



**Ekovest Berhad**  
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### **Notes to the Interim Financial Report (2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter - 31 December 2018)**

#### **A1 Basis of Preparation**

The condensed interim financial statements are unaudited and have been prepared in compliance with the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ('MFRS') 134: Interim Financial Reporting and paragraph 9.22 and Appendix 9B of the Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad. The condensed interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Group's annual reports and financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2018.

The financial statements of the Group for the three months period ended 30 September 2018 are the first set of interim financial statements prepared in accordance with the MFRS Framework, hence MFRS 1 First-time Adoption of Malaysian Financial Standards has been applied. The MFRS Framework is effective for the Group from 1 July 2018 and the date of transition to the MFRS Framework for the purpose of preparation of the MFRS compliant interim financial report is 1 July 2017.

#### **1.1 Changes in Accounting Policies**

The significant accounting policies, methods of computation and basis of consolidation adopted are consistent with those of the most recent audited financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2018, except for the adoption of the following MFRSs, Amendments to MFRSs and Issues Committee Interpretation ("IC Interpretation") that are effective for the Group from 1 July 2018:

MFRS 9	Financial Instruments
MFRS 15	Revenue from Contracts with Customers
Amendments to MFRS 1 and MFRS 128	Annual Improvements to MFRS Standards 2014 - 2016 Cycle
Amendments to MFRS 15	Clarifications to MFRS 15
Amendments to MFRS 2	Classification and Measurement of Share-based Payment Transactions
Amendments to MFRS 140	Transfers of Investment Property
IC Interpretation 22	Foreign Currency Transactions and Advance Consideration

The adoption of the above MFRSs, Amendments to MFRSs and IC Interpretation does not have significant impact on the financial position and financial performance of the Group nor any of the Group's significant accounting policies, other than MFRS 9 and MFRS 15 as disclosed below:



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### **1.1 Changes in Accounting Policies (cont'd)**

#### MFRS 9 Financial Instruments

MFRS 9 addresses the classification, measurement and impairment of financial assets and financial liabilities, as well as general hedge accounting. It replaces MFRS 139. MFRS 9 requires financial assets to be classified into two measurement categories, i.e. at fair value and at amortised cost. The determination is made at initial recognition. The classification depends on the entity's business model for managing its financial instruments and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the instrument. For financial liabilities, the standard retains most of the MFRS 139 requirements.

MFRS 9 contains a new impairment model based on expected losses (as opposed to the 'incurred loss' model under MFRS 139), i.e. a loss event needs not occur before an impairment loss is recognised, which will result in earlier recognition of losses.

On the date of initial application, MFRS 9 did not affect the classification and measurement of the Group's financial assets and financial liabilities.

#### MFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers

MFRS 15 introduces a new model for revenue recognition arising from contracts with customers. MFRS 15 replaces MFRS 111 Construction Contracts, MFRS 118 Revenue, IC Interpretation 13 Customer Loyalty Programmes, IC Interpretation 15 Agreements for the Construction of Real Estate, IC Interpretation 18 Transfers of Assets from Customers and IC Interpretation 31 Revenue - Barter Transactions Involving Advertising Services.

In general, the Group recognises revenue to depict the transfer of a promised good or service to a customer in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the Group expects to be entitled in exchange for that good or service. Depending on the terms of the contract, the Group recognises revenue when the performance obligation is satisfied, which may be at a point in time or over time. The amount of revenue recognised is the amount allocated to the satisfied performance obligation.

The effects of adoption of MFRS 15 arise mainly due to the liquidated ascertained damages payable to customers is presented as a reduction of the transaction price which would then be accounted for in the profit or loss over the tenure of the respective property development project instead of being accounted for as an expense charged to the profit or loss when the obligation arises.

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### 1.1 Changes in Accounting Policies (cont'd)

The effects of adoption of MFRS 15 are as follows:

	As previously stated RM'000	Effects of adoption of MFRS 15 RM'000	As restated RM'000
<b>Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2018</b>			
<b>Current assets</b>			
Gross amount due from customers	108,871	(108,871)	-
Contract assets	-	331,749	331,749
Property development costs	384,138	9,365	393,503
Accrued billings	210,331	(210,331)	-
<b>Equity</b>			
Retained earnings	1,092,435	21,912	1,114,347
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Gross amount due to contract customers	818	(818)	-
Contract liabilities	-	818	818
<b>Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income for the financial period ended 30 June 2018</b>			
Revenue	1,051,907	(22,643)	1,029,264
Cost of sales	678,598	(6,238)	672,360
Gross profit	373,309	(16,405)	356,904
Administrative and general expenses	83,833	(21,850)	61,983
Profit before tax	152,910	5,445	158,355
Net profit for the year	103,183	5,445	108,628
Total comprehensive income for the year	103,183	5,445	108,628
Net profit for the year attributable to owners of the Company	114,249	5,445	119,694
Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to owners of the Company	114,249	5,445	119,694



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**1.1 Changes in Accounting Policies (cont'd)**

	As previously stated RM'000	Effects of adoption of MFRS 15 RM'000	As restated RM'000
<b>Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income for the cumulative 6 months ended 31 December 2017</b>			
Revenue	528,516	(3,791)	524,725
Cost of sales	329,439	(802)	328,637
Gross profit	199,077	(2,989)	196,088
Administrative and general expenses	26,009	(97)	25,912
Profit before tax	129,923	(2,892)	127,031
Net profit for the year	96,608	(2,892)	93,716
Total comprehensive income for the year	96,608	(2,892)	93,716
Net profit for the year attributable to owners of the Company	94,832	(2,892)	91,940
Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to owners of the Company	94,832	(2,892)	91,940
<b>Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income for the current 3 months ended 31 December 2017</b>			
Revenue	297,876	(2,308)	295,568
Cost of sales	187,543	(460)	187,083
Gross profit	110,333	(1,848)	108,485
Administrative and general expenses	11,831	(28)	11,803
Profit before tax	74,039	(1,820)	72,219
Net profit for the year	55,460	(1,820)	53,640
Total comprehensive income for the year	55,460	(1,820)	53,640
Net profit for the year attributable to owners of the Company	54,925	(1,820)	53,105
Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to owners of the Company	54,925	(1,820)	53,105



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### **1.2 Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards (“MFRS”)**

On 19 November 2011, the MASB issued a new approved accounting framework, i.e. Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards (“MFRS”). The MFRS is to be applied by all entities other than private entities for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2012, with the exception of entities subject to the application of MFRS 141 Agriculture and / or IC Interpretation 15 Agreements for Construction of Real Estate, including the entities’ parent, significant investor and venture (referred to as ‘Transitioning Entities’ collectively). Transitioning Entities are allowed to defer adoption of the MFRS, and continue to use the existing FRS framework until the MFRS framework is mandated by the MASB. The Group falls within the definition of Transitioning Entities and has opted to defer adoption of MFRS.

According to an announcement made by the MASB on 28 October 2015, all Transitioning Entities shall adopt the MFRS framework and prepare their first MFRS financial statements for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018.

The Group will adopt the MFRS framework and will prepare its first set of MFRS financial statements for the financial year ending 30 June 2019. In presenting its first sets of MFRS financial statements, the Group will quantify the financial effects arising from the differences between MFRS and the currently applied FRS. The majority of the adjustments required on transition are expected to be made, retrospectively, against opening retained earnings of the Group. Accordingly, the financial performance and financial position of the Group as presented in these condensed interim financial statements could be different if prepared in accordance with MFRS.



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**A2 Audit Report**

The preceding annual financial statements of the group were not qualified.

**A3 Seasonal or Cyclical Factors**

Although seasonal or cyclical changes have minimal impact on the operations of the Group, the business is nevertheless susceptible to the vagaries of the construction and property development industries.

**A4 Unusual Items**

There were no unusual items affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flows during the period under review.

**A5 Changes in the Estimates of Amount Reported Previously With Material Effect in Current Interim Period**

Not applicable.

**A6 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 during the quarter under review.

**A7 Dividend**

The shareholders have on 27 November 2018 approved the payment of a first and final single tier dividend of 1 sen per ordinary share amounting to RM21,392,029 for the financial year ended 30 June 2018. The said dividend was paid on 22 January 2019 to members whose name appear in the Record of Depositors on 31 December 2018.

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**A8 Segmental Information**

Segmental information is presented in respect of the Group's business segment. Transactions between segments were entered into in the normal course of business and were established on terms and conditions that are not materially different from those obtainable in transactions with unrelated parties.

