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### **Interim Financial Statements**

For the 4th Quarter Ended 31 December 2024

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### **Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income**

For the 4th Quarter Ended 31 December 2024 (the figures have not been audited)

	Individual Quarter 3-month Period Ended		Cumulativ 12-month Pe	
	31.12.2024 RM'000	31.12.2023 RM'000	31.12.2024 RM'000	31.12.2023 RM'000
REVENUE	183,713	139,619	539,556	507,762
COST OF SALES	(168,067)	(149,835)	(498,414)	(488,374)
GROSS PROFIT/(LOSS)	15,646	(10,216)	41,142	19,388
OTHER INCOME	2,985	63,283	48,527	68,742
DISTRIBUTION COSTS	(8,114)	(6,034)	(23,985)	(22,286)
ADMINISTRATIVE AND OTHER EXPENSES	(5,878)	(16,667)	(22,553)	(34,214)
FINANCE COSTS	(2,432)	(3,787)	(11,206)	(14,352)
NET IMPAIRMENT LOSSES ON FINANCIