



Feeding the World

Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow



MEWAH INTERNATIONAL INC.

Mewah International Inc. ("Mewah") has been in operations since the 1950s. Mewah is a global food and agri-business listed on the Mainboard of the Singapore Stock Exchange Securities Trading Limited since 2010. Today, Mewah has grown to be one of the prominent edible oils and fats businesses with total refining capacity in excess of 3.5 million MT annually. Mewah currently has edible oil refineries, various food manufacturing plants such as bakery and confectionary products, biodiesel plant and dairy factory spread out between Malaysia, Singapore and Indonesia. Mewah also markets and distributes a range of Fast-Moving Consumer Goods products such as rice, cashew, dairy related products, food premixes and soap. Mewah's products are marketed to more than 100 countries through a well-established global sales and distribution network, duly supported by its wide range of brands including long established and well recognised OKI and MOI brands.

SALES AND MARKETING OFFICES

Malaysia, Singapore, Australia, China, Turkey, India, Ivory Coast, Thailand, USA, Benin, Ghana, Uganda, Mozambique, Cameroon and Niger.

Sales to over
100
countries



OUR BRANDS

OKI

Moi

Duke's

MONA

DELI

AROME

FRY-OLA

CABBAGE BRAND

Krispi

美华牌
Mewah

TURKEY

MANUFACTURING OPERATIONS

Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia

Malaysia

- 4 edible oil refineries and manufacturing plants
- 2 packing plants
- 1 biodiesel plant
- 1 dairy manufacturing plant

Singapore

- 1 packing plant

Indonesia

- 1 edible oil refinery, manufacturing and packing plant
- 1 milling plant*
- 1 plantation*

* Plantation and milling plant in Indonesia are insignificant to the Group



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CORPORATE PROFILE

Our operations are integrated throughout the value chain from sourcing of raw materials, refining, processing, packing, branding to marketing and distribution to end customers under our own brands.



>70
years of operations



Products are sold to customers in **>100** countries

A **GLOBAL FOOD AND AGRI-BUSINESS** focused on edible oils and fats



UPSTREAM

- Plantation*
- Milling*



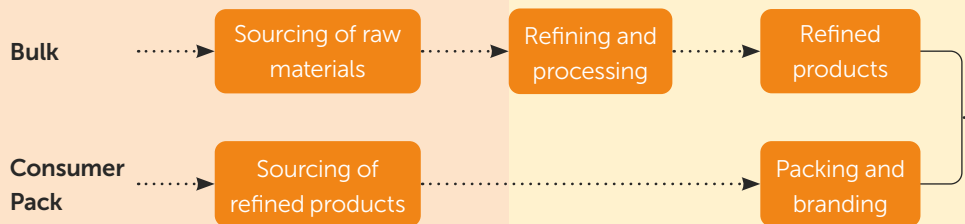
MIDSTREAM

- Refining vegetable oil
- Specialty oils



DOWNSTREAM

- Consumer packs
- Branding
- Private Label
- Sale / marketing
- Distribution



Bulk

Bulk segment produces and sells vegetable-based edible oil and fat products in bulk form primarily to distributors and factories involved in the production of confectionery, bakery products and other food items.

Consumer Pack

Consumer pack segment produces vegetable-based edible oil and fat products, in consumer pack form and sell under own brands and under the brands of third parties, primarily to importers and distributors at destination markets.

* Plantation and milling plant in Indonesia are insignificant to the Group



Total refining capacity of **3.5** million MT annually



Sales volume of **4.1** million MT



Long established and well recognised brands –

OKI & MOI



**SALES
MARKETING &
DISTRIBUTION**



CUSTOMERS

Consumer Products Range

Our range of consumer products include cooking oils, margarine, rice, cashew, sweetened condensed creamer, evaporated milk, cheese, soap, detergent and premix powder. We are continuously working on expanding the products range.



CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

The world continued to grapple with the COVID-19 pandemic in 2021. Even as vaccination programmes are progressively rolled out around the world, new and more infectious variants such as Delta and Omicron continued to surface.

Despite the uncertain operating environment, the Group remained resilient in 2021, and went on to deliver impressive financial results for the second consecutive year. Besides focusing on running operations safely, the Group leveraged on our strong production and distribution capabilities to capture higher processing margins and overcame congested supply chains amidst fluid market conditions and changing government regulations.

Resultantly, the Group's revenue crossed the US\$4 billion mark for the first time since 2011 to achieve US\$4,348.8 million. The strong performance was mainly attributed to attractive processing margins from lower supplies caused by labour shortages and adverse weather conditions, and strong demand at destination markets.

Notably, the 47.7% increase in average CPO selling price with high processing margins enabled the Group to achieve a higher operating margin of US\$54.6 per metric tonne (MT) compared to US\$49.9 per MT last year. However, the overall decrease in Palm oil exports from Malaysia led to a 14.6% decrease in the Group's sales volume, and a 6.4% decrease in total operating margin to US\$225.1 million eventually. Nonetheless, the Group continued to post a healthy net profit of US\$80.2 million, albeit a 7.4% decrease from US\$86.5 million in the preceding year.



The strong performance saw the Group further strengthening our balance sheet with a total equity of US\$683.6 million, as well as maintaining a low gross debt to equity ratio of 0.63 and net debt to equity ratio of 0.38. More significantly, these put the Group in a favourable position to explore arising opportunities in greater value chain participation and further diversification of refining and manufacturing facilities geographically.

In 2022, the threat of newer COVID-19 variants continues to loom, and the tightening of accommodative monetary policies by major economies is expected to slow recovery. Congestion at ports around the world, along with the resulting network and supply chain disruptions and capacity shortage, is expected to persist throughout most of 2022. Hearteningly, our industry has proven to be resilient. The Group's strong performance in the past two years has also fortified our financial position. Hence, the fundamentals of our businesses remain strong and we expect future demand for our products and services will remain robust, supported by macroeconomic and demographic mega trends, such as the rise of Asia's and Africa's middle class.

In recognition of the shareholders' strong support throughout these unprecedented times, the Board of Directors has proposed a final exempt dividend of S\$0.0081 per ordinary share. Along with the interim dividend of S\$0.0027 declared earlier, the total dividend amounts to S\$0.0108 per ordinary share for the full year.

To repeat such sterling financial results for two consecutive years during a volatile period speaks volumes about the Group's leadership strength, strong corporate culture and our values as a socially responsible business. The dedication of Our Board of Directors and people, and their readiness to adapt to fast changing circumstances were instrumental in enabling the Group to feed the world throughout this pandemic. As we embark on the year ahead, I am confident that the energy and optimism of our global team will enable us to continue creating sustainable value for our stakeholders.

DR CHEO TONG CHOON @ LEE TONG CHOON

Chairman and Executive Director

CEO'S MESSAGE

In 2021, COVID-19 vaccination programmes rolled out steadily around the world, paving the way for border reopening and global recovery. However, the outbreak of the Delta and Omicron variants during the year moderated the pace of the progress. As the pandemic's advancement has not been linear, the macro environment remained dynamic as we experienced higher-than-expected inflationary pressures, increased freight costs and a tight labour market. Classified under essential industries, the Group's business was thankfully cushioned from global disruptions. We remained focused on actions that drive both top and bottom-line growth. Our agility and adaptability enabled us to swiftly change our business workflows to not just comply with border controls, movement restrictions and safe distancing measures in various markets, but also prioritised the safety of our people and the communities we operate in.

These decisive moves, underpinned by a strong balance sheet, empowered the Group to appropriate higher refining spreads and maximise operating margins while minimising downsides of the congested supply chains. The Group eventually went on to deliver another year of strong financial results, posting a revenue of US\$4,348.8 million and a net profit of US\$80.2 million for the full year.

Among the two business segments of the Group, the Bulk segment saw consistent demand from the processors and packers at destination markets. This contributed to higher operating margins at US\$49.5 per metric tonne (MT) as opposed to US\$42.0 per MT in 2020. Meanwhile, record high global freight rates attributed by worldwide shortage of containers and high input costs drove down the operating margins of the Consumer Pack segment to US\$69.0 per MT as compared to US\$80.3 per MT in 2020.

On the back of another good year, the Group's Balance Sheet is significantly strengthened. As at 31 December 2021, supported by US\$150 million operating cash flows before working capital changes for the year, the Group maintained a healthy net debt to equity ratio of 0.38, comparable to 0.34 in 2020. Higher average selling prices contributed to the Group's marginally higher cycle time of 51 days, compared to 48 days in 2020.

FUTURE OUTLOOK

Countries continue to battle the Omicron variant as we enter 2022. The threat of new emerging COVID-19 variants also remains. Against this backdrop, keeping our



employees safe whilst honouring our commitments to customers and the communities we operate in remain our topmost priority.

This is the same belief that underpins Mewah's continued growth over the past decades and our strong foundation today. It is uncertain how the pandemic will unfold in the near-term. But the Group's large-scale and integrated production facilities in Malaysia, global brands and extensive supply chain presence have fortified our position as an established, reputable and socially responsible player in the market. Notably, our recent joint venture in Indonesia has also reinforced our destination business.

Additionally, with Indonesia and Malaysia – the two countries that account for 85% of the palm oil supply – pushing for increased local consumption of palm oils through their B30 and B20 biofuel mandates, the Group with its strategic expansion plans in Indonesia is well placed to benefit from stable demand for vegetable oil products and services in the long term, as well as tap into growth stemming from global economy recoveries, global population growth and improving living standards.

This is the second consecutive year that the Group has recorded an impressive financial performance. I am proud of all we were able to achieve in 2021. The support and excellent guidance of our Board of Directors and our Chairman were very valuable in helping us navigate such unprecedented times. We would also like to thank our shareholders, customers, joint venture partners, suppliers and bankers for their ongoing confidence and trust in us. I am personally deeply grateful for the partnership and tireless efforts of my senior leadership team and their global teams during these trying times. Building upon this goodwill, we are committed to realising growth for many more years and creating sustainable value for all stakeholders while continuing to proactively address the challenges in the present operating environment.

Together, let's continue to feed the world – not just during the pandemic, but also beyond.

MS MICHELLE CHEO HUI NING

Deputy Chairperson, Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DR CHEO TONG CHOON @ LEE TONG CHOON

Executive Director

Date of first appointment as Director: 29 October 2010

Date of last re-election: 28 April 2021

- Chairman of the Board of Directors
- Member of Nominating Committee

As the Chairman of the Board, Dr Cheo Tong Choon @ Lee Tong Choon is responsible for leading the Board, facilitating effective contribution from non-executive directors, effective communication with shareholders and promoting high standards of corporate governance. He is responsible for setting the strategic direction of the Group. Dr Cheo has been leading the Group for the past 4 decades. Under his direction, the Group has expanded into refining, manufacturing and trading of palm oil and related products. Dr Cheo also oversaw the expansion of the Group into new businesses including biodiesel, rice, dairy and soap.

Dr Cheo obtained a Doctor of Medicine (MD) degree from the University of Saskatchewan, Canada and is a member of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of the United Kingdom in internal medicine. He practiced as a registered medical practitioner from 1975 to 1986 with a group of medical specialists, Drs Bain & Partners in Singapore before he took over the leadership role in our Group.

MS MICHELLE CHEO HUI NING

Executive Director

Date of first appointment as Director: 29 October 2010

Date of last re-election: 24 April 2019

- Deputy Chairperson
- Chief Executive Officer
- Member of Board of Directors

Ms Michelle Cheo Hui Ning joined the Group in 2003 and is responsible for the formulation and execution of overall strategy of the Group, new business development, project execution, corporate risk, factory operations and ESG measures. Since joining the Group, Ms Cheo has been instrumental in expanding the supply chain of the Group. This has included expanding into Indonesia as well as building an additional refinery, specialty fats facilities, biodiesel and dairy factory in Malaysia as well as new business division in shipping to enhance logistic capabilities. She has been the leading force to get the Group listed on Singapore Exchange. Prior to joining the Group, she worked with Exxon Mobil from 1997 to 2003 in USA and Singapore.

In 2021, Ms Cheo was awarded the Outstanding Chief Executive of the year at the Singapore Business Awards. She was also recognised by Her Times Women Empowerment Award Winner for Entrepreneurship in 2019.

Since 2019, Ms Cheo has been a council member of the Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce & Industries (SCCCI). In 2016, she was appointed as a board member of the Singapore Chinese Orchestra (SCO) and is the Chairperson of the Audit Committee.

Ms Cheo has a Chemical Engineering degree from Imperial College, University of London and a Master of Business Administration degree from INSEAD.



MS BIANCA CHEO HUI HSIN

Executive Director

Date of first appointment as Director: 29 October 2010

Date of last re-election: 19 June 2020

- Chief Operating Officer
- Member of Board of Directors

Ms Bianca Cheo Hui Hsin joined Mewah Group in 2004 and heads the Consumer Pack segment of which she has overall responsibility. Since taking over the division, she has been focusing on enhancing brand building and sales & development of premium customised oils & fat products. In addition, Ms. Cheo has been instrumental in introducing new products to the consumer pack division, leading the Group's foray into rice, soap, and dairy products. She has also expanded the Group's distribution strength, developing the Group's presence in West Africa, Europe, and South America. In addition, she has also spearheaded the setting up of the group's cashew division.

Ms Cheo was responsible for executing the Group's listing on the Singapore Stock Exchange.

Ms Cheo currently serves as the Chairperson of Nomination and Remuneration Committee and Board member of Commissioners of PT Matahari Department Store TBK. She is also the Chairperson of the Development and Advocacy Panel of National Cancer Centre Singapore.

Prior to joining the Group, she practiced law in Singapore with Allen & Gledhill LLP from 2000 to 2003 and with Norton Rose LLP from 2003 to 2004. Ms. Cheo graduated from the King's College University of London, with a Bachelor of Laws in 1998 and was admitted as an advocate and solicitor of the Supreme Court of Singapore in 2000.

MR ROBERT LOKE TAN CHENG

Independent Director

Date of first appointment as Director: 28 April 2015

Date of last re-election: 28 April 2021

- Member of Board of Directors
- Chairman of Audit Committee
- Member of Remuneration Committee
- Member of Nominating Committee

Mr. Robert Loke Tan Cheng has over 30 years of banking experience with major global, regional corporate lending, risk management, and investment banks in Asia. Mr. Loke led Bangkok Bank Berhad, Malaysia for 9 years before retiring as Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director in 2015. Before joining Mewah, Mr. Loke held various positions in risk management and operational banking with Nomura Singapore Limited, Keppel Tatlee Bank, OCBC Group, Allied Irish Bank, and Chase Manhattan Bank.

Mr. Loke was Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director of Bangkok Bank Berhad, Malaysia and Director for Bangkok Bank Nominees, Malaysia from 2007 to 2015. He was also a member of the Association of Banks in Singapore's (ABS) Standing Committee for Risk Management and the Vice-Chairman of the ABS's Credit Risk task force from 2005 to 2006.

Mr. Loke obtained a Post Graduate Diploma in Management from McGill University in 1979. He also obtained an MBA and Bachelor of Engineering (Electrical) cum Laude (Distinction) from Concordia University in 1980 and 1978 respectively.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DR FOO SAY MUI (BILL)

Independent Director

Date of first appointment as Director: 28 April 2015

Date of last re-election: 19 June 2020

- Member of Board of Directors
- Lead Independent Director
- Chairman of Nominating Committee
- Chairman of Remuneration Committee

Dr Foo Say Mui (Bill) has more than 30 years' experience in the financial services industry. Dr Foo has served as the CEO/General Manager of Australia & New Zealand Banking Group Ltd. (ANZ) in Singapore for 12 years from 1999 to 2011. Prior to his retirement from ANZ in 2015, Dr Foo was appointed as Vice Chairman, South and Southeast Asia from 2011 to 2015. Dr Foo also held various positions such as President Director in Indonesia and Regional Head of Investment Banking.

Dr Foo is currently a director and advisor to several listed and private companies including Tung Lok Restaurants (2000) Ltd., Tower Capital Asia Pte. Ltd., Kenon Holdings Ltd., Business Circle Singapore Pte. Ltd. and M&C REIT Management Ltd.

Dr Foo graduated from Concordia University, Canada with a Bachelor of Business Administration. He also holds a Master of Business Administration from McGill University and an honorary Doctorate of Commerce from James Cook University.

DATUK DR FAWZIA BINTI ABDULLAH

Independent Director

Date of first appointment as Director: 8 August 2017

Date of last re-election: 19 June 2020

- Member of Board of Directors
- Member of Audit Committee
- Member of Nominating Committee

Datuk Dr Fawzia Binti Abdullah currently sits on the Board of Econ Health Care and Nursing Home Sdn. Bhd. in Malaysia.

In 2010, Datuk Dr Fawzia was appointed as Foundation Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry, SEGI University in Malaysia and was the Professor and Head of the Dental Faculty until her retirement in 2016.

In 1999, Datuk Dr Fawzia was appointed as Public Services Commissioner by DYMM the Yang Di Pertuan Agong of Malaysia for a term of 5 years.

In recognition of her services to Malaysia, Datuk Dr Fawzia was conferred the honourable title – Panglima Jasa Negara by DYMM Yang Di Pertuan Agong of Malaysia. She was also awarded Pingat Ibrahim Sultan in 1976 and Setia Mahkota Johor in 1978 by DYMM Sultan Ismail Johor.

Datuk Dr Fawzia was the first woman to be conferred as Honorary Member of the Malaysian Dental Association (MDA) and was the Vice President of the MDA from 1981 to 1991. Datuk Dr Fawzia was inducted as Fellow of Federation Dentaire International, which was founded in Paris in 1986.

Datuk Dr Fawzia graduated from the University of Singapore with a Bachelor of Dental Surgery in 1968 and she did her postgraduate degree in Public Health Dentistry at the London University in 1976.

Datuk Dr Fawzia was with the Ministry of Health Malaysia for 32 years and was also the first female Director of Oral Health.



TAN SRI DATO' A GHANI BIN OTHMAN

Independent Director

Date of first appointment as Director: 24 February 2021

Date of last re-election: 28 April 2021

- Member of Board of Directors
- Member of Audit Committee
- Member of Remuneration Committee

Tan Sri Dato' A Ghani Bin Othman currently sits on the Board of Trustees of Malaysian Institute of Economic Research (MIER). Tan Sri Dato' Ghani was former Chairman of Sime Darby Plantation Bhd, Sime Darby Bhd, Sime Darby Property Bhd and member of the Board of Trustees of World Islamic Economic Forum (WIEF) between 2013 to 2020.

Tan Sri Dato' Ghani has served 18 years as Chief Minister of Johor, Chairman of Johor Corporation and Co-Chairman of Iskandar Regional Development Authority from 1995 to 2013.

In recognition of his services to the state and country, he was conferred the Honorable award Darjah Kerabat Johor 1, DK1 by DYMM Sultan Iskandar of Johor in 2006 and Panglima Setia Mahkota, PSM by DYMM Yang di-Pertuan Agong of Malaysia in 2014.

He was appointed as Deputy Minister of Energy, Telecommunications and Post and thereafter became Deputy Minister of Finance in 1990. In 1993, he was appointed as Minister of Youth and Sports and has served in that capacity until 1995.

In 1984, he was appointed as a Member of the Senate and subsequently elected as a Member of Parliament of Ledang in 1986.

Tan Sri Dato' Ghani began his career in 1974 as a lecturer at the Faculty of Economics and Administration, University of Malaya and later served as the Dean of the Faculty from 1980 to 1984.

Tan Sri Dato' Ghani is a Colombo Plan Scholar, graduated with a Bachelor of Economics (Hons) degree from La Trobe University, Australia in 1970 and he also holds a Master in Political Economy from Queensland University, Australia in 1974.



SENIOR MANAGEMENT

DR CHEO TONG CHOON @ LEE TONG CHOON

Chairman and Executive Director

Details of Dr Cheo's working experience and qualifications are set out in "Board of Directors", page 6.

MS MICHELLE CHEO HUI NING

Deputy Chairperson, Executive Director & Chief Executive Officer

Details of Ms Cheo's working experience and qualifications are set out in "Board of Directors", page 6.

MS BIANCA CHEO HUI HSIN

Executive Director & Chief Operating Officer

Details of Ms Cheo's working experience and qualifications are set out in "Board of Directors", page 7.

MR RAJESH SHROFF

Chief Financial Officer

Mr Rajesh Shroff joined Mewah Group in 2019 as Chief Financial Officer. He is responsible for financial strategies and planning, treasury and investor relations, corporate finance and corporate affairs, financial reporting, and taxation. Mr Shroff comes with three decades of extensive experience in areas such as Finance & Treasury, Risk & Compliance, Reporting & Taxation, Planning & Strategy, Merger & Acquisitions, Offshore Shared Services & Automation. His professional career began with one of the Big Four auditing firms, the Ernst & Young Group. In the last 20 years, Mr Shroff has worked at various management positions in food, agri-business & commodity trading sectors in Adani Wilmar Limited, Adani Enterprises Ltd, Adani Global Pte Ltd, Olam Agro India Ltd, and Olam International Pte Ltd.

Mr Shroff is also a Fellow member of The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India and an Associate member of The Institute of Company Secretaries of India.

MR SHYAM KUMBHAT

Head of Trading and Merchandising

Mr Shyam Kumbhat joined Mewah Group in 1995 as President of Mewah Oils & Fats Pte Ltd. He is responsible for overseeing our palm oil bulk trading and marketing activities. He possesses more than 40 years of experience in the edible oils and fats industry. Prior to joining Mewah, Mr Kumbhat worked with Pan Century Edible Oils Sdn. Bhd., and was a member of the India-based multinational Birla Group as Vice President, Marketing from 1977 to 1995.

MS WONG LAI WAN

Head of Risk Management

Ms Wong Lai Wan joined Mewah Group in 1987 as a Chemist. She has over 30 years of experience in quality control, production, operations, logistics, marketing, trading, business development, and risk management. She is currently responsible for business development, operational controls and risk management. Before joining Mewah, Ms Wong started her career with Pan Century Edible Oils Sdn. Bhd. as a chemist.

Ms Wong graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry with First Class Honours from University Kebangsaan, Malaysia.

MS AGNES LIM SIEW CHOO

Head of Operations (Malaysia)

Ms Agnes Lim Siew Choo joined Mewah Group in 1988 as a Factory Operations Executive and she has subsequently progressed to overseeing the factory operations of our Malaysian subsidiaries as the Group expanded. Ms Lim has more than 30 years' experience in factory operations. Her present portfolio spans production, quality assurance, procurement, as well as ensuring all local and overseas delivery commitments. Prior to joining Mewah Group, Ms Lim worked with Southern Edible Oils Sdn. Bhd. from 1983 to 1988 as an Operations Executive, and was responsible for receiving and dispatching edible oil, production planning, and the fulfilment of local and overseas shipping requirements.

Ms Lim obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree from The University of York, Toronto, Canada in 1982.



Today
Expanding Capabilities

Tomorrow
Enhancing Value



OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL REVIEW

	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
INCOME STATEMENT (US\$'million)			
Revenue	2,817	3,446	4,349
Operating margin	105.4	240.5	225.1
Profit after tax	11.6	86.5	80.2
Earnings per share (US cents per share)	0.78	5.77	5.34
BALANCE SHEET (US\$'million)			
Long-term investments	465	448	449
Working capital	396	368	493
Total investments	861	816	942
Equity	523	610	684
Gross debt	400	284	430
Cash	62	78	172
Net debt (Gross debt less Cash)	338	206	258
Total capital	861	816	942
Gross debt to equity	0.77	0.47	0.63
Net debt to equity	0.65	0.34	0.38
Net asset value per share (US cents per share)	34.80	40.73	45.09
SEGMENTAL PERFORMANCE			
Sales volume (MT'000)			
Bulk	3,455	3,825	3,037
Consumer Pack	1,111	996	1,082
Total	4,566	4,821	4,119
Operating margin (US\$'million)			
Bulk	45.7	160.5	150.4
Consumer Pack	59.7	80.0	74.7
Total	105.4	240.5	225.1
Operating margin per MT (US\$)			
Bulk	13.2	42.0	49.5
Consumer Pack	53.7	80.3	69.0
Total	23.1	49.9	54.6

Palm Oil Industry in 2021

The crude palm oil (“CPO”) prices broke record-highs multiple times during the year 2021. It touched RM4,252 in March 2021, highest after 2008, and then subsequently in November 2021 spiraled to RM5,437. The average CPO prices in 2021 were higher by 64.1% averaging at RM4,407 per metric tonne compared to RM2,685 per metric tonne in 2020. The high CPO prices were driven primarily by (i) lower supplies due to labour shortages and adverse weather conditions (ii) steady consumption as biodiesel feedstock (iii) government policies such as the Indian import tax cut for palm oil, rising Indonesian palm oil export levies/taxes and (iv) the lower-than-expected supply of other competing vegetable oils.

Group’s Sales Volume

The Group sales volume again surpassed the 4 million MT mark by registering a volume of 4,119,500 MT this year. Impacted by the overall decrease of palm oil exports from Malaysia in 2021, our sales volume was 14.6% lower than 2020.

Bulk segment contributed 73.7% of total sales volume for the year at 3,037,400 MT, a 20.6% decrease from last year. However, Consumer Pack segment sales volume rebounded back by registering 8.7% increase at 1,082,100 MT contributing 26.3% of total sales volume for the year.

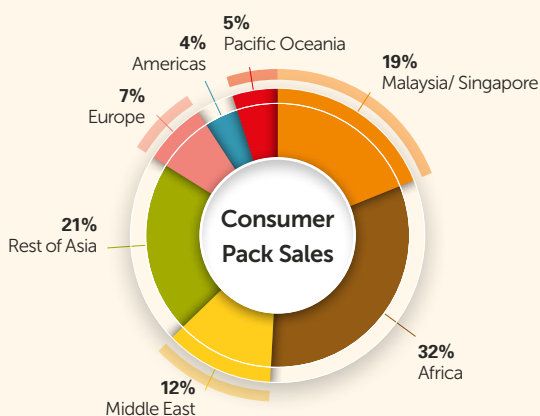
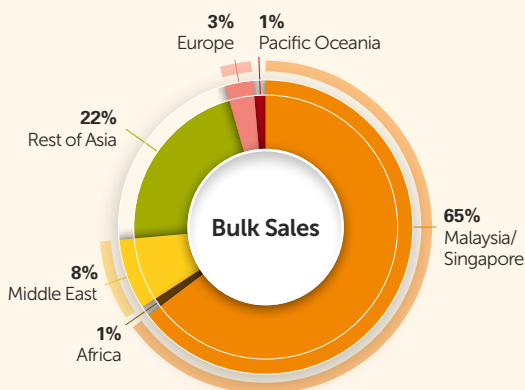
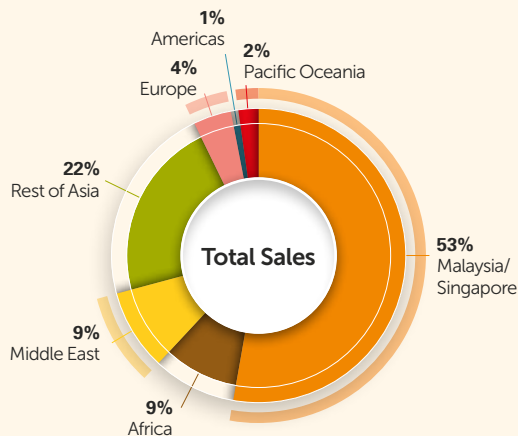


SALES VOLUME (MT'000)



OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL REVIEW

GEOGRAPHICAL SPREAD*



* Based on billing addresses of the customers

Well diversified sales revenue

At 47.7% higher selling prices, the Group's sales revenue of US\$4,348.8 million in 2021 is at all time high and more specifically 26.2% higher than last year.

Bulk segment recorded an increase of 23.2% in revenue and contributed 75.0% of total revenue. Consumer Pack segment registered an increase of 36.3% in revenue and contributed 25.0% of total revenue.

Our sales continue to remain diversified across the globe and in 2021 our products were sold in over 130 countries. A significant 47%* of total sales were made as destination sales to customers in countries other than Malaysia and Singapore. Our destination sales remained diversified with Rest of Asia, Africa, Middle East and Rest of World contributing 22%, 9%, 9%, and 7% of the total destination sales respectively.

For Bulk segment, 35% of total sales were made to destination markets with Rest of Asia, Middle East and Rest of World contributing 22%, 8% and 5% respectively. Destination sales for Consumer Pack segment was at 81% of the total sales. The destination sales for Consumer Pack segment were well diversified with Africa, Rest of Asia, Middle East, Europe and Rest of World contributing 32%, 21%, 12%, 7% and 9% respectively.



Operating Margins

The Group has developed a large integrated food and agri-business model over last seven decades by investing across the midstream and downstream segments of the value chain in the attractive vegetable oil industry. Our economies of scale give us inherent operational flexibility. Over these years we have developed sound risk management practices, built depth in our logistics and global distribution abilities and established our own consumer pack brands such as MOI and OKI. All these have helped us deliver robust operating margins during normal industry conditions and resilient margins during tough economic cycles.

This year the Group delivered second consecutive set of solid annual financial results. During the year, the CPO prices continued to remain bullish reaching a record high of RM5,437 per tonne in November 2021. Our teams remained focused on running our operations safely under the COVID-19 impacted working conditions while maximising the operating margins prevailing due to bullish prices and congested supply chains. The safety of our people and the communities we operate in remained our topmost priority during this period.

The Group measures and tracks the performance in terms of Operating Margin per MT of sales volume and resultant total operating margin (OM). OM is calculated by adjusting the depreciation in cost of sales, selling and distribution expenses, allowance for/(reversal of) expected credit losses and foreign exchange differences in other gains or losses to gross profit.

For the full year, the Group achieved higher operating margin of US\$54.6 per MT compared to US\$49.9 last year. The total operating margin at US\$225.1 million continued to be impressive though it was lower by 6.4% from 2020 due to 14.6% lower sales volumes.

The processors and packers at destination markets continued having good demand which enabled the Bulk segment to deliver higher operating margins at US\$49.5 per MT compared to US\$42.0 last year. Due to 20.6% lower sales volume the total operating margin for the Bulk segment decreased 6.3% to US\$150.4 million.

The historically high container freight rates, space shortages in cargo vessels and higher input costs led to our Consumer Pack segment operating margins being



lower at US\$69.0 per MT compared to US\$80.3 per MT last year. However, with 8.7% higher sales volume the total operating margin for this segment decreased by only 6.6% to US\$74.7 million.

Bulk and Consumer Pack segments contributed 66.8% and 33.2% of total operating margin respectively.

Total	FY 2020	FY 2021	Change %
Sales volume (MT'000)	4,821	4,119	-14.6%
OM per MT (US\$)	49.9	54.6	9.4%
Operating margin (US\$'million)	240.5	225.1	-6.4%

Bulk	FY 2020	FY 2021	Change %
Sales volume (MT'000)	3,825	3,037	-20.6%
OM per MT (US\$)	42.0	49.5	17.9%
Operating margin (US\$'million)	160.5	150.4	-6.3%

Consumer Pack	FY 2020	FY 2021	Change %
Sales volume (MT'000)	996	1,082	8.7%
OM per MT (US\$)	80.3	69.0	-14.1%
Operating margin (US\$'million)	80.0	74.7	-6.6%

OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL REVIEW

Strong Balance Sheet

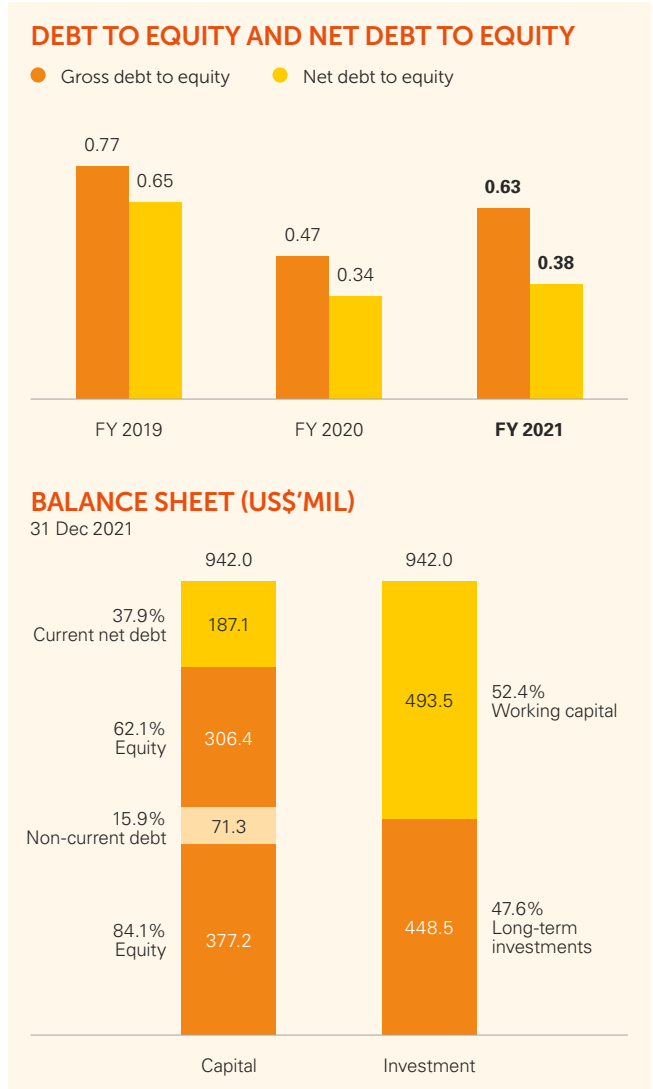
We manage our capital structure very actively by maintaining prudent debt to equity ratio. To fund our long-term investment and working capital, we maintain a healthy combination of (i) equity, (ii) long-term debt and (iii) short-term debt.

As at 31 Dec 2021, we had gross debt to equity ratio of 0.63 and net debt to equity ratio of 0.38. Our low net debt to equity ratio, well below our target limit of 1.5, gives us enough scope to raise more debt to support our growth plans or utilise incremental trade finance due to business requirements.

Our impressive financial performance for the year has further strengthened our Balance Sheet with total equity of US\$683.6 million as on 31 Dec 2021. Our long-term investments of US\$448.5 million have been very conservatively funded by equity and long-term debt of 84.1% and 15.9% respectively. Working capital of US\$493.5 million was only 37.9% funded by current net-debt with the remaining 62.1% funded by equity. The operating cashflows generated in 2021 were utilised largely for working capital purposes majorly deployed in highly liquid inventories and short duration receivables. The Board of Directors regularly review the Group’s capital structure and our long-term-short-term debt mix to ensure appropriateness in alignment with our long-term objectives.

We continue maintaining adequate working capital credit lines to support our business. As at year end, utilisation of our total such credit lines was at 67.8%.

In 2021, despite remarkably high agri-commodity prices the Group’s cycle time of 51 days was only moderately higher compared to 48 days in 2020. This was achieved with our strong focus on working capital efficiency across our efficient, large scale, integrated production facilities and distribution network.



FORWARD LOOKING STRATEGY

We are a global food and agri-business and have demonstrated the resilience of our business model during the last two years of COVID-19 induced global disruptions. Our integrated supply chain from midstream to downstream in the edible oils and fats business comprising large scale integrated refineries, global distribution capabilities and a wide range of consumer products make us a prominent player in this segment. Our strategic presence within this part of the end-to-end value chain allows us to efficiently satisfy the needs of both our customers and suppliers alike. In terms of our global consumer products business, we continuously focus towards expanding our range of consumer products, cross-offering specialised applications, and customer solutions. We continue to build a strong platform by investing in manufacturing facilities within or adjacent to our value chain and adding new products to our portfolio. All these have helped us deliver value over time.

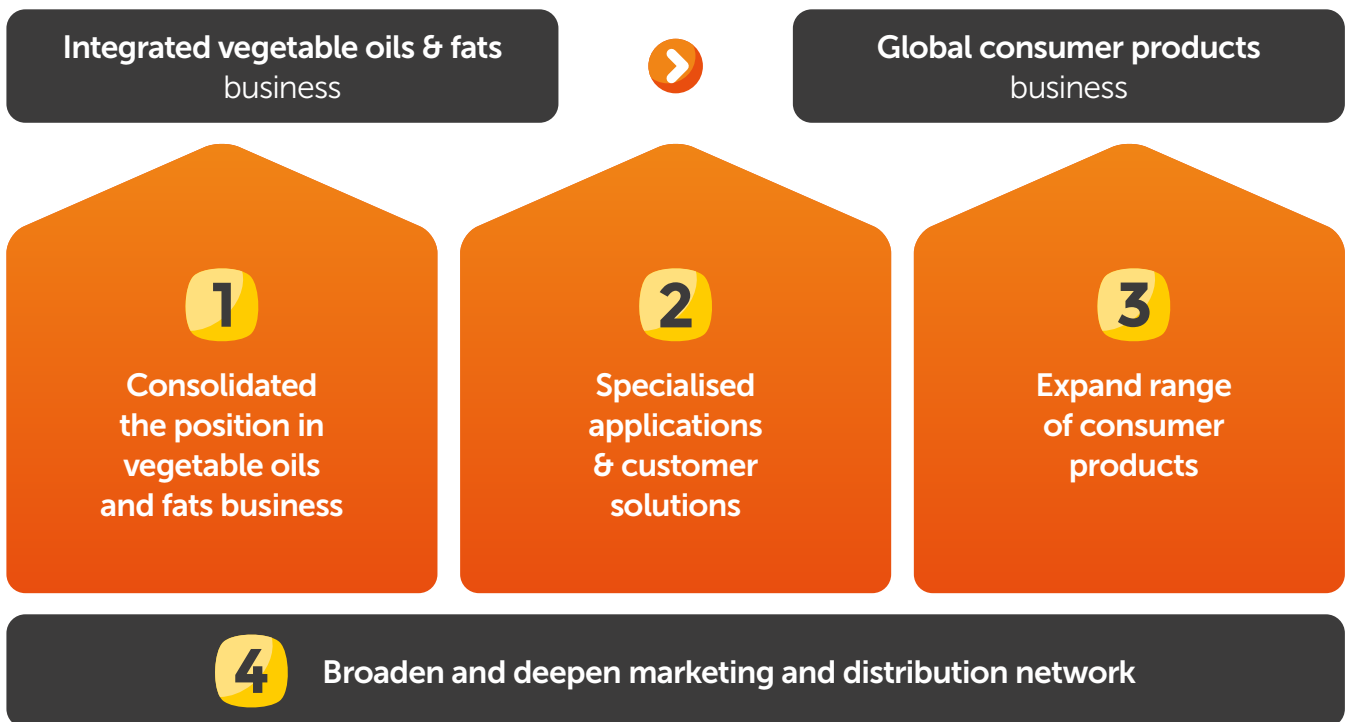
To enhance our value chain, we had earlier invested in a biodiesel plant next to our Westport refinery in Malaysia. Since then, we have doubled the capacity of our biodiesel plant. Due to continuing COVID-19 pandemic, Malaysia government's progress towards B20 biodiesel mandate have been delayed and the country aims to implement B20

biodiesel mandate by end of 2022. Going forward with the prevailing high prices of crude oil and sustainability drivers, biodiesel will continue to be an important catalyst for the industry.

Our dairy-based products manufacturing facility in Malaysia has facilitated significant marketing and distribution synergies within our Consumer Pack segment. Our tin-can making facility has reduced the lead time from order to delivery as well as increased our flexibility in fulfilling customised packaging requirement of our consumers.

We market and distribute a range of other FMCG products such as rice, cashew, food premixes and soap to more than 100 countries through a well-established global sales and distribution network, duly supported by our wide range of brands including long established and well recognised OKI and MOI. We will continue to explore more consumer products that can be sold as a basket of products to our existing and prospective customers.

Our in-house R & D facilities enable us to develop and offer specialised applications and customer solutions for different industries such as confectionaries, bakeries, food ingredients and the infant nutrition businesses.



RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

Evolving consumer trends have resulted in a need for more customised solutions and differentiated products. Our consumer first approach has allowed us to lead the way in providing healthier, premium quality products with healthier options that meet our customers' requirements.

At Mewah, our passion for innovation drives excellence in fulfilling customers' demands and expectations. We believe that innovation is crucial for driving future growth and building a stronger business. Our approach is customer-centric with a clear focus on the customer, market, quality, operations, and cost control. Research and development (R&D) is a catalyst for change in product innovation and helps to fuel our customers' growth. We strive to develop value-added products that are differentiated and deliver distinctive value.

This past year we have successfully developed products in line with global health trends such as non-hydrogenated puff pastry margarines and butter oil substitutes and non-hydrogenated confectionery product in cocoa butter replacer, giving our customers a competitive edge in various markets. Increased customer support and engagement also enabled our teams to better understand customers' needs and provide them with personalised service. The results were positive customer experience and improved business outcomes for us.

The development of R&D capacity and capability to support sustainable growth is integral to our long-term strategic planning. Determined to set industry standards, in the past years, we have expanded both our R&D capacity and capability through acquiring new equipment to aid in our development and hired personnel with industry and regulatory expertise.

Our R&D department is incubators for translating customer insights into commercialised customer insights and needs into commercialised solutions. Our activities involve devising solutions, which not only meet customer and market needs today, but are also resilient to our changing world. This keeps Mewah at the forefront of consumer trends.

The cornerstone of our R&D activities is our highly dedicated team. They are our most valuable assets. Our team consists of scientists, engineers, and technologists with expertise in lipid science, dairy, bakery, frying, confectionery, pre-mix and seasoning, non-food, biodiesel,

as well as regulatory, analytical services, applications, and sensory and pilot plants. We are committed to investing in our people and believe that motivated, well-trained and engaged employees are crucial for success. Developing future technical leaders is a high priority and we achieve this by providing well-rounded experience, personal development, mentoring and training opportunities for all staff. Continuous training is an important pillar of our people development manifesto.

State-of-the art facilities and the latest equipment enable us to design products solutions that meet the dynamic landscape. The pilot plant allows development of solutions from raw ingredients to finished products - ready for our customers' evaluation. Additionally, we also run trials on our distinctive product formulations at the plant. In the past year, we have added in our confectionery fats portfolio with cocoa butter equivalent and truffle chocolate fat.

We have a well-equipped application and sensory facility to ensure that solutions provided meet their intended purposes. Our solutions are tested using industry standard food preparation equipment and currently used by multiple food customers. The Application Centre is also staffed by qualified food practitioners. We are on track to extend our range of offerings to meet different consumer requirements across different consumer segments.

Being customer-centric, we strive for excellence in delivering cost-effective and quality solutions through our passion for R&D, product innovations, and excellent manufacturing practices. Our aim is to build strong technical relationships which empower lasting business results for our organisation.



RISK MANAGEMENT

OVERVIEW

As a result of our global activities, we are exposed to various types of risks, including fluctuations in commodity prices, foreign currency exchange rates, counterparty & credit risk and interest rates, which may affect our operational results and financial positions. We have a very robust risk management framework in place to ensure that all such risks are systematically identified, quantified, monitored, mitigated and managed on a regular basis.

RISK GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

Our risk management activities are governed by our risk management system that is designed to identify, quantify, monitor, and manage various risks encountered in our operations and minimise the adverse effects from the unpredictability of risks in our operating and financial performance. Our system comprises processes and policies designed to address risks such as commodity prices, foreign currency exchange rates, counterparty & credit defaults, and interest rates.

The on-going compliance of these risk management processes and policies are carried out by the Heads of the respective operating units, but exposure limits are centrally set and monitored, thus operating under a global governance framework. Overall responsibility to monitor and assess risk lies with the independent risk function headquartered at our Singapore Corporate office. Head of Risk Management, who reports directly to the Chief Executive Officer is a key member of the Executive Risk Management Team and works proactively with the trading teams to analyse changing market conditions and ensure that hedging strategies are focused on current market dynamics.

The Risk Department reports to the Head of Risk Management and is responsible for identifying, assessing, monitoring, and improving the overall effectiveness of our risk management system, the review and setting of trade positions, and limits to manage our overall risk exposure. The Risk Department monitors and assesses risks on a regular basis and holds periodical meetings with our marketing and operations teams. The Risk Department has the authority to make temporary increases or changes to risk limits, but such increases or changes must always remain within our overall risk management guidelines and framework of the Group. Our flat corporate governance structure with short and direct channels of communication and control enables efficient monitoring and execution.

Where the execution of any activity will result in the breach of any applicable limits in our risk management guidelines and framework, specific approval for that activity must be sought and obtained from the Executive Risk Management Team prior to the execution of the activity. Any risk-related issues which are outside the scope of our risk management guidelines and framework are reported to the Team consisting of our Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Head of Risk Management (the "Executive Risk Management Team").

KEY RISK EXPOSURES

Our business is primarily exposed to the following key risks:

Commodity Price Risk

Commodity prices fluctuate for many reasons, such as changes in resource availability, production cost, demand for competing commodities and substitutes, sovereign policies and regulation, global and regional economic conditions, global and regional weather conditions, natural disasters, and diseases etc., all of which impact global markets and demand for our commodities. Furthermore, changes in such supply and demand conditions impact the expected future prices of each commodity. Our Group is predominantly exposed to volatility in vegetable oil market prices. To ensure consistency in our manufacturing production, we enter into forward crude palm oil ("CPO") purchase contracts in addition to maintaining CPO inventories. Similarly, to meet our customer's requirement, we enter into forward physical sales with them. The sale and purchase commitments for commodities we deal in may not typically match at the end of each business day, resulting in timing differences.

The Group uses derivative instruments, predominantly exchange traded futures for the purpose of managing exposures associated with commodity prices. The derivative instruments that we use for hedging purposes are intended to reduce the volatility in our operations. While these derivative instruments are subject to fluctuations in value, those fluctuations are generally offset for the hedged exposures by the changes in fair value of the underlying exposures. Despite such hedging, we remain exposed to basis risk. We have established policies that limit the amount of permissible unhedged fixed price commodity positions, which are generally a combination of volumetric

and Value-At-Risk (“VAR”) limits. However, as our major portion of inventories are valued at cost or net realisable value, whichever is lower, no compensating fair value gain is recognised in our reported financial statements for inventories. Our net commodity position consists of our inventory of raw material and finished goods, forward purchase and sale contracts, and associated derivative instruments. The fair value of this position is a summation of the fair values calculated by valuing all our positions at quoted market prices for the period where available or utilising a close proxy. VAR is calculated on the net position and monitored at the 95% confidence interval.

The Group has been consistently working to actively manage and mitigate this inherent risk by systematic diversification of our product portfolio such as by increasing the sales volumes of consumer pack segment and value-added products.

Foreign Exchange Risk

The Group’s functional and reporting currency is US Dollars (“USD”). Our key origin’s exports are denominated in USD. Majority of our expenses and domestic sales are denominated in the respective subsidiary’s local currency. The primary currencies we are exposed to directly or indirectly are Malaysian Ringgit, Euro, Singapore Dollar, Indonesian Rupiah, Australian Dollar and Chinese Yuan. For hedging our foreign exchange risk we enter into currency forwards with reputed financial institutions along with structuring natural hedge to the extent possible. As our consolidated financial statements are prepared in USD, this requires many of our subsidiaries financial statements to be translated from their respective local currency to the Group’s reporting currency USD. The fluctuations in the currency exchange rates due to this translation process also leads to foreign exchange gains or losses recognised in our reported financial statements.

Counterparty and Credit Risk

We are subject to counterparty and credit risks that arise through our physical sales and purchase transactions. The Group actively monitors credit and counterparty risks through regular reviews of exposures and credit analysis by the Risk Department and Treasury team. The limits are approved by the Risk Department after due analysis of the party and with consideration of Group’s risk appetite as well as the size of relevant transactions in comparison to Group’s Balance Sheet. While fixing credit limit for a customer, besides considering their financial position and

operating history, we also perform a market background check. As a practice, we do not grant open credit to new customers. Existing credit limits are periodically reviewed after considering their payment records, transaction sizes, and the lengths of our relationship, besides prevailing market conditions. The operating teams take their compliance obligations regarding international sanctions extremely seriously with support from the Controller, Legal and Treasury Departments.

Interest Rate Risk

Predominantly our borrowings are from short-term trade finance banking facilities. These are used to fund our operations. Our marketers typically factor in the interest expenses arising from the cash conversion cycle into their selling price and recover it from the customers. Therefore, short-term interest movements are not a significant risk for us.



SETTING OF RISK LIMITS

The Executive Risk Management Team establishes and reviews periodically our overall risk tolerance thresholds, measured in terms of VAR, a statistical risk measure. The team is responsible for overall systems, procedures and processes for risk management. Such risk tolerance threshold is based on a percentage of total shareholders’ funds after taking into account, among other things, the Executive Risk Management Team’s view on the overall production capacity of refining and processing operations, the market in which trading activities take place, the price (and price trend) of raw materials, track record of management in managing its risk exposures in the prior period and financial budgets including projected sales volume and turnover. The risk tolerance threshold is also based on the counterparty’s background, financial performance, and management team. The risk tolerance threshold refers to the maximum potential loss if all trading and operations across all products and geographical regions materialise at the same time. Such threshold limits are approved by our Board Audit Committee who also periodically reviews and discusses the historical actuals thereagainst.

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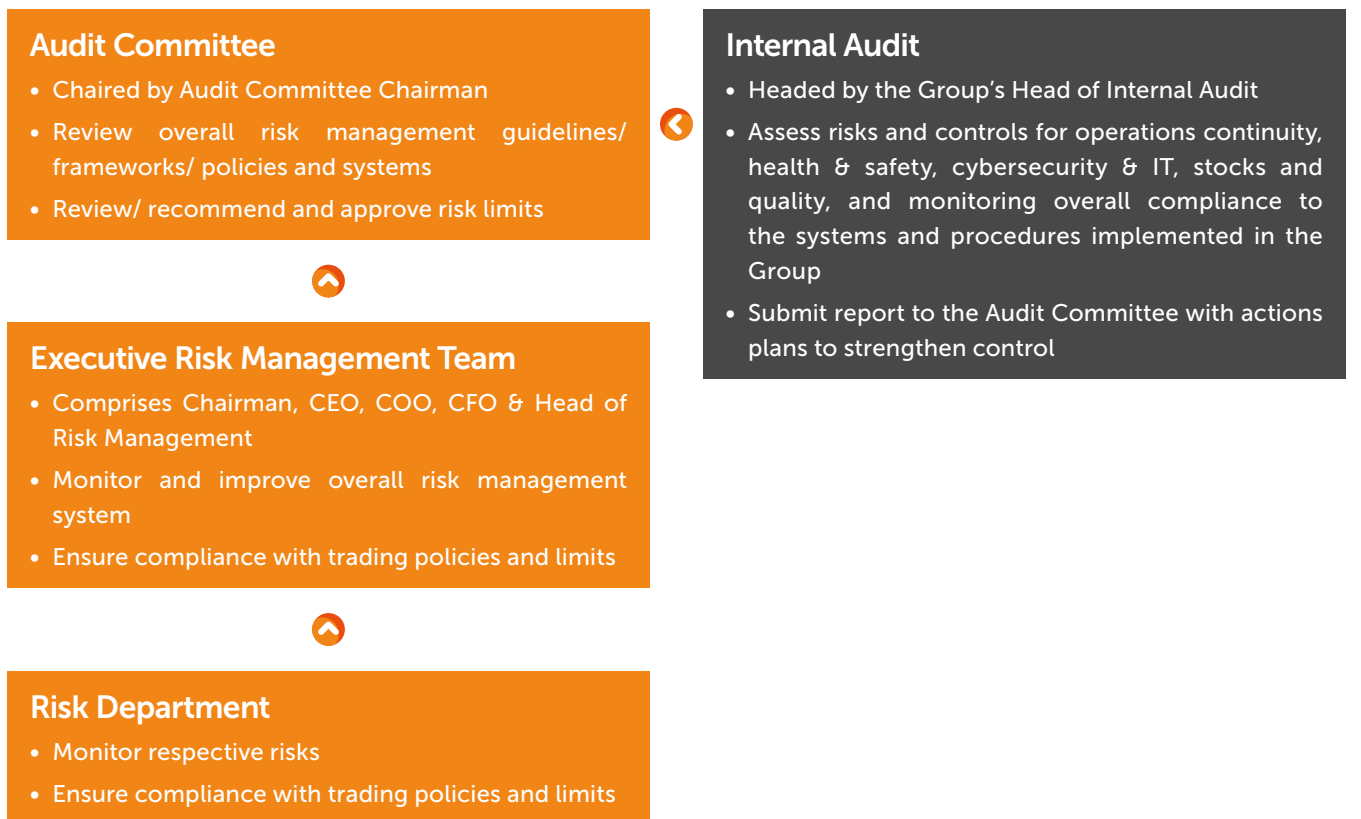
REPORTING AND REVIEWING STRUCTURE

Our Risk Department is responsible for the capture and measurement of Group-wide risk and ensuring compliance with our risk management system, procedures and processes. The Risk Department analyses and reviews our risk exposure with oversight from the Executive Risk Management Team. With respect to risks related to the use of derivative financial instruments, once limits for derivatives positions have been established by our Executive Risk Management Team, our Risk Department monitors our trading activities to ensure compliance within these limits.

On a case-by-case basis, the Risk Department may recommend to the Executive Risk Management Team to amend established limits. If approved by the Executive Risk Management Team, the revised limits are implemented and monitored by the Risk Department. If the revised limits exceed the Board Audit Committee approved thresholds, then such revised limits will be effective only with due approval from the Board Audit Committee. Any breach

(whether of trading limits or non-adherence to established policies), disclosed or revealed by the Risk Department will be acted upon by the Executive Risk Management Team. Where the Executive Risk Management Team considers the breach to be significant (whether in terms of financial impact or otherwise), the Executive Risk Management Team will report it to the Board Audit Committee.

Our Internal Audit Department supports in assessing risks and controls for the areas such as operations continuity, health and safety, cybersecurity and IT, stocks and quality, and in monitoring overall compliance to the systems and procedures implemented in the Group. Results of these activities are reported to the Audit Committee by the Group’s Head of Internal Audit, accompanied by action plans to strengthen control and further mitigate risks wherever required. Our Audit Committee regularly reviews our internal control systems, internal audit reports, and risk tolerance threshold limits including meeting our internal and external auditors without the presence of the management.



Today Leveraging Opportunities

Tomorrow Seeding Possibilities



CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY & SUSTAINABILITY

Building a sustainable business is part of our value proposition

2021 was a year of challenges and a year of change. The challenges created by the COVID-19 pandemic impacted every corner of the world and it highlighted the urgency to drive change into a more sustainable and resilient supply chain. It is a wake-up call for all businesses having revealed that markets and supply chains are fragile and susceptible to disruptions. The COVID-19 pandemic created new and unfamiliar stressors such as challenges for the students in the underdeveloped region to access education, unprecedented mental health consequences due to lockdowns, and increased risks to maintaining healthy natural ecosystems that are essential to human health.

Today, the Environmental, Social and Governance (“ESG”) issues are gaining prominence as the world looks at the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. At Mewah, we are conscious of the importance of ESG initiatives, particularly in a post-pandemic era, and acknowledge that any shortfall in the adoption of ESG practices by businesses can create significant impediments towards the larger objective of achieving United Nations Sustainable Development Goals

(“SDGs”) by 2030. For our leaders and managers, the true symbol of resilience is the ability to withstand such stresses and to bounce back from adversity. Given the close link between the environment and human health, livelihoods, water and food security, we are determined to ensure key sustainability efforts in environmental protection, conservation as well as sustainable management in all levels of our operations. Our COVID-19 recovery plans include alignment with long-term emission reduction goals factoring in resilience to climate change and catalysing the shift towards sustainable sourcing.

To maintain our continuing success and to deliver sustainable returns to our shareholders, we are committed to supporting and contributing towards the 17 SDGs. All 17 SDGs are closely integrated into our identified material ESG factors defined under the Mewah Sustainability Framework. By setting the SDGs targets as the blueprint of our sustainability framework, we are confident that we can further improve our commitment towards ESG factors set out by the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (“SGX-ST”) to better measure risks and opportunities within sight as well as manage for future returns.

CORE AREAS OF MEWAH CSR & SUSTAINABILITY



CORE AREA 1: ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND STEWARDSHIP

At Mewah, Environmental Management has been a key focus for many decades as we strive to optimise productivity and long-term sustainability in our business. We focus our efforts on key areas where our portfolio and business scale allow us to have the biggest impact that offers the biggest opportunities for our business. Over the years, we have initiated several sustainability initiatives aimed at minimising our manufacturing footprint. At our upstream operations, we are also implementing a number of programs aimed at forest conservation, protecting biodiversity and minimising adverse impact on the environment.

Our efforts in this area help contribute to UN SDG 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation), 7 (Renewable Energy), 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities) and 13 (Climate Action) in which we aim to promote sustainable use of energy and combat climate change & its impacts. We drive collaboration throughout our supply chain to reduce the climate impacts associated with the processing of our raw materials until delivering our products to the hands of our buyers.

A. Carbon Management

An all-encompassing Greenhouse Gas (“GHG”) Emissions Matrix has been instigated in all our factories to measure energy consumption, chemicals consumption, wastewater treatment and fuel consumption. The goals are to drive improved production efficiency and to achieve a lower GHG footprint in our production activities.

B. Water Management

Clean, accessible water is critical for the well-being of communities, wildlife and aquatic ecosystems.

We consistently monitor the impact that our palm oil operations have on waterways. The water footprint maps and measures how, when and where we use freshwater resources.

C. Waste Management

As a responsible manufacturer, we always look to manage the waste from our production in an environmental-friendly manner.

Our action plan to assure sustainable waste management includes:

- i. Regular assessment of waste-related impacts and risks across all direct operations and the supply chain.
- ii. Continual identification of the 5Rs’ components in managing waste:
 - a. **Refuse** – Refuse to receive unnecessary materials helps to eliminate waste from the very beginning.
 - b. **Reduce** – Focus to improve efficiency. To establish practices that are capable of reducing the amount of waste we generate to help the environment.
 - c. **Reuse** – Practice to reuse materials without change whether for the original or a different application instead of discarding them away or passing those unused materials on to others who could use them.
 - d. **Recover** – To set up ways to recover the energy values contained within the waste material.
 - e. **Recycle** – Many of the things we use every day can be recycled. Recycled items are put through a process that makes it possible to create new products out of the materials from the existing ones.

D. Biodiversity Management

Biodiversity conservation and forest protection have been a major focus of our environmental efforts in our estate. Under the Mewah’s High Carbon Stock (“HCS”) and High Conservation Value (“HCV”) commitments, we focus on maintaining and restoring riparian buffer zones throughout all our operations in recognition of its importance in our ecosystem. We have identified and conserved lands made up of HCV and HCS areas. We have taken a landscape approach to conservation (beyond the boundaries of our concession) through community conservation partnerships with external partners.

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E. Fire Management

To keep abreast of the fire safety awareness in our employees, we hold regular fire safety training in all production sites. Besides, a week-long of HSE Campaign Program will be held annually to create organised efforts and procedures for identifying workplace hazards that aim to reduce accidents and train our people to react to adverse situations, emergency preparedness, as well as the use of personal protective equipment.

In addition, we have put in place effective fire prevention plans and control measures at our plantation operations and the surrounding landscapes. We commit to executing oil palm replanting activity using the environment-conscious method and adhering to the ASEAN's Zero Burning Policy at the same time. The traditional method of slash-and-burn is strictly prohibited and is replaced with chipping, which promotes nutrient recycling. In addition, our people are actively socializing the importance of zero-burning practices with adjacent local communities while ensuring safeguards are in place to address the risk of fires at our oil palm plantation.

CORE AREA 2: RESPONSIBLE SUPPLY CHAIN

A. Sustainable Palm Oil Policy

Oil palm has the highest oil output for the least amount of land area than any other types of vegetable oils. It is also the most widely used vegetable oil in the world. The palm oil industry employs many people and creates opportunities to bring many communities out of poverty. However, these opportunities come with the responsibility to address the known risks associated with the palm oil supply chain.

The Mewah Group's Sustainable Palm Oil policy is a multi-stakeholder approach which seeks:

1. To build a traceable and transparent supply chain.
2. To continue the journey of no deforestation and to commit no burning, protection of high conservation value (HCV) areas and high carbon stock (HCS) areas.
3. To reject new oil palm development in forested peatland plantation after 31 December 2015.
4. To respect human rights and ensure protection of the rights of all workers.
5. To respect the rights of indigenous people and local communities to give or withhold Free, Prior, and Informed Consent (FPIC) where oil palm development takes place.

B. Towards Full Traceability

Mewah Group has developed a Traceable Palm Oil Framework to trace the origin of our palm oil. At the initial stage, we review each of our suppliers through desktop assessment and in-house risk profiling analysis, with the traceability process developing well; we are progressing fast to the next step of assessing the suppliers' practices. Based on the outcome from our risk analysis, we will perform the site assessment of the suppliers' mills based on the general principle & criteria, procedures and questionnaires that are in line with industrial standards.

1. Traceability to Mill Approach

Today, transparency and accountability are critical aspects of sustainability. It is extremely crucial that companies are capable of tracing the palm oil they use back to its origin.

We started tracing back our direct suppliers (palm oil mills) since year 2015. There are five (5) key components in our traceability to mill approach:

- i. Parent Company Name of Mill Party
- ii. Mill Name
- iii. Mill Address
- iv. GPS Coordinates of Mill Party
- v. Volumes of CPO receive into our refinery

2. Traceability to Plantation Approach

Our current approach on traceability to plantations establishes on ensuring the availability & validity of Malaysia Palm Oil Board (MPOB) and volumes of FFB supply to the supplied mills.

Traceability to Plantation	Volume FFB Supplied	Availability of MPOB License	Validity of MPOB License
Estate/ Plantation	✓	✓	✓
Smallholders	✓	✓	✓
Dealers	✓	✓	✓

C. Supplier Engagement Program

We hold trainings and engagement dialogue sessions with our suppliers as well as periodic audits to evaluate and ensure compliance to our Sustainable Palm Oil Policy (“SPOP”). The supplier engagement program provides us with the opportunity to socialize our SPOP with our direct suppliers, providing them with a platform to discuss the implications and requirements of adopting similar policies.

Today, we continue the Supplier Group Level Engagement with the supplier group’s management including the business owners or senior management, group sustainability department and other relevant leaders. In addition, the program enables the supplier group’s management to take ownership of their own supply chain’s transformation, and to lead a longer-lasting change within their supply base.

D. Grievance Procedure

As part of our Sustainability Sourcing Guide, the grievance procedure set the guideline on how grievances raised by the stakeholders in our supply chain will be handled by us.

We started the Grievance Procedure on our Sustainability Dashboard since June 2016 at (<https://www.mewahgroup.com/DashboardForm.html>). This procedure serves as a platform for all stakeholders in our supply chain to address concerns or to report complaints that can be found in Mewah Sustainability Dashboard. The Grievance Procedure is to ensure that we are responsive to grievances from external parties. This includes any individuals, government organizations, NGOs or media outlets with concerns related to the implementation of Mewah’s SPOP.

In Mewah, we value the input of stakeholders in helping to achieve the aims of the policies and in enhancing transparency throughout our supply chain. We will be providing regular progress updates via the Mewah Group Ongoing Sustainability Grievances on our Sustainability Dashboard.

CORE AREA 3: PRODUCT QUALITY AND SAFETY

A. Our Commitment to Customers

The Mewah’s reputation is founded on delighting our consumers and customers with consistently high product quality that meets their needs and expectations. As such, Product Quality and Safety for our consumers is always our top priority. We aim to develop, produce and market a consistently high product quality that meets the expectations of our customers, consumers and regulators.

We have taken a number of good initiatives in ensuring our product quality and food safety through:

1. Offering products and services that meet or exceed consumer expectation and preference.
2. Complying with all internal and external food safety, regulatory and quality requirements
3. Adopting a zero-defect, no-waste attitude by everyone in our Company
4. Making quality assurance a group-wide objective.

B. Responsible Marketing and Advertising

While we ensure ethical practices are adopted across our business operation, we support responsible marketing and advertising of our products and services. We comply with applicable laws and regulations nationally and internationally, governing marketing communication to children and related data collection. This also includes implementation of global marketing recommendations, WHO Recommendations on Marketing of Foods and Beverages to Children as well as our commitment of not targeting children in our sales and marketing activities.

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C. Quality Management System

On top of all essential quality and sustainability certification requirements, we are committed to comply with all legal and regulatory requirements and through the rigorous application of our Quality Management System. We undertake to focus on continuous improvement of these quality management systems by ensuring:

- Continual improvement of the operation & processes
- Competent workforce that fosters innovation in workplace
- Stringent raw material sourcing
- Clean, hygienic & excellent processing
- Efficient transportation and delivery
- Prompt and responsive customer service
- Compliance to applicable laws and regulations
- Safe working climate with minimum impact on environment

CORE AREA 4: VALUING OUR PEOPLE

We recognise that people are our most important resources to grow our business. This drives our approach to attract, develop, and retain the best people and to develop their careers.

We divide this focus area into three (3) sub-sections: Human Rights and Labour Policy, Training & Development, and Health & Safety.

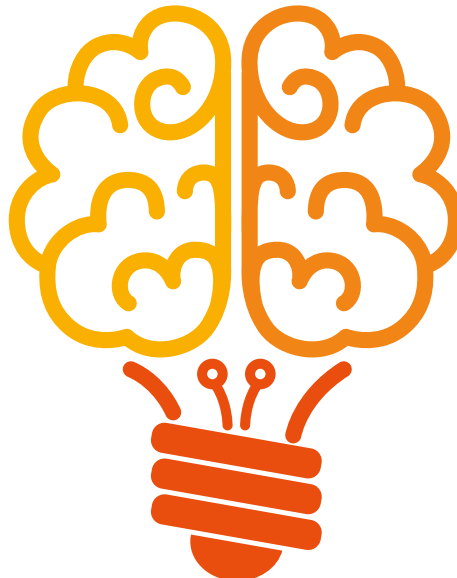
A. Human Rights & Labour Policy

At Mewah, we are committed to provide fair and equitable opportunities to all level of employees with no discrimination to gender, race, nationality, religion, age, marital status, ethnicity, union membership and caste. We are committed to recruit, employ and promote employees on the sole basis of the qualifications and abilities needed for the work to be performed.

1

HUMAN RIGHTS AND LABOUR POLICY

Provide guidelines to our employees to help them conduct their actions in accordance with the Company primary values and ethical standards.



2

TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT

Improve employees' competencies and maximize their potential for career development.

3

HEALTH & SAFETY

Improve Health and Safety of employees and contractors.

Compliance of Local Laws and Regulations

- Comply to all applicable laws and regulations at all times.

Non-Discrimination in Employment

- Equal opportunity regardless of race, colour, age, sexual orientation, ethnicity, disability, pregnancy, religion, political affiliation, union membership or marital status.

Non-exploitation of Child Labour

- Do not employ children or anyone below the minimum legal age of 16 years old.

Freedom of Association

- Recognise rights of employees to conduct collective bargaining process pursuant to local labour practices.
- Recognise open communication.

Free Choice of Employment

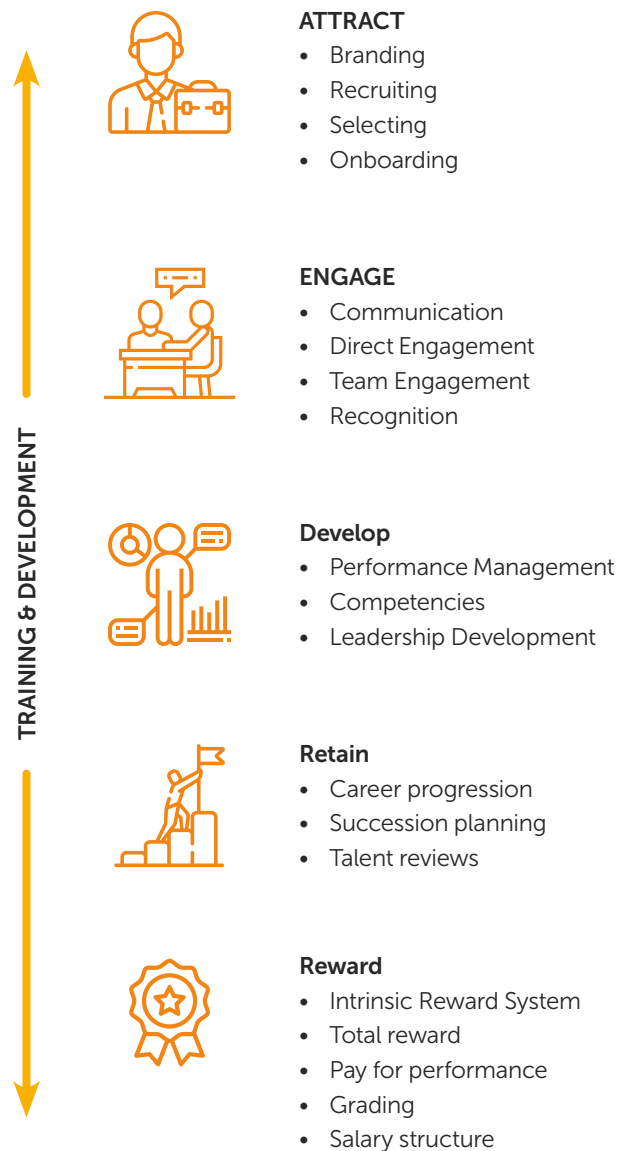
- No forced, bonded labour
- Do not allow slavery or trafficking of persons.

Humane Treatment

- Do not tolerate any form or threat and inhumane treatment including sexual harassment, sexual abuse, corporal punishment, physical or mental condition or verbal abuse.

B. Training and Development

We continuously assess, develop, and strengthen our human capital to ensure that we have the right competencies, capabilities, and passion to drive our mission and to actualise our vision. Human talent is one of the most important resources that the Company has. We believe that our people are our most powerful catalyst for the Company’s sustainable growth. By developing and investing in our employees, we are creating important propellers and foundations for our future growth. The Company will only succeed by having employees who are willing to invest their time and energy into the journey of growth of the Company.



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C. Health and Safety

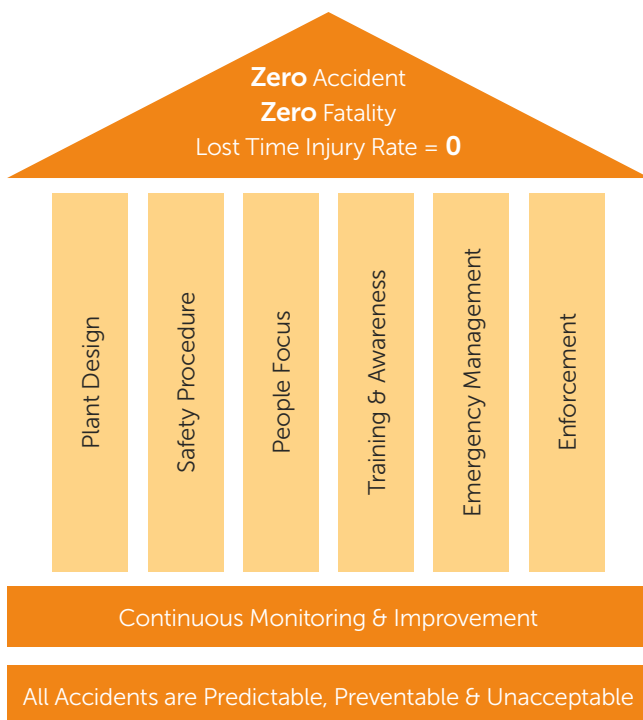
The Group aims to provide each employee with a safe place to work. All subsidiaries of Mewah are required to abide by local health and safety regulations. We conduct regular work risk assessments, vigorously taking action to address any identified risks by setting up protective guidance, employing the usage of personal protective equipment, embarking on work sites audits and inspections, as well as regular reviews and controls of safety risks. We strive to achieve zero loss workday from workplace accidents.

Mewah Group Safety Framework

Mewah Group Safety Framework is established as the guiding safety principle that aims to improve safety performance in our factories. Our targets of zero accident and zero fatality have been emphasized in the Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for all levels of employees.

The Mewah Group Safety Framework focuses on six (6) core areas:

- a. Plant design
- b. Safety procedure
- c. People focus
- d. Training & awareness
- e. Emergency management
- f. Enforcement



CORE AREA 5: COMMUNITY SUPPORT

We are aware of the importance of the proactivity engagement with the local community in which we operate in. Contributing to, and being part of, the community in which Mewah operates is essential for maintaining a positive relationship with our neighbors. We find regular engagement very effective for keeping pulse on what is happening on the ground and what concerns and priorities our stakeholders have.

At every location that we operate, Mewah partners with the local communities to support their needs. We contribute regularly to the local charities. Our people organise and participate in social events to support and bring joy to the less fortunate in our neighbouring communities. Our goal is to enrich the lives of the people around the touchpoints that we have established.

There are three (3) major objectives that we have set for our CSR programs:

A. Supporting our next generation

We believe that every child deserves a chance at a life filled with love, laughter, friends and family.

B. Active volunteerism of our employees

We encourage our employees to volunteer and give back to the community. Therefore, we hold companywide community volunteer events to facilitate our employees to participate in community events and give back to the community.

C. Disaster relief

We wish to support the communities that we operate in. One of the most important initiatives is to help our neighbours in their time of need. When there are natural disasters in our neighbourhood, we raise money and donate other necessities to support victims of natural disasters.

Mewah's COVID-19 Response:

The global spread of COVID-19 is affecting everyone around us. At Mewah, we put people safety first. Since the outbreak of COVID-19, our primary objective is to stand strong in solidarity with our employees, their families and the local communities in the surrounding of our business operation.

Preventative interventions are implemented across all management units to ensure the wellbeing of our employees. We have developed our own COVID-19 protocol following the COVID-19 Infection Prevention and Control Guidance developed by the World Health Organization (WHO).

Our Business Continuity Committee (BCC) is continuously assessing and appropriately responding to the crisis as it develops. Safe management guidelines and briefings amongst employees and local communities have been conducted to support the governments' directions to contain the spread of the virus. Face masks, sanitizers, regular cleaning and disinfection, temperature checks, and social distancing procedures have also been adopted across our business operations.

In addition, to optimize safe distancing measures amidst the COVID-19 pandemic, our employees are taking turns to work remotely. The use of various digital communication channels, including emails, conference calls, automation, and process improvements have helped us to overcome the challenges. Our productivity proved remarkably resilient during the pandemic, despite the reduction of on-site headcounts.

CSR Highlights: Mewah Mobilises Assistance for Flood Victims in Klang Valley

In December 2021, a 15-hours continuous heavy rain, horrendous flash floods hit many parts of Selangor, Malaysia, where most of our employees are resided. Houses and cars were submerged, roads turned into streams, food was swept away and no access to clean water and electricity. The Selangor communities were caught off guard by the unexpected disaster, many faced devastating material losses and distress.

The Mewah CSR committee has swiftly responded and assembled a team, and activated "*Bantuan Bencana Alam Program*" to strategise aids for the impacted employees and communities. A total of RM 192,600 was collected to ease the burden of 188 flood-impacted employees. Distribution of provisions, dried food, and diapers were also given to 25 flood-impacted employees.

As soon as the flood subsided, our people altruistically helped to clean 106 flood-impacted homes and provided food through collaboration with the local council-Majlis Perbandaran Klang (MPK) in the Pulau Indah



neighbourhood. Regardless of positions, race, ages and background, our CSR team came together and worked tirelessly in providing much-needed financial and disaster relief to the affected communities.

Under such ruthless disasters, our people demonstrated immense public-spirited attitude in supporting the affected communities, and reconnecting them to humanities in dire situations. The assistances we offered could tremendously allow the impacted communities to recover and ease them to reconnect their life in the future.

CORPORATE INFORMATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Dr Cheo Tong Choon @ Lee Tong Choon (Chairman)
 Ms Michelle Cheo Hui Ning
 Ms Bianca Cheo Hui Hsin
 Dr Foo Say Mui (Bill) (Lead Independent Director)
 Mr Robert Loke Tan Cheng
 Datuk Dr Fawzia Binti Abdullah
 Tan Sri Dato' A Ghani Bin Othman

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Mr Robert Loke Tan Cheng (Chairman)
 Datuk Dr Fawzia Binti Abdullah
 Tan Sri Dato' A Ghani Bin Othman

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Dr Foo Say Mui (Bill) (Chairman)
 Mr Robert Loke Tan Cheng
 Dr Cheo Tong Choon @ Lee Tong Choon
 Datuk Dr Fawzia Binti Abdullah

REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

Dr Foo Say Mui (Bill) (Chairman)
 Mr Robert Loke Tan Cheng
 Tan Sri Dato' A Ghani Bin Othman

SENIOR MANAGEMENT

Dr Cheo Tong Choon @ Lee Tong Choon
 Ms Michelle Cheo Hui Ning
 Ms Bianca Cheo Hui Hsin
 Mr Rajesh Shroff
 Mr Shyam Kumbhat
 Ms Wong Lai Wan
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Mr Abdul Jabbar Bin Karam Din, LLB

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 Alliance Bank
 AmBank
 Arab Bank Corporation
 Bangkok Bank
 Bank of China
 CTBC Bank
 DBS Bank
 Exim Bank Malaysia
 ICICI Bank
 MBSB Bank Berhad
 OCBC Bank
 RHB Bank
 The Bank of East Asia
 United Overseas Bank

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Introduction

Mewah International Inc. ("**Mewah**") or the ("**Company**") was listed on 24 November 2010 on the Mainboard of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (the "**SGX-ST**").

Mewah has adopted the Code of Corporate Governance 2018 (the "**Code**") issued by the Monetary Authority of Singapore as the benchmark for its corporate governance policies and practices. Any deviations have been disclosed and explained.

Mewah's Values

The Board of Directors (the "**Board**") of Mewah considers good corporate governance as a fundamental part of its responsibilities to protect and enhance stakeholder value whilst pursuing sustainable growth in the financial performance of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "**Group**").

Mewah is committed to upholding and maintaining high standards of corporate governance to promote corporate transparency and to enhance stakeholder value. Toward this, Mewah has put in place policies and processes to enhance corporate performance, accountability, and sustainability.

The Board works with the management to ensure that these values underpin its leadership of the Company and guides the management and employees at all levels of the organisation in their respective roles within the Group.

BOARD MATTERS

THE BOARD'S CONDUCT OF AFFAIRS

PRINCIPLE 1:

The company is headed by an effective Board which is collectively responsible and works with Management for the long-term success of the company.

Board Responsibility

Mewah is headed by an effective and experienced Board that works closely with the management for the long-term success of the Group. The Board is collectively responsible for providing entrepreneurial leadership, setting strategic objectives and constantly seeking protection to the stakeholder value and enhancing the returns of the Group. Through the Board's leadership, the Group's businesses are expected to achieve sustainable and successful performance over the long-term and is resilient in the face of the demands of a dynamic, fast-changing environment.

During FY2021, the Board has continued to spend time monitoring the impact of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and has been working closely with management in reviewing the business opportunities and challenges posed by the pandemic. The Board also provided valuable insights and advice on managing the COVID-19 crisis without losing focus on our long-term strategies.

The principal duties and responsibilities of the Board are to:

1. Set strategic directions and long-term goals of the Group to ensure that the necessary financial and human resources are in place for the Group to meet its objectives;
2. Establish a framework of prudent and effective controls which enable risks to be assessed and managed effectively;
3. Review and approve the Group's strategic and business plans;
4. Monitor the performance of the Group against plans and goals;

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5. Consider sustainability issue, and in particular environmental and social factors in the formulation of business strategies and corporate policies of the Group; and
6. Monitor and ensure compliance with such laws and regulations as may be relevant to the business.

The Board has put in place clear written terms of reference for all directors, which outline their duties and authorities with appropriate tone-from-the-top setting out the desired organisational culture to accomplish a shared goal. The Nominating Committee will also send newly appointed directors the latest available version of Directors' Toolkit issued by the Singapore Institute of Director to ensure proper accountability within the Group.

Whilst providing leadership and strategic direction, the Board gives due recognition to the expectations of different stakeholders such as shareholders, lenders, employees, government agencies, suppliers, customers, competitors, business partners, and service providers. The Board is responsible for ensuring that the direction set is aligned to the Group's established values and standards, and due weightage is given to sustainability. It is also responsible for reviewing the management performance on a regular and continual basis.

Matters requiring the Board's decision and approval

The Board sets the strategic direction for the management, and the management handles the day-to-day operational decisions. The following matters of strategic importance have been reserved for the Board's decision:

- Group's strategy and business plans;
- Capital expenditure, investments and divestments exceeding certain material limits;
- All capital-related matters including increase, decrease, or re-organisation;
- Dividend policy and dividend payments;
- Risk strategy, internal controls, and risk limit strategies and execution;
- Approval of credit limits and trade terms with related parties;
- Adoption of Interested Persons Transaction Mandate;
- Annual and half-yearly results announcements;
- Annual reports;
- Sustainability reports;
- Appointment of directors and key management personnel;
- Succession planning for directors and key management personnel; and
- Any other matters as prescribed under the relevant legislations and regulations, as well as the provisions of the Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Directors who are interested in any Board's decision will recuse themselves from deliberations and abstain from voting in relation to any such resolution relating to such matter.

Board Committees

To assist the Board in the execution of its duties, the Board has delegated specific functions to the Board Committees, which would submit its recommendations or decisions to the Board. All of the Board Committees are formed with clear written terms of reference setting out their compositions, authorities, and duties to report back to the Board.

Details of the Board Committees are as set out below:

- Audit Committee, responsible for the functions as set out under Principle 10.
- Nominating Committee, responsible for the functions as set out under Principle 4.
- Remuneration Committee, responsible for the functions as set out under Principle 6.

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Board Meeting and Attendance

After the amendments in Rule 705 of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited made effective from 7 February 2020, the Group will no longer be required to release its unaudited financial statements on a quarterly basis. However, the Board had continued to have its periodical Board of Directors' meetings as per its existing practice to convene scheduled meetings on a quarterly basis to review the Group's operations and to ensure effective discharge of their responsibilities. Ad hoc meetings will be convened between the scheduled meetings as and when necessary to attend to any pressing matters requiring the Board's consideration and decision. Under the Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association, a director who is unable to attend any meeting in person may participate via teleconference or video conference. Decisions of the Board and Board Committees may also be obtained via circulation.

In 2021, all Board and committees' meetings were conducted via video conference. The Directors' attendance at the General, Board, and Board Committee meetings during the financial year ended 31 December 2021 is set out as follows:

Name	AGM	Board Meeting	Audit Committee Meeting	Nominating Committee Meeting	Remuneration Committee Meeting
EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS					
Dr Cheo Tong Choon @ Lee Tong Choon	1/1	4/4		2/2	
Ms Michelle Cheo Hui Ning	1/1	4/4			
Ms Bianca Cheo Hui Hsin	1/1	4/4			
INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS					
Dr Foo Say Mui (Bill)	1/1	4/4		2/2	2/2
Mr Robert Loke Tan Cheng	1/1	4/4	4/4	2/2	2/2
Tan Sri Datuk Dr Ong Soon Hock ¹	1/1	1/4	1/4	1/2	1/2
Datuk Dr Fawzia Binti Abdullah	1/1	4/4	4/4	2/2	
Tan Sri Dato' A Ghani Bin Othman ²	1/1	4/4	4/4		2/2
No. of meetings held:		4	4	2	2

Notes:

¹ Tan Sri Datuk Dr Ong Soon Hock retired on 28 April 2021.

² Tan Sr Dato' A Ghani Bin Othman first appointment as director on 24 February 2021 and subsequently re-elected on 28 April 2021.

Induction, orientation and training

Newly appointed director will receive from the Nominating Committee, the latest available version of Directors' Toolkit issued by the Singapore Institute of Director to ensure proper accountability within the Group.

The Group will also conduct an orientation programme for new directors to familiarise themselves with the business activities of the Group, its strategic direction, and corporate governance practices. A new director who has no prior experience as a director of a company listed on the SGX-ST must undergo mandatory training in the roles and responsibilities as prescribed by the SGX-ST. The new director will be required to undertake the necessary training within one year from the date of his/her appointment to the Board.

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The Group will regularly update the directors on the changes in relevant laws and regulations, industry developments, business initiatives, and challenges on matters relating to the Group and its businesses.

Directors will also be briefed on the Companies Act 1967, and other statutory and regulatory requirements, including its changes, from time to time. Annually, the Group will arrange for external auditors to update all directors on new and revised financial reporting standards when applicable to the Group. Directors are given regular trainings and updates on specific matters relevant to the Group and its businesses to ensure they carry out their role effectively. Directors are also encouraged to participate in external trainings at the Group's expense.

To facilitate ongoing knowledge enhancement for existing directors, the following orientations and trainings were provided during the year:

- ACRA's Financial Reporting Practice Guidance (FRG);
- Updates on SGX Sustainability Reporting on Climate and Board Diversity;
- Group strategic plans to further consolidate its position in vegetable oils industry;
- Risk management practices for Group's trading and review of Group's overall risk limits;
- Sustainability Training- A New Hope For Our Planet;
- The ESG Transformation in Southeast Asia;
- Understanding Global Dramatic Changes in International Currencies;
- Reinventing Success in Manufacturing;
- Enhancing Engagement In Turbulent times.

Access to complete, adequate, and timely information

The Group recognises an accurate and timely flow of relevant information is critical for the Board to be effective in the discharge of its duties. All Board members are supplied with relevant, complete, adequate and timely information in both soft and hard copies prior to Board meetings and on an on-going basis to enable them to make informed decisions. The Board papers and related materials e.g. background or explanatory information are sent to directors at least three calendar days before the Board meeting so that the Board members may better understand the matters prior to the Board meeting to further constructive discussions, and for queries to be raised in the meeting. However, confidential and/or sensitive matters may be tabled at the meeting itself or discussed without any papers distributed. When necessary, senior management and/or the relevant employees will be invited to attend Board meetings to answer any queries from Directors.

Company Secretary

The directors have unrestricted access to the Company Secretary and the Group's senior management to facilitate direct flow of information when necessary.

The role of the Company Secretary is clearly defined and includes the responsibility of ensuring that the Board procedures are followed, and that applicable rules and regulations are complied with. The Company Secretary or his nominees are required to attend all General, Board, and Board Committees' meetings. The appointment and removal of the Company Secretary is a matter for the Board as a whole to decide. The directors, whether as a group or individually, may seek and obtain independent professional advice to assist them in their duties at the expense of the Group.

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BOARD COMPOSITION AND GUIDANCE

PRINCIPLE 2:

The Board has an appropriate level of independence and diversity of thought and background in its composition to enable it to make decisions in the best interests of the company.

Board Size, Composition, Diversity And Balance

As at the date of this report, the Board comprises seven members, with Independent Directors making up the majority of the Board. A brief profile of each director is given on pages 6 to 9 of this Report.

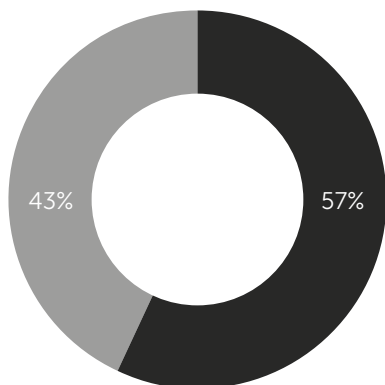
The Group has adopted a Board Diversity Policy which recognises that a diverse Board will enhance the decision-making process by utilising the variety in skills, industry and business experiences, gender, and other distinguishing qualities of the members of the Board. The Board, in concurrence with the Nominating Committee (“NC”) examines the Board structure, size, and composition including the skills, knowledge, experience, gender, age, and core competencies of the Board members to ensure that there is an appropriate balance of expertise, experience, and knowledge. In accordance with this policy, the NC will review the relevant objectives for promoting and achieving diversity on the Board, the progress made, and subsequently make recommendations for approval by the Board. The NC will review this policy from time to time as appropriate and as progress made.

The current Board possesses diversified and varied expertise, experience, and knowledge in the areas of the Group’s food and agri- business and geographical operations, as well as in the areas of strategy formulation, manufacturing, marketing, legal, taxation, finance, accounting, and corporate compliances. With their varied experience in the different industries and areas of expertise, independent directors play a crucial role in challenging the Board to develop strategies in the best interests of the Group. They also contribute independent perspectives in reviewing the performance of the management in meeting agreed goals and objectives, and performance monitoring.

The Group also emphasises great importance in gender equality and this has been incorporated as one of the objectives in the Board Diversity Policy. The Group has three women on the Board, namely Ms Michelle Cheo Hui Ning, Ms Bianca Cheo Hui Hsin, and Datuk Dr Fawzia Binti Abdullah.

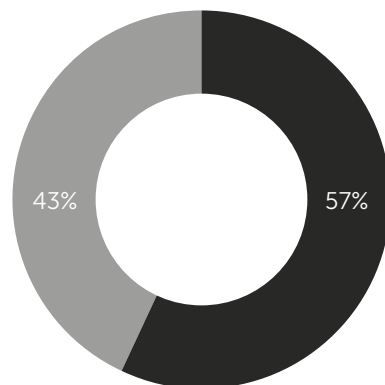
The pie charts below show the Board Composition as at the date of this report:

Board Composition, Diversity and Balance



● Executive Directors ● Independent Directors

Gender Diversity



● Female ● Male

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The nature of the current directors' appointments on the Board and details of their memberships in the Board Committees are as set out below:

Name of Director	Board Membership	Audit Committee	Nominating Committee	Remuneration Committee
Dr Cheo Tong Choon @ Lee Tong Choon	Executive Director and Chairman of Board	-	Member	-
Ms Michelle Cheo Hui Ning* ¹	Executive Director, Deputy Chairperson and Chief Executive Officer	-	-	-
Ms Bianca Cheo Hui Hsin	Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer	-	-	-
Dr Foo Say Mui (Bill)	Lead Independent Director	-	Chairman	Chairman
Mr Robert Loke Tan Cheng	Independent Director	Chairman	Member	Member
Datuk Dr Fawzia Binti Abdullah	Independent Director	Member	Member	-
Tan Sri Dato' A Ghani Bin Othman* ²	Independent Director	Member	-	Member

Notes:

¹ Ms Michelle Cheo Hui Ning has been appointed as Deputy Chairperson of the Board on 24 February 2022.

² Tan Sr Dato' A Ghani Bin Othman first appointment as director on 24 February 2021 and subsequently re-elected on 28 April 2021.

Independence of Directors

All directors are required to timely disclose any relationships or appointments which would impair their independence on the Board. The NC also evaluates the independence of all independent directors annually. Each independent director is required to complete an Independence Confirmation at the time of appointment, and annually to declare whether he/she considers himself/herself independent based on the guideline provided by the Code, that independent directors should be independent in conduct, character and judgement, and has no relationship with the Group, its related corporations, its substantial shareholders, or its officers that could interfere, or be reasonably perceived to interfere, with the exercise of the director's independent business judgment in the best interests of the Group.

As part of Mewah's Board renewal process and with the recommendation of the NC, the Board has appointed a new independent director, Tan Sri Dato' A Ghani Bin Othman in replacement of Tan Sri Datuk Dr Ong Soon Hock, a long-serving director who stepped down at the conclusion of the AGM on 28 April 2021 after having served on the Board for more than nine years.

The NC has ascertained that all independent directors, namely Dr Foo Say Mui (Bill), Mr Robert Loke Tan Cheng, Datuk Dr Fawzia Binti Abdullah, Tan Sri Dato' A Ghani Bin Othman including the retired Tan Sri Datuk Dr Ong Soon Hock, do not have any relationship with the Group, its related corporations, its substantial shareholders, or its officers that could interfere, or be reasonably perceived to interfere, with the exercise of the director's independent business judgment with a view to the best interests of the Group, and they are able to exercise objective judgment on corporate affairs independently from management and its substantial shareholders.

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CHAIRMAN AND DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON CUM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

PRINCIPLE 3:

There is a clear division of responsibilities between the leadership of the Board and Management, and no one individual has unfettered powers of decision-making.

The roles of the Chairman and the Deputy Chairperson cum Chief Executive Officer (“CEO”) are separate to ensure an appropriate balance of power, increased accountability and greater capacity of the Board for independent decision making.

The Chairman, Dr Cheo Tong Choon @ Lee Tong Choon (“**Dr Cheo**”) is an Executive Director. The Chairman is responsible for:-

- leading the Board and facilitating its effectiveness while promoting a culture of openness and debate within the Board;
- setting the agenda and ensuring that the directors receive complete, adequate and timely information and that adequate time is available for discussion for matters on the agenda, particularly on matters relating to strategies;
- building constructive relations within the Board, and between the Board and the management to ensure proper execution of the strategies and direction decided by the Board;
- facilitating effective contribution of the Non-Executive Directors;
- ensuring constructive communication and engagement with shareholders takes place in every general meeting; and
- promoting standards of corporate governance.

Dr Cheo has been the force behind the success of the Group and works closely with the Deputy Chairperson cum CEO and the management.

In line with Chairman’s succession plan, the Board has considered and accepted the recommendation of the Nominating Committee to appoint Ms Michelle Cheo Hui Ning (“**Ms Cheo**”), as Deputy Chairperson with effect from 24 February 2022.

Ms Cheo, daughter of Dr Cheo, is an Executive Director, Deputy Chairperson and CEO of the Group. She is responsible for the overall execution of strategy of the Group and its day-to-day operations. Please refer to Ms Cheo’s profile on page 6 of this Report.

Lead Independent Director

Since the Chairman and the Deputy Chairperson cum CEO are immediate family members, the Board has appointed Dr Foo Say Mui (Bill) as the Lead Independent Director. The Lead Independent Director has a pivotal role in ensuring a balance of power and authority, such that no one individual has unfettered powers of decision making. The Lead Independent Director acts as a bridge between the independent directors and the Chairman as well as representing shareholders’ interests. He also provides continuity of leadership at the Board level in the absence of the Chairman and in situation where the Chairman is conflicted.

On the sidelines of every Board meeting, the independent directors meet without the presence of the executive directors and the feedback is communicated by the Lead Independent Director to the Chairman after the meeting. Given the current COVID-19 situation and to provide certainty to the directors, all Board and Committees meetings were held by electronic means in 2021. Breakout rooms had been arranged for the independent directors to meet with the external and internal auditors without the presence of the executive directors and the management in the Audit Committee meeting annually.

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BOARD MEMBERSHIP

PRINCIPLE 4:

The Board has a formal and transparent process for the appointment and re-appointment of directors, taking into account the need for progressive renewal of the Board.

The Board reviews the size and composition of the Board at least twice in a year, taking into account the need for progressive renewal of the Board, and each Director's competencies, commitment, contribution, and performance.

To ensure that the governance and business needs of the Group are adequately addressed, the Board has established a Nominating Committee (the "NC") to regularly review the capabilities of the directors collectively by taking into account their skills, experience, diversity and industry knowledge as well as review of succession plans for directors, the Chairman, the CEO and key management personnel.

The NC makes recommendations to the Board on all Board appointments. In reviewing the Board composition and in identifying suitable candidates for appointment to the Board, the NC will ultimately form their decisions based on the following principles:-

- (a) Skills, experience, knowledge, gender, and age diversity; and
- (b) Non-executive directors make up a majority of the board, where the Chairman is not independent.

The NC comprises Lead Independent Director Dr Foo Say Mui (Bill), Independent Directors Mr Robert Loke Tan Cheng, Datuk Dr Fawzia Binti Abdullah, and Executive Director Dr Cheo Tong Choon @ Lee Tong Choon. The Chairman of the Nominating Committee is Dr Foo Say Mui (Bill) and majority of the NC members are non-executive and independent directors.

NC's key responsibilities include the following:

- (i) Identifying candidates for nomination and making recommendations to the Board on all Board appointments;
- (ii) Re-nomination of the directors in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association, having regard to the director's contribution and performance;
- (iii) Determining the independency of an independent director annually in accordance with the Code;
- (iv) Deciding whether or not a director is able to and has been adequately carrying out his duties as a director;
- (v) Reviewing the balance and diversity of skills, experience, gender, age, knowledge, competencies of the Board, and its size and composition;
- (vi) Reviewing and recommending the training and professional development programmes for the Board; and
- (vii) Developing and recommending to the Board a process of evaluation of the performance of the Board, Board Committees, and directors.

The Board has implemented a process to be carried out by the NC for assessing the effectiveness of the Board as a whole and for assessing the contribution by each individual director to the effectiveness of the Board. Details of the process are explained under Principle 5, Board Performance.

The Board has not set the maximum number of Board representations which any director may hold. However, the NC monitors and assesses twice a year whether directors with multiple board representations and other principal commitments are able to give sufficient time and attention to the affairs of the Group and diligently discharge their duties as a director of the Group. The NC takes into account the results of the assessment of the effectiveness of the individual director, his actual conduct on the Board and Board Committees, and his attendance record at meetings. The NC is satisfied that in 2021, sufficient time and attention has been given to the affairs of the Group by each director. Details of directorships and commitments of all directors are detailed in pages 6 to 9 of this report.

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Each member of the NC is required to abstain from deliberating, participating, or voting in matters relating to him, including the assessment of his performance and re-nomination as director.

All Board appointments are approved by way of written resolutions or approved by the shareholders at any general meeting based on the recommendations of the NC. In searching, nominating, and selecting new directors, the NC will continue to tap on the resources of directors' personal contacts, recommendations of potential candidates, and participate in the shortlisting and interviewing process, if required. The NC will engage external agencies to assist, if required, at the expense of the Group.

In assessing re-appointment of the directors, the NC evaluates based on several criteria, including qualifications, contributions, and independence of the directors. In accordance with the Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association, each director shall retire at least once every three years. A retiring director shall be eligible for re-election subject to approval by the shareholders at the Annual General Meeting ("AGM"). New directors appointed by the Board will hold office only until the next AGM following their appointments and will be eligible for re-election thereafter. Such directors are not taken into account when determining the directors who are to retire by rotation. However, new directors appointed by the shareholders in any general meeting shall retire at least once every three years. The Board generally does not have a practice of appointing alternate directors.

Key information regarding each director's qualifications, shareholdings, relationships (if any), date of first appointment, directorship, and other principal commitments is presented on pages 6 to 9 of the 'Board of Directors' and 'Directors' Statement' on pages 56 to 58 of this Annual Report. The NC had recommended to the Board the re-election of Ms Michelle Cheo Hui Ning and Dr Foo Say Mui (Bill), who will be retiring pursuant to Article 86 of the Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association at the forthcoming AGM. The directors retiring by rotation have consented to continue in office.

The additional information on Ms Michelle Cheo Hui Ning and Dr Foo Say Mui (Bill), being the Directors who have been nominated for re-election, pursuant to Rule 720(6) of the SGX-ST Listing Manual, are set out below:

Details:	Ms Michelle Cheo Hui Ning	Dr Foo Say Mui (Bill)
Date of first appointment as Director	29 October 2010	28 April 2015
Date of last re-election	24 April 2019	19 June 2020
Age	48	65
Country of principal residence	Singapore	Singapore
The Board's comments on this appointment (including rationale, selection criteria, and the search and nomination process)	The Board, having considered the recommendation of the NC and assessed Ms Cheo's overall contributions and performance, is of the view that she is suitable for re-appointment as a Director of the Company.	The Board, having considered the recommendation of the NC and assessed Dr Foo's overall contributions and performance, is of the view that he is suitable for re-appointment as a Director of the Company.
Whether appointment is executive, and if so, the area of responsibility	Executive. Please refer to "Board of Directors" on page 6.	Independent Non-Executive. Please refer to "Board of Directors" on page 8.

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Details:	Ms Michelle Cheo Hui Ning	Dr Foo Say Mui (Bill)
Job Title	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Executive Director Deputy Chairperson of the Board of Directors Chief Executive Officer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Independent Director Chairman of Nominating Committee Chairman of Remuneration Committee
Professional qualifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please refer to the "Board of Directors" on page 6" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please refer to the "Board of Directors" on page 8"
Working experience and occupation(s) during the past 10 years		
Shareholding interest in the listed issuer and its subsidiaries	<p>Yes</p> <p>Please refer to "Statistics of Shareholdings" on pages 148 to 150.</p>	NIL
Any Relationship (including immediate family relationships) with any existing director, executive officer, the issuer and/or substantial shareholders of the listed issuer or of any of its principal subsidiaries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daughter of Dr Cheo Tong Choon @ Lee Tong Choon (Chairman, Executive Director and substantial shareholder); Sister of Ms Bianca Cheo Hui Hsin (Chief Operating officer, Executive Director and substantial shareholder); Sister of Mr Cheo Jian Jia and Ms Sara Cheo Hui Yi (substantial shareholders) 	NIL
Conflict of interest (including any competing business)	NIL	NIL
Undertaking (in the format set out in Appendix 7.7) under Rule 720 (1) has been submitted to the listed issuer	Yes	Yes
Present directorship		
- Listed Companies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mewah International Inc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mewah International Inc. Tung Lok Restaurants (2000) Ltd

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Details:	Ms Michelle Cheo Hui Ning	Dr Foo Say Mui (Bill)
- Others	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) One Marthoma (CI) Inc. 2) Pandan Loop International Inc. 3) Cavenagh House International Inc. 4) Hua Guan Inc. 5) Moi International Inc. 6) Mewah (HK) Limited 7) Mewah China (HK) Limited 8) Dr T.C. Pierre (Cayman Islands) Inc. 9) Eighteen Tenth Nineteen Forty Four Inc. 10) Unity Investment Inc. 11) Cheo @ Berrima Inc. 12) Moi Chemicals Limited 13) J.J. Mibisa Holding (BVI) Inc. 14) T.C. Stone Limited 15) J.J. Mibisa Inc. 16) J.J. Mibiansa Holdings Pte Ltd 17) Futura Ingredients Singapore Pte. Ltd. 18) Ecobliss (S) Pte. Ltd. 19) Eco Oleo (S) Pte. Ltd. 20) Ecogenesis Life Sciences Pte. Ltd. (Formerly known as Ecolex (S) Pte. Ltd.) 21) Futura Oppenheimer Pte. Ltd. 22) Singapore Chinese Orchestra 23) Ning Kwan Pte. Ltd. 24) All Bright Global Limited 25) Dr Ben Stone Pte. Ltd. 26) Singapore Chinese Chamber Institute of Business 27) Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce & Industry 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The International Institute for Strategic Studies (Asia) Ltd ("IISS" Asia) as Trustee for the Strategic Studies Fund 2) Tower Capital Asia Pte Ltd 3) Business Circle Singapore Pte Ltd 4) M&C REIT Management Ltd & M&C Business Trust Management Ltd 5) Kenon Holdings Ltd.
Past directorship (for the last 5 years)		
- Listed Companies	NIL	NIL
- Others	NIL	NIL

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BOARD PERFORMANCE

PRINCIPLE 5:

The Board undertakes a formal annual assessment of its effectiveness as a whole, and that of each of its board committees and individual directors.

The NC has processes in place for the evaluation of the Board's effectiveness as a whole, its individual Board Committees, and for assessing the contributions by the Chairman and each individual director to the effectiveness of the Board on an annual basis. The evaluation is done through written assessments by individual directors and submitted incognito. The assessment is based on objective performance criteria, including the Board composition and size, the Board's understanding of the Group's business operations, development of strategic directions, effectiveness of the Board meetings to facilitate discussions and decisions on critical and major corporate matters, as well as individual's contributions and commitment to their roles. The Company Secretary compiles the Directors' responses from the evaluation forms into a consolidated report. The collated findings are reported, and recommendations are then submitted to the Board for review and to further enhance the Board's effectiveness. No external facilitator was used in the evaluation process. The performance criteria do not change from year to year unless the NC is of the view that it is necessary to change the performance criteria, for instance, to align with any changes to the Code. In 2021, there were no significant issues that might warrant the Board's attention.

REMUNERATION MATTERS

PROCEDURES FOR DEVELOPING REMUNERATION POLICIES

PRINCIPLE 6:

The Board has a formal and transparent procedure for developing policies on director and executive remuneration, and for fixing the remuneration packages of individual directors and key management personnel. No director is involved in deciding his or her own remuneration.

The Remuneration Committee (the "RC") comprises entirely of independent directors. The RC is chaired by Dr Foo Say Mui (Bill) with Mr Robert Loke Tan Cheng, and Tan Sri Dato' A Ghani Bin Othman as its members.

The RC is responsible for reviewing and making recommendations to the Board a framework of remuneration for the Board and the key management personnel ("KMP") and determining specific remuneration packages for each director and the KMP. The recommendations of the RC are submitted for endorsement by the entire Board. All aspects of remuneration, including but not limited to directors' fees, salaries, allowances, bonuses, options and benefits in kind are covered by the RC. Each member of the RC is required to abstain from voting on any resolutions and making recommendations and/or participating in any deliberations of the RC in respect to his or her own remuneration package.

The RC is also responsible in reviewing the Group's obligations arising in the event of termination of the executive directors' and KMP's contracts of service, to ensure that such contracts of service contain fair and reasonable termination clauses which are not overly generous. The RC aims to be fair and avoid rewarding poor performance.

The RC may from time to time, and where necessary, engage external consultants in framing the remuneration policy and determining the level and mix of remuneration of directors and management. The RC did not engage any remuneration consultant for the 2021.

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LEVEL AND MIX OF REMUNERATION

PRINCIPLE 7:

The level and structure of remuneration of the Board and key management personnel are appropriate and proportionate to the sustained performance and value creation of the company, taking into account the strategic objectives of the company.

The RC and the Board, in determining the level and structure of remuneration of the Board and KMP, will ensure that the Board and KMP are provided with appropriate remunerations that is proportionate to the sustained performance and value creation in the Group. This takes into account the strategic objectives, long-term interests, and risks policies of the Group, and is also responsive to the economic climate as well as the performance of the Group, its businesses, and individuals. The RC has structured remuneration packages for KMP on measured performance indicators taking into account both financial and non-financial factors. It is structured to link a significant and appropriate proportion of rewards to the Group's and individual's performance. The remuneration framework for the Board and KMP is aligned with the interests of shareholders, other stakeholders, and is sufficiently appropriate to attract, retain, and motivate them for the long-term success of the Group.

DISCLOSURE ON REMUNERATION

PRINCIPLE 8:

The company is transparent on its remuneration policies, level and mix of remuneration, the procedure for setting remuneration, and the relationships between remuneration, performance and value creation.

Independent directors are paid directors' fees, subject to the approval of shareholders at the AGM. No additional fees are paid for their appointments on other Board Committees. The directors' fees are appropriate to the level of contribution, taking into account factors such as effort, time spent, and the responsibilities of the directors such that the independence of the non-executive directors are not compromised by their compensations. Executive directors and the CEO do not receive directors' fees but are remunerated as members of management.

The breakdown of the remuneration of the (i) directors and CEO; and (ii) employees who are substantial shareholders or are immediate family members of a director, the CEO or a substantial shareholder of the Company, for the financial year ended 31 December 2021 is as follows:

Name	Fixed Salary	Variable Income	Benefits in Kind	Total	Remuneration Band (S\$'000)
Executive Directors	79%	20%	1%	100%	3,250 to 3,500
Dr Cheo Tong Choon @ Lee Tong Choon					
Ms Michelle Cheo Hui Ning	80.4%	18.4%	1.2%	100%	1,000 to 1,250
Ms Bianca Cheo Hui Hsin	80.4%	18.4%	1.2%	100%	1,000 to 1,250
Independent Non-Executive Directors					
Mr Robert Loke Tan Cheng	100%	-	-	100%	250 and below
Dr Foo Say Mui (Bill)	100%	-	-	100%	250 and below
Tan Sri Datuk Dr Ong Soon Hock* ¹	100%	-	-	100%	250 and below
Datuk Dr Fawzia Binti Abdullah	100%	-	-	100%	250 and below
Tan Sri Dato' A Ghani Bin Othman* ²	100%	-	-	100%	250 and below

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Notes:

- ¹⁾ Tan Sri Datuk Dr Ong Soon Hock retired on 28 April 2021.
- ²⁾ Tan Sr Dato' A Ghani Bin Othman first appointment as director on 24 February 2021 and subsequently re-elected on 28 April 2021.

Name	Family relationship with any director and/or substantial shareholder	Remuneration Band (S\$'000)
Employees who are substantial shareholder of the Company, or are immediate family members of a director, the CEO or a substantial shareholder of the Company (remuneration exceeding S\$100,000)		
Mr Cheo Jian Jia	Children of Dr Cheo Tong Choon @ Lee Tong Choon; Sibling of Ms Michelle Cheo Hui Ning and Ms Bianca Cheo Hui Hsin	500 to 600
Ms Cheo Chong Cher		200 to 300
Ms Cheo Sor Cheng Angeline		200 to 300
Ms Cheo Su Ching	Sibling of Dr Cheo Tong Choon @ Lee Tong Choon;	200 to 300
Ms Cheo Soh Hua @ Lee Soh Hua		200 to 300
Mr Cheo Teong Eng		100 to 200
Ms Alicia Cheo		100 to 200

Top Five Key Management Personnel

Remunerations paid to the top five Key Management Personnel ("KMPs") (who are not directors or the CEO) ranged between S\$250,000 and S\$2,250,000 and aggregated to S\$3,942,000 62%, 37%, and 1% of which were fixed salary, variable income and benefits in kind respectively.

In considering the disclosure of remuneration of the directors, immediate family members of a director or KMPs, the Group measures the industry conditions in which the Group operates and considers the confidential nature of the remuneration. The Group believes that given the confidential and commercial sensitivities associated with remuneration matters and the highly competitive human resource environment in which the Group operates and the importance of ensuring stability, and continuity of business operations with a competent and experienced management team in place, it is in the best interest of the Group to not disclose the Company's top five KMP (whom are not directors or the CEO) on a named basis.

Remuneration of executive directors and KMPs includes a variable component which is linked directly to performance measures identified by the Group. The quantum of variable component is dependent on the individual performance against those measures that include knowledge and understanding of the Group and the industry, execution of strategies, personal qualities, as well as performance of the Group in general. The Company does not have contractual provisions to reclaim incentive components of remuneration from executive directors and KMPs in exceptional circumstances of misstatement of financial results, or of misconduct resulting in financial loss to the Company as it is of the view that, in any case, it has legal recourse under such circumstances.

No directors or KMPs are involved in deciding his or her remuneration.

The Company did not have any Employee Share Schemes for the financial year 2021.

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ACCOUNTABILITY AND AUDIT RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROLS

PRINCIPLE 9:

The Board is responsible for the governance of risk and ensures that Management maintains a sound system of risk management and internal controls, to safeguard the interests of the company and its shareholders.

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The Executive Risk Management Team monitors and assists the Board in determining the nature and extent of the significant risks which the Group is willing to take in achieving its strategic objectives and value creation. Risk management is explained further in pages 20 to 22.

Internal Audit

The internal audit (“**IA**”) function of the Group is established to oversee the risk governance in the Group and maintained on an ongoing basis to ensure that the management maintains a sound system of risk management and internal controls to safeguard shareholders’ interests and the Group’s assets. The IA is an independent function within the Group. The IA Department is headed by Mr Larry Cheng (“**Mr Cheng**”) and other suitably qualified executives who meet the Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing of the Institute of Internal Auditors. Mr Cheng reports directly to the Chairman of the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee approves the appointment, termination, evaluation, and compensation of the Head of Internal Audit. The Audit Committee also annually reviews the scope of authority and responsibility of the IA functions as defined in the AC Terms of Reference. The IA function of the Group has unfettered access to all the Group’s documents, records, properties, and personnel, including Audit Committee, and has appropriate standing within the Group.

The Group’s IA conducts an annual review of the effectiveness of the Group’s material internal controls, including financial, operational, compliance, information technology controls, and risk management systems. Any material non-compliance or failure in internal controls, and recommendations for improvements are reported to the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee also reviews the effectiveness of the actions taken by management on the recommendations made by the internal and external auditors in this respect.

The Group IA adopts a risk-based auditing approach that focuses on material internal controls, including financial, operational, compliance, information technology controls, and risk management systems. Audits were carried out on all significant business units in the Group, inclusive of limited review performed on dormant and inactive companies. The consolidation of the Group IA’s reports is submitted to the Audit Committee for deliberation, with copies of these reports extended to the Chairman, the CEO, and the relevant Senior Management Officers. In addition, IA’s summary of findings and recommendations are discussed at the Audit Committee meetings. The Audit Committee also conducts meetings with the IA without the presence of the Senior Management to discuss any issues of concern.

The Audit Committee reviewed and is satisfied that the IA function is independent, effective and adequately resourced.

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Risk Management and Internal Control

The role of the IA function is to assist the Audit Committee in providing reasonable assurance that the Group maintains a sound system of internal controls by regular monitoring of key controls and procedures and ensuring their effectiveness by undertaking investigations as directed by the Audit Committee and conducting regular in-depth audits of high-risk areas. The Audit Committee ensures that the IA is adequately resourced and has appropriate standing within the Group.

Opinion on the Adequacy and Effectiveness of Internal Control and Risk Management Systems

Based on the internal controls and risk management systems established and maintained by the Group, audit checks performed by the internal and external auditors, and regular reviews performed by management, the Board and various Board Committees, the Audit Committee and the Board are of the opinion that the Group's internal control and risk management systems are adequate and effective as at 31 December 2021 to address the financial, operational, compliance and information technology risks of the Group.

The internal control and risk management systems established by the Group provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that the Group will not be adversely affected by any event that can be reasonably foreseen as it strives to achieve its business objectives.

Assurance from the CEO and CFO

The Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have also provided a written confirmation to the Board that, to the best of their understanding: (a) the financial records have been properly maintained and the financial statements give a true and fair view of the Group's operations and finances; and (b) the Group had established and maintained an adequate system of internal controls effective in addressing financial, operational, compliance, information technology controls, and risk management systems for the financial year ended 31 December 2021. The Group's risk management and internal control systems are effective.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

PRINCIPLE 10:

The Board has an Audit Committee which discharges its duties objectively.

Establishment of Audit Committee

The Audit Committee ("**AC**") comprises entirely non-executive and independent directors. The AC is chaired by Mr Robert Loke Tan Cheng with Datuk Dr Fawzia Binti Abdullah and Tan Sri Dato' A Ghani Bin Othman as its members. The Board considers the members of the AC appropriately qualified with sufficient and relevant financial management expertise and experience to discharge its functions. The AC is also kept abreast of changes to accounting standards and issues which have a direct impact on financial statements through meetings with the external auditors who will update the AC on recent related developments. It has held four meetings in 2021. The AC has also met with the internal and external auditors without the presence of the management during the year. The AC does not have any member who was a former partner or director of the Group's external auditor, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP ("**PwC**"), within a period of two years commencing on the date of their ceasing to be a partner of PwC, or who holds any financial interest in PwC.

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The AC is guided by the following key terms of reference, which defines its scope of authority to:

- (i) Commission internal investigations and review any significant findings or otherwise to carry out its obligations under Rule 719 of the SGX-ST Listing Manual in relation, *inter alia*, any suspected fraud or irregularity, or suspected infringement of any Singapore law, regulations, or rules of the SGX-ST, or any other regulatory authority of Singapore, which has or is likely to have a material impact on the Group's operating results or financial position;
- (ii) Review the financial reporting issues and judgments to ensure the integrity of the financial statements of the Group (including its annual and semi-annual reports and any other formal financial statements, as well as reviewing significant financial reporting issues and judgments therein), and announcements on the Group's financial performance and recommend changes, if any, to the Board;
- (iii) Review and report to the Board the adequacy and effectiveness of the Group's internal controls and risk management systems and any oversight of its risk management processes and activities to mitigate and manage risks at acceptable levels as determined by the Board;
- (iv) Review the assurance from the CEO and the Chief Financial Officer on the financial records and financial statements;
- (v) Consider and make recommendations to the Board on the proposals to shareholders on the appointment, re-appointment, and removal of the Group's external auditors. The AC shall oversee the selection process for new auditors and if an auditor resigns, the AC shall investigate the issues leading to the resignation and decide whether any action is required;
- (vi) Oversee the relationship with the external auditors and make recommendations to the Board on the external auditors' remuneration and terms of engagement to ensure the fee commensurate with the audit and non-audit services provided, and whether the scope of such services ensure requisite audit to be conducted;
- (vii) Assess and review annually the qualification, adequacy, effectiveness, independence, scope, and results of external audit and the Group's internal audit function;
- (viii) Review the policies and arrangements for concerns about possible improprieties in financial reporting or other matters to be safely raised, with independent investigations appropriately followed up on;
- (ix) Review and approve the annual internal and external audit plan;
- (x) Review interested persons transactions and potential conflicts of interest, if any;
- (xi) Review all hedging policies and instruments to be implemented by the Group, if any; and
- (xii) Review all investment instruments that are not principally protected.

Each member of the AC must abstain from voting on any resolution in respect of matters in which he/she is involved.

External Auditors

The AC has conducted the annual review on the independence and objectivity of the external auditors as well as the non-audit services provided by them and is satisfied that the nature and extent of such services do not affect the independence of the external auditors. Details of the fees paid and payable to the auditors in respect of audit and non-audit services are set out in the notes to financial statements on page 100 of this Report. The Group has complied with Rule 712, and Rule 715 read with Rule 716 of the SGX-ST Listing Manual, in relation to its auditors. The audit partner of the external auditors is rotated every five years in accordance to Rule 713 of the SGX-ST Listing Manual.

The AC has explicit authority to investigate any activity within its terms of reference, full access to and co-operation from the management, and full discretion to invite any director or executive officer to attend its meetings. It also has reasonable resources to enable it to discharge its function properly.

The AC, with the concurrence of the Board, had recommended the re-appointment of PwC as the Group's external auditors at the forthcoming AGM.

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Whistle-blowing policy

The Group has put in place a policy on whistle-blowing, approved by the AC and endorsed by the Board, to facilitate the reporting of malpractice, illegal acts, or omission of work by an employee. Details of the Whistle Blowing Policy and arrangements have been posted to the employees' intranet. By creating an atmosphere of openness and trust, the Group encourages the employees to use internal mechanisms for reporting any malpractice, illegal acts, or omissions by any of Group's employees or ex-employees and such reports will be treated fairly and the employees will be protected from reprisal.

Key Audit Matters

The AC, along with the management and the external auditors, considered and discussed the key audit matters, as disclosed on page 60 to 62 of this Report. The Audit Committee's assessment and conclusion is explained below:

Valuation of commodities forward contracts of the Group

The AC reviewed the valuation methodology and the basis of indicative market prices used by management. The AC reviewed the work performed by the external auditors on the assessment of the appropriateness of the level 2 valuation technique adopted by management by evaluating the appropriateness of the valuation methodology and the basis of indicative market prices used by management and concluded that the valuation methodology to be appropriate and the indicative market prices used by management to be within acceptable range.

Impairment assessment of certain property, plant and equipment of the Group

The AC reviewed management's impairment assessment including the valuation methodology adopted by management in relation to certain property, plant and equipment of the Group where indications of impairment were identified. The AC reviewed the work performed by the external auditors on the assessment of critical accounting estimates involved in estimating the revenue, discount rate, terminal growth rate and operating margin. It also held discussions with the external auditors to understand the basis of the key assumptions, appropriateness of methodology used by management and evaluating management's sensitivity analysis to assess the impact on the recoverable amount of the related property, plant and equipment. Accordingly, the assessment of the recoverable amount of the related property, plant and equipment was carried out using value-in-use calculations and an impairment charge of US\$7,464,000 was recognised in the financial statements. Based on the work performed, AC concluded management's assessment to be appropriate.

Purchase price allocation for the acquisition of Mega Agro Pte Ltd

The AC reviewed the purchase price allocation exercise performed by management and assessed the appropriateness of the valuation methodology and key assumptions used to determine the fair valuation of the identifiable assets and liabilities assumed on acquisition date. The AC reviewed the work performed by the external auditors on the assessment of the appropriateness of the valuation methodology and key assumptions used to determine the fair valuation of the PPE acquired on acquisition date, management's assumptions used on the fair value assessment of the contingent consideration and evaluated the independence, competency and objectivity of the external professional valuer engaged by management. Based on the work performed, AC concluded management's assessment to be appropriate.

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Interested Persons Transactions

The Company has established procedures to ensure that all transactions with interested persons are reported on a timely manner to the AC and that the transactions are carried out on normal commercial terms and will not be prejudiced to the interests of the Group and its minority shareholders. The Company's disclosures in respect of interested persons transactions for the financial year ended 31 December 2021 are as follow:

Name of Interested Person	Nature of relationship	Aggregate value of all IPT during the period under review (excluding transactions less than SGD100,000 and transactions conducted under shareholders' mandate pursuant to Rule 920)	Aggregate value of all IPT conducted under shareholders' mandate pursuant to Rule 920 (excluding transactions less than SGD100,000)
		FY 2021 US\$'000	FY 2021 US\$'000
Prelude Gateway Sdn. Bhd.	An associate of the Company	118	2,561
Ecolex Sdn. Bhd.	An associate of the Chairman	20	18,143
Containers Printers Pte Ltd	An associate of sibling of the Chairman	NIL	468
Nature International Pte Ltd	An associate of sibling of the Chairman	12	NIL
Mr Cheo Seng Jin	Sibling of the Chairman	804	NIL
Mr Cheo Tiong Choon	Sibling of the Chairman	804	NIL
Kent Holidays (S) Pte Ltd	An associate of sibling of the Chairman	17	NIL
Choon Heng Logistics Pte Ltd	An associate of sibling of the Chairman	159	NIL
Futura Ingredients Singapore Pte Ltd	An associate of the Chairman	85	NIL

Material Contracts

There were no material contracts entered into by the Company or any of its subsidiaries involving the interests of the CEO, any director, or controlling shareholders subsisting at the end of financial year ended 31 December 2021 and no material contracts entered into since the end of the previous financial year.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

SHAREHOLDER RIGHTS AND ENGAGEMENT

SHAREHOLDER RIGHTS AND CONDUCT OF GENERAL MEETINGS

PRINCIPLE 11:

The company treats all shareholders fairly and equitably in order to enable them to exercise shareholders' rights and have the opportunity to communicate their views on matters affecting the company. The company gives shareholders a balanced and understandable assessment of its performance, position and prospects.

The Group treats all shareholders fairly and equitably to enable the shareholders to exercise their shareholders' rights and have the opportunity to communicate their views on matters affecting the Group.

All shareholders of the Group whose names are registered in the Depository Register and the Register of Members are entitled to attend the general meetings of the Group. If any shareholders are unable to attend, he or she is allowed to appoint up to two proxies to vote on his or her behalf at the meeting through proxy forms sent in advance. Shareholders are informed of shareholders' meetings through notices published in the newspapers, the announcements released via SGXNET and the Company website, and reports or circulars sent to all shareholders. All shareholders have the opportunity to participate effectively in and vote at the general meetings of shareholders and have been informed of the rules, including voting procedures governing the general meetings of shareholders. They are encouraged to meet with the Board and senior management to have a greater insight into the Group's developments. Voting in absentia by mail, facsimile, or email has not been implemented as the authentication of shareholders' identity, the integrity of the information, and other related security issues still remain a concern.

Mewah strives to maintain the optimum safe distancing measures amidst the COVID-19 pandemic while not to compromise the rights of shareholders. In 2021, the Annual General Meeting ("AGM") had been convened and held by way of electronic means. Prior to the AGM, an announcement had been published to the SGXNET and the Company website on the arrangements for participation at the AGM. Shareholders can refer to the appendix of the announcement and follow the steps for pre-registration, pre-submission for questions and voting at the AGM. Shareholders are invited to raise questions prior to the AGM; submit the proxy form to appoint the chairman of the AGM to vote on its/her/his behalf. The Board had also published its responses to shareholders' questions prior to the AGM.

At shareholders' meetings, each distinct issue is proposed as a separate resolution. Independent scrutineers are appointed to conduct the voting process and verify votes after each resolution. The results of the votes are announced at the shareholders' meetings. The outcome will also be announced on the SGXNET and the Company website at www.mewahgroup.com after the general meeting.

All directors, including the chairman of each Board Committees and the management are present at the AGM to answer to the relevant questions raised in advance by the shareholders. The external auditors are also present at such meetings to assist the directors in addressing the shareholders' queries relating to the conduct of the audit and the preparation and content of the auditors' report.

The attendance of all directors at the AGM, as well as all Board and Board Committee meetings, are recorded and disclosed on page 35. The Company prepares minutes of general meetings which incorporate substantial and relevant comments or queries from shareholders and responses from the Board and Management and publishes these on the SGXNET and Company website at www.mewahgroup.com.

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The Board has recommended a final exempt dividend of S\$0.0081 per ordinary share, which along with interim dividend of S\$0.0027, brings the total dividend for the year to S\$0.0108 per ordinary share. The Group explained its dividend payout in the Dividend Policy and this policy is available at the Company website at www.mewahgroup.com.

ENGAGEMENT WITH SHAREHOLDERS

PRINCIPLE 12:

The company communicates regularly with its shareholders and facilitates the participation of shareholders during general meetings and other dialogues to allow shareholders to communicate their views on various matters affecting the company.

The Group has an Investor Relations Policy in place which allows for an ongoing exchange of views so as to actively engage and promote regular, effective and fair communications with shareholders. The Investor Relations Policy sets out the mechanism through which shareholders may contact the Group with queries and through which the Group may respond to such queries. The contact details of the IR team for shareholders, investors and other stakeholders to channel their comments and queries can be found on the Company's website at www.mewahgroup.com as well as in this annual report on rear cover page.

The Group is committed to upholding high standards of disclosure and continues to keep all stakeholders informed of its corporate activities on a timely and consistent basis. The Group disseminates all price sensitive and material information to its shareholders via SGXNET on a non-selective basis. Financial and other performance data of the Group, as well as business units where appropriate, is provided to shareholders to facilitate better insight into the Group's performance. The date of release of the half yearly results is disclosed at least four weeks prior to the date of announcement through SGXNET. On the day of the announcement, the financial statements, as well as the accompanying press release and presentation slides, are released onto the SGXNET website as well as on the Company website at www.mewahgroup.com.

Following the amendments to the Listing Manual and to promote sustainability by conserving environmental and financial resources, the Group also make available a digital format of the Annual Report for FY2021 ("**Annual Report**"). The Annual Report, as well as Notice of AGM, are published on the SGXNet and the Company website at www.mewahgroup.com. All shareholders of the Group will receive the printed copy of notice of AGM, two proxy forms, and a request form to request for hard copies of the Annual Report.

MANAGING STAKEHOLDERS RELATIONSHIPS ENGAGEMENT WITH STAKEHOLDERS

PRINCIPLE 13:

The Board adopts an inclusive approach by considering and balancing the needs and interests of material stakeholders, as part of its overall responsibility to ensure that the best interests of the company are served.

The Board adopts an inclusive approach towards the needs and interests of material stakeholders to ensure that the best interests of the Group are served.

The Group maintains its Company website, www.mewahgroup.com, to communicate and engage with stakeholders.

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The Annual Report sets out the Group's Forward Looking Strategy on page 17 to page 18 and key areas of focus in managing stakeholder relationships at the Sustainability Report FY2021 to be published in May 2022.

Dealings in securities

The Group has adopted a Best Practice Code — Trading in Company's Securities. As per the policy, the Company issues memo to its directors, officers, and employees on the restrictions in dealings in listed securities of the Group during the period commencing one month before the announcement of half-year and full-year results, and if required, two weeks before the announcement of the Group's quarterly results. In both scenarios, the prohibition will be lifted one business day after announcement of the results.

Directors, officers and employees are also reminded not to trade in listed securities of the Group at any time while in possession of unpublished price or trade sensitive information. Directors and all employees are also prohibited from trading in the Company's securities on short-term considerations, defined as 30 days from the last dealing; and in situations where the insider trading laws and rules would prohibit trading. Pursuant to the Securities and Future Act, Directors and the CEO are also required to report their dealing in the Company's securities within two business days from the trading day. The directors' interests in shares of the Company are disclosed on page 57 of this Report.

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DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

For the financial year ended 31 December 2021

The directors present their statement to the members together with the audited financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 December 2021 and the balance sheet of the Company as at 31 December 2021.

In the opinion of the directors,

- (a) the balance sheet of the Company and the consolidated financial statements of the Group as set out on pages 66 to 147 are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company and of the Group as at 31 December 2021 and the financial performance, changes in equity and cash flows of the Group for the financial year covered by the consolidated financial statements; and
- (b) at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

DIRECTORS

The directors of the Company in office at the date of this report are as follows:

Dr Cheo Tong Choon @ Lee Tong Choon
Ms Michelle Cheo Hui Ning
Ms Bianca Cheo Hui Hsin
Dr Foo Say Mui (Bill)
Mr Robert Loke Tan Cheng
Datuk Dr Fawzia Binti Abdullah
Tan Sri Dato' A Ghani Bin Othman

ARRANGEMENTS TO ENABLE DIRECTORS TO ACQUIRE SHARES AND DEBENTURES

Neither at the end of nor at any time during the financial year was the Company a party to any arrangement whose object was to enable the directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of, the Company or any other body corporate.

DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

For the financial year ended 31 December 2021

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES OR DEBENTURES

- (a) According to the register of directors' shareholdings, none of the directors holding office at the end of the financial year had any interest in the shares or debentures of the Company or its related corporations, except as follows:

	No. of ordinary shares			
	Holdings registered in name of director or nominee		Holdings in which director is deemed to have an interest	
	At 31.12.2021	At 1.1.2021	At 31.12.2021	At 1.1.2021
Mewah International Inc				
Dr Cheo Tong Choon @ Lee Tong Choon	-	-	722,243,220	720,060,120
Ms Michelle Cheo Hui Ning	2,163,600	2,163,600	700,461,720	698,278,620
Ms Bianca Cheo Hui Hsin	2,460,100	2,460,100	701,887,720	699,804,620

- (b) The directors' interests in the ordinary shares of the Company as at 21 January 2022 were the same as those as at 31 December 2021.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The members of the Audit Committee at the end of the financial year were as follows:

Mr Robert Loke Tan Cheng (Chairman)
Datuk Dr Fawzia Binti Abdullah
Tan Sri Dato' A Ghani Bin Othman

All members of the Audit Committee were non-executive directors.

The Audit Committee carried out its functions in accordance with Section 201B(5) of the Singapore Companies Act. In performing those functions, the Committee reviewed:

- the scope and the results of internal audit procedures with the internal auditor;
- the audit plan of the Company's independent auditor and any recommendations on internal accounting controls arising from the statutory audit;
- the assistance given by the Company's management to the independent auditor; and
- the balance sheet of the Company and the consolidated financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 December 2021 before their submission to the Board of Directors.

DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

For the financial year ended 31 December 2021

AUDIT COMMITTEE (continued)

The Audit Committee has recommended to the Board that the independent auditor, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, be nominated for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting of the Company.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR

The independent auditor, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, has expressed its willingness to accept re-appointment.

On behalf of the directors

Dr Cheo Tong Choon @ Lee Tong Choon
Director
1 March 2022

Ms Michelle Cheo Hui Ning
Director

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Mewah International Inc.

REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

OUR OPINION

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Mewah International Inc. (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (the "Group") and the balance sheet of the Company are properly drawn up in accordance with Singapore Financial Reporting Standards (International) ["SFRS(I)"] so as to present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the Group and the financial position of the Company as at 31 December 2021 and of the consolidated financial performance, consolidated changes in equity and consolidated cash flows of the Group for the financial year ended on that date.

What we have audited

The financial statements of the Company and the Group comprise:

- the consolidated income statement of the Group for the financial year ended 31 December 2021;
- the consolidated statement of comprehensive income of the Group for the financial year then ended;
- the balance sheet of the Group as at 31 December 2021;
- the balance sheet of the Company as at 31 December 2021;
- the consolidated statement of changes in equity of the Group for the financial year then ended;
- the consolidated statement of cash flows of the Group for the financial year then ended; and
- the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

BASIS FOR OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing ("SSAs"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independence

We are independent of the Group in accordance with the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics for Public Accountants and Accounting Entities ("ACRA Code") together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Singapore, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the ACRA Code.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Mewah International Inc. (continued)

OUR AUDIT APPROACH

As part of designing our audit, we determined materiality and assessed the risks of material misstatement in the accompanying financial statements. In particular, we considered where management made subjective judgements; for example, in respect of significant accounting estimates that involved making assumptions and considering future events that are inherently uncertain. As in all of our audits, we also addressed the risk of management override of internal controls, including among other matters consideration of whether there was evidence of bias that represented a risk of material misstatement due to fraud.

Key Audit Matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2021. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

Key Audit Matter

How our audit addressed the Key Audit Matter

Valuation of commodities forward contracts

At 31 December 2021, the Group has recognised the following fair values of derivative financial assets/(liabilities) as disclosed in Note 16 to the financial statements:

- Commodities forward contracts included within current assets: US\$25,308,000
- Commodities forward contracts included within current liabilities: US\$60,911,000

As these commodities forward contracts are not traded in an active market, the related fair values are estimated using a level 2 valuation technique as described in Note 34(e) to the financial statements.

We focused on the valuation of the Group's commodities forward contracts because of the critical accounting estimates involved in determining the indicative market prices which are used in the valuation of these contracts, as disclosed in Note 3(a) to the financial statements.

We held discussions with management to understand the determination of the fair values of these commodities forward contracts.

With the assistance of our internal valuation specialists, we assessed the appropriateness of the level 2 valuation technique adopted by management by evaluating the appropriateness of the valuation methodology and the basis of indicative market prices used by management. We also independently verified these indicative market prices to external sources.

On a sample basis, we tested management's computation of the fair values of derivative financial assets/(liabilities).

Based on the work performed, we found the valuation methodology to be appropriate and the indicative market prices used by management to be within acceptable range.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Mewah International Inc. (continued)

OUR AUDIT APPROACH (continued)

Key Audit Matters (continued)

Key Audit Matter

How our audit addressed the Key Audit Matter

Impairment assessment of certain property, plant and equipment ("PPE") of the Group

At 31 December 2021, management has identified indications of impairment relating to certain PPE with total net book values of US\$131,333,000 as disclosed in Note 3(c) to the financial statements.

Accordingly, an assessment of the recoverable amount of the related PPE was carried out using value-in-use calculations, as disclosed in Note 3(c) to the financial statements. An impairment charge of US\$7,464,000 (Note 6 and Note 19) was recognised in the financial statements, which resulted in the carrying amount of PPE being reduced to US\$123,869,000 as at 31 December 2021.

We focused on the impairment assessment of the PPE where indications of the impairment were identified because of the critical accounting estimates involved in estimating the revenue, discount rate, terminal growth rate and operating margin, which are the key assumptions used in the computation of the recoverable amount of the related PPE.

We held discussions with management to understand the basis of the assumptions used.

We assessed the appropriateness of the valuation methodology used.

We assessed the appropriateness of the key assumptions based on our knowledge of the business and industry and with involvement of our valuation specialist.

We tested management's source data to supporting evidence such as available market information, historical trends of other similar asset of the Group and considered the reasonableness of the cash flow projections.

We evaluated management's sensitivity analysis to assess the impact on the recoverable amount of the related PPE by reasonable possible changes to the key assumptions.

Based on the work performed, we found management's assessment to be appropriate.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Mewah International Inc. (continued)

OUR AUDIT APPROACH (continued)

Key Audit Matters (continued)

Key Audit Matter

How our audit addressed the Key Audit Matter

Purchase price allocation for the acquisition of Mega Agro Pte Ltd ("MAPL")

During the current financial year, the Group, through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Ngo Chew Hong Investment Pte Ltd, acquired 68.4% of the equity interest of MAPL for a total purchase consideration of US\$16,265,000 which comprised US\$3,465,000 for the purchase of MAPL's shares and US\$12,800,000 for the settlement of a loan payable to the previous shareholder by MAPL's subsidiary, PT Able Commodities Indonesia (Note 37).

The purchase consideration consists of (a) cash paid amounting to US\$12,315,000 and (b) contingent consideration of US\$3,950,000 to be paid upon fulfilment of agreed conditions. The fair value of the contingent consideration has been assessed at US\$3,950,000. As at 31 December 2021, the fulfilment on the agreed conditions has yet to be completed and as such, US\$2,000,000 remains as outstanding balances.

The acquisition is accounted for as a business combination which requires the identifiable assets and liabilities to be recognised at fair value at the date of acquisition, with the excess of the acquisition cost over the identified fair values to be recognised as goodwill.

Accordingly, the assets and liabilities were identified and valued through a purchase price allocation ("PPA") exercise. In assessing the identifiable assets acquired, consideration was given to whether potential intangible assets were acquired as part of the acquisition and management has assessed that no intangible assets was acquired.

In assessing the fair valuation of the identifiable assets acquired, management had engaged an external professional firm to perform the fair valuation of the property, plant and equipment acquired.

A goodwill of US\$3,503,000 was recognised in relation to the acquisition as disclosed in Note 37 to the financial statements.

We focused on the purchase price allocation because of the significant degree of judgement and critical accounting estimates required in the identification and fair valuation of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed (Note 3(e)).

We held discussions with management and the external professional firm to understand the PPA exercise.

We reviewed the PPA exercise performed by management and assessed the appropriateness of the valuation methodology and key assumptions used to determine the fair valuation of the identifiable assets and liabilities assumed on acquisition date.

With the assistance of our internal valuation specialists, we assessed the appropriateness of the valuation methodology and key assumptions used to determine the fair valuation of the PPE acquired on acquisition date.

We reviewed management's assumptions used on the fair value assessment of the contingent consideration.

We evaluated the independence, competency and objectivity of the external professional valuer engaged by management.

Based on the work performed, we found management's assessment to be appropriate.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Mewah International Inc. (continued)

OTHER INFORMATION

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Directors' Statement (but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon), which we obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report, and the other sections of the annual report ("the Other Sections"), which are expected to be made available to us after that date.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not and will not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed on the other information that we obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

When we read the Other Sections, if we conclude that there is a material misstatement therein, we are required to communicate the matter to those charged with governance and take appropriate actions in accordance with SSAs.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF MANAGEMENT AND DIRECTORS FOR THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements in accordance with SFRS(I) and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The directors are responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SSAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Mewah International Inc. (continued)

AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

As part of an audit in accordance with SSAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with the directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the directors with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Mewah International Inc. (continued)

From the matters communicated with the directors, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Rebekah Khan.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
Public Accountants and Chartered Accountants
Singapore, 1 March 2022

CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

For the financial year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
Revenue	4	4,348,818	3,445,853
Cost of sales		(4,025,770)	(3,175,174)
Gross profit		323,048	270,679
Other income	5	7,913	5,782
Other expenses and other (losses)/gains (net)			
- Impairment losses on property, plant and equipment, and provision	6	(7,444)	(27,035)
- Other (losses)/gains (net)	6	(16,487)	610
Provision of expected credit losses		(5,129)	(6,360)
Expenses			
- Selling and distribution		(95,420)	(40,764)
- Administrative		(86,969)	(81,686)
- Finance	9	(9,740)	(8,810)
Share of (loss)/profit of associated company	23	(27)	50
Profit before tax		109,745	112,466
Income tax expense	10(a)	(28,598)	(26,325)
Profit after tax		81,147	86,141
Profit after tax attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Company		80,171	86,540
Non-controlling interests		976	(399)
		81,147	86,141
Earnings per share attributable to equity holders of the Company (expressed in US cents per share)			
- Basic and diluted	12	5.34	5.77

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the financial year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
Profit after tax		81,147	86,141
Other comprehensive (loss)/income			
Item that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:			
Currency translation differences arising from foreign subsidiaries			
- (Losses)/Gains		(4,849)	4,879
Other comprehensive (loss)/income, net of tax		(4,849)	4,879
Total comprehensive income		76,298	91,020
Total comprehensive income attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Company		75,216	91,291
Non-controlling interests		1,082	(271)
		76,298	91,020

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET - GROUP

As at 31 December 2021

	Note	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Inventories	13	492,577	295,506
Trade receivables	14	253,467	282,875
Other receivables	15	78,752	64,425
Current income tax recoverable	11	1,042	3,008
Derivative financial instruments	16(a)	49,360	110,238
Cash and bank balances	17	171,781	78,169
		1,046,979	834,221
Non-current assets			
Intangible asset	18	4,473	970
Property, plant and equipment	19	447,945	447,824
Investment in associated company	23	582	667
Deferred income tax assets	27	1,674	503
Derivative financial instruments	16(b)	897	-
		455,571	449,964
Total assets		1,502,550	1,284,185
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Trade payables	24	173,617	141,486
Other payables	25	82,999	70,000
Contract liabilities	4(b)	18,617	13,962
Lease liabilities	20(e)	367	460
Current income tax liabilities	11	7,958	6,906
Derivative financial instruments	16(a)	62,808	119,479
Borrowings	26	358,890	248,703
		705,256	600,996
Non-current liabilities			
Lease liabilities	20(e)	5,733	5,971
Deferred income tax liabilities	27	36,700	31,413
Borrowings	26	71,278	35,476
		113,711	72,860
Total liabilities		818,967	673,856
NET ASSETS		683,583	610,329

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET - GROUP

As at 31 December 2021

	Note	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
EQUITY			
Capital and reserves attributable to equity holders of the Company:			
Share capital	28	1,501	1,501
Share premium	28	180,012	180,012
Other reserves	29	(38,864)	(33,909)
Retained profits		533,985	463,593
		676,634	611,197
Non-controlling interests		6,949	(868)
Total equity		683,583	610,329

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET - COMPANY

As at 31 December 2021

	Note	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Other receivables	15	307,640	302,476
Cash and bank balances	17	858	83
		308,498	302,559
Non-current assets			
Investments in subsidiaries	22	849	849
Derivative financial instruments	16(a)	1	-
		850	849
Total assets		309,348	303,408
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Other payables	25	211	232
Current income tax liabilities	11	110	102
Derivative financial instruments	16(a)	-	25
		321	359
Non-current liabilities			
Deferred income tax liabilities	27	1,731	2,150
Total liabilities		2,052	2,509
NET ASSETS		307,296	300,899
EQUITY			
Capital and reserves attributable to equity holders of the Company:			
Share capital	28	1,501	1,501
Share premium	28	180,012	180,012
Other reserves	29	3,509	3,509
Retained profits	30	122,274	115,877
Total equity		307,296	300,899

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the financial year ended 31 December 2021

	Attributable to equity holders of the Company							Non-controlling interests	Total equity	
	Share capital	Share redemption reserve	Merger reserve	General reserve	Currency translation reserve	Retained profits	Total			
Note	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	
2021										
Balance at 1 January 2021	1,501	180,012	3,509	(53,005)	(1,425)	17,012	463,593	611,197	(868)	610,329
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	80,171	80,171	976	81,147
Other comprehensive loss for the year	-	-	-	-	-	(4,955)	-	(4,955)	106	(4,849)
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	-	(4,955)	80,171	80,171	75,216	1,082	76,298
Acquisition of subsidiaries	37	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,872	6,872
Dividends	31	-	-	-	-	(9,779)	(9,779)	(9,779)	(137)	(9,916)
Total transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity	-	-	-	-	-	(9,779)	(9,779)	(9,779)	6,735	(3,044)
Balance at 31 December 2021	1,501	180,012	3,509	(53,005)	(1,425)	12,057	533,985	676,634	6,949	683,583
2020										
Balance at 1 January 2020	1,501	180,012	3,509	(53,005)	(720)	12,261	378,700	522,258	309	522,567
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	86,540	86,540	(399)	86,141
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	-	-	4,751	-	4,751	128	4,879
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	-	-	4,751	86,540	91,291	(271)	91,020
Acquisition of non-controlling interest	29(b)(ii)	-	-	-	(705)	-	-	(705)	(665)	(1,370)
Dividends	31	-	-	-	-	-	(1,647)	(1,647)	(241)	(1,888)
Total transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity	-	-	-	-	(705)	-	(1,647)	(2,352)	(906)	(3,258)
Balance at 31 December 2020	1,501	180,012	3,509	(53,005)	(1,425)	17,012	463,593	611,197	(868)	610,329

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the financial year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Profit after tax		81,147	86,141
Adjustments for:			
- Income tax expense	10(a)	28,598	26,325
- Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	19	26,511	23,300
- (Gains)/Losses on disposal of property, plant and equipment	6	(375)	56
- Property, plant and equipment written off	6	14	28
- Impairment loss on property, plant and equipment	6	7,444	22,794
- Interest income	5	(2,671)	(1,171)
- Interest expense	9	9,740	8,810
- Share of loss/(profit) of associated company	23	27	(50)
Operating cash flows before working capital changes		150,435	166,233
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
- Inventories		(205,388)	34,285
- Trade and other receivables		32,144	(30,910)
- Contract liabilities		4,655	7,154
- Trade and other payables		32,590	34,246
- Derivative financial instruments		3,697	(37,336)
Cash flows from operations		18,133	173,672
Interest received		2,671	1,171
Interest paid		(9,740)	(8,810)
Income tax paid	11	(21,012)	(4,852)
Net cash flows (used in)/from operating activities		(9,948)	161,181
Cash flows from investing activities			
Acquisition of subsidiaries, net of cash and cash equivalents acquired	37	(13,282)	-
Acquisition of non-controlling interests	29	-	(1,370)
Decrease/(Increase) in other receivables		249	(1,503)
Additions to property, plant and equipment	19	(25,111)	(21,491)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment		531	166
Net cash flows used in investing activities		(37,613)	(24,198)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from long term borrowings		50,985	21,139
Repayment of long term borrowings		(14,214)	(22,490)
Net repayments of short term borrowings		115,695	(117,623)
Repayment of lease liabilities		(477)	(537)
Dividends paid to equity holders of the Company	31	(9,779)	(1,647)
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests		(137)	(241)
Net cash flows from/(used in) financing activities		142,073	(121,399)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents		94,512	15,584
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year		78,169	61,814
Effect of changes in exchange rate on cash and cash equivalents		(900)	771
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	17	171,781	78,169

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the financial year ended 31 December 2021

Reconciliation of liabilities arising from financing activities

	1 January 2021	Proceeds from borrowings	Principal payments	Non-cash changes		31 December 2021
				Remeasurement of lease liability	Foreign exchange movement	
	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000
Borrowings	284,179	166,680	(14,214)	-	(6,477)	430,168
Lease liabilities	6,431	-	(477)	146	-	6,100

	1 January 2020	Proceeds from borrowings	Principal payments	Non-cash changes		31 December 2020
				Remeasurement of lease liability	Foreign exchange movement	
	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000
Borrowings	400,897	21,139	(140,113)	-	2,256	284,179
Lease liabilities	7,727	-	(537)	(759)	-	6,431

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the financial year ended 31 December 2021

These notes form an integral part of and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Mewah International Inc. (the “Company”) is listed on the Singapore Exchange and incorporated and domiciled in the Cayman Islands. The address of its registered office is Harbour Place, 2nd Floor, 103 South Church Street, P.O. Box 472, George Town, Grand Cayman, KY1-1106, Cayman Islands. The principal place of business of the Company is at 5, International Business Park, #05-00, Mewah Building, Singapore 609914.

The principal activity of the Company is that of investment holding. The principal activities of its significant subsidiaries are disclosed in Note 42 of the financial statements.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1 Basis of preparation

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Singapore Financial Reporting Standards (International) (“SFRS(I)”) under the historical cost convention, except as disclosed in the accounting policies below.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with SFRS(I) requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Group’s accounting policies. It also requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates and assumptions. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements, are disclosed in Note 3.

Interpretations and amendments to published standards effective in 2021

On 1 January 2021, the Group has adopted the new or amended SFRS(I) and Interpretations of SFRS(I) (“INT SFRS(I)”) that are mandatory for application for the financial year. Changes to the Group’s accounting policies have been made as required, in accordance with the transitional provisions in the respective SFRS(I) and INT SFRS(I).

The adoption of these new or amended SFRS(I) and INT SFRS(I) did not result in substantial changes to the Group’s accounting policies and had no material effect on the amounts reported for the current or prior financial years.

Interest Rate Benchmark Reform – Phase 2

The Group has adopted the amendments to SFRS(I) 9, SFRS(I) 7 and SFRS(I) 16 *Interest Rate Benchmark Reform – Phase 2* effective 1 January 2021. In accordance with the transition provisions, the amendments shall be applied retrospectively to financial instruments. Comparative amounts have not been restated, and there was no impact on the current period opening reserves amounts on adoption.

Financial instruments measured at amortised cost

Phase 2 of the amendments requires that, for financial instruments measured using amortised cost measurement, changes to the basis for determining the contractual cash flows required by interest rate benchmark reform (“IBOR reform”) are reflected by adjusting their effective interest rate. No immediate gain or loss is recognised.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.1 Basis of preparation (continued)

Interpretations and amendments to published standards effective in 2021 (continued)

Interest Rate Benchmark Reform – Phase 2 (continued)

Financial instruments measured at amortised cost (continued)

These expedients are only applicable to changes that are required by IBOR reform, which is the case if, and only if, the change is necessary as a direct consequence of IBOR reform and the new basis for determining the contractual cash flows is economically equivalent to the previous basis immediately preceding the change.

Effect of IBOR reform

Following the global financial crisis, the reform and replacement inter-bank offered rates ("IBOR") has become a priority for global regulators. The Group's risk exposure that is directly affected by the IBOR reform predominantly comprises its variable rate borrowings that are linked to the USD London Interbank Offered Rate ("USD LIBOR").

USD LIBOR will cease publication after 30 June 2023 and is expected to be replaced by Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR"). The Group has a USD variable rate borrowing which references to USD LIBOR and matures after 30 June 2023.

The Group's communication with its debt counterparties is ongoing, but specific changes required by IBOR reform have not yet been agreed.

The expected transition from USD LIBOR to SOFR had no effect on the amounts reported for the current and prior financial years.

The following table contains details of the financial instrument that the Group holds as at 31 December 2021 which is referenced to USD LIBOR and has not yet transitioned to the new benchmark rate:

	Carrying amount	Of which: Not yet transited to an alternative benchmark rate
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Group		
31 December 2021		
Liabilities		
- Borrowings	11,200	11,200

Included in the variable rate borrowings is a 6-year floating-rate debt of US\$11,200,000 (2020: US\$15,200,000) whose interest rate is based on 1-month USD LIBOR.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.2 Revenue

(a) *Sale of goods*

The Group produces and sells primarily vegetable-based edible oil and fat products. Sales are recognised at a point in time when control of the products has transferred to its customer, being when the right to payment accrues, significant risks and rewards of ownership are transferred, and there is no unfulfilled obligation that could affect the customer's acceptance of the products.

(b) *Shipping services*

Revenue from shipping services is recognised in the accounting period in which the services are rendered.

(c) *Charter income*

Revenue from time charter is recognised on a straight-line basis over the period of the time charter agreement.

Revenue from voyage charter is recognised rateably over the estimated length of the voyage within the reporting period and ends in subsequent reporting period.

The Group determines the percentage of completion of voyage freight using the load-to-discharge method. Under this method, voyage revenue is recognised rateably over the period from the departure of a vessel from the port of loading to departure from the discharge port.

Demurrage is included if a claim is considered probable.

(d) *Interest income*

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method.

If payments by the customers are received before the sale of goods or shipping services, a contract liability is recognised.

2.3 Group accounting

(a) *Subsidiaries*

(i) *Consolidation*

Subsidiaries are all entities (including structured entities) over which the Group has control. The Group controls an entity when the Group is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity. Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group. They are deconsolidated from the date that control ceases.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.3 Group accounting (continued)

(a) *Subsidiaries* (continued)

(i) *Consolidation* (continued)

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between Group entities are eliminated. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment indicator of the transferred asset. Accounting policies of subsidiaries have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

Non-controlling interests comprise the portion of a subsidiary's net results of operations and its net assets, which is attributable to the interests that are not owned directly or indirectly by the equity holders of the Company. They are shown separately in the consolidated income statement, statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity, and balance sheet. Total comprehensive income is attributed to the non-controlling interests based on their respective interests in a subsidiary, even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance.

(ii) *Acquisitions*

The acquisition method of accounting is used to account for business combinations entered into by the Group.

The consideration transferred for the acquisition of a subsidiary or business comprises the fair value of the assets transferred, the liabilities incurred and the equity interests issued by the Group. The consideration transferred also includes any contingent consideration arrangement and any pre-existing equity interest in the subsidiary measured at their fair values at the acquisition date.

Acquisition-related costs are expensed as incurred.

Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination are, with limited exceptions, measured initially at their fair values at the acquisition date.

On an acquisition-by-acquisition basis, the Group recognises any non-controlling interest in the acquiree at the date of acquisition either at fair value or at the non-controlling interest's proportionate share of the acquiree's identifiable net assets.

The excess of (a) the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interest in the acquiree and the acquisition-date fair value of any previous equity interest in the acquiree over the (b) fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired is recorded as goodwill. Please refer to Note 2.25 for the subsequent accounting policy on goodwill.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.3 Group accounting (continued)

(a) *Subsidiaries* (continued)

(iii) *Disposals*

When a change in the Group's ownership interest in a subsidiary results in a loss of control over the subsidiary, the assets and liabilities of the subsidiary including any goodwill are derecognised. Amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income in respect of that entity are also reclassified to profit or loss or transferred directly to retained profits if required by a specific Standard.

Any retained equity interest in the entity is remeasured at fair value. The difference between the carrying amount of the retained interest at the date when control is lost and its fair value is recognised in profit or loss.

Please refer to Note 2.5 for the accounting policy on investments in subsidiaries in the separate financial statements of the Company.

(b) *Transactions with non-controlling interests*

Changes in the Group's ownership interest in a subsidiary that do not result in a loss of control over the subsidiary are accounted for as transactions with equity owners of the Company. Any difference between the change in the carrying amounts of the non-controlling interest and the fair value of the consideration paid or received is recognised in general reserve within equity attributable to the equity holders of the Company.

(c) *Associated company*

Associated company is an entity over which the Group has significant influence, but not control, generally accompanied by a shareholding giving rise to voting rights of 20% and above but not exceeding 50%.

Investment in associated company is accounted for in the consolidated financial statements using the equity method of accounting less impairment losses, if any.

(i) *Acquisitions*

Investment in associated company is initially recognised at cost. The cost of an acquisition is measured at the fair value of the assets given, equity instruments issued or liabilities incurred or assumed at the date of exchange, plus costs directly attributable to the acquisition. Goodwill on associated company represents the excess of the cost of acquisition of the associated company over the Group's share of the fair value of the identifiable net assets of the associated company and is included in the carrying amount of the investment.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.3 Group accounting (continued)

(c) *Associated company* (continued)

(ii) *Equity method of accounting*

Under the equity method of accounting, the investment is initially recognised at cost and adjusted thereafter to recognise Group's share of its associated company's post-acquisition profits or losses of the investee in profit or loss and its share of movements in other comprehensive income of the investee's other comprehensive income. Dividends received or receivable from the associated company is recognised as a reduction of the carrying amount of the investment. When the Group's share of losses in an associated company equals to or exceeds its interest in the associated company, the Group does not recognise further losses, unless it has legal or constructive obligations to make, or has made, payments on behalf of the associated company. If the associated company subsequently reports profits, the Group resumes recognising its share of those profits only after its share of the profits equals the share of losses not recognised. Interest in an associated company includes any long-term loans for which settlement is never planned nor likely to occur in the foreseeable future.

Unrealised gains on transactions between the Group and its associated company are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the associated company. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of impairment of the assets transferred. The accounting policies of associated company are changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the accounting policies adopted by the Group.

(iii) *Disposals*

Investment in associated company is derecognised when the Group loses significant influence. If the retained equity interest in the former associated company is a financial asset, the retained equity interest is measured at fair value. The difference between the carrying amount of the retained interest at the date when significant influence is lost, and its fair value and any proceeds on partial disposal, is recognised in profit or loss.

Please refer to Note 2.5 for the accounting policy on investment in associated company in the separate financial statements of the Company.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.4 Property, plant and equipment

(a) Measurement

(i) Property, plant and equipment

All property, plant and equipment including mature plants are initially recognised at cost and subsequently carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

(ii) Components of costs

The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment initially recognised includes its purchase price and any cost that is directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. Mature plants are living plants used in the production or supply of agricultural produce that are expected to bear produce for more than one period; covering activities that are necessary to cultivate the mature plants before they are in the location and condition necessary to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. Cost also includes borrowing costs (refer to Note 2.7 on borrowing costs).

(b) Depreciation

Freehold land and capital expenditure in progress (including immature plants) are not depreciated. Depreciation on other items of property, plant and equipment is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate their depreciable amounts over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Freehold buildings	2%
Leasehold land and buildings	1% to 3%
	(Over the period of leases)
Plant and equipment	2% to 5%
Furniture, fixtures and office equipment	5% to 20%
Motor vehicles	20%
Vessels	4%
Mature plants	5%

The residual values, estimated useful lives and depreciation method of property, plant and equipment are reviewed, and adjusted as appropriate, at each balance sheet date. The effects of any revision are recognised in profit or loss when the changes arise.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.4 Property, plant and equipment (continued)

(c) *Subsequent expenditure*

Subsequent expenditure relating to property, plant and equipment that has already been recognised is added to the carrying amount of the asset only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repair and maintenance expenses are recognised in profit or loss when incurred.

(d) *Disposal*

On disposal of an item of property, plant and equipment, the difference between the disposal proceeds and its carrying amount is recognised in profit or loss within "Other (losses)/gains".

2.5 Investments in subsidiaries and associated company

Investments in subsidiaries and associated company are carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses in the Company's balance sheet. On disposal of such investments, the difference between disposal proceeds and the carrying amounts of the investments are recognised in profit or loss.

2.6 Impairment of non-financial assets

(a) *Goodwill*

Goodwill recognised separately as an intangible asset is tested for impairment annually and whenever there is indication that the goodwill may be impaired.

For the purpose of impairment testing of goodwill, goodwill is allocated to each of the Group's cash-generating-units ("CGU") expected to benefit from synergies arising from the business combination.

An impairment loss is recognised when the carrying amount of a CGU, including the goodwill, exceeds the recoverable amount of the CGU. The recoverable amount of a CGU is the higher of the CGU's fair value less cost to sell and value-in-use.

The total impairment loss of a CGU is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of goodwill allocated to the CGU and then to the other assets of the CGU pro-rata on the basis of the carrying amount of each asset in the CGU.

An impairment loss on goodwill is recognised as an expense and is not reversed in a subsequent period.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.6 Impairment of non-financial assets (continued)

(b) Property, plant and equipment Investments in subsidiaries and associated company

Property, plant and equipment and investments in subsidiaries and associated company are tested for impairment whenever there is any objective evidence or indication that these assets may be impaired.

For the purpose of impairment testing, the recoverable amount (i.e. the higher of the fair value less cost to sell and the value-in-use) is determined on an individual asset basis unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets. If this is the case, the recoverable amount is determined for the CGU to which the asset belongs.

If the recoverable amount of the asset (or CGU) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or CGU) is reduced to its recoverable amount.

The difference between the carrying amount and recoverable amount is recognised as an impairment loss in profit or loss.

For an asset other than goodwill, management assesses at the end of the reporting period whether there is any indication that an impairment recognised in prior periods may no longer exist or may have decreased. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of that asset is estimated and may result in a reversal of impairment loss. The carrying amount of this asset is increased to its revised recoverable amount, provided that this amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of any accumulated amortisation or depreciation) had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years.

A reversal of impairment loss for an asset other than goodwill is recognised in profit or loss.

2.7 Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method except for those costs that are directly attributable to the construction or development of properties and assets under construction. This includes those costs on borrowings acquired specifically for the construction or development of properties and assets under construction, as well as those in relation to general borrowings used to finance the construction or development of properties and assets under construction.

Borrowing costs on general borrowings are capitalised by applying a capitalisation rate to construction or production of qualifying assets that are financed by general borrowings.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.8 Financial assets

(a) *Classification and measurement*

The Group classifies its financial assets as financial assets at amortised cost.

The classification depends on the Group's business model for managing the financial assets as well as the contractual terms of the cash flows of the financial asset.

Financial assets with embedded derivatives are considered in their entirety when determining whether their cash flows are solely payment of principal and interest.

The Group reclassifies debt instruments when and only when its business model for managing those assets changes.

At initial recognition

At initial recognition, the Group measures a financial asset at its fair value plus transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial asset.

At subsequent measurement

Debt instruments

Debt instruments mainly comprise of cash and bank balances, and trade and other receivables.

Financial assets of the Group are subsequently measured as follows:

- Amortised cost: Debt instruments that are held for collection of contractual cash flows where those cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest are measured at amortised cost. A gain or loss on a debt instrument that is subsequently measured at amortised cost and is not part of a hedging relationship is recognised in profit or loss when the asset is derecognised or impaired. Interest income from these financial assets is included in interest income using the effective interest rate method.

(b) *Impairment*

The Group assesses on a forward looking basis the expected credit losses associated with its debt financial assets carried at amortised cost. The impairment methodology applied depends on whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk. Note 34 details how the Group determines whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk.

For trade receivables, the Group applies the simplified approach permitted by the SFRS(I) 9, which requires expected lifetime losses to be recognised from initial recognition of the receivables.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.8 Financial assets (continued)

(c) *Recognition and derecognition*

Regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on trade date – the date on which the Group commits to purchase or sell the asset.

Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or have been transferred and the Group has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership.

On disposal of a debt instrument, the difference between the carrying amount and the sale proceeds is recognised in profit or loss. Any amount previously recognised in other comprehensive income relating to that asset is reclassified to profit or loss.

(d) *Offsetting of financial instruments*

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the balance sheet when there is a legally enforceable right to offset and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

2.9 Financial guarantees

The Company has issued corporate guarantees to banks for borrowings of its subsidiaries. These guarantees are financial guarantees as they require the Company to reimburse the banks if the subsidiaries fail to make principal or interest payments when due in accordance with the terms of their borrowings. Intra-group transactions are eliminated on consolidation.

Financial guarantee contracts are initially measured at fair value and subsequently measured at the higher of:

- (a) amount initially recognised less the cumulative amount of income recognised in accordance with the principles of SFRS(I) 15; and
- (b) the amount of expected loss computed using the impairment methodology under SFRS(I) 9.

2.10 Borrowings

Borrowings are presented as current liabilities unless the Group has an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least 12 months after the balance sheet date, in which case they are presented as non-current liabilities.

Borrowings are initially recognised at fair value (net of transaction costs) and subsequently carried at amortised cost. Any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption value is recognised in profit or loss over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.11 Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Group prior to the end of financial year which are unpaid. They are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less (or in the normal operating cycle of the business if longer). Otherwise, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

Trade and other payables are initially recognised at fair value, and subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2.12 Derivative financial instruments

Derivative financial instruments comprise mainly of crude palm oil and palm oil products forward contracts, futures contracts and currency forward contracts.

A derivative financial instrument is initially recognised at its fair value on the date the contract is entered into and is subsequently carried at its fair value. Fair value changes on derivatives that are not designated or do not qualify for hedge accounting are recognised in profit or loss within "cost of sales" when the changes arise.

Derivative financial instruments are reported in the financial statements on a net basis where legal right of setoff exists. Derivative financial instruments are carried as assets when fair value is positive and as liabilities when fair value is negative.

2.13 Fair value estimation of financial assets and liabilities

The Group's commodities futures contracts are traded in active markets and their fair values take into consideration quoted prices at the balance sheet date in active markets such as Bursa Malaysia.

The Group's commodities forward contracts are not traded in an active market and hence their fair values are estimated using a valuation technique as described in Note 34(e).

The fair values of currency forward contracts are determined using actively quoted forward exchange rates.

The fair values of current financial assets and liabilities carried at amortised cost approximate their carrying amounts.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.14 Leases

(a) *When the Group is the lessee:*

At the inception of the contract, the Group assesses if the contract contains a lease. A contract contains a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. Reassessment is only required when the terms and conditions of the contract are changed.

- Right-of-use assets

The Group recognised a right-of-use asset and lease liability at the date which the underlying asset is available for use. Right-of-use assets are measured at cost which comprises the initial measurement of lease liabilities adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date and lease incentive received. Any initial direct costs that would not have been incurred if the lease had not been obtained are added to the carrying amount of the right-of-use assets.

These right-of-use assets are subsequently depreciated using the straight-line method from the commencement date to the earlier of the end of the useful life of the right-of-use asset or the end of the lease term.

Right-of-use assets are presented within "Property, plant and equipment".

- Lease liabilities

The initial measurement of lease liability is measured at the present value of the lease payments discounted using the implicit rate in the lease, if the rate can be readily determined. If that rate cannot be readily determined, the Group shall use its incremental borrowing rate.

Lease payments include the following:

- Fixed payment (including in-substance fixed payments), less any lease incentives receivables;
- Variable lease payment that are based on an index or rate, initially measured using the index or rate as at the commencement date;
- Amount expected to be payable under residual value guarantees;
- The exercise price of a purchase option if it is reasonably certain to exercise the option; and
- Payment of penalties for terminating the lease, if the lease term reflects the Group exercising that option.

For a contract that contain both lease and non-lease components, the Group allocates the consideration to each lease component on the basis of the relative stand-alone price of the lease and non-lease component. The Group has elected to not separate lease and non-lease component for property leases and account these as one single lease component.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.14 Leases (continued)

(a) *When the Group is the lessee:* (continued)

- Lease liabilities (continued)

Lease liability is measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Lease liability shall be remeasured when:

- There is a change in future lease payments arising from changes in an index or rate;
- There is a change in the Group's assessment of whether it will exercise an extension option; or
- There are modifications in the scope or the consideration of the lease that was not part of the original term.

Lease liability is remeasured with a corresponding adjustment to the right-of-use asset, or is recorded in profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has been reduced to zero.

- Short term and low value leases

The Group has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for short-term leases that have lease terms of 12 months or less and leases of low value leases, except for sublease arrangements. Lease payments relating to these leases are expensed to profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

(b) *When the Group is the lessor:*

The Group leases office space under operating leases to related and non-related parties.

- Lessor – Operating leases

Leases where the Group retains substantially all risks and rewards incidental to ownership are classified as operating leases. Rental income from operating leases (net of any incentives given to the lessees) is recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Initial direct costs incurred by the Group in negotiating and arranging operating leases are added to the carrying amount of the leased assets and recognised as an expense in profit or loss over the lease term on the same basis as the lease income.

Contingent rents are recognised as income in profit or loss when earned.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.15 Inventories

Inventories are carried at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined on the weighted average basis. The cost of finished goods and work-in-progress comprises raw materials, direct labour, other direct costs and related production overheads (based on normal operating capacity). Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less the estimated costs of completion and applicable variable selling expenses.

2.16 Income taxes

Current income tax for current and prior periods is recognised at the amount expected to be paid to or recovered from the tax authorities, using the tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date. Management periodically evaluates positions taken in tax returns with respect to situations in which applicable tax regulation is subject to interpretation and considers whether it is probable that a tax authority will accept an uncertain tax treatment. The Group measures its tax balances either based on the most likely amount or the expected value, depending on which method provides a better prediction of the resolution of the uncertainty.

Deferred income tax is recognised for all temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements except when the deferred income tax arises from the initial recognition of goodwill or an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss at the time of the transaction.

A deferred income tax liability is recognised on temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries and associated company, except where the Group is able to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

A deferred income tax asset is recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences and tax losses can be utilised.

Deferred income tax is measured:

- (i) at the tax rates that are expected to apply when the related deferred income tax asset is realised or the deferred income tax liability is settled, based on tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date; and
- (ii) based on the tax consequence that will follow from the manner in which the Group expects, at the balance sheet date, to recover or settle the carrying amounts of its assets and liabilities.

Current and deferred income taxes are recognised as income or expense in profit or loss, except to the extent that the tax arises from a business combination or a transaction which is recognised directly in equity. Deferred tax arising from a business combination is adjusted against goodwill on acquisition.

The Group accounts for investment tax credits similar to accounting for other tax credits where a deferred tax asset is recognised for unused tax credits to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the unused tax credits can be utilised.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.17 Provisions

Provisions for legal claims are recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, it is more likely than not that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation and the amount has been reliably estimated.

Other provisions are measured at the present value of the expenditure expected to be required to settle the obligation using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects the current market assessment of the time value of money and the risks specific to the obligation. The increase in the provision due to the passage of time is recognised in the profit or loss as finance expense.

Changes in the estimated timing or amount of the expenditure or discount rate are recognised in profit or loss when the changes arise.

2.18 Employee compensation

Employee benefits are recognised as an expense, unless the cost qualifies to be capitalised as an asset.

(a) *Defined contribution plans*

Defined contribution plans are post-employment benefit plans under which the Group pays fixed contributions into separate entities such as the Central Provident Fund on a mandatory, contractual or voluntary basis. The Group has no further payment obligations once the contributions have been paid.

(b) *Employee leave entitlement*

Employee entitlements to annual leave are recognised when they accrue to employees. Accrual is made for the estimated liability for annual leave as a result of services rendered by employees up to the balance sheet date.

2.19 Currency translation

(a) *Functional and presentation currency*

Items included in the financial statements of each entity in the Group are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates ("functional currency"). The financial statements are presented in United States Dollar ("US\$") ("presentation currency"), which is the functional currency of the Company.

(b) *Transactions and balances*

Transactions in a currency other than the functional currency ("foreign currency") are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions. Currency exchange differences resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the closing rates at the balance sheet date are recognised in profit or loss. Monetary items include primarily financial assets (other than equity investments), contract assets and financial liabilities.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.19 Currency translation (continued)

(b) Transactions and balances (continued)

When a foreign operation is disposed of or any loan forming part of the net investment of the foreign operation is repaid, a proportionate share of the accumulated currency translation differences is reclassified to profit or loss, as part of the gain or loss on disposal.

Foreign exchange gains and losses are presented in the income statement within "other (losses)/gains".

Non-monetary items measured at fair values in foreign currencies are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair values are determined.

(c) Translation of Group entities' financial statements

The results and financial position of all the Group entities (none of which has the currency of a hyperinflationary economy) that have a functional currency different from the presentation currency are translated into the presentation currency as follows:

- (i) assets and liabilities are translated at the closing exchange rates at the reporting date;
- (ii) income and expenses are translated at average exchange rates (unless the average is not a reasonable approximation of the cumulative effect of the rates prevailing on the transaction dates, in which case income and expenses are translated using the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions); and
- (iii) all resulting currency translation differences are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the currency translation reserve. These currency translation differences are reclassified to profit or loss on disposal or partial disposal with loss of control of the foreign operation.

Goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on the acquisition of foreign operations are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign operations and translated at the closing rates at the reporting date.

2.20 Segment reporting

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the Management Committee whose members are responsible for allocating resources and assessing performance of the operating segments.

2.21 Cash and bank balances

For the purpose of presentation in the consolidated statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits with financial institutions which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.22 Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issuance of new ordinary shares are deducted against the share premium account.

2.23 Dividends to Company's shareholders

Dividends to the Company's shareholders are recognised when the dividends are approved for payment.

2.24 Government grants

Grants from the government are recognised as a receivable at their fair value when there is reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and the Group will comply with all the attached conditions.

Government grants receivable are recognised as income over the periods necessary to match them with the related costs which they are intended to compensate, on a systematic basis. Government grant relating to job support scheme is presented as a deduction against the related expense which is employee compensation.

Government grants relating to assets are presented on the balance sheet under other payables as deferred income.

2.25 Intangible assets

Goodwill

Goodwill on acquisitions of subsidiaries and businesses, represents the excess of (i) the sum of the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interest in the acquiree and the acquisition-date fair value of any previous equity interest in the acquiree over (ii) the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired. Goodwill on subsidiaries is recognised separately as intangible assets and carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses.

Gains and losses on the disposal of subsidiaries include the carrying amount of goodwill relating to the entity sold.

3. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES, ASSUMPTIONS AND JUDGEMENTS

Estimates, assumptions and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

(a) Valuation of commodities forward contracts

The Group is exposed to fluctuations in the prices of agri-commodities it deals in, including crude palm oil and palm oil products. The Group minimises the risk arising from such fluctuations by entering into commodities forward contracts and futures contracts (Note 16). As the Group has not adopted hedge accounting, the fair value changes on these derivative financial instruments are recognised in the profit or loss when the changes arise.

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3. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES, ASSUMPTIONS AND JUDGEMENTS (continued)

(a) *Valuation of commodities forward contracts* (continued)

The Group's commodities forward contracts are not traded in an active market and hence their fair values are estimated using a valuation technique as described in Note 34(e).

If the commodities forward prices had been higher or lower by 5% from the management's estimates and other variables remain constant, the Group's profit after tax would have been lower or higher by US\$28,440,000 (2020: US\$16,376,000) respectively, arising from the changes in the fair value of the commodities forward contracts.

(b) *Assessment of recoverability of past due trade receivables of the Group*

Management reviews its trade receivables on a regular basis to identify specific trade receivables that are credit impaired and recognises a loss allowance equal to lifetime expected credit loss in respect of these receivables. For the remaining trade receivables, they are grouped based on similar risk characteristics and days past due to determine the expected credit loss rate to be applied. In calculating the expected credit loss rates, management considers historical loss rates and adjusts to reflect current and forward looking macro-economic factors affecting the ability of the customers to settle the receivables. Further details are disclosed in Note 34(b) to the financial statements.

Based on the assessment performed by management at 31 December 2021, the loss allowance recognised for specific trade receivables that are credit impaired amounted to US\$15,356,000 (2020: US\$13,154,000) (Note 14).

For the remaining trade receivables, management has assessed that the associated credit risks are insignificant.

(c) *Impairment assessment of the Group's property, plant and equipment*

Property, plant and equipment ("PPE") is tested for impairment whenever there are indications that these assets may be impaired. Management performs reviews to determine whether there are any indications of impairment in relation to the PPE held by the Group.

At 31 December 2021, management has identified indications of impairment relating to a packaging plant, two manufacturing plants ("Manufacturing plant A" and "Manufacturing plant B"), a manufacturing plant in progress and an immature plantation of the Group. The net book value of the PPE relating to the packaging plant, two manufacturing plants, manufacturing plant in progress and the immature plantation that was recognised on the balance sheet amounted to approximately US\$8,210,000, US\$103,799,000, US\$7,287,000 and US\$12,037,000 as at 31 December 2021 respectively.

The recoverable amounts of the identified PPE are determined based on the value-in-use calculations. The value-in-use calculations are based on a discounted cash flow model and requires the Group to make an estimate of the expected future cash flows from the continuing use of the PPE.

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3. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES, ASSUMPTIONS AND JUDGEMENTS (continued)

(c) Impairment assessment of the Group's property, plant and equipment (continued)

The key assumptions used in the value-in-use calculation that were subject to critical accounting estimates were relating to the estimation of the revenue, discount rate, terminal growth rate and operating margin as follows:

PPE	(a) Packaging plant	(b) Manufacturing plant A	(c) Manufacturing plant B	(d) Manufacturing plant in progress	(e) Immature plantation
	Growth rate	Growth rate	Growth rate	Utilisation growth rate	Yield/Hectarage growth rate
Revenue	0% to 7%	0% to 28%	0% to 2%	14% to 23%	1.0 to 4.1
Operating margin	2% to 3%	1% to 2%	10% to 13%	10% to 11%	13% to 24%
Discount rate (pre-tax)	5.0%	9.9%	8.8%	8.4%	11.0%
Terminal growth rate	2.9%	2.0%	1.9%	4.8%	4.1%

Operating margin is calculated as revenue, less cost of sales (excluding depreciation), selling and distribution expenses and foreign exchange gains/(losses).

As the recoverable amount determined by management is less than the net book value of the PPE, the Group has recognised an impairment charge during the financial year amounting to US\$5,350,000 and US\$2,114,000 in relation to the manufacturing plant in progress and the immature plantation respectively.

A reasonable possible change to any of the individual key assumptions as compared to management's estimates as listed above would have increased or decreased the impairment charge on PPE and the Group's profit for the financial year ended 31 December 2021 as follows:

(a) Packaging plant

Key assumptions	Change applied to management's estimate	Impact to impairment charge on PPE for the financial year ended 31 December 2021 (increase) US\$'000	Change applied to management's estimate	Impact to impairment charge on PPE for the financial year ended 31 December 2021 (increase) US\$'000
Revenue	1%	*	(1%)	-
Operating margin	1%	*	(1%)	-
Discount rate	5%	-	(5%)	*
Terminal growth rate	5%	*	(5%)	-

* No impairment charge was recognised in relation to the PPE during the current financial year.

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3. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES, ASSUMPTIONS AND JUDGEMENTS (continued)

(c) Impairment assessment of the Group's property, plant and equipment (continued)

A reasonable possible change to any of the individual key assumptions as compared to management's estimates as listed above would have increased or decreased the impairment charge on PPE and the Group's profit for the financial year ended 31 December 2021 as follows: (continued)

(b) Manufacturing plant A

	Change applied to management's estimate	Impact to impairment charge on PPE for the financial year ended 31 December 2021 (increase) US\$'000	Change applied to management's estimate	Impact to impairment charge on PPE for the financial year ended 31 December 2021 (increase) US\$'000
Key assumptions		US\$'000		US\$'000
Revenue	1%	*	(1%)	-
Operating margin	1%	*	(1%)	-
Discount rate	5%	606	(5%)	*
Terminal growth rate	5%	*	(5%)	-

* No impairment charge was recognised in relation to the PPE during the current financial year.

(c) Manufacturing plant B

	Change applied to management's estimate	Impact to impairment charge on PPE for the financial year ended 31 December 2021 (increase) US\$'000	Change applied to management's estimate	Impact to impairment charge on PPE for the financial year ended 31 December 2021 (increase) US\$'000
Key assumptions		US\$'000		US\$'000
Revenue	1%	*	(1%)	207
Operating margin	1%	*	(1%)	278
Discount rate	5%	2,566	(5%)	*
Terminal growth rate	5%	*	(5%)	-

* No impairment charge was recognised in relation to the PPE during the current financial year.

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3. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES, ASSUMPTIONS AND JUDGEMENTS (continued)

(c) Impairment assessment of the Group's property, plant and equipment (continued)

A reasonable possible change to any of the individual key assumptions as compared to management's estimates as listed above would have increased or decreased the impairment charge on PPE and the Group's profit for the financial year ended 31 December 2021 as follows: (continued)

(d) Manufacturing plant in progress

Key assumptions	Change applied to management's estimate	Impact to impairment charge on PPE for the financial year ended 31 December 2021	Change applied to management's estimate	Impact to impairment charge on PPE for the financial year ended 31 December 2021
		(increase/ (decrease) US\$'000		(increase/ (decrease) US\$'000
Revenue	1%	(81)	(1%)	1,190
Operating margin	1%	(1,190)	(1%)	1,190
Discount rate	5%	1,937	(5%)	(3,594)
Terminal growth rate	5%	(1,846)	(5%)	1,572

(e) Immature plantation

Key assumptions	Change applied to management's estimate	Impact to impairment charge on PPE for the financial year ended 31 December 2021	Change applied to management's estimate	Impact to impairment charge on PPE for the financial year ended 31 December 2021
		(increase/ (decrease) US\$'000		(increase/ (decrease) US\$'000
Revenue	1%	(100)	(1%)	100
Operating margin	1%	(100)	(1%)	100
Discount rate	5%	842	(5%)	(990)
Terminal growth rate	5%	(293)	(5%)	277

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3. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES, ASSUMPTIONS AND JUDGEMENTS (continued)

(d) Uncertain tax position of the Group

The Group is subject to income taxes in numerous jurisdictions. In determining the income tax liabilities, management is required to estimate the amount of capital allowances, incentives and deductibility of certain expenses ("uncertain tax positions") at each tax jurisdiction. Where the final outcome of these matters is different from the amounts that were initially recorded, such as due to changes in tax rules or revised interpretations of existing tax laws and precedent, such differences will impact the income tax provisions in the corresponding periods.

(e) Purchase price allocation for the acquisition of Mega Agro Pte Ltd ("MAPL")

The acquisition is accounted for as a business combination which requires the identifiable assets and liabilities to be recognised at fair value at the date of acquisition, with the excess of the acquisition cost over the identified fair values to be recognised as goodwill. The acquisition costs comprises contingent consideration which is assessed at fair value.

The assets and liabilities were identified and valued through a purchase price allocation. In assessing the identifiable assets acquired, consideration was given to whether potential intangible assets were acquired as part of the acquisition and management has assessed that no intangible assets were acquired.

In assessing the fair valuation of the identifiable assets acquired, management had engaged an external professional firm to perform the fair valuation of the property, plant and equipment acquired. The purchase price allocation is subject to a significant degree of judgement and critical accounting estimates required in the fair valuation of the contingent consideration and identification and fair valuation of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed.

Further details are disclosed in Note 37 to the financial statements.

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4. REVENUE FROM CONTRACTS WITH CUSTOMERS

(a) Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers

The Group derives revenue from the transfer of goods and services over time and at a point in time in the following major product lines.

	Group		
	At a point in time	Over time	Total
	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000
2021			
Sale of vegetable oil products in bulk	3,214,027	-	3,214,027
Sale of consumer products including edible oils and fats, rice and dairy in consumer packs	1,011,319	-	1,011,319
Shipping services*	-	116,788	116,788
Charter income	-	6,684	6,684
Total	4,225,346	123,472	4,348,818
2020			
Sale of vegetable oil products in bulk	2,599,727	-	2,599,727
Sale of consumer products including edible oils and fats, rice and dairy in consumer packs	759,497	-	759,497
Shipping services*	-	83,524	83,524
Charter income	-	3,105	3,105
Total	3,359,224	86,629	3,445,853

* Shipping services relate to revenue earned arising from the delivery of products sold to customers.

Included in the sale of vegetable oil products in bulk is the subsidy received from the Malaysian government under the cooking oil price stabilisation scheme amounting to US\$67,691,000 (2020: US\$18,423,000).

(b) Contract liabilities

	Group		
	31 December	1 January	
	2021	2020	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000
<i>Contract liabilities</i>			
- Sale of goods contracts	18,617	13,962	6,808
Total contract liabilities	18,617	13,962	6,808

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4. REVENUE FROM CONTRACTS WITH CUSTOMERS (continued)

(b) Contract liabilities (continued)

(i) Revenue recognised in relation to contract liabilities

	Group	
	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000
<i>Revenue recognised in current period that was included in the contract liability balance at the beginning of the period</i>		
- Sale of goods contracts	4,335	3,338

(ii) Unsatisfied performance obligations

As permitted under SFRS(I) 15, the aggregated transaction price allocated to unsatisfied contracts of periods one year or less is not disclosed.

(c) Trade receivables from contracts with customers

	Group		
	31 December	1 January	
	2021	2020	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000
Trade receivables from contracts with customers	268,823	296,029	265,394
Less: Allowance for expected credit losses	(15,356)	(13,154)	(21,609)
Trade receivables (net)	253,467	282,875	243,785

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5. OTHER INCOME

	Group	
	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Interest income on bank deposits and others	840	741
Late interest charged on trade receivables	1,831	430
	2,671	1,171
Rental income	325	421
Commission income	1	11
Insurance claims	2,687	2,947
Other miscellaneous income	2,229	1,232
	7,913	5,782

Other miscellaneous income mainly comprises sales of scrap and waste.

6. OTHER EXPENSES AND OTHER (LOSSES)/GAINS (NET)

	Group	
	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Other expenses		
- Impairment losses on property, plant and equipment - net (Note 19)	(7,444)	(22,794)
- Provision for legal claim (Note 25)	-	(4,241)
	(7,444)	(27,035)
Other (losses)/gains (net)		
- Foreign exchange (losses)/gains - net	(16,912)	718
- Reversal of/(Loss) allowance on other receivables	64	(24)
- Property, plant and equipment written off	(14)	(28)
- Gains/(losses) on disposal of property, plant and equipment	375	(56)
	(16,487)	610

In the current financial year, the Group carried out a review of the recoverable amount of certain property, plant and equipment at 31 December 2021 and assessed that there are indications of impairment loss. Accordingly, the management of the Group had estimated the recoverable amount of these property, plant and equipment at 31 December 2021 and recorded an impairment loss of US\$7,464,000 (Note 3(c)) (2020: US\$22,794,000) in the consolidated income statement for the financial year ended 31 December 2021.

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7. EXPENSES BY NATURE

	Group	
	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
Purchases of inventories	4,208,917	3,139,490
Changes in inventories	(205,201)	36,893
Gains from derivative financial instruments	(152,830)	(117,411)
Freight charges	106,420	61,321
Consultation fees	3,701	3,112
Transportation	24,634	25,501
Export duties	56,968	608
Insurance	6,399	7,055
Utilities	12,101	12,712
Rental on leases	3,179	1,501
Repair and maintenance	8,454	7,188
Employee compensation (Note 8)	72,211	67,274
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment (Note 19)	26,511	23,300
Bank charges	3,801	3,482
Reversal of inventories written down	(187)	(2,608)
Audit fees		
- Auditors of the Company	398	374
- Other auditors*	278	304
Non-audit fees		
- Auditors of the Company	94	95
- Other auditors*	131	141
Others	32,180	27,292
Total cost of sales, selling and distribution and administrative expenses	4,208,159	3,297,624

* Includes the network of member firms of PricewaterhouseCoopers International Limited, each of which is a separate and independent legal entity.

For the financial year ended 31 December 2021 and 31 December 2020, the reversal of inventories written down mainly relate to inventories previously written down that were sold above their carrying amounts.

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8. EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION

	Group	
	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
Wages and Salaries	64,781	62,603
Employer's contributions to defined contribution plans	5,242	4,590
Other staff benefits	2,713	2,302
Less: Government grant	(525)	(2,221)
	72,211	67,274

Government grant of US\$525,000 (2020: US\$2,221,000) was recognised during the financial year under the Jobs Support Scheme (the "JSS"). The JSS is a temporary scheme introduced in the Singapore Budget 2020 to help enterprises retain local employees. The scheme had been extended up to 2021 by the Government. Under the JSS, employers will receive cash grants in relation to the gross monthly wages of eligible employees.

9. FINANCE EXPENSES

	Group	
	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
Interest expenses:		
- Bank borrowings	9,740	8,810

10. INCOME TAXES

(a) Income tax expense

	Group	
	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
Tax expense attributable to profit was made up of:		
Current income tax		
- Singapore	1,424	4,317
- Foreign	22,719	7,205
	24,143	11,522
Deferred income tax	4,940	13,715
	29,083	25,237
(Over)/Under provision in prior financial years		
- Current income tax (Note 11)	(4)	618
- Deferred income tax	(481)	470
	(485)	1,088
Income tax expense	28,598	26,325

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10. INCOME TAXES (continued)

(a) Income tax expense (continued)

The income tax on the Group's profit before tax differs from the theoretical amount that would arise using the domestic rates of income tax as explained below:

	Group	
	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Profit before tax	109,745	112,466
Tax calculated at domestic rates applicable to profits in the respective countries	25,646	21,673
Effects of:		
- Tax incentives	(2,188)	(8,621)
- Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	6,284	11,220
- Income not subject to tax	(302)	(659)
- Deferred tax benefits not recognised	601	2,268
- Utilisation of previously unrecognised tax losses	(1,046)	(611)
- (Over)/Under provision of tax in prior financial years	(486)	1,088
- Others	89	(33)
	28,598	26,325

Singapore and Malaysia, two of the Group's main tax jurisdictions, had headline corporate tax rates of 17% and 24% (2020: 17% and 24%) respectively. The Group enjoys certain tax incentives such as concessionary tax rate on qualifying income under the Global Trader Programme of Enterprise Singapore, concessionary tax rate on qualifying income under the Pioneer Status in Malaysia and other various schemes for qualifying capital investments in Malaysia.

(Over)/under provision in prior financial years

For the financial year ended 31 December 2021, the over provision of current income tax in respect of prior financial years mainly relates to the final tax outcome being different from the amounts that were originally estimated for capital allowances, incentives and the deductibility of certain expenses in the various tax jurisdictions.

For the financial year ended 31 December 2020, the under provision of current income tax in respect of prior financial years mainly relates to tax settlement for prior years revised tax assessments which were initiated and concluded in the current financial year by a subsidiary with the local tax authority.

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11. CURRENT INCOME TAXES LIABILITIES

	Group		Company	
	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
Beginning of the year	(3,898)	3,260	(102)	(329)
Currency translation differences	81	130	(1)	(2)
Income tax paid	21,012	4,852	518	814
Tax expense (Note 10)	(24,143)	(11,522)	(501)	(602)
Over/(Under) provision in prior financial years (Note 10)	4	(618)	(24)	17
Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 37)	28	-	-	-
End of the financial year	(6,916)	(3,898)	(110)	(102)
Represented by:				
At 31 December				
- Current income tax recoverable	1,042	3,008	-	-
- Current income tax liabilities	(7,958)	(6,906)	(110)	(102)

12. EARNINGS PER SHARE

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the net profit attributable to equity holders of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the financial year.

	Group	
	2021	2020
Net profit attributable to equity holders of the Company (US\$'000)	80,171	86,540
Weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding for basic earnings per share ('000)	1,500,667	1,500,667
Basic earnings per share (US cents per share)	5.34	5.77

Diluted earnings per share was the same as the basic earnings per share for the financial years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020 as there were no potential dilutive ordinary shares outstanding.

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13. INVENTORIES

	Group	
	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Raw materials	164,848	94,393
Finished goods	316,958	192,917
Stores, spares and consumables	10,771	8,196
	492,577	295,506

The cost of inventories recognised as an expense and included in "cost of sales" amounts to US\$4,003,529,000 (2020: US\$3,173,775,000).

14. TRADE RECEIVABLES

	Group	
	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Trade receivables		
- Related parties [Note 35(a)]	15,647	15,399
- Non-related parties	253,176	280,630
	268,823	296,029
Less: Allowance for expected credit losses		
- Non-related parties [Note 34(b)]	(15,356)	(13,154)
Trade receivables - net	253,467	282,875

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15. OTHER RECEIVABLES

	Group		Company	
	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
Loans to subsidiaries	-	-	369,330	342,184
Less: Allowance for expected credit losses	-	-	(62,309)	(56,222)
	-	-	307,021	285,962
Non-trade receivables	30,790	21,015	586	16,500
Deposits	3,939	15,158	-	-
Prepayments	44,023	28,252	33	14
	78,752	64,425	307,640	302,476

Group

As at 31 December 2021, non-trade receivables included US\$4,934,000 (2020: US\$4,768,000) refundable Goods and Service Tax, US\$14,505,000 (2020: US\$9,568,000) relating to subsidy receivable for cooking oil price stabilisation scheme.

As at 31 December 2021, deposits included US\$2,776,000 (2020: US\$13,760,000) paid to Bursa Malaysia Derivatives Clearing Bhd for commodity trading initial and variation margin payment.

As at 31 December 2021, prepayments included US\$10,625,000 (2020: US\$6,516,000) for capital expenditure and US\$24,157,000 (2020: US\$18,501,000) for purchase of raw materials.

Company

Loans to subsidiaries amounting to US\$366,994,000 (2020: US\$342,184,000) are unsecured, bear interests from 0.1% to 6.8% (2020: 0.4% to 7.7%) per annum and repayable on demand. The remaining amounts are unsecured, non-interest bearing and repayable on demand.

As at 31 December 2021, non-trade receivables relate to US\$583,000 (2020: US\$16,500,000) dividend receivable from the Company's wholly-owned subsidiary.

16. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Currency forward contracts are entered into by the Group to manage exposure to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates.

The Group enters into commodities forward contracts and futures contracts to protect the Group from movements in market prices of crude palm oil and palm oil products by establishing the price at which the products will be sold or purchased.

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16. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

(a) Current portion

	Contract notional amount US\$'000	Group Fair values	
		Asset US\$'000	Liability US\$'000
31 December 2021			
Currency forward contracts [Note 34(e)]	982,237	8,158	(1,897)
Commodities forward contracts [Note 34(e)]	1,117,136	25,308	(60,911)
Futures contracts on commodity exchange [Note 34(e)]	406,029	15,894	-
Total		49,360	(62,808)
31 December 2020			
Currency forward contracts [Note 34(e)]	990,571	9,069	(13,105)
Commodities forward contracts [Note 34(e)]	1,129,652	57,643	(106,374)
Futures contracts on commodity exchange [Note 34(e)]	508,856	43,526	-
Total		110,238	(119,479)
	Contract notional amount US\$'000	Company Fair values	
		Asset US\$'000	Liability US\$'000
31 December 2021			
Currency forward contracts [Note 34(e)]	268	1	-
31 December 2020			
Currency forward contracts [Note 34(e)]	609	-	(25)

(b) Non-current portion

	Contract notional amount US\$'000	Group Fair values	
		Asset US\$'000	Liability US\$'000
31 December 2021			
Futures contracts on commodity exchange [Note 34(e)]	17,704	897	-
31 December 2020			
Futures contracts on commodity exchange [Note 34(e)]	-	-	-

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17. CASH AND BANK BALANCES

	Group		Company	
	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
Cash at bank and on hand	94,260	75,403	854	79
Short-term bank deposits	77,521	2,766	4	4
	171,781	78,169	858	83

Please refer to Note 37 for the effects of acquisition of subsidiaries in the cash flow of the Group.

18. INTANGIBLE ASSET

	Group	
	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
Goodwill arising from acquisition of subsidiaries		
Beginning of financial year	970	970
Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 37)	3,503	-
End of financial year	4,473	970

Impairment tests for goodwill

Goodwill arising from business combinations have been allocated to the respective cash-generating units ("CGUs"). The carrying amount of goodwill allocated to Jambi business and PT Able business amounts to US\$970,000 and US\$3,503,000 respectively.

The recoverable amount of the CGUs was determined based on its value-in-use. Cash flow projections used in the value-in-use calculations were based on financial budgets approved by management covering a five-year period. The discount rate applied to the cash flow projections and the forecasted growth rates used to extrapolate cash flow projections beyond the five-year period are as follows:

Discount rate (pre-tax)	12.7% to 13.6%
Terminal growth rate	4.1%

The terminal growth rate used is consistent with the forecast included in industry reports and did not exceed the long-term average growth rate for the business in which the CGUs operates. The discount rate used was pre-tax and reflected specific risks relevant to the CGUs.

Based on the recoverable amounts determined by management, no impairment for the goodwill was deemed necessary as at 31 December 2021.

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19. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Group	Freehold	Leasehold	Plant and	Furniture,	Motor	Vessels	Mature	Capital	Total
	land and buildings	land and buildings	equipment	fixtures and office equipment	vehicles	US\$'000	plants	expenditure	
2021	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000
<i>Cost</i>									
Beginning of financial year	23,875	146,815	402,081	24,853	8,371	12,154	5,921	73,244	697,314
Currency translation differences	(863)	(2,728)	(14,695)	(451)	(148)	-	(48)	(272)	(19,205)
Additions	47	1,548	4,748	1,658	1,912	356	-	14,842	25,111
Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 37)	-	5,653	5,695	18	50	-	-	10,030	21,446
Remeasurement of lease liability	-	127	-	-	-	-	-	-	127
Disposals	-	(151)	(580)	(545)	(971)	-	-	-	(2,247)
Write off	-	-	(147)	(126)	(26)	-	-	-	(299)
Reclassification	1,000	(1,178)	38,781	(440)	2	(120)	7,084	(45,129)	-
End of financial year	24,059	150,086	435,883	24,967	9,190	12,390	12,957	52,715	722,247
<i>Accumulated depreciation</i>									
Beginning of financial year	3,196	34,474	159,696	18,591	6,037	2,726	304	-	225,024
Currency translation differences	(118)	(2,955)	(2,944)	(621)	(116)	-	(13)	-	(6,767)
Depreciation charge (Note 7)	555	3,232	18,704	1,504	1,039	1,296	181	-	26,511
Disposals	-	(19)	(559)	(542)	(971)	-	-	-	(2,091)
Write off	-	-	(144)	(126)	(15)	-	-	-	(285)
End of financial year	3,633	34,732	174,753	18,806	5,974	4,022	472	-	242,392
Accumulated impairment losses									
Beginning of financial year	-	1,261	21	247	66	-	-	22,871	24,466
Reclassification	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,888	(1,888)	-
Impairment losses (Note 6)	-	-	48	-	-	-	928	6,468	7,444
End of financial year	-	1,261	69	247	66	-	2,816	27,451	31,910
Net book value									
End of financial year	20,426	114,093	261,061	5,914	3,150	8,368	9,669	25,264	447,945

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19. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued)

Group 2020	Freehold land and buildings US\$'000	Leasehold land and buildings US\$'000	Plant and equipment US\$'000	Furniture, fixtures and office equipment US\$'000	Motor vehicles US\$'000	Vessels US\$'000	Mature plants US\$'000	Capital expenditure in progress US\$'000	Total US\$'000
<i>Cost</i>									
Beginning of financial year	23,339	144,054	385,780	23,079	8,504	11,506	3,884	65,901	666,047
Currency translation differences	474	1,765	7,501	1,037	(108)	(15)	(126)	2,226	12,754
Additions	62	403	4,073	1,617	568	643	2,093	12,032	21,491
Remeasurement of lease liability	-	(759)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(759)
Disposals	-	(41)	(556)	(782)	(538)	(1)	-	-	(1,918)
Write off	-	-	(70)	(176)	(55)	-	-	-	(301)
Reclassification	-	1,393	5,353	78	-	21	70	(6,915)	-
End of financial year	23,875	146,815	402,081	24,853	8,371	12,154	5,921	73,244	697,314
<i>Accumulated depreciation</i>									
Beginning of financial year	2,637	30,970	140,579	17,849	5,663	1,614	234	-	199,546
Currency translation differences	79	582	3,249	190	54	-	(7)	-	4,147
Depreciation charge (Note 7)	480	2,893	16,337	1,471	929	1,113	77	-	23,300
Disposals	-	(7)	(440)	(764)	(484)	(1)	-	-	(1,696)
Write off	-	-	(49)	(173)	(51)	-	-	-	(273)
Reclassification	-	36	20	18	(74)	-	-	-	-
End of financial year	3,196	34,474	159,696	18,591	6,037	2,726	304	-	225,024
Accumulated impairment losses									
Beginning of financial year	-	904	17	247	66	-	-	438	1,672
Impairment losses (Note 6)	-	357	4	-	-	-	-	22,433	22,794
End of financial year	-	1,261	21	247	66	-	-	22,871	24,466
Net book value									
End of financial year	20,679	111,080	242,364	6,015	2,268	9,428	5,617	50,373	447,824

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19. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued)

- (a) Right-of-use (“ROU”) assets acquired under leasing arrangements are presented together with the owned assets of the same class. Details of such leased assets are disclosed in Note 20(a).
- (b) As at 31 December 2021, bank borrowings (Note 26) are secured on property, plant and equipment of the Group with carrying amounts of US\$176,218,000 (2020: US\$103,214,000).
- (c) Interest capitalised within capital expenditure in progress amounted to US\$277,000 (2020: US\$638,000) for the financial year ended 31 December 2021.

20. LEASES – THE GROUP AS A LESSEE

Nature of the Group’s leasing activities

Property

The Group leases office space, warehouse for the purpose of back office operations, refining and selling vegetable oil products and dairy-based products.

Leasehold land

The Group makes monthly lease payments for leasehold land. The right-of-use of the land is recognised within property, plant and equipment (Note 19).

There is no externally imposed covenant on these lease arrangements.

Equipment and vehicles

The Group leases motor vehicles and equipment to render logistic services. The lease arrangements prohibit the Group from subleasing the equipment to third parties.

(a) Carrying amounts

ROU assets classified within Property, plant and equipment

	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Group		
Leasehold land and buildings	70,781	71,444
Plant and equipment	10	20
Motor vehicles	4	11
Total	70,795	71,475

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20. LEASES – THE GROUP AS A LESSEE (continued)

(b) Depreciation charge during the year

	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
Group		
Leasehold land and buildings	2,330	1,527
Plant and equipment	10	10
Motor vehicles	7	23
Total	<u>2,347</u>	<u>1,560</u>

(c) Interest expense

	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
Group		
Interest expense on lease liabilities	<u>277</u>	<u>296</u>

(d) Lease expense not capitalised in lease liabilities

	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
Group		
Lease expense – short-term leases	3,040	1,339
Lease expense – low-value leases	139	162
Total (Note 7)	<u>3,179</u>	<u>1,501</u>

(e) Lease liabilities

	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
Group		
<i>Current</i>		
Lease liabilities	<u>367</u>	<u>460</u>
<i>Non-current</i>		
Lease liabilities	<u>5,733</u>	<u>5,971</u>

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20. LEASES – THE GROUP AS A LESSEE (continued)

- (f) **Total cash outflow for all the leases in 2021 was US\$3,933,000 (2020: US\$2,334,000).**
- (g) **Addition of ROU assets during the financial year 2021 was US\$3,758,000 (2020: US\$218,700).**
- (h) **Future cash outflow which are not capitalised in lease liabilities:**

Extension options

- i. Extension option exercisable by the Group

The lease for certain asset contains extension period, for which the related lease payments had not been included in lease liabilities as the Group is not reasonably certain to exercise the extension option. The Group negotiates extension option to optimise operational flexibility in terms of managing the assets used in the Group's operations. The extension option is exercisable by the Group and not by the lessor.

- ii. Extension option subject to terms and conditions

The lease for certain asset contains extension period, for which the related lease payments had not been included in lease liabilities as the option to extend is subject to the approval of the lessor.

21. LEASES – THE GROUP AS A LESSOR

Nature of the Group's leasing activities – Group as a lessor

The Group has leased out office space to non-related parties for monthly lease payments. Where considered necessary to reduce credit risk, the Group may obtain bank guarantees for the term of the lease. This lease is classified as an operating lease because the risk and rewards incidental to ownership of the assets are not substantially transferred.

Rental income from leasing of office space is disclosed in Note 5.

Maturity analysis of lease payments – Group as a lessor

The table below discloses the undiscounted lease payments to be received by the Group for its leases after the reporting date as follows:

	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Less than one year	147	170
One to two years	3	89
Total undiscounted lease payment	150	259

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22. INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES

	Company	
	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000
<i>Equity investments at cost</i>		
Beginning and end of financial year	849	849

Details of the significant subsidiaries are included in Note 42. There are no subsidiaries with non-controlling interest that are material to the Group as at 31 December 2021 and 2020.

23. INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATED COMPANY

	Group	
	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000
<i>Equity investment at cost</i>		
Beginning of financial year	667	569
Share of (losses)/profits	(27)	50
Currency translation differences	(58)	48
End of financial year	582	667

The summarised financial information of the associated company, not adjusted for the proportion ownership interest held by the Group, was as follows:

	Group	
	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Assets	1,473	1,693
Liabilities	(285)	(332)
Carrying value of associated company	1,188	1,361
Effective interest rate of the Group in associated company	49%	49%
Carrying value of group's interest in associated company	582	667
	Group	
	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Revenue	3,662	2,971
Net (loss)/profit and total comprehensive (loss)/income	(56)	102
Effective interest rate of the Group in associated company	49%	49%
Share of (loss)/profit of associated company	(27)	50

In the opinion of management, the associated company is not material to the Group.

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24. TRADE PAYABLES

	Group	
	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
Trade payables		
- Related parties [Note 35(a)]	307	326
- Non-related parties	173,310	141,160
	173,617	141,486

25. OTHER PAYABLES

	Group		Company	
	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
Non-trade payables				
- Associated company	693	277	-	-
- Non-related parties	38,975	26,249	-	-
	39,668	26,526	-	-
Deferred income	5,926	4,975	-	-
Accrual for operating expenses	33,164	34,258	211	232
Provision for legal claim	4,241	4,241	-	-
	82,999	70,000	211	232

Non-trade amounts due to associated company and related parties relate mainly to forwarding services and rental of premises, and are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand.

Provision for legal claim relates to a legal claim in relation to certain project construction contractual disputes between its wholly-owned subsidiary, and a contractor. The legal proceedings are still ongoing as at 31 December 2021.

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26. BORROWINGS

	Group	
	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
<i>Current</i>		
Bank borrowings:		
- Trade financing	343,515	227,819
- Revolving credit	1,755	7,233
- Hire purchase	493	477
- Term loans	13,127	13,174
	358,890	248,703
<i>Non-current</i>		
Bank borrowings:		
- Hire purchase	2,102	2,692
- Term loans	69,176	32,784
	71,278	35,476
Total borrowings	430,168	284,179

(a) Securities granted

Total borrowings include secured liabilities of US\$74,083,000 (2020: US\$36,343,000). The borrowings of the Group are secured by certain property, plant and equipment as disclosed in Note 19(b).

(b) Fair value of non-current borrowings

The fair value of non-current borrowings approximated the carrying value of the non-current borrowings at the balance sheet date as they bear interests at rates which approximate the current incremental borrowing rate for similar types of lending and borrowing arrangements, which management expects to be available to the Group.

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27. DEFERRED INCOME TAXES

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current income tax assets against current income tax liabilities and when the deferred income taxes relate to the same fiscal authority. The amounts, determined after appropriate offsetting, were shown on the balance sheet as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
Deferred income tax assets	1,674	503	-	-
Deferred income tax liabilities	(36,700)	(31,413)	(1,731)	(2,150)

Movement in the net deferred income tax account is as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
Beginning of financial year	(30,910)	(15,824)	(2,150)	(1,806)
Currency translation differences	1,090	(901)	-	-
Tax (charged)/credited to				
- Profit or loss	(4,459)	(14,185)	419	(344)
Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 37)	(747)	-	-	-
End of financial year	(35,026)	(30,910)	(1,731)	(2,150)

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27. DEFERRED INCOME TAXES (continued)

The movement in deferred income tax assets and liabilities (prior to offsetting of balances within the same tax jurisdiction) was as follows:

Group

Deferred income tax liabilities

	Accelerated tax depreciation	Revaluation of property, plant and equipment	Unremitted foreign income	Unrealised gains on derivative financial instruments	Others	Total
	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000
2021						
At 1 January 2021	(34,959)	(557)	(2,301)	-	(509)	(38,326)
Currency translation differences	1,246	-	-	-	-	1,246
(Charged)/Credited to						
- Profit or loss	(1,262)	-	419	(962)	-	(1,805)
Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 37)	-	-	-	-	(747)	(747)
End of financial year	(34,975)	(557)	(1,882)	(962)	(1,256)	(39,632)
2020						
At 1 January 2020	(28,411)	(557)	(1,957)	-	(509)	(31,434)
Currency translation differences	(804)	-	-	-	-	(804)
Charged to						
- Profit or loss	(5,744)	-	(344)	-	-	(6,088)
End of financial year	(34,959)	(557)	(2,301)	-	(509)	(38,326)

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27. DEFERRED INCOME TAXES (continued)

Group (continued)

Deferred income tax assets

	Unutilised tax losses	Unutilised reinvestment allowance	Unrealised losses on derivative financial instruments	Provision and others	Total
	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000
2021					
Beginning of financial year	-	2,010	1,908	3,498	7,416
Currency translation differences	-	(66)	(54)	(36)	(156)
Credited/(Charged) to					
- Profit or loss	53	(1,086)	(1,854)	233	(2,654)
End of financial year	53	858	-	3,695	4,606
2020					
Beginning of financial year	13	3,192	8,259	4,146	15,610
Currency translation differences	-	5	(133)	31	(97)
Charged to					
- Profit or loss	(13)	(1,187)	(6,218)	(679)	(8,097)
End of financial year	-	2,010	1,908	3,498	7,416

Deferred income tax assets are recognised for unutilised tax losses and unutilised investment allowances carried forward to the extent that realisation of the related tax benefits through future taxable profits is probable. The unrecognised unutilised tax losses amounted to approximately US\$38,108,000 as at 31 December 2021 (2020: US\$34,651,000) and have no expiry dates except for US\$17,394,000 (2020: US\$9,947,000) which would expire between 2022 to 2026 and US\$18,664,000 (2020: US\$23,463,000) which would expire between 2027 to 2029. These unrecognised unutilised tax losses can be carried forward and used to offset against future taxable income subject to meeting certain statutory requirements by those companies with unutilised tax losses in their respective countries of incorporation. In addition, a foreign subsidiary has unrecognised unutilised investment allowance of US\$63,062,000 as at 31 December 2021 (2020: US\$53,014,000) with no expiry date.

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27. DEFERRED INCOME TAXES (continued)

Company

Deferred income tax liabilities

	Unremitted foreign income	
	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Beginning of financial year	(2,150)	(1,806)
Credited/(Charged) to		
- Profit or loss	419	(344)
End of financial year	(1,731)	(2,150)

28. SHARE CAPITAL AND SHARE PREMIUM

	No. of ordinary shares		Amount		
	Authorised share capital at par value of US\$0.001 '000	Issued share capital at par value of US\$0.001 '000	Authorised share capital at par value of US\$0.001 US\$'000	Share capital at par value of US\$0.001 US\$'000	Share premium US\$'000

Group and Company

2021

Beginning and end of financial year, ordinary shares at par value, US\$0.001

30,000,000	1,500,667	30,000	1,501	180,012
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2020

Beginning and end of financial year, ordinary shares at par value, US\$0.001

30,000,000	1,500,667	30,000	1,501	180,012
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All issued ordinary shares were fully paid. Fully paid ordinary shares carry one vote per share and carry a right to dividends as and when declared by the Company.

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29. OTHER RESERVES

	Group	
	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000
(a) Composition:		
Merger reserve	(53,005)	(53,005)
General reserve	(1,425)	(1,425)
Currency translation reserve	12,057	17,012
Capital redemption reserve	3,509	3,509
	(38,864)	(33,909)
	Company	
	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Composition:		
Capital redemption reserve	3,509	3,509

Merger reserve represents the difference between the cost of investment (equivalent to the net asset value) and nominal value of share capital of the merged subsidiaries.

General reserve represents the difference between the carrying amounts of the non-controlling interest and the fair value of the consideration paid.

Capital redemption reserve represents the difference between the nominal value of the shares repurchased and fair value of the consideration paid.

Other reserves are non-distributable.

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29. OTHER RESERVES (continued)

	Note	Group	
		2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
(b) Movements			
(i) Merger reserve			
Beginning and end of financial year		(53,005)	(53,005)
(ii) General reserve			
Beginning of financial year		(1,425)	(720)
Acquisition of non-controlling interests*		-	(705)
End of financial year		(1,425)	(1,425)
(iii) Currency translation reserve			
Beginning of financial year		17,012	12,261
Net currency translation differences of foreign subsidiaries		(4,849)	4,879
Less: Non-controlling interests		(106)	(128)
		(4,955)	4,751
End of financial year		12,057	17,012
Group and Company			
		2021	2020
		US\$'000	US\$'000
(iv) Capital redemption reserve			
Beginning and end of financial year		3,509	3,509

* In the prior financial year ended 31 December 2020, the Group acquired 10% shares of MOI International (Australia) Pty Ltd, through its wholly-owned subsidiary, One Marthoma (CI) Inc., from its non-controlling shareholder, Trupps Pty Ltd as trustee of the Trupps Family Trust at a consideration of AUD2,000,000 (US\$1,370,000). The carrying amount of the non-controlling interest amounted to US\$665,000, resulting in a US\$705,000 increase in general reserve. This transaction increased the shareholding of the Group to 86%.

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30. RETAINED PROFITS

Movement in retained profits for the Company was as follows:

	Company	
	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Beginning of financial year	115,877	114,233
Total comprehensive income for the financial year	16,176	3,291
Dividends (Note 31)	(9,779)	(1,647)
End of financial year	122,274	115,877

31. DIVIDENDS

	Group and Company	
	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000

Declared and paid during the financial year:

Dividends on ordinary shares:

- Final exempt one-tier dividend of S\$0.0060 for 2020 (2019: S\$Nil) per share	6,784	-
- Interim exempt one-tier dividend of S\$0.0027 for 2021 (2020: S\$0.0015) per share	2,995	1,647
	9,779	1,647

Proposed but not recognised as a liability as at 31 December:

Dividends on ordinary shares, subject to shareholders' approval at the Annual General Meeting:

- Final exempt one-tier dividend of S\$0.0081 for 2021 (2020: S\$0.0060) per share	9,005	6,813
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32. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Company

The Company has issued unsecured corporate guarantees to banks for borrowings to certain subsidiaries. As at 31 December 2021, the borrowings under the guarantees amounted to US\$427,448,000 (2020: US\$284,179,000). The financial effects of SFRS(I) 9 relating to the financial guarantee contracts issued by the Company are not material to the financial statements of the Company and therefore are not recognised. The management does not expect any loss to arise from the guarantees.

33. COMMITMENTS

Capital commitments

Capital expenditures contracted for at the balance sheet date but not recognised in the financial statements are as follows:

	Group	
	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Property, plant and equipment	52,175	16,144

34. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

Financial risk factors

The Group's activities expose it to market risk (including currency risk, commodity price risk and interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The Group's overall risk management strategy seeks to minimise any adverse effects from the unpredictability of financial markets on the Group's financial performance. The Group uses financial instruments such as currency forward contracts, commodities forward and futures contracts of crude palm oil and palm oil products to hedge certain financial risk exposures.

Financial risk management is carried out by the Executive Risk Management Team in accordance with the policies set by the Board of Directors. The Executive Risk Management Team works closely with the Group's operating units in identifying, evaluating and managing financial risks. Regular reports are submitted to the Board of Directors.

(a) *Market risk*

(i) *Currency risk*

The Group's revenue is denominated primarily in United States Dollar ("USD"), the functional and reporting currency of the Company. There are some exposures in other currencies, the most significant of which are the Malaysian Ringgit ("Ringgit"), Euro ("EUR"), Singapore Dollar ("SGD"), Australian Dollar ("AUD"), Indonesian Rupiah ("IDR") and Chinese Yuan ("CNY"). Currency risk arises within entities in the Group when transactions are denominated in currencies other than the entities' functional currencies.

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34. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

(i) Currency risk (continued)

The Group's risk management strategy provides for the use of currency forward contracts to hedge its future committed foreign exchange exposures, if necessary.

The Group's currency exposure based on the information provided to key management was as follows:

	USD* US\$'000	Ringgit US\$'000	EUR US\$'000	SGD US\$'000	AUD US\$'000	IDR US\$'000	CNY US\$'000
At 31 December 2021							
Financial assets							
Cash and bank balances	3,995	107,455	8,447	2,223	251	4,243	336
Trade and other receivables	11,202	87,112	37,046	8,015	4,500	6,501	3,531
Intercompany receivables	105,049	239,472	137,636	56	2,948	12,946	4,488
	<u>120,246</u>	<u>434,039</u>	<u>183,129</u>	<u>10,294</u>	<u>7,699</u>	<u>23,690</u>	<u>8,355</u>
Financial liabilities							
Borrowings	-	(255,628)	-	(10,815)	-	-	-
Lease liabilities	-	(662)	-	(4,565)	(680)	-	(32)
Trade and other payables	(10,088)	(153,728)	(14,015)	(12,516)	(397)	(10,465)	(1,953)
Intercompany payables	(375,210)	(239,472)	(137,636)	(56)	(2,948)	(12,946)	(4,488)
	<u>(385,298)</u>	<u>(649,490)</u>	<u>(151,651)</u>	<u>(27,952)</u>	<u>(4,025)</u>	<u>(23,411)</u>	<u>(6,473)</u>
Net financial (liabilities)/ assets	(265,052)	(215,451)	31,478	(17,658)	3,674	279	1,882
Add: Firm commitments and highly probable forecast transactions in foreign currencies	399,462	(308,203)	3,629	(4,609)	-	-	(9,832)
Less: Currency forward contracts	(372,947)	407,799	(146,514)	9,916	(10,406)	-	(3,849)
Currency profile	(238,537)	(115,855)	(111,407)	(12,351)	(6,732)	279	(11,799)
Financial liabilities/(assets) denominated in the respective entities' functional currencies	-	127,939	53,254	3,268	(1,767)	11,541	13,282
Currency exposure of financial (liabilities) /assets net of those denominated in the respective entities' functional currencies	(238,537)	12,084	(58,153)	(9,083)	(8,499)	11,820	1,483

* This relates to the Group's exposure to USD arising from subsidiaries with Ringgit functional currency.

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34. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

(i) Currency risk (continued)

The Group's currency exposure based on the information provided to key management was as follows:
(continued)

	USD* US\$'000	Ringgit US\$'000	EUR US\$'000	SGD US\$'000	AUD US\$'000	IDR US\$'000	CNY US\$'000
At 31 December 2020							
Financial assets							
Cash and bank balances	2,893	13,269	5,688	3,235	129	2,329	187
Trade and other receivables	9,735	115,609	33,359	4,812	3,501	1,837	158
Intercompany receivables	145,517	161,742	121,835	29	20	22,343	2,182
	<u>158,145</u>	<u>290,620</u>	<u>160,882</u>	<u>8,076</u>	<u>3,650</u>	<u>26,509</u>	<u>2,527</u>
Financial liabilities							
Borrowings	-	(170,507)	-	(3,784)	-	-	-
Lease liabilities	-	(680)	-	(4,776)	(695)	-	(99)
Trade and other payables	(22,795)	(148,418)	(11,927)	(9,842)	(353)	(1,552)	(2,297)
Intercompany payables	(336,186)	(161,742)	(121,835)	(29)	(20)	(22,342)	(2,182)
	<u>(358,981)</u>	<u>(481,347)</u>	<u>(133,762)</u>	<u>(18,431)</u>	<u>(1,068)</u>	<u>(23,894)</u>	<u>(4,578)</u>
Net financial (liabilities)/ assets	(200,836)	(190,727)	27,120	(10,355)	2,582	2,615	(2,051)
Add: Firm commitments and highly probable forecast transactions in foreign currencies	250,865	(293,494)	113,515	339	-	-	(7,244)
Less: Currency forward contracts	(125,220)	276,834	(251,766)	7,937	(13,908)	-	(6,741)
Currency profile	(75,191)	(207,387)	(111,131)	(2,079)	(11,326)	2,615	(16,036)
Financial liabilities/(assets) denominated in the respective entities' functional currencies	-	212,760	55,218	(9)	(722)	17,944	14,282
Currency exposure of financial (liabilities) /assets net of those denominated in the respective entities' functional currencies	(75,191)	5,373	(55,913)	(2,088)	(12,048)	20,559	(1,754)

* This relates to the Group's exposure to USD arising from subsidiaries with Ringgit functional currency.

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34. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

(i) Currency risk (continued)

The Company's currency exposure based on the information provided to key management was as follows:

	SGD US\$'000	EUR US\$'000	IDR US\$'000
At 31 December 2021			
Financial assets			
Cash and bank balances	74	-	-
Other receivables	1	-	9,461
	<u>75</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,461</u>
Financial liabilities			
Other payables	(211)	-	-
	<u>(136)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,461</u>
Net financial (liabilities)/assets	(136)	-	9,461
Less: Currency forward contracts	229	-	-
	<u>93</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,461</u>
Currency profile/currency exposure of financial assets net of those denominated in the Company's functional currency			
	93	-	9,461
At 31 December 2020			
Financial assets			
Cash and bank balances	10	-	-
Other receivables	1	-	14,086
	<u>11</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,086</u>
Financial liabilities			
Other payables	(232)	-	-
	<u>(221)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,086</u>
Net financial (liabilities)/assets	(221)	-	14,086
Less: Currency forward contracts	-	(572)	-
	<u>(221)</u>	<u>(572)</u>	<u>14,086</u>
Currency profile/currency exposure of financial (liabilities)/ assets net of those denominated in the Company's functional currency			
	(221)	(572)	14,086

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34. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

(i) Currency risk (continued)

If Ringgit, EUR, SGD, AUD, IDR and CNY change by 5% (2020: Ringgit, EUR, SGD, AUD, IDR and CNY change by 5%) respectively with all other variables including tax rate being held constant, the effects arising from the financial asset/liability position net of those denominated in the respective entities' functional currencies are as follows:

	Profit after tax	
	← Increase/(Decrease) →	
	US\$'000	US\$'000
	Strengthened	Weakened
Group		
31 December 2021		
USD against Ringgit	(8,819)	8,819
Ringgit against USD	447	(447)
EUR against USD	(2,150)	2,150
SGD against USD	(336)	336
AUD against USD	(314)	314
IDR against USD	437	(437)
CNY against USD	55	(55)
31 December 2020		
USD against Ringgit	(2,880)	2,880
Ringgit against USD	206	(206)
EUR against USD	(2,141)	2,141
SGD against USD	(81)	81
AUD against USD	(461)	461
IDR against USD	787	(787)
CNY against USD	(67)	67

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34. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

(i) Currency risk (continued)

If SGD, EUR and IDR change against USD by 5% (2020: SGD, EUR and IDR change against USD by 5%) respectively with all other variables including tax rate being held constant, the effects arising from the financial asset/liability position net of those denominated in the respective entities' functional currencies are as follows:

	Profit after tax	
	← Increase/(Decrease) → US\$'000	US\$'000
	Strengthened	Weakened
Company		
31 December 2021		
SGD against USD	5	(5)
EUR against USD	-	-
IDR against USD	470	(470)
31 December 2020		
SGD against USD	(8)	8
EUR against USD	(22)	22
IDR against USD	549	(549)

(ii) Cash flows and fair value interest rate risks

Cash flows interest rate risk is the risk that the future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. Fair value interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates. The Group's exposure to interest rate risk arises primarily from its borrowings and deposits placed with creditworthy licensed banks and financial institutions. The Group is exposed to the USD London Interbank Offered Rate ("USD LIBOR") and is managing the transition plan. The Group does not expect any changes in market interest rate to have a significant impact on the Group's profit after tax.

(iii) Commodity price risk

The Group is exposed to fluctuations in the prices of agri-commodities it deals in, including crude palm oil and palm oil products. The Group minimises the risk arising from such fluctuations by entering into commodities forward contracts and futures contracts. As the Group has not adopted hedge accounting, the fair value changes on these derivative financial instruments are recognised in the profit or loss when the changes arise.

The Group's commodities forward contracts are not traded in an active market and hence their fair values are estimated using a valuation technique as described in Note 34(e).

If the commodities forward prices had been higher or lower by 5% from the management's estimates and other variables remain constant, the Group's profit after tax would have been lower or higher by US\$28,440,000 (2020: US\$16,376,000) respectively, arising from the changes in the fair value of the commodities forward contracts.

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34. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(b) Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that counterparty will default on its contractual obligations resulting in financial loss to the Group. The major classes of financial assets of the Group are trade and other receivables, cash and bank balances, and derivative financial instruments. For trade and other receivables and commodities forward contracts, the Group adopts the policy of dealing only with customers of appropriate credit standing and history or buying credit insurance where appropriate to mitigate credit risk. For other financial assets, the Group adopts the policy of dealing only with high credit quality counterparties.

The Group has a credit risk policy in place to manage credit risk. All new customers are subject to credit worthiness check; counterparties are ranked and assigned a credit limit appropriately. Such credit limit would be approved by the Executive Risk Management Team. In addition, any increase in credit limit requires approval from the Executive Risk Management Team. The Executive Risk Management Team is mandated to monitor the payment ageing profile of the third party receivables, to review all the outstanding receivables regularly and to identify any potential uncollectible for credit loss allowance and/or write-off.

As the Group and the Company do not hold any collateral, the maximum exposure to credit risk for each class of financial instruments is the carrying amount of that class of financial instruments presented on the balance sheet, except as follows:

	Company	
	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Corporate guarantees provided to financial institutions on subsidiaries' borrowings	427,448	284,179

The management is of the view that no loss is expected to arise from the guarantees.

The credit risk relating to each class of financial instruments presented on the balance sheet are as follows:

(i) Cash and bank balances and other receivables

The Group and the Company held cash and bank balances of US\$171,781,000 and US\$858,000 respectively (2020: US\$78,169,000 and US\$83,000) with banks which have good credit-ratings and considered to have low credit risk. The cash balances are measured on 12-month expected credit losses and subject to immaterial credit loss.

The Group has assessed that other receivables are subject to immaterial credit loss.

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34. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(b) Credit risk (continued)

(ii) Trade receivables

For specific trade receivables identified by the Group to be credit impaired, the Group recognised a loss allowance equal to lifetime expected credit loss of US\$15,356,000 (2020: US\$13,154,000) in respect of these receivables, as follows:

	Group	
	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Gross amount	36,949	18,531
Less: Allowance for expected credit losses	(15,356)	(13,154)
	21,593	5,377
Beginning of financial year	(13,154)	(21,609)
Currency translation differences	532	(133)
Provision of expected credit losses	(5,129)	(6,360)
Allowance utilised	2,395	14,948
End of financial year	(15,356)	(13,154)

For the remaining receivables, they are grouped based on similar risk characteristics and days past due, and the Group uses a provision matrix to measure the lifetime expected credit loss allowance for these receivables. These receivables as at 31 December 2021 and 31 December 2020 are set out as follows:

	Group	
	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Trade receivables		
Not past due	144,316	223,669
Past due < 3 months	78,375	39,924
Past due 3 to 6 months	5,674	9,611
Past due 6 to 12 months	1,088	927
Past due over 1 year	2,421	3,367
	231,874	277,498

For the purpose of ascertaining the credit loss to be provided, the Group takes into consideration any deposits and payables to these customers, where there is a right of offset, as well as credit insurance coverage to determine the credit risk exposure to the Group.

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34. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(b) Credit risk (continued)

(ii) Trade receivables (continued)

In calculating the expected credit loss rates, the Group considers historical loss rates for each category of customers and adjusts to reflect current and forward-looking macroeconomic factors affecting the ability of the customers to settle the receivables. The Group has identified the commodities price to be the most relevant factor, and accordingly adjusts the historical loss rates based on expected changes in these factors.

Based on the above assessment, the Group has concluded that the credit loss from these receivables as at 31 December 2021 and 31 December 2020 is immaterial.

The Group considers a trade receivable as in default if the counterparty fails to make contractual payments within a commercially reasonable timeframe that is determined by the Group, and write off the trade receivable when there is no reasonable expectation of recovery. Where receivables are written off, the Group continues to engage in enforcement activity to attempt to recover the receivables due. Where recoveries are made, these are recognised in profit or loss.

(iii) Loan to subsidiaries

The Company monitors the credit risk of the subsidiaries to assess if there is any significant increase in credit risk.

For loans to subsidiaries identified by the Company to be credit impaired, the Company recognised credit loss of US\$62,309,000 (2020: US\$56,222,000). The remaining loans are measured on 12-month expected credit losses and subject to immaterial credit loss.

(iv) Financial guarantee contracts

The Company has issued financial guarantees to banks for borrowings of its subsidiaries. These guarantees are subject to the impairment requirements of SFRS(I) 9. The Company has assessed that its subsidiaries have strong financial capacity to meet the contractual cash flow obligations in the near future and hence, does not expect significant credit losses arising from these guarantees.

(c) Liquidity risk

Prudent liquidity risk management includes maintaining sufficient cash and maintaining flexibility in funding by keeping credit facilities available with different financial institutions. At the balance sheet date, assets held by the Group and the Company for managing liquidity risk included cash and short-term bank deposits as disclosed in Note 17.

The table below analyses financial liabilities (including derivative liabilities) of the Group and the Company into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period from the balance sheet date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table were the contractual undiscounted cash flows. Balances due within 12 months approximate their carrying balances as the impact of discounting was not significant.

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34. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(c) Liquidity risk (continued)

	Less than 1 year US\$'000	Between 1 and 2 years US\$'000	Between 2 and 5 years US\$'000	Over 5 years US\$'000	Total US\$'000
Group					
At 31 December 2021					
Trade and other payables	(250,572)	-	-	-	(250,572)
Borrowings	(363,051)	(19,747)	(42,661)	(16,206)	(441,665)
Lease liabilities	(618)	(1,009)	(1,142)	(7,990)	(10,759)
	(614,241)	(20,756)	(43,803)	(24,196)	(702,996)
Gross-settled currency forward contracts					
- Receipts	759,795	-	-	-	759,795
- Payments	(222,442)	-	-	-	(222,442)
	537,353	-	-	-	537,353
Gross-settled commodities futures contracts and forward sales and purchase contracts					
- Receipts	844,463	-	-	-	844,463
- Payments	(678,702)	(17,704)	-	-	(696,406)
	165,761	(17,704)	-	-	148,057
At 31 December 2020					
Trade and other payables	(218,898)	-	-	-	(218,898)
Borrowings	(252,242)	(9,782)	(21,750)	(5,128)	(288,902)
Lease liabilities	(734)	(1,070)	(1,241)	(8,342)	(11,387)
	(471,874)	(10,852)	(22,991)	(13,470)	(519,187)
Gross-settled currency forward contracts					
- Receipts	681,204	-	-	-	681,204
- Payments	(309,367)	-	-	-	(309,367)
	371,837	-	-	-	371,837
Gross-settled commodities futures contracts and forward sales and purchase contracts					
- Receipts	798,383	-	-	-	798,383
- Payments	(840,124)	-	-	-	(840,124)
	(41,741)	-	-	-	(41,741)

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34. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(c) **Liquidity risk** (continued)

	Less than 1 year US\$'000
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Company	
At 31 December 2021	
Other payables	<u>(211)</u>
Gross-settled currency forward contracts	
- Receipts	39
- Payments	<u>(229)</u>
	<u>(190)</u>
At 31 December 2020	
Other payables	<u>(232)</u>
Gross-settled currency forward contracts	
- Payments	<u>(609)</u>

The table below analyses the maturity profile of the Company's contingent liabilities. The maximum amount of the financial guarantee contracts was allocated to the earliest period in which the guarantee could be called.

	Less than 1 year US\$'000
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Company	
At 31 December 2021	
Financial guarantee contracts	<u>(427,448)</u>
At 31 December 2020	
Financial guarantee contracts	<u>(284,179)</u>

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34. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(d) Capital risk

The Group's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and to maintain an optimal capital structure so as to maximise shareholder value. In order to maintain or achieve an optimal capital structure, the Group may adjust the amount of dividend payments, obtain new borrowings or sell assets to reduce borrowings.

Management manages capital based on net assets of the Group and a number of key ratios including gross debt-equity ratio and net debt-equity ratio. The Group is required by the banks to maintain a certain amount of minimum net worth and gross debt-equity ratio. The gross debt-equity ratio is defined as total interest-bearing debts ("gross debt") to total equity. Net debt-equity ratio is defined as total interest-bearing debts less cash and bank balances ("net debt") to total equity.

No changes were made to the objectives, policies or processes of managing capital during the financial years ended 31 December 2021 and 31 December 2020.

	Group	
	31 December	
	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Debt-equity ratio		
Gross debt*	430,168	284,179
Less: Cash and bank balances	(171,781)	(78,169)
Net debt	258,387	206,010
Total equity	683,583	610,329
Gross debt-equity ratio	0.63	0.47
Net debt-equity ratio	0.38	0.34

* Gross debt is calculated as total borrowings as disclosed in Note 26.

The Group and the Company were in compliance with all externally imposed capital requirements for the financial years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020.

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34. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(e) Fair value measurements

The table below presents assets and liabilities recognised and measured at fair value and classified by level of the following fair value measurement hierarchy:

- (i) quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1);
- (ii) inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices) (Level 2); and
- (iii) inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs) (Level 3).

	Level 1 US\$'000	Level 2 US\$'000	Total US\$'000
Group			
31 December 2021			
Financial Assets			
Derivative financial instruments (Note 16)			
- Currency forward contracts	-	8,158	8,158
- Commodities forward contracts	-	25,308	25,308
- Futures contracts on commodity exchange	16,791	-	16,791
	16,791	33,466	50,257
Financial Liabilities			
Derivative financial instruments (Note 16)			
- Currency forward contracts	-	(1,897)	(1,897)
- Commodities forward contracts	-	(60,911)	(60,911)
	-	(62,808)	(62,808)
31 December 2020			
Financial Assets			
Derivative financial instruments (Note 16)			
- Currency forward contracts	-	9,069	9,069
- Commodities forward contracts	-	57,643	57,643
- Futures contracts on commodity exchange	43,526	-	43,526
	43,526	66,712	110,238
Financial Liabilities			
Derivative financial instruments (Note 16)			
- Currency forward contracts	-	(13,105)	(13,105)
- Commodities forward contracts	-	(106,374)	(106,374)
	-	(119,479)	(119,479)

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34. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(e) Fair value measurements (continued)

	Level 1 US\$'000	Level 2 US\$'000	Total US\$'000
Company			
31 December 2021			
Financial Assets			
Derivative financial instruments (Note 16)			
- Currency forward contracts	-	1	1
31 December 2020			
Financial Liabilities			
Derivative financial instruments (Note 16)			
- Currency forward contracts	-	(25)	(25)

There were no transfers between Levels 1 and 2 during the year. The Group's commodities futures contracts are traded in active markets and their fair values reflect quoted prices at the balance sheet date in active markets such as Bursa Malaysia. These instruments are included in Level 1.

The Group's commodities forward contracts are not traded in an active market. Their fair values are estimated by a valuation technique that takes into consideration various sources of indicative market prices at the balance sheet date. The sources of indicative market prices include prices listed on the Malaysian Palm Oil Board (MPOB), prices obtained from an international news agency, quotes obtained from brokers and actual contracted prices entered into. The fair values of currency forward contracts are determined using quoted forward exchange rates at the balance sheet date. These instruments are included in Level 2.

The carrying value less allowance for expected credit losses of trade and other receivables are assumed to approximate their fair value. The fair value of financial liabilities for disclosure purposes is estimated based on quoted market prices or dealer quotes for similar instruments by discounting the future contractual cash flows at the current market interest rate that is available to the Group for similar financial instruments. The fair value of current borrowings and lease liabilities approximates their carrying amounts.

(f) Financial instruments by category

The carrying amount of the different categories of financial instruments were as disclosed on the face of the balance sheet, except for the following:

	Group		Company	
	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	50,257	110,238	1	-
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	(62,808)	(119,479)	-	(25)
Financial assets at amortised cost	455,043	392,449	308,465	302,462
Financial liabilities at amortised cost	(686,840)	(496,432)	(211)	(232)

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34. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(g) Offsetting financial assets and liabilities

Group

(i) Financial assets subject to offsetting

Description	(a) Gross amounts of financial assets US\$'000	(b) Gross amount of financial liabilities set off on balance sheet US\$'000	(c) = (a)-(b) Net amounts of financial assets presented on balance sheet US\$'000
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31 December 2021

Commodities forward contracts	28,109	(2,801)	25,308
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31 December 2020

Commodities forward contracts	63,930	(6,287)	57,643
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(ii) Financial liabilities subject to offsetting

Description	(a) Gross amounts of financial liabilities US\$'000	(b) Gross amount of financial assets set off on balance sheet US\$'000	(c) = (a)-(b) Net amounts of financial liabilities presented on balance sheet US\$'000
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31 December 2021

Commodities forward contracts	(63,712)	2,801	(60,911)
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31 December 2020

Commodities forward contracts	(112,661)	6,287	(106,374)
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35. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In addition to the information disclosed elsewhere in the financial statements, the following transactions took place between the Group and related parties at terms agreed between the parties:

(a) Sales and purchases of goods and services and other transactions

	Group	
	2021 US\$'000	2020 US\$'000
Sales of finished goods to related parties	16,365	14,458
Purchases of raw materials from related parties	1,291	926
Losses from derivative financial instruments from related parties	(552)	(267)
Rental received/receivable		
- Associated company	4	3
- Related party	42	33
Interest income from related parties	1	-
Service fee income received/receivable		
- Associated company	51	42
Services paid/payable		
- Transportation and forwarding		
- Associated company	2,556	2,473
- Related party	159	183
- Packing material to related parties	443	629
- Consultation fees to related parties	1,607	1,514
- Travelling expenses to related parties	17	17

Related parties comprise mainly companies or individuals which are controlled or significantly influenced by the Group's key management personnel and their close family members.

Outstanding balances at 31 December 2021 and 2020 arising from the above transactions are set out in Notes 14, 24 and 25.

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35. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (continued)

(b) Key management personnel compensation

Key management personnel compensation was as follows:

	Group	
	2021	2020
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Wages, salaries and other short-term employee benefits	7,789	6,658
Employer's contribution to defined contribution plans	139	132
	7,928	6,790

Key management compensation includes remuneration of Executive Directors and senior management of the Group.

36. SEGMENT INFORMATION

Management has determined the operating segments based on the reports reviewed by the Management Committee ("Mancom") that are used to make strategic decisions, allocate resources, and assess performance. The Mancom is the Group's chief operating decision-maker and comprises the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, and the department heads of each business within each segment.

The Mancom considers the business from two segments:

- (i) The bulk segment which sources, manufactures and sells edible oils and specialty fats and oils in bulk for a variety of end uses; and
- (ii) The consumer pack segment which manufactures and sells edible oils and bakery fats and rice to consumers in packaged form.

The Group measures and tracks the profitability in terms of operating margin and adjusted earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation ("Adjusted EBITDA").

Operating margin is calculated as revenue, less cost of sales (excluding depreciation), selling and distribution expenses, allowance for/(reversal of) expected credit losses and foreign exchange gains/(losses). Operating margin relating to inter-segment sales are reported under the segment where the final sales to third parties are made.

Sales between segments reported to the Mancom is measured in a manner consistent with the Group's accounting policies.

Adjusted EBITDA is calculated as operating margin add other income, less administrative expenses (excluding depreciation) and other gains excluding foreign exchange gains or losses which has considered in operating margin.

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36. SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

The segment information provided to the Mancom for the reportable segments for the financial year ended 31 December 2021 was as follows:

	Bulk US\$'000	Consumer Pack US\$'000	Total US\$'000
Group			
Revenue			
Total segment sales	3,563,241	1,105,041	4,668,282
Inter-segment sales	(302,679)	(16,785)	(319,464)
Revenue from external parties	3,260,562	1,088,256	4,348,818
Operating margin			
	150,399	74,679	225,078
Other income excluding interest income	2,764	2,478	5,242
Interest income	2,153	518	2,671
Administrative expenses, excluding depreciation	(36,712)	(43,237)	(79,949)
Other gains excluding foreign exchange losses (net) and impairment of assets	308	117	425
Adjusted EBITDA	118,912	34,555	153,467
Depreciation	(17,937)	(8,574)	(26,511)
Finance expense	(5,608)	(4,132)	(9,740)
Impairment of assets	(2,094)	(5,350)	(7,444)
Segment results	93,273	16,499	109,772
Unallocated			
Income tax expense			(28,598)
Share of loss of an associate			(27)
Profit after tax			81,147
Total segment assets	964,746	534,506	1,499,252
Unallocated			
Current income tax recoverable			1,042
Investment in associated company			582
Deferred income tax assets			1,674
Total assets			1,502,550
Total assets include:			
Additions to:			
- Property, plant and equipment	17,797	7,314	25,111
Total segment liabilities	(549,755)	(224,554)	(774,309)
Unallocated			
Current income tax liabilities			(7,958)
Deferred income tax liabilities			(36,700)
Total liabilities			(818,967)

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36. SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

The segment information provided to the Mancom for the reportable segments for the financial year ended 31 December 2020 was as follows:

	Bulk US\$'000	Consumer Pack US\$'000	Total US\$'000
Group Revenue			
Total segment sales	2,921,478	808,184	3,729,662
Inter-segment sales	(274,166)	(9,643)	(283,809)
Revenue from external parties	2,647,312	798,541	3,445,853
Operating margin			
	160,540	79,997	240,537
Other income excluding interest income	4,052	559	4,611
Interest income	934	237	1,171
Administrative expenses, excluding depreciation	(37,310)	(37,340)	(74,650)
Other expenses and other losses excluding foreign exchange gains (net) and impairment of assets	(121)	(4,228)	(4,349)
Adjusted EBITDA	128,095	39,225	167,320
Depreciation	(16,513)	(6,787)	(23,300)
Finance expense	(5,950)	(2,860)	(8,810)
Impairment of assets	(6,038)	(16,756)	(22,794)
Segment results	99,594	12,822	112,416
Unallocated			
Income tax expense			(26,325)
Share of profit of an associate			50
Profit after tax			86,141
Total segment assets	990,327	288,710	1,279,037
Unallocated			
Current income tax recoverable			3,008
Intangible asset			970
Investment in associated company			667
Deferred income tax assets			503
Total assets			1,284,185
Total assets include:			
Additions to:			
- Property, plant and equipment	15,350	6,141	21,491
Total segment liabilities	(484,092)	(151,445)	(635,537)
Unallocated			
Current income tax liabilities			(6,906)
Deferred income tax liabilities			(31,413)
Total liabilities			(673,856)

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37. BUSINESS COMBINATION

Business combination under “acquisition method”

On 1 March 2021, the Group completed the acquisition of 68.4% of the issued equity of Mega Agro Pte. Ltd. (“MAPL”), a company incorporated in Singapore, from a non-related party, Able Perfect International Pte. Ltd. (“APIPL”) through its wholly owned subsidiary, Ngo Chew Hong Investment Pte Ltd, a company incorporated in Singapore. MAPL holds 95% equity interest in PT Able Commodities Indonesia (“PTACI”), an Indonesian company which owns and operates facilities to refine and pack palm oil and its derivatives. The total purchase consideration of US\$16,265,000 comprises the purchase of 68.4% MAPL’s shares amounting to US\$3,465,000 and the settlement of a loan payable of US\$12,800,000 to APIPL by PTACI.

Details of the consideration paid, the assets acquired and liabilities assumed, the non-controlling interest recognised and the effects on the cash flows of the Group, at the acquisition date, are as follows:

	US\$'000
(a) Purchase consideration	
Cash paid	12,315
Contingent consideration paid [Note (g) below]	1,950
Contingent consideration [Note (g) below]	2,000
Total purchase consideration	16,265
(b) Effect on cash flows of the Group	
Cash and contingent consideration paid (as above)	14,265
Less: Cash and bank balances in subsidiaries acquired	(983)
Cash outflow on acquisition	13,282
(c) Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed	
Property, plant and equipment (Note 19)	21,446
Inventories	4,725
Trade and other receivables (Note (e) below)	4,359
Cash and bank balances	983
Tax recoverable (Note 11)	28
Total assets	31,541
Trade and other payables	(11,160)
Deferred tax liabilities (Note 27)	(747)
Total liabilities	(11,907)
Total identifiable net assets	19,634
Less: Non-controlling interests at fair value [Note (f) below]	(6,872)
Add: Goodwill (Note 18 and Note (h) below)	3,503
Consideration transferred for the business	16,265

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37. BUSINESS COMBINATION (continued)

Business combination under “acquisition method” (continued)

(d) Acquisition-related costs

Acquisition-related costs of US\$52,000 are included in “administrative expenses” in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income and in operating cash flows in the consolidated statement of cash flows.

(e) Acquired receivables

The fair value of trade and other receivables is US\$4,359,000 and includes trade receivables with a fair value of US\$721,000. US\$Nil is expected to be uncollectible.

(f) Non-controlling interests

The Group has recognised the 35.0% non-controlling interests at its fair value of US\$6,872,000. The fair value was estimated based on its proportionate share of the acquisition date fair value of the identifiable net assets of the subsidiaries.

(g) Contingent consideration

The Group is required to make contingent payments on fulfilment of the commission and performance acceptable testing of the refinery and fractionation plant and additional asset investments. The contractual timelines can be extended by mutual agreement between both the parties. The fair value of these contingent consideration as at acquisition date was estimated to be US\$3,950,000. As at 31 December 2021, the fulfilment on the agreed conditions has yet to be completed and as such, US\$2,000,000 remains as outstanding balances.

(h) Goodwill

The goodwill of US\$3,503,000 arising from the acquisition is attributable to the synergies expected to arise from further consolidation of the Group’s position as a global food and agri-business. It is not deductible for tax purposes.

(i) Revenue and profit contribution

The acquired business contributed revenue of US\$112,646,000 and net profit of US\$3,262,000 to the Group from the period from 1 March 2021 to 31 December 2021.

Had MAPL been acquired from 1 January 2021, the consolidated revenue and consolidated profit after tax of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2021 would have been US\$121,423,000 and US\$2,491,000 respectively.

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38. IMPACT OF COVID-19

The COVID-19 pandemic has affected almost all countries in the world, and resulted in border closures, production stoppages, workplace closures, movement controls and other measures imposed by the various governments.

Set out below is the impact of COVID-19 on the Group's financial performance reflected in this set of financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021:

- i. The Group has assessed that the going concern basis of preparation for this set of financial statements remains appropriate.
- ii. In 2021, as the Group's significant operations in Singapore and Malaysia were mainly classified under essential services, they continued operating within the set of local regulations and guidelines under respective governments' movement control measures.
- iii. The Group has considered the market conditions (including the impact of COVID-19) as at the balance sheet date, in making estimates and judgements on the recoverability of assets as at 31 December 2021. The significant estimates and judgement applied on impairment of trade receivables, and property, plant and equipment are disclosed in Note 3(b) and 3(c) respectively.

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to evolve, the Group continues to be impacted by the measures taken by governments to combat the spread of the pandemic. As at the date of this financial statement, the Group is not aware of any further material impact expected on the Group's performance in the subsequent financial periods. However, the Group is closely monitoring the development of COVID-19 outbreaks and if the situation weakens beyond management's current expectations, the Group's assets may be subject to further write downs in the subsequent financial periods.

39. EVENTS OCCURRING AFTER BALANCE SHEET DATE

On 18 February 2022, the Singapore Government announced an evaluation and consultation exercise of a 15% Minimum Effective Tax Rate (METR) regime during the Budget Speech for the Financial Year 2022.

The METR, which will be applicable to multinational enterprise groups with annual revenues of at least €750 million (approx.US\$800million), has therefore been tabled for consideration and will undergo industry consultation.

At the date of these financial statements, further details have not yet been released. As a result, the Group cannot reasonably ascertain the full extent of the probable impact on the Group's financial performance for the future financial years.

40. NEW OR REVISED ACCOUNTING STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATIONS

Below are the mandatory standards, amendments and interpretations to existing standards that have been published, and are relevant for the Group's accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022 and which the Group has not early adopted.

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40. NEW OR REVISED ACCOUNTING STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATIONS (continued)

Amendments to SFRS(I) 1-1 Presentation of Financial Statements:

Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023)

The narrow-scope amendments to SFRS(I) 1-1 Presentation of Financial Statements clarify that liabilities are classified as either current or non-current, depending on the rights that exist at the end of the reporting period. Classification is unaffected by the expectations of the entity or events after the reporting date (e.g. the receipt of a waiver or a breach of covenant). The amendments also clarify what SFRS(I) 1-1 means when it refers to the 'settlement' of a liability.

The amendments could affect the classification of liabilities, particularly for entities that previously considered management's intentions to determine classification and for some liabilities that can be converted into equity.

The Group does not expect any significant impact arising from applying these amendments.

Amendments to SFRS(I) 1-16 Property, Plant and Equipment: Proceeds before Intended Use (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022)

The amendment to SFRS(I) 1-16 Property, Plant and Equipment (PP&E) prohibits an entity from deducting from the cost of an item of PP&E any proceeds received from selling items produced while the entity is preparing the asset for its intended use. It also clarifies that an entity is 'testing whether the asset is functioning properly' when it assesses the technical and physical performance of the asset. The financial performance of the asset is not relevant to this assessment.

Entities must disclose separately the amounts of proceeds and costs relating to items produced that are not an output of the entity's ordinary activities.

The Group does not expect any significant impact arising from applying these amendments.

Amendments to SFRS(I) 1-37 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets: Onerous Contracts – Cost of Fulfilling a Contract (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022)

An onerous contract is a contract in which the unavoidable costs of meeting the obligations under the contract exceed the economic benefits expected to be received under it. The unavoidable costs under a contract reflect the least net cost of exiting from the contract, which is the lower of the costs of fulfilling it and any compensation or penalties arising from failure to fulfil it. The amendment to SFRS(I) 1-37 clarifies that the direct costs of fulfilling a contract include both the incremental costs of fulfilling the contract and an allocation of other costs directly related to fulfilling contracts.

The Group does not expect any significant impact arising from applying these amendments.

41. AUTHORISATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

These financial statements were authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors of Mewah International Inc. on 1 March 2022.

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42. LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT SUBSIDIARIES OF THE GROUP

Name of companies	Country of incorporation	Principal activities	Principal country of operation	Group's equity holding	
				2021 %	2020 %
Mewah-Oils Sdn Bhd ^(b)	Malaysia	Manufacturing and selling of vegetable oil products	Malaysia	100	100
Ngo Chew Hong Oils & Fats (M) Sdn Bhd ^(b)	Malaysia	Manufacturing and selling of vegetable oil products	Malaysia	100	100
Mewaholeo Industries Sdn Bhd ^(b)	Malaysia	Manufacturing and selling of vegetable oil products	Malaysia	100	100
Mewah Datu Sdn Bhd ^(b)	Malaysia	Manufacturing and selling of vegetable oil products	Malaysia	100	100
MOI Foods Malaysia Sdn Bhd ^(b)	Malaysia	Manufacturing and selling of downstream vegetable oil based food and personal care products	Malaysia	100	100
Mewah Dairies Sdn Bhd ^(b)	Malaysia	Manufacturing and selling of dairy related products	Malaysia	100	100
Bremfield Sdn Bhd ^(b)	Malaysia	Manufacturing and selling of biodiesel related products	Malaysia	100	100
Mewah Oils & Fats Pte Ltd ^(a)	Singapore	Trading of edible oils, fats and related products	Singapore	100	100
Ngo Chew Hong Edible Oil Pte Ltd ^(a)	Singapore	Packaging and trading of dairy and edible oils	Singapore	100	100
MOI International (Singapore) Pte Ltd ^(a)	Singapore	Trading of dairy, food products and agricultural raw materials	Singapore	100	100
Mewah Marketing Pte Ltd ^(a)	Singapore	Trading of edible oils, fats and related products	Singapore	100	100
PT Able Commodities Indonesia ^(c)	Indonesia	Manufacturing and selling of vegetable oil products	Indonesia	65	-

^(a) Audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Singapore

^(b) Audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers, Malaysia

^(c) Audited by Kosasih, Nurdiyaman, Mulyadi, Tjahjo & Rekan, Indonesia, a member firm of Crowe Global

STATISTICS OF SHAREHOLDINGS

as at 14 March 2022

Total number of issued shares : 1,500,667,440
 Issued and fully paid-up capital : US\$1,500,667
 Class of shares : Ordinary shares
 Voting rights : One vote per share

DISTRIBUTION OF SHAREHOLDINGS

Size of shareholdings	Number of shareholders	%	Number of shares	%
1 – 99	3	0.09	97	0.00
100 - 1,000	1,053	32.75	1,040,200	0.07
1,001 – 10,000	1,106	34.39	6,879,062	0.46
10,001 – 1,000,000	1,026	31.90	65,511,359	4.36
1,000,001 & above	28	0.87	1,427,236,722	95.11
TOTAL	3,216	100	1,500,667,440	100

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

Name	Direct Interest		Deemed Interest	
	No. of shares	%	No. of shares	%
Eighteen Tenth Nineteen Forty Four Inc.	361,048,720 ⁽¹⁾	24.06	-	0.00
Unity Investment Inc.	41,632,500 ⁽²⁾	2.77	43,812,000 ⁽⁴⁾	2.92
Dr. TC Pierre (Cayman Islands) Inc.	-	0.00	446,493,220 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽⁴⁾	29.75
T.C. Stone Limited	253,968,500 ⁽³⁾	16.92	-	0.00
J.J. Mibisa Holdings (BVI) Inc.	-	0.00	253,968,500 ⁽³⁾	16.92
Dr Cheo Tong Choon @ Lee Tong Choon	-	0.00	722,243,220 ⁽⁵⁾	48.13
Michelle Cheo Hui Ning	2,163,600	0.14	700,461,720 ⁽⁶⁾	46.68
Bianca Cheo Hui Hsin	2,460,100	0.16	701,887,720 ⁽⁷⁾	46.77
Sara Cheo Hui Yi	-	0.00	700,461,720 ⁽⁶⁾	46.68
Cheo Jian Jia	-	0.00	700,461,720 ⁽⁶⁾	46.68
Cheo Seng Jin	70,820,292 ⁽⁴⁾	4.72	62,775,208 ⁽⁸⁾	4.18
Ankar Pacific Assets Pte. Ltd.	124,883,862	8.32	-	0.00
Ong Tuan Hong	82,351,220	5.49	-	0.00
TOTAL	939,328,794	62.59		

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- ⁽¹⁾ The shareholders of Eighteen Tenth Nineteen Forty Four Inc. (“**1810**”) include Dr. T.C. Pierre (Cayman Islands) Inc. (95.46%) which is wholly owned by SG Kleinwort Hambros Trust Company (Channel Islands) Limited as trustee of The TC Peter MD Settlement for its beneficiaries, including Michelle Cheo Hui Ning, Bianca Cheo Hui Hsin, Sara Cheo Hui Yi and Cheo Jian Jia. Dr Cheo Tong Choon @ Lee Tong Choon is the settlor of the Trust.
- ⁽²⁾ Unity Investment Inc. (“**Unity**”) is wholly owned by Dr. T.C. Pierre (Cayman Islands) Inc. which in turn is wholly owned by SG Kleinwort Hambros Trust Company (Channel Islands) Limited as trustee of The TC Peter MD Settlement for its beneficiaries, including Michelle Cheo Hui Ning, Bianca Cheo Hui Hsin, Sara Cheo Hui Yi and Cheo Jian Jia. Dr Cheo Tong Choon @ Lee Tong Choon is the settlor of the Trust.
- ⁽³⁾ T.C. Stone Limited (“**TCS**”) is wholly owned by J.J. Mibisa Holdings (BVI) Inc. which in turn is wholly owned by SG Kleinwort Hambros Trust Company (Channel Islands) Limited as trustee of The TC Peter MD Settlement for its beneficiaries, including Michelle Cheo Hui Ning, Bianca Cheo Hui Hsin, Sara Cheo Hui Yi and Cheo Jian Jia. Dr Cheo Tong Choon @ Lee Tong Choon is the settlor of the Trust.
- ⁽⁴⁾ Cheo Seng Jin has reassigned voting rights of 43,812,000 shares to Unity (note 2) since 26 January 2022.
- ⁽⁵⁾ Deemed interest for Dr Cheo Tong Choon @ Lee Tong Choon arises from the shares held by his spouse; and shares held by 1810 (Note 1), Unity. (Note 2), TCS (Note 3) and Cheo Seng Jin (Note 4).
- ⁽⁶⁾ Deemed interest for Michelle Cheo Hui Ning, Cheo Jian Jia and Sara Cheo Hui Yi arise from the shares held by 1810 (Note 1), Unity (Note 2), TCS (Note 3) and Cheo Seng Jin (Note 4).
- ⁽⁷⁾ Deemed interest for Bianca Cheo Hui Ning arises from the shares held by her spouse and shares held by 1810 (Note 1), Unity (Note 2), TCS (Note 3) and Cheo Seng Jin (Note 4).
- ⁽⁸⁾ Deemed interest for Cheo Seng Jin arises from the Shares held by Nature International Pte. Ltd. which is wholly owned by Cheo Seng Jin.

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TWENTY LARGEST SHAREHOLDERS

No.	Name	No. of shares	%
1	Raffles Nominees (Pte) Limited	266,657,514	17.77
2	Citibank Nominees Singapore Pte Ltd	223,814,306	14.91
3	Eighteen Tenth Nineteen Forty Four Inc.	210,981,976	14.06
4	DBS Nominees (Private) Limited	167,394,444	11.15
5	T.C. Stone Limited	145,559,409	9.70
6	CGS-CIMB Securities (Singapore) Pte. Ltd.	128,366,628	8.55
7	United Overseas Bank Nominees (Private) Limited	108,901,991	7.26
8	UOB Kay Hian Private Limited	51,574,332	3.44
9	Cheo Mingyou (Shi Mingyou)	27,805,500	1.85
10	BNP Paribas Nominees Singapore Pte. Ltd.	15,670,500	1.04
11	Chung Amy	14,914,500	0.99
12	Loo Choon Yong	14,190,000	0.95
13	Tsao Chin Mey Jimmy	10,640,000	0.71
14	Goh Seng Hui	7,937,000	0.53
15	HSBC (Singapore) Nominees Pte Ltd	3,957,900	0.26
16	Wong Wei Lan	3,558,000	0.24
17	Goi Bee Lan	3,310,000	0.22
18	Sukumaran S/O Ramasamy	3,300,000	0.22
19	Cheo Seng Jin	2,886,192	0.19
20	OCBC Securities Private Limited	2,450,800	0.16
TOTAL		1,413,870,992	94.20

SHAREHOLDING HELD BY THE PUBLIC

Based on the information available to the Company as at 14 March 2022, approximately 17.00% of the issued shares of the Company are held by the public. Accordingly, the Company has complied with the Rules 1207 and 723 of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited.

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