponding third quarter of the preceding year of RM77.5 million and RM3.7 million respectively.

The construction division recorded revenue of RM120.0 million and loss before tax of RM5.9 million as compared to the corresponding third quarter of the preceding year of RM64.2 million and RM5.7 million respectively. The increase in revenue was mainly due to higher progress in construction recognised for construction projects during the financial period under review. The increase in loss before tax was mainly due to the increase in material prices, labour costs and overheads caused by inflation.

The property development division's revenue and loss before tax amounting to RM9.2 million and RM1.8 million as compared to the corresponding third quarter of the preceding year of RM0.8 million and RM0.4 million respectively. The higher revenue was attributable to the contribution of the newly launched property development project, i.e. Interpoint @ Bandar Bukit Tinggi ("Interpoint"). The increased loss before tax primarily stemmed from the cessation of the capitalisation of the borrowing costs upon launching of the project. Furthermore, revenue from cash buyers will be recognised at a later stage once the revenue recognition criterion is met in accordance with MFRS 15.

The concession arrangement division recorded revenue of RM10.2 million and profit before tax of RM2.8 million as compared to the corresponding third quarter of the preceding year of RM10.4 million and RM2.6 million respectively. The decrease in revenue was mainly due to lower finance income recognised. The increase in profit before tax was mainly due to saving in finance costs with repayment of Sukuk Murabahah.

The investment division recorded revenue of RM2.2 million and loss before tax of RM0.3 million as compared to the corresponding third quarter of the preceding year of RM2.1 million and RM0.2 million respectively. The increase in revenue was mainly due to higher car park income collected during the current quarter. The loss before tax recorded in both periods was mainly due to the increase in interest expense on floating rate borrowings as a result of the increase in the overnight policy rate.

B2. COMPARISON WITH IMMEDIATE PRECEDING QUARTER'S RESULTS

	Current 3rd Quarter	Preceding 2nd Quarter	Increase/(Decrease)		
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	%	
Revenue	141,624	122,635	18,989	15%	
Loss before tax	(5,171)	(9,990)	4,819	48%	
Loss after tax	(5,244)	(7,752)	(2,508)	32%	

For the current quarter under review, the Group recorded loss before tax and loss after tax of RM5.2 million and RM5.2 million respectively as compared to loss before tax and loss after tax of RM10.0 million and RM7.8 million respectively in the immediate preceding quarter.

The increase in revenue as compared to the immediate preceding quarter was mainly due to the higher progress in construction recognised for construction projects and increased revenue from the newly launched property development project, i.e. Interpoint project during the financial period under review. On the other hand, the reduction in loss before tax and loss after tax was primarily due to the arbitration outcome of a material litigation, which had a net negative impact of RM10.6 million recognised in the profit or loss during the immediate preceding quarter.

B3. CURRENT YEAR PROSPECT

The Group will continue to bid actively for construction projects in order to replenish its order book. The current projects, including the recently secured Noora and Serasi projects are all progressing within schedule.

We expect the concession arrangement division to contribute positively to the Group with the stable income and profits generated by UiTM Tapah.

We have recently launched the Bukit Tinggi, Klang project (also known as Interpoint) in the first quarter of 2023, which will contribute positively to the Group's earnings for the current and next financial years. We expect the response to our strategically located property development project to be encouraging. In addition, we will focus on selling the remaining completed properties.

The economic outlook of the construction industry in Malaysia for 2023 is expected to remain challenging, even after the COVID-19 pandemic. The Group is still facing a number of challenges, including lack of skilled labor, shortage of materials, rising costs and short-term price fluctuations of building materials. The Group will continue to focus on strengthening its financial position and implementing cost optimisation measures and effective resource planning. It is anticipated that this year's performance will be driven by larger order book and contribution from the property development project. The Board is cautiously optimistic of the overall prospect of the Group's business and financial performance for 2023.

B4. VARIANCES ON PROFIT FORECAST AND PROFIT GUARANTEE

Not applicable to the Group.