	INDIVIDUAL PERIOD			CUMULATIVE PERIOD		
	Current Year Quarter	Preceding Year Corresponding Quarter (Restated)		Current Financial Year	Preceding Financial Year (Restated)	
	31/12/2018 RM'000	31/12/2017 RM'000	Changes %	31/12/2018 RM'000	31/12/2017 RM'000	Changes %
<b>Revenue</b>						
Construction operations	263,158	182,763	43.99	427,189	339,233	25.93
Property development	53,836	76,488	(29.62)	151,089	117,634	28.44
Toll operations	43,891	36,175	21.33	87,229	67,469	29.29
Investment holding	296	142	108.45	559	389	43.70
	<b>361,181</b>	<b>295,568</b>	22.20	<b>666,066</b>	<b>524,725</b>	26.94

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**A8 Segmental Information (Cont'd)**

	INDIVIDUAL PERIOD			CUMULATIVE PERIOD		
	Current Year Quarter	Preceding Year Corresponding Quarter (Restated)		Current Financial Year	Preceding Financial Year (Restated)	
	31/12/2018 RM'000	31/12/2017 RM'000	Changes %	31/12/2018 RM'000	31/12/2017 RM'000	Changes %
<b>Gross profit</b>						
Construction operations	72,873	49,852	46.18	121,456	97,484	24.59
Property development	16,493	30,614	(46.13)	47,774	47,519	0.54
Toll operations	34,342	27,857	23.28	68,242	50,869	34.15
Investment holding	149	112	33.04	219	166	31.93
	<b>123,857</b>	<b>108,435</b>	<b>14.22</b>	<b>237,691</b>	<b>196,038</b>	<b>21.25</b>
Other income	863	1,951	(55.77)	3,354	3,702	(9.40)
Administrative expenses	(18,897)	(11,803)	60.10	(34,541)	(25,912)	33.30
<b>Profit before interest and Tax</b>	105,823	98,583	7.34	206,504	173,828	18.80
Interest income	5,173	3,646	41.88	10,674	7,355	45.13
Interest expense	(51,194)	(30,010)	70.59	(97,996)	(54,152)	80.96
<b>Profit before Tax</b>	<b>59,802</b>	<b>72,219</b>	<b>(17.19)</b>	<b>119,182</b>	<b>127,031</b>	<b>(6.18)</b>





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**A9 Revaluation of Property, Plant and Equipment**

There were no amendments in the valuation amount of revalued assets brought forward to the current quarter ended compared to most recent annual financial statements.

**A10 Material Subsequent Event**

There have been no material event subsequent to the quarter and period ended 31 December 2018.

**A11 Changes in Composition of the Group**

The Company through its wholly-owned subsidiary, EkoVest Capital Sdn Bhd had on 28 December 2018, incorporated a new wholly-owned subsidiary known as Duke Hotels Sdn Bhd ("DHSB") with an issue and paid-up share capital of RM2.00. The intended principal activity of DHSB is to carry on the business as hoteliers. The company is currently dormant.

Other than the above changes, there were no changes in the composition of the Company or the Group for the quarter under review.

**A12 Contingent Liabilities**

There have been no contingent liabilities subsequent to the quarter and period ended 31 December 2018.

**A13 Capital Commitments**

Capital commitments of the Group as 31 December 2018 are as follows -

	<b>RM '000</b>
Capital expenditure in respect of :	
- purchase of properties, approved and contracted for	98,245
- concession assets, approved and contracted for	<u>1,914,022</u>



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**A14 Significant Related Party Transactions**

The Group has significant related party transactions with companies in which certain directors of the Company have interests, as follows:

**As at  
31 December 2018  
RM '000**

**With company in which certain  
Directors of the Company, have interests:**

Besteel Engtech Sdn Bhd	45,664
Lim Seong Hai Lighting Sdn Bhd	4,023
Knusford Construction Sdn Bhd	49,288
Knusford Landscape Sdn Bhd	1,588
Knusford Marketing Sdn Bhd	7,644

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**B1 Financial Review**

**Financial review for current quarter**

	Individual Period (2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter)		Changes	
	Current Year Quarter	Preceding Year Corresponding Quarter (Restated)	Amount	%
	31/12/2018 RM'000	31/12/2017 RM'000	RM'000	
Revenue	361,181	295,568	65,613	22.20
Gross Profit	123,857	108,435	15,422	14.22
Profit Before Interest and Tax	105,823	98,583	7,240	7.34
Profit Before Tax	59,802	72,219	(12,417)	(17.19)
Profit After Tax	41,191	53,640	(12,449)	(23.21)
Profit Attributable to Ordinary Equity Holders of Parent	43,909	53,105	(9,196)	(17.32)

**Current quarter ("2Q 2019") against preceding year corresponding quarter ("2Q 2018")**

For the 2Q 2019, the Group registered revenue of RM361.181 million and profit before tax of RM59.802 million as compared to revenue of RM295.568 million and profit before tax of RM72.219 million reported in the 2Q 2018. The increase in the Group revenue was mainly due to higher contribution from the construction operation and toll operation sectors. Although the revenue has increased, the profit before tax for the current year quarter as compared to the preceding corresponding quarter decreased by 17.19% due mainly to higher interest expense incurred for the toll operation sector in the current quarter.

The performance of the respective operating business segments for the 2Q 2019 under review as compared to the 2Q 2018 is analysed as follow:

**Construction operations**

The construction sector reported a higher revenue of RM263.158 million for the 2Q 2019 as compared to RM182.763 million in 2Q 2018. The increase in revenue and gross profit in the 2Q 2019 were mainly due to the higher construction work done recognized for Duke Phase 3, while other River Of Life projects have also contributed to the increase in the revenue for this current quarter.



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**B1 Financial Review (cont'd)**

**Financial review for current quarter**

**Property development**

The property development segment reported lower revenue of RM53.836 million as compared to RM76.488 million in the preceding year corresponding quarter. Lower revenue recognition for property development was due to concentration on progress work for this current quarter to complete the Ekocheras Shopping Mall, whereby the costs are capitalized as investment properties. Correspondingly, the gross profit for this quarter has decreased as compared to the preceding year corresponding quarter in tandem with the decrease in revenue.

**Toll operations**

The toll operations sector registered a higher revenue of RM43.891 million in 2Q 2019 as compared to RM36.175 million in 2Q 2018. There is an increase of approximately 21.33% in the toll revenue due to the increase in traffic volume and the additional contribution from the opening of the Duke Phase 2 on 23 October 2017. In the preceding year corresponding quarter, the toll revenue generated from the Duke Phase 2 is only from 23 November 2017 to 31 December 2017 as there is a toll free for one (1) month for the Sri Damansara Link. As a result of the increased revenue, the sector reported a higher gross profit of RM34.342 million in 2Q 2019 as against RM27.857 million in 2Q 2018.

In the preceding year corresponding quarter, the finance cost incurred for Duke Phase 2 was capitalized as the toll collections has not commenced, whereas in this current year quarter, with the commencement of the toll in Duke Phase 2, the finance cost is fully recognized in the income statement.

**Investment holding**

Revenue for the current quarter increased from RM0.142 million to RM0.296 million arising from the additional rental income generated from the investment properties.

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**B1 Financial Review (cont'd)**

**Financial review for financial year to date**

	Cumulative Period		Changes	
	Current Year To- Date	Preceding Year Corresponding Period (Restated)	Amount	%
	31/12/2018 RM'000	31/12/2017 RM'000	RM'000	
Revenue	666,066	524,725	141,341	26.94
Gross Profit	237,691	196,038	41,653	21.25
Profit Before Interest and Tax	206,504	173,828	32,676	18.80
Profit Before Tax	119,182	127,031	(7,849)	(6.18)
Profit After Tax	82,105	93,716	(11,611)	(12.39)
Profit Attributable to Ordinary Equity Holders of Parent	87,776	91,940	(4,164)	(4.53)

**Current year to date (“YTD 2019”) against preceding year corresponding period (“YTD 2018”)**

For the YTD 2019, the Group registered a revenue of RM666.066 million and profit before tax of RM119.182 million as compared to the revenue of RM524.725 million and profit before tax of RM127.031 million reported in YTD 2018.

The performance of the respective operating business segments for the YTD 2019 under review as compared to the YTD 2018 is analysed as follows:

**Construction operations**

The construction sector reported a higher revenue of RM427.189 million for the YTD 2019 as compared to RM339.233 million in YTD 2018. The increase in revenue and gross profit in the YTD 2019 were mainly due to the higher construction work done recognized for Duke Phase 3, while other River Of Life projects have also contributed to the increase in the revenue as compared to the progress construction workdone recognized in YTD 2018.



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### **B1 Financial Review (cont'd)**

#### **Financial review for financial year to date**

##### **Property development**

The property development segment for the YTD 2019 reported a higher revenue of RM151.089 million as compared to RM117.634 million in the preceding year. Higher income recognition for EkoCheras Project following increase in progress work done has contributed to a higher revenue for the segment. However this segment has recorded a minimal increase in the gross profit as compared to the preceding YTD 2018 mainly due to higher costs incurred for this financial year to date.

##### **Toll operations**

The toll operations sector registered a higher revenue of RM87.229 million in YTD 2019 as compared to RM67.469 million in YTD 2018. There is an increase of approximately 29.29% in the toll revenue due to the increase in traffic volume and the additional contribution from the opening of the Duke Phase 2 on 23 October 2017. In the preceding year, the toll revenue generated from the Duke Phase 2 was only from 23 November 2017 to 31 December 2017 due to toll free for one (1) month for the Sri Damansara Link. Correspondingly, this sector recorded a higher gross profit for YTD 2019 of RM68.242 million as against RM50.869 million in YTD 2018.

In the preceding year, the finance cost incurred for Duke Phase 2 was capitalized as the toll collections has not commenced, whereas in this current YTD 2019, with the commencement of the toll in Duke Phase 2, the finance cost is fully recognized in the income statement.

##### **Investment holding**

Revenue for the YTD 2019 increased from RM0.389 million to RM0.559 million arising from the additional rental income generated from the investment properties. Correspondingly, this has increased the segment's gross profit for the financial year to date.

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## B2 Comparison with preceding quarter results

### Financial review for current quarter compare with immediate preceding quarter

	Current Quarter	Immediate Preceding Quarter	Changes	
	31/12/2018	30/09/2018	Amount	%
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	
Revenue	361,181	304,885	56,296	18.46
Gross Profit	123,857	113,834	10,023	8.80
Profit Before Interest and Tax	105,823	100,681	5,142	5.11
Profit Before Tax	59,802	59,380	422	0.71
Profit After Tax	41,191	40,914	277	0.68
Profit Attributable to Equity Holders of the Company	43,909	43,867	42	0.10

The Group recorded revenue of RM361.181 million and profit before tax of RM59.802 million in the current quarter as compared to revenue of RM304.885 million and profit before tax of RM59.38 million in the immediate preceding quarter. The increase of 18.46% in the revenue as compared to immediate preceding quarter was mainly due to higher contribution from the construction work down recognized for Duke Phase 3. The profit before tax has increased only by 0.71% as compared to the immediate preceding quarter mainly due to higher costs incurred for the property development segment.

## B3 Prospects

The Board expects the ongoing construction of SPE, River of Life beautification packages, the toll revenue and the recognition of unbilled sales from property development activities continue to contribute positively to the Group's turnover and profitability in the current financial year. The Company is working closely with the Government to finalise the various infrastructure projects which has been proposed to the Government. In addition, the Company is also working together with the local partners in Sabah and Sarawak to tender and secure construction contracts directly from the Government. The Board is hopeful that the Company is able to finalise and secure some of these projects.

Barring any unforeseen circumstances, the Board is cautiously optimistic on the Group's performance for the remaining period of the financial year ending 30 June 2019.



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**B4 Forecast/Profit Guarantee**

There is no profit guarantee or financial forecast for the current quarter and for the year.

**B5 Taxation**

	<b>CURRENT QUARTER ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018 RM '000</b>	<b>GROUP 6 MONTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018 RM '000</b>
Malaysian taxation		
- current	17,056	32,357
- deferred	1,555	4,720
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	18,611	37,077
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The effective tax rate for the quarter is higher than the statutory tax rate mainly due to the losses incurred by certain subsidiaries and certain expenses not being deductible for tax purposes.

**B6 Profit on Sale of Investment and/or Properties**

There were no sale of investment or properties during the quarter and period ended 31 December 2018.



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**B7 Group Borrowings**

<b>AMOUNT REPAYABLE WITHIN ONE YEAR</b>	<b>CURRENT 2<sup>nd</sup> QUARTER ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018</b>	<b>PRECEDING YEAR CORRESPONDING PERIOD 31 DECEMBER 2017</b>
	<b>RM '000</b>	<b>RM '000</b>
Bank overdraft		
-secured	26,650	38,024
-unsecured	1,012	149
Bank Term Loans-secured	10,102	67,221
Medium term notes	16,215	18,371
Revolving credit-secured	476,888	260,000
	<u>530,867</u>	<u>383,765</u>

<b>AMOUNT REPAYABLE AFTER ONE YEAR</b>	<b>CURRENT 2<sup>nd</sup> QUARTER ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018</b>	<b>PRECEDING YEAR CORRESPONDING PERIOD 31 DECEMBER 2017</b>
	<b>RM '000</b>	<b>RM '000</b>
Bank Term Loans-secured	447,507	554,822
Medium term notes	18,758	16,563
Islamic medium term notes	5,403,098	5,363,007
	<u>5,869,363</u>	<u>5,934,392</u>

The increase in the Group's borrowing is mainly for the purpose of construction projects financing and general working capital requirements.



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### **B8 Material Litigation**

Save as disclosed below as at 31 December 2018, neither the Company nor its subsidiaries are engaged in any material litigation, claims or arbitration, either as plaintiff or defendant and the Board are not aware and do not have any knowledge of any proceedings, pending or threatened against the Group or any facts likely to give rise to any proceedings which might materially and adversely affect the financial position or business of the Company and its subsidiaries :

A dispute arose between our Company ("**Plaintiff**") and Shapadu Construction Sdn Bhd ("**Shapadu**") or ("**Defendant**") in respect of five (5) packages of sub-contract work under the New North Klang Straits Bypass Highway Project ("**Project**"). The holding company of the Defendant i.e. Lebuhraya Shapadu Sdn Bhd ("**Lebuhraya Shapadu**"), is the employer of the Project.

Our claims against the Defendant are, inter alia, the following:

- (i) the sum of RM29,558,720.93 on quantum meruit for loss and damage under the sub-contract; and/or alternatively; and
- (ii) the sum of RM7,459,356.15 being the uncertified value of work done and the sum of RM8,217,960.68 being retention monies in respect of work executed and the value of goods and material delivered under the sub-contract.

The Defendant's counter claims against our Company are, *inter alia*, the following:

- (i) the sum of RM33,010,000.00 allegedly being the liquidated ascertained damages ("**LAD**") due to the Defendant;
- (ii) the sum of RM30,700,000.00 being the LAD due to Lebuhraya Shapadu;
- (iii) the sum of RM2,008,868.93 as an indemnity for failure to carry-out and maintain the work;
- (iv) the sum of RM22,189,859.75 as an indemnity for the cost of completion;
- (v) the sum of RM8,298,455.65 as indemnity for damages suffered by Lebuhraya Shapadu in completing the work; and
- (iv) the sum of RM2,006,101.39 as an indemnity for the loss and expense suffered by Lebuhraya Shapadu.

On 1 August 2000, we issued a notice to arbitrate and the hearing of the arbitration commenced on 14 August 2006. Both the Plaintiff and Defendant have closed their cases and the hearing for the arbitration was adjourned to a date to be fixed. The arbitration proceeding is kept in abeyance pending settlement of the dispute.. As at the LPD, the parties have yet to finalise a settlement proposal.



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**B8 Material Litigation (cont'd)**

Our Directors are of the opinion that the financial impact on our Group is minimal since we had sub-contracted all the relevant work to a third party on a “back-to-back” basis, and the third party sub-contractor has agreed to indemnify us against any losses or damages that we may suffer in the event Shapadu’s counter claim is allowed by the court.

Further, we had sought legal advice in respect of the counter claim made by Shapadu and our solicitors are of the opinion that we have a reasonable prospect of defending the claim particularly when the employer has not taken action against the Defendant since most of the claims are on indemnity basis. On that premises, this dispute with Shapadu is not envisaged to have any material adverse impact on the financial position of our Group.

**B9 Dividend**

No interim dividend has been declared for the quarter ended 31 December 2018.

**B10 Earnings Per Share**

	INDIVIDUAL QUARTER		CUMULATIVE QUARTER	
	Current year quarter 31 December 2018 RM '000	Preceding year corresponding quarter 31 December 2017 (Restated) RM '000	6 Months to 31 December 2018 RM '000	6 Months to 31 December 2017 (Restated) RM '000
(a) Basic earnings per share				
Net profit attributable to ordinary shareholders	43,909	53,105	87,776	91,940
Weighted average number of ordinary share issue (‘000)	2,139,238	2,139,203	2,139,238	2,139,203
Basic earnings per ordinary share (sen)	2.05	2.48	4.10	4.30
(b) Diluted earnings per ordinary Share (sen)	2.05	2.48	4.10	4.30



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### B11 Notes to the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

	Current quarter ended 31 December 2018 RM '000	6 months ended 31 December 2018 RM '000
Profit before tax is stated after charging / (crediting) :		
Interest income	(5,173)	(10,674)
Other income including investment income	(863)	(3,354)
Interest expense	51,194	97,996
Depreciation and amortization	8,782	17,208

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### B13 Corporate Exercises

#### **B13 (a)**

The Board of Directors of Ekovest Berhad ("**Board**"), had on 21 September 2016, announced our wholly-owned subsidiary, Nuzen Corporation Sdn Bhd ("**Nuzen**") had entered into a binding term sheet with Employees Provident Fund Board ("**EPF**") to dispose a 40% equity interest held in Konsortium Lebuhraya Utara-Timur (KL) Sdn Bhd ("**Kesturi**") to EPF.

On 8 November 2016, on behalf of the Board of Directors of Ekovest ("**Board**"), CIMB Investment Bank Berhad ("**CIMB**"), Astramina Advisory Sdn Bhd ("**Astramina**") and AmlInvestment Bank Berhad ("**AmlInvestment**") announced that Nuzen had entered into a conditional share sale agreement ("**SSA**") with EPF for the disposal of:

- (i) 3,440,400 ordinary shares of RM1.00 each in Kesturi, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Nuzen; and
- (ii) 18,000,000 redeemable preference shares of RM1.00 each in Kesturi,

which represents 40% of the issued and paid-up share capital of Kesturi, for a total cash consideration of RM1,130.0 million, subject to the terms and conditions contained in the SSA ("**Disposal**").



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In addition, the Company proposes to undertake the following:

- (i) proposed share split involving the subdivision of every two (2) existing ordinary shares of RM0.50 each into five (5) ordinary shares of RM0.20 each in EkoVest held on an entitlement date to be determined and announced later ("**Share Split**"); and
- (ii) proposed amendments to the Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association to facilitate the implementation of the Share Split ("**Amendments**").

On 18 November 2016, it was announced that the applications relating to the Share Split have been submitted to Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("**Bursa Securities**") and on 22 December 2016 announced that Bursa Securities resolved to approve the Share Split and listing of and quotation for up to 183,310,470 additional warrants arising from the adjustments to be made pursuant to the Share Split and up to 183,310,470 subdivided shares to be issued arising from the exercise of additional warrants, on the Main Market of Bursa Securities.

On 19 January 2017, the shareholders of the Company have approved the resolutions in respect of the Disposal, Share Split and Amendments.

The Disposal has been completed on 13 February 2017 and in accordance with the terms of the Share Sale Agreement, Nuzen and EPF have entered into the Shareholders' Agreement on 13 February 2017.

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The status of utilisation of proceeds raised from the Proposed Disposal which was completed on 13 February 2017 are as follows:

<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Gross Proceeds (RM '000)</b>	<b>Actual Utilisation (RM '000)</b>	<b>Balance (RM '000)</b>	<b>Deviation (RM '000)</b>	<b>Intended Timeframe for Utilisation</b>
Repayment of borrowings	400,000	400,000	Nil	Nil	Within 6 months
Distribution to shareholders of Ekovest ( <i>Note 1</i> )	Between 213,862 and 244,414	213,920	Nil	Nil	Within 6 months
Exit Payment	149,000	Nil	149,000	Nil	( <i>Note 2</i> )
General corporate and working capital	Between 325,168 and 355,720	355,662	Nil	Nil	Within 24 months
Estimated expenses for the Proposal	11,418	11,418	Nil	Nil	Within 6 months
	1,130,000	981,000	149,000		

**Remarks :**

The total cash consideration for this Proposed Disposal is RM1,130.0 million, which is payable in the following manner :

- (a) On the completion date, EPF shall pay to Nuzen the completion sum of RM921.0 million; and
- (b) Within 7 Business Days following the receipt by Nuzen of a copy of the CPC for Duke Phase-2, EPF shall pay to Nuzen the CPC payment of RM209.0 million, of which the Exit Payment of RM149.0 million is to be deposited into the Designated Accounts and Nuzen shall retain the Exit Payment and all Accrued Income.

*Note (1) : The Proposed Distribution represents a cash dividend of RM0.25 per share. The Proposed Dividend has been paid on 8 March 2017 amounting to RM213.92 million. The actual amount paid to the shareholders of the Company is based on the Company's shares outstanding as the entitlement date.*

*Note (2) : Nuzen is entitled to the full legal and beneficial rights and title to the Exit Payment amounting to RM149.0 million and the Accrued Income but is obligated to retain the Exit Payment and the Accrued Income in the Designated Account. As at to-date, Nuzen has received the CPC Payment which includes the Exit Payment. Amount received to-date is RM1,130.0 million only.*



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**B13 (b)**

On 31 October 2017, the Board announced that the Company has received a proposal letter from Tan Sri Dato' Lim Kang Hoo ("**TSDLKH**"), the major shareholder of the Company in relation to a reorganisation exercise involving *inter alia* the acquisition by the Company of all the ordinary shares in Iskandar Waterfront City Berhad ("**IWC Shares**") held by the existing shareholders of Iskandar Waterfront City Berhad ("**IWC**"), excluding IWC Shares held by Iskandar Waterfront Holdings Sdn Bhd (who is proposed by TSDLKH not to accept the offer by the Company for the acquisition of its shares in IWC), representing approximately 62% of the issued and paid-up share capital of IWC as at the date of this announcement ("**Proposed Acquisition**").

On behalf of the Board, Mercury Securities Sdn Bhd ("**Mercury Securities**") (*being the Principal Adviser*) and Astramina Advisory Sdn Bhd ("**Astramina**") (*being the Financial Adviser*) have announced that the Board had received a letter of undertaking dated 27 November 2017 from IWH, wherein IWH undertakes that, *inter alia*, it shall not accept the offer to be made by EkoVest under the Proposed Acquisition.

On 18 December 2017, Mercury Securities and Astramina announced that the Board (*save for the Interested Directors*) has, after having considered all aspects of the Proposed Offer, decided to present the Proposed Offer to the non-interested shareholders of EkoVest for consideration at an Extraordinary General Meeting ("**EGM**") of the Company to be convened.

In accordance with Paragraph 9.10(1) of the Rules on Take-overs, Mergers and Compulsory Acquisitions ("**Rules**"), Mercury Securities and Astramina served a notice of conditional voluntary general offer ("**Notice**") on the board of directors of IWCity informing them of the Company's intention to undertake a conditional voluntary general offer to acquire all the Offer Shares in IWCity comprising the following:-

- (i) 837,388,857 ordinary shares in IWCity ("**IWCity Shares**"), representing the entire issued share capital of IWCity as at 11 December 2017; and
- (ii) any new IWCity Shares that may be issued prior to the closing date of the Proposed Offer arising from the exercise of outstanding employee share options in IWCity ("**IWCity ESOS Options**"),

(collectively referred to as the "**Offer Shares**")



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for a consideration of RM1.50 per Offer Share ("**Offer Price**"), which shall be satisfied by way of:-

- (i) a cash consideration of RM1.50 for every 1 Offer Share surrendered ("**Cash Option**"); or
- (ii) a share exchange based on an exchange ratio of 1 new ordinary share in EkoVest ("**EkoVest Share**") to be issued at an issue price of RM1.50 each ("**Issue Price**") ("**Consideration Share**") for every 1 Offer Share surrendered ("**Share Exchange Option**").

On 22 December 2017, Mercury Securities and Astramina announced that the relevant applications in respect of the Proposed Offer have been submitted to the regulatory authorities. In addition, on 8 January 2018, the Securities Commission Malaysia ("**SC**") had granted an approval for an extension of time to despatch the Offer Document i.e. to be despatched within 2 market days from:-

- (i) Bursa Securities' clearance of the Circular; or
- (ii) the SC's notification of no further comments to the Offer Document,

whichever is later, but in any event no later than 84 days from the date of the Notice, being 12 March 2018.

On 12 March 2018, Mercury Securities and Astramina announced that EkoVest has despatched the Offer Document which sets out the details, terms and conditions of the Offer, together with the Form of Acceptance and Transfer for the Offer Shares to the Board of Directors of IWCity and the holders of the Offer Shares. A notice was sent out to inform that EkoVest's EGM was to be held on 29 March 2018.

On behalf of the Board, Mercury Securities and Astramina announced that the shareholders of EkoVest have not approved the resolution pertaining to the Proposed Offer at the EGM held on 29 March 2018.

In view of the above, the Proposed Offer has lapsed and all acceptances received pursuant to the Proposed Offer will be returned to the respective shareholders of IWCity.

Other than the above, there is no corporate proposals announced but not completed as at the date of this quarterly report.