



PLS PLANTATIONS BERHAD

(Company No : 198701001365 (160032-K))

(Incorporated in Malaysia)

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

(These figures have not been audited)

	Current 3 months ended		Cumulative 9 months ended	
	31.3.2023 RM'000	31.3.2022 RM'000	31.3.2023 RM'000	31.3.2022 RM'000
Revenue	25,052	32,110	96,455	139,218
Fair value gain in biological assets	(395)	1,405	(1,405)	825
Cost of sales*	(23,082)	(19,833)	(72,756)	(87,378)
Gross profit	1,575	13,682	22,294	52,665
Other income	209	8,743	732	9,788
Administrative expenses	(7,599)	(4,699)	(16,681)	(12,089)
Depreciation and amortisation	(334)	(400)	(1,054)	(913)
Results from operating activities	(6,149)	17,326	5,291	49,451
Interest income	7	84	117	157
Finance cost	(1,176)	(1,357)	(3,766)	(4,540)
Profit/(Loss) before taxation	(7,318)	16,053	1,642	45,068
Taxation	1,752	(2,728)	(2,459)	(10,756)
Net Profit/(Loss) for the period	(5,566)	13,325	(817)	34,312
Other comprehensive expense, net of tax	-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for the period	(5,566)	13,325	(817)	34,312
Net Profit/ (Loss) Attributable to:				
Owners of the parent	(4,416)	12,359	(774)	27,725
Non-controlling interests	(1,150)	966	(43)	6,587
Net Profit/(Loss) for the period	(5,566)	13,325	(817)	34,312
Total comprehensive income/(expense) attributable to:				
Owners of the parent	(4,416)	12,359	(774)	27,725
Non-controlling interests	(1,150)	966	(43)	6,587
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for the period	(5,566)	13,325	(817)	34,312
Earnings/(Losses) per share for net profit/(loss) attributable to owners of the parents :				
Basic (Sen)	(1.08)	3.09	(0.19)	6.94
Diluted (Sen)	(1.00)	2.88	(0.18)	6.55
Remark :				
* Included depreciation and amortization	3,890	3,030	11,545	9,128

The Condensed Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Report for the Financial Year Ended 30 June 2022.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023
(These figures have not been audited)

	31 March 2023 RM'000	(Audited) 30 June 2022 RM'000
ASSETS		
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment	33,526	30,218
Right-of-use assets	145,486	147,628
Intangible assets	18,442	18,508
Bearer plants	157,714	158,834
Biological assets	2,839	2,681
Investment properties	11,774	274
Investment in associated company	12,000	-
Deferred tax assets	20	20
Performance deposits	48,995	50,000
	430,796	408,163
Current assets		
Contract assets	5,220	4,334
Inventories	32,806	23,330
Biological assets	1,689	3,139
Trade, other receivables and prepayment	56,610	36,041
Amount due from holding company	33	17
Amount due from associate company	50	-
Tax recoverable	4,281	1,558
Fixed deposits with licensed banks	3,824	2,582
Cash and cash equivalents	27,674	42,718
	132,187	113,719
TOTAL ASSETS	562,983	521,882
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Share capital	173,061	134,345
Retained earnings	138,567	139,472
Equity attributable to owners of the parent	311,628	273,817
Non-controlling interests	55,384	55,035
Total Equity	367,012	328,852
Non-current liabilities		
Lease liabilities	4,959	4,334
Bank term loan and borrowings	59,731	66,966
Deferred tax liabilities	64,915	65,683
	129,605	136,983
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	31,251	20,357
Dividend payable	-	1,005
Amount due to directors	6,653	5,417
Lease liabilities	2,817	2,481
Bank term loan and borrowings	21,820	24,969
Taxation	3,825	1,818
	66,366	56,047
Total liabilities	195,971	193,030
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	562,983	521,882
Net assets per share attributable to owners of the parent (RM)	0.7089	0.6851

The Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Report for the Financial Year Ended 30 June 2022.



**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

(These figures have not been audited)

	<--- Attributable to Owners of the Parent ----->			Non- controlling Interests	Total Equity
	Share Capital RM'000	Distributable Retained Earnings RM'000	Total RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
At 1 July 2021,	134,345	112,161	246,506	47,608	294,114
Total transactions with Owner of the Company	-	-	-	(224)	(224)
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	27,311	27,311	7,651	34,962
At 30 June 2022	<u>134,345</u>	<u>139,472</u>	<u>273,817</u>	<u>55,035</u>	<u>328,852</u>
At 1 July 2022,	134,345	139,472	273,817	55,035	328,852
Subscription of shares	38,716		38,716	-	38,716
Acquisition of subsidiaries		(131)	(131)	392	261
Total comprehensive expense for the period	-	(774)	(774)	(43)	(817)
At 31 March 2023	<u>173,061</u>	<u>138,567</u>	<u>311,628</u>	<u>55,384</u>	<u>367,012</u>

The Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Report for the Financial Year Ended 30 June 2022.



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**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

(These figures have not been audited)

	Current Year To Date 31 March 2023 RM'000	Preceding Year Corresponding Period 31 March 2022 RM'000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Profit before tax	1,642	45,068
Adjustments for :-		
Non-cash items	12,089	9,643
Non-operating items	1,468	2,137
Net interest expenses /(income)	3,534	4,123
Operating profit/(loss) before working capital changes	18,733	60,971
Net changes in working capital	(44,110)	(41,223)
Net tax refund/(paid)	(3,942)	(186)
Net cash generated from/(used in) operating activities	(29,319)	19,562
Cash flows from investing activities		
Interest received	-	107
Decrease/(Increase) in pledged deposits placed with licensed bank	(1,242)	(2,085)
Subscription of shares by non-controlling interests	392	-
Acquisition in subsidiary	132	(52)
Capital contribution in associated company	12,000	-
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	142	-
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(5,203)	(2,907)
Additional of Investment Properties	(11,500)	-
Additions to bearer plants, biological assets and right-of-use assets	(3,683)	(2,669)
Net cash generated from/(used in) investing activities	(8,962)	(7,606)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Interest paid	(2,647)	(3,834)
Drawdown of borrowings	10,207	6,630
Repayment of borrowings	(20,778)	(16,959)
Repayments of lease liabilities	(2,691)	(1,431)
(Repayment to)/Advances from holding company	(16)	(24)
Issuance of shares pursuant to:		
- Private placements	38,716	-
(Repayment to)/Advances from Directors	1,174	(180)
Net cash generated from/(used in) financing activities	23,965	(15,798)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(14,316)	(3,842)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	41,987	39,503
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	27,671	35,661
Cash and cash equivalents included in the cash flow statement comprise the following :-		
Cash & bank balances	27,674	35,661
Fixed deposits with licenced bank	3,824	6,274
Less : Bank overdraft cum other banking facilities	(3)	-
Less : Fixed deposits pledged	(3,824)	(6,274)
	27,671	35,661

The Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Report for the Financial Year Ended 30 June 2022.

**NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

(These figures have not been audited)

1. Basis of preparation

The condensed interim financial statements are unaudited and have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ("MFRS") 134 : Interim Financial Reporting issued by Malaysian Accounting Standards Board ("MASB") and paragraph 9.22 of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Bhd. It should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 30 June 2022.

The significant accounting policies and methods of computation adopted are consistent with those of the most recent audited financial statements for the financial year ended 30 June 2022 except for the adoption of new and amended MFRSs, IC Interpretations which are relevant to its operations and effective for the financial periods beginning on or after 1 July 2022. The adoption of these accounting pronouncements are not expected to have any effect to the financial statements of the Group and the Company upon its initial applications.

2. Qualification of audit report of the preceding annual financial statements

There was no qualification in the audited financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2022.

3. Seasonal or cyclical factors

The business operations of the Group are not mainly affected by any significant seasonal or cyclical factors.

4. Nature and amount of items affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income, or cash flows that are unusual because of their nature, size or incidence

There were no items affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flows that are unusual because of their nature, size, or incidence during the quarter.

5. Changes in estimates of amounts reported in prior interim periods of the current financial year or in prior financial years

There were no estimates reported in the prior interim periods of the current financial year or in prior financial years.

6. Issuances, cancellations, repurchases, resale and repayments of debt and equity securities

There were no issuance, cancellations, repurchases, resale and repayments of debt and equity securities for the Group during the current quarter and financial year-to-date, save and except as follow:-

Issuances of shares pursuant to the Private Placements

A total of 39,965,600 ordinary shares being issued for Private Placements Shares which had completed at various issue prices per Placements Share.

7. Dividend paid

There was no dividend declared or paid for the current quarter ended 31 March 2023.

8. Segment information

	3 months ended 31 March		9 months ended 31 March	
	2022	2022	2022	2022
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Segment Revenue				
Construction	5,092	4,439	13,541	12,641
Plantation	11,360	23,493	53,266	87,662
Manufacturing and Trading	9,692	4,178	32,368	39,151
	26,144	32,110	99,175	139,454
Elimination of inter-segment revenue	(1,092)	-	(2,720)	(236)
Total	25,052	32,110	96,455	139,218
	-	-	-	-
Segment Results				
Construction	1,018	960	2,819	2,776
Plantation	(2,312)	11,502	12,187	41,518
Manufacturing and Trading	(1,118)	(2,032)	(3,652)	337
Investment Holding	(3,831)	6,836	(6,421)	6,440
Other	(72)	(108)	(88)	(124)
Elimination	166	168	446	(1,496)
Operating profit	(6,149)	17,326	5,291	49,451
	-	-	-	-
Interest income	7	84	117	157
Finance costs	(1,176)	(1,357)	(3,766)	(4,540)
Profit before tax	(7,318)	16,053	1,642	45,068

**NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

(These figures have not been audited)

9. Valuation of property, plant and equipment and bearer plant

There were no amendments in the valuations amount of land and buildings brought forward to current quarter as compared to the previous year annual report.

10. Material Events not reflected in the Financial Statements

No transaction or event of a material or unusual nature had occurred between 31 March 2023 and the date of this announcement.

11. Changes in the Composition of the Company

On 5 January 2023, the Company had incorporated a 51%-owned subsidiary named PLS LESB Sdn Bhd (PLS LESB) by way of subscribing 51 ordinary shares in the share capital of PLS LESB at RM51. On 2 March 2023, the Company had subscribed an additional RM47 ordinary shares in the enlarged share capital of PLS LESB, hence changed its composition to 49%-owned association instead of a subsidiary. Total issued and paid-up capital to date is RM200. PLS LESB currently is dormant.

On 2 March 2023, the Company via its PLS LESB, had acquired the entire issued and paid-up share capital of Akar Barat Jaya Sdn Bhd (ABJSB) at a purchase consideration of RM1. ABJSB became a wholly-owned subsidiary of the PLS LESB and currently is dormant.

On 2 March 2023, the Company had acquired the entire issued and paid-up share capital of Era Kuasajaya Sdn Bhd (EKSB) at a purchase consideration of RM1. EKSB became a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company and currently is dormant.

On 19 March 2023, the Company via its Brighthill Synergy Sdn Bhd (BHSB), had subscribed additional 599,999 ordinary shares in the enlarged share capital of PLS Agrofresh Sdn Bhd (PASB) at RM599,999, hence changed its composition to 60% owned subsidiary instead of 100%

Other than the above, there were no other changes in the composition of the Group during the current quarter under review.

12. Changes in contingent liabilities

Contingent liabilities of the Group as at 31 March 2023 comprise of:

	Company RM'000	Group RM'000
Bank Guarantees to third parties in respect of utilities security deposit	84	84
Corporate guarantee to subsidiary in respect of trade working capital facilities held by a subsidiary	9,646	
Corporate guarantee to subsidiary in respect of purchasing plants and machineries	2,351	-
Corporate guarantee to subsidiary in respect of term loans and financing facilities held by subsidiaries	68,870	-
	80,951	84

13. Capital commitments

The Group has the following commitments during the current quarter as follow :-

	Group RM'000
Capital expenditures for new planting of bearer plants and biological assets	
- Approved and contracted for	7,715
- Approved but not contracted for	15,697
	23,412

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AS REQUIRED BY APPENDIX 9B OF BURSA MALAYSIA'S LISTING REQUIREMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

(These figures have not been audited)

1 (a). Review of performance for financial year todate

	Current Year Cumulative Quarter 31.3.2023 RM'000	Preceding Year Corresponding Quarter 31.3.2022 RM'000	Changes	
			Amount RM'000	%
Revenue	96,455	139,218	(42,763)	-31%
Fair value change in biological assets	(1,405)	825	(2,230)	-270%
Gross Profit	22,294	52,665	(30,371)	-58%
Profit/(Loss) Before Interest and Tax	5,291	49,451	(44,160)	-89%
Profit/(Loss) Before Tax	1,642	45,068	(43,426)	-96%
Profit/(Loss) After Tax	(817)	34,312	(35,129)	-102%
Profit/(Loss) Attributable to Owner of the parent	(774)	27,725	(28,499)	-103%

For the current year todate ended 31 March 2023, the Group registered a lower revenue of RM96.5 million and a profit before tax of RM1.6 million as compared with the revenue of RM139.2 million and profit before tax of RM 45.1 million in the preceding year corresponding period. The decrease in both revenue and profit before tax as compared to the preceding year corresponding period mainly attributed to lower sales volume and lower average selling prices in the oil palm plantation segment and lower sales in frozen whole durian and durian related products in manufacturing and trading segment as it was an off harvesting durian season.

Fresh Fruit Bunch ('FFB')

	Current Year Cumulative Quarter 31.3.2023 RM'000	Preceding Year Corresponding Quarter 31.3.2022 RM'000	Changes	
			Amount RM'000	%
Sales Volume (in metric tonnes (MT))	62,768	76,942	(14,174)	-18%
Average Selling Prices realised (in RM per MT)	837	1,127	(290)	-26%

During the period under review, the Group's oil palm plantation recorded a decrease in FFB sales volume by 18% to 62,768 metric tonnes (MT) (2022 Q3 : 76,942 MT) and the average selling prices realised for FFB decreases about 26% to RM837 per MT (2022 Q3 : RM1,127 per MT) as compared to the previous corresponding year.

1 (b). Review of performance for current quarter

	Current Year Quarter 31.3.2023 RM'000	Preceding Year Corresponding Quarter 31.3.2022 RM'000	Changes	
			Amount RM'000	%
Revenue	25,052	32,110	(7,058)	-22%
Fair value change in biological assets	(395)	1,405	(1,800)	-128%
Gross Profit	1,575	13,682	(12,107)	-88%
Profit/(Loss) Before Interest and Tax	(6,149)	17,326	(23,475)	-135%
Profit/(Loss) Before Tax	(7,318)	16,053	(23,371)	-146%
Profit/(Loss) After Tax	(5,566)	13,325	(18,891)	-142%
Profit/(Loss) Attributable to Owner of the parent	(4,416)	12,359	(16,775)	-136%

The Group's lower revenue in the current quarter of RM25.1 million as compared with RM32.1 million in the preceding year corresponding quarter was primarily due to lower contribution from sales of FFB in oil palm plantations and reduced sales in frozen whole durian and durian products due to seasonality. As a result, the Group registered a loss before tax of RM7.3 million as compared with profit before tax of RM16.1 million in the preceding year corresponding quarter.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AS REQUIRED BY APPENDIX 9B OF BURSA MALAYSIA'S LISTING REQUIREMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

(These figures have not been audited)

2. Comparison with preceding quarter results

	Current Year Quarter	Immediate Preceding Quarter	Changes	
			Amount	%
	31.3.2023 RM'000	31.12.2022 RM'000	RM'000	
Revenue	25,052	33,651	(8,599)	-26%
Fair value change in biological assets	(395)	(284)	(111)	39%
Gross Profit	1,575	9,486	(7,911)	-83%
Profit/(Loss) Before Interest and Tax	(6,149)	5,225	(11,374)	-218%
Profit/(Loss) Before Tax	(7,318)	3,718	(11,036)	-297%
Profit/(Loss) After Tax	(5,566)	1,908	(7,474)	-392%
Profit/(Loss) Attributable to Owner of the parent	(4,416)	1,649	(6,065)	-368%

The Group's revenue for the current quarter ended 31 March 2023 decreased to RM25.1 million from RM33.7 million in the immediate preceding quarter mainly due to lower sales of FFB in oil palm plantation. In tandem with that, the Group's registered a loss before tax for the current quarter of RM7.3 million as compared to profit before tax of RM3.7 million in the immediate preceding quarter.

3. Current year prospects

The Group has had a challenging year so far mainly attributed to lower FFB selling prices, lower production as a result of prolonged labour shortage and rising of production costs in the Oil Palm business. The Group is expecting a recovery in FFB productivity in the near term with recent easing of labour shortage, increasing mechanization and recent upgrading of plantations infrastructure.

The slower than expected take up rate from COFCO Food Import Co., Ltd ("COFCO") in the durian business has also contributed to the lackluster Group performance. We see this as a temporary blip as we were transitioning from our existing distributors to COFCO and they are still ramping up their marketing and distribution strategies for durian.

In the near term, we look to a recovery of FFB and Durian export sales. In the medium term we remain optimistic about the Cash Crop business performance based on current progress. Land preparation works has started for cultivation of Banana and other joint ventures are being developed.

4. Profit forecast

Not applicable as no profit forecast was published.

5. Tax expense

	3 months ended 31 March		9 months ended 31 March	
	2022	2022	2022	2022
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
The tax expense comprises the following:				
Current tax				
- current year provision	(1,426)	(6)	3,227	983
Deferred tax	(326)	2,734	(768)	9,773
	(1,752)	2,728	2,459	10,756

6. Status of corporate proposal announced

Save for the placement shares completed as disclosed below, there is no other corporate exercise which our Group has announced but is pending completion:

On 25 January 2023, on behalf of the Company, Maybank Investment Bank Berhad ("Maybank IB") and Astramina Advisory Sdn Bhd ("Astramina Advisory") announced that:

(i) the Company proposes to undertake a placement of up to 56,237,000 new PLS Shares ("Placement Shares"), representing 10% of the total number of

issued PLS Shares based on the maximum scenario assuming all outstanding warrants in the Company are fully exercised; and

(ii) the Company had entered into separate subscription agreements with 5 third party investors for the placement of a total of 25,000,000 Placement Shares to the 5 investors at RM0.95 per Placement Share pursuant to the Proposed Placement.

On 2 February 2023, on behalf of the Company, Maybank IB and Astramina Advisory further announced that the Company had entered into separate subscription agreements with another 2 third party investors for the placement of a total of 14,965,600 Placement Shares to the 2 investors at RM1.00 per Placement Share pursuant to the Proposed Placement.

The Proposed Placement was completed on 14 February 2023 following the listing and quotation of 39,965,600 Placement Shares on the Main Market of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AS REQUIRED BY APPENDIX 9B OF BURSA MALAYSIA'S LISTING REQUIREMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

(These figures have not been audited)

The total gross proceeds raised from the Placement Shares was approximately RM38.72 million and the status of utilisation of gross proceeds was as follows:

No.	Purpose	Gross Proceeds (RM '000)	Actual Utilisation (RM '000)	Balance (RM '000)	* Estimated Timeframe for Utilisation
(i)	Expansion/Investment in cash crops, durian and other plantation activities	25,226	18,783	6,443	Within 24 months
(ii)	Expansion of downstream activities of the durian business	5,000	506	4,494	Within 24 months
(iii)	General working capital	7,400	7,400	-	Within 12 months
(iv)	Defray estimated expenses relating to the Proposed Placement	1,090	1,090	-	Within 2 months
		38,716	27,779	10,937	

Note :

* From the date of listing of each tranche of the Placement Shares

7. Borrowing and debt securities

Total group borrowings are as follows:

	As at 31.3.2023 RM'000	As at 31.3.2022 RM'000
(a) Short term borrowings		
Amount repayable within one year		
Bank overdraft cum other banking facilities - secured	9,712	6,392
Bank term loan - secured	12,108	28,238
	21,820	34,630
(b) Long term borrowings		
Bank term loan - secured	59,731	69,398
	59,731	69,398
Total borrowings	81,551	104,028

The above borrowings are denominated in Ringgit Malaysia .

8 Changes in material litigation

The Company ('Claimant') vs. Josu Engineering Construction Sdn Bhd ("Respondent" or "Josu")

On 23 February 2023, the leave applications filed by the Company came up for case management before the Federal Court. The parties were informed that the Federal Court had rescheduled the earlier Hearing date fixed on 6 June 2023 to 26 June 2023 and directions for the filing of any reply/additional submissions were handed down.

9 Basic earnings per share

	Current Year Quarter 31.3.2023 RM'000	Preceding Year Quarter 31.3.2022 RM'000	Current Year To Date 31.3.2023 RM'000	Preceding Year To Date 31.3.2022 RM'000
a) Basic earnings per share				
Net profit/(loss) for the period	(4,416)	12,359	(774)	27,725
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue	'000	'000	'000	'000
Ordinary shares issued at 1 July	399,656	399,656	399,656	399,656
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue	9,190	-	9,190	-
Ordinary shares issued at 31 March	408,846	399,656	408,846	399,656
Basic earnings/(losses) per share (sen)	(1.08)	3.09	(0.19)	6.94
b) Diluted earnings per share				
Net profit/(loss) for the period	(4,416)	12,359	(774)	27,725
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue	'000	'000	'000	'000
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for basis earnings per share in a) above	408,846	399,656	408,846	399,656
Potential dilution ordinary shares for weighted average number of unexercised warrants issued	34,044	28,976	21,653	23,493
	442,890	428,632	430,499	423,149
Diluted earnings per share (sen)	(1.00)	2.88	(0.18)	6.55

10 Authorisation for issue

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

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BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
Date : 30th May 2023