B5. INCOME TAX EXPENSE/(CREDIT)

		IDUAL RTER	CUMUL QUAR	
	Quarter Ended 30-09-2023 (RM'000)	Quarter Ended 30-09-2022 (RM'000)	Year Ended <u>30-09-2023</u> (RM'000)	Year Ended 30-09-2022 (RM'000)
Current income tax				
- Current year	280	337	1,667	1,057
- Under provision in prior year	295	24	295	24
Deferred tax - Relating to origination and reversal of				
temporary differences	(502)	(727)	(3,272)	(811)
	73	(366)	(1,310)	270
Loss before tax	(5,171)	(3,701)	(13,877)	(2,548)
Tax at Malaysian statutory tax rate of 24%	(1,241)	(888)	(3,330)	(612)
Income not subject to tax	(13)	-	(13)	-
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	666	498	1,372	858
Deferred tax assets not recognised on tax losses and				
temporary differences	366	-	366	-
Under provision of current	205	0.4	A0=	2.4
tax in prior year	295	24	295	24
	73	(366)	(1,310)	270

B6. PROFIT ON SALE OF UNQUOTED INVESTMENTS AND/OR PROPERTIES

There was no disposal of unquoted investments and/or properties for the current quarter ended 30 September 2023.

B7. DEALINGS IN QUOTED SECURITIES

The Group did not transact or hold any quoted securities for the current quarter ended 30 September 2023.

B8. CORPORATE PROPOSALS

There were no corporate proposals previously announced but not completed up to 22 November 2023, being the latest practicable date which is not earlier than 7 days from the date of issue of this quarterly report.

B9. BORROWINGS AND DEBT SECURITIES

The details of the Group's borrowings and debt securities, all of which are denominated in Ringgit Malaysia, as at 30 September 2023 are as follows:

	RM'000	RM'000
Short term borrowings:		
Secured		
- Lease liabilities	2,077	
- Term loans	7,395	
- Sukuk Murabahah	22,968	
- Bank overdrafts	25,028	
- Bankers' acceptances	62,998	
- Revolving credits	109,230	
		229,696
Long term borrowings:		
Secured		
- Lease liabilities	2,897	
- Term loans	59,291	
- Sukuk Murabahah	280,225	
		342,413
Total		572,109
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B10. MATERIAL LITIGATION

Same as previously disclosed in the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2022, there were no significant changes in material litigation, including the status of pending material litigation since the previous quarter to 22 November 2023, being the latest practicable date which is not earlier than 7 days from the date of issue of this quarterly report.

B11. DIVIDEND

No dividend was proposed or paid in respect of the third quarter ended 30 September 2023.

B12. LOSS PER SHARE

a. Basic loss per share

The basic loss per share has been calculated based on the Group's loss after tax attributable to owners of the Company and divided by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the current quarter ended 30 September 2023.

	INDIVIDUAL QUARTER		CUMULATIVE QUARTER	
	30-09-2023	30-09-2022	30-09-2023	30-09-2022
Loss after tax attributable to owners of the Company (RM'000)	(6,055)	(3,999)	(14,936)	(4,760)
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue ('000)	162,107	162,107	162,107	162,107
Basic loss per share (sen)	(3.7)	(2.5)	(9.2)	(2.9)

b. Diluted loss per share

The Group has no dilutive potential ordinary shares. As such, there is no dilutive effect on the loss per share of the Group.

B13. LOSS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD

	INDIVIDUAL QUARTER		CUMULATIVE QUARTER	
	30-09-2023 (RM'000)	30-09-2022 (RM'000)	30-09-2023 (RM'000)	30-09-2022 (RM'000)
Loss for the financial period is arrived at after charging:				
Amortisation of discount				
on Sukuk Murabahah	557	607	1,671	1,821
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	1,831	1,960	5,785	5,013
Impairment loss on contract	1,031	1,900	3,763	3,013
assets	-	-	12,723	-
Interest expense	8,507	7,724	23,308	22,317
and after crediting:				
Gain on disposal of property,				
plant and equipment	53	-	53	-
Interest income	365	301	1,120	742
Material litigation award	-	-	2,127	-
Reversal of impairment loss on trade and				
other receivables	296	287	942	949
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B14. AUTHORISED FOR ISSUE

The interim financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors in accordance with a resolution of the Directors on 28 November 2023.

By Order of the Board

Company Secretary

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Date: 28 November 2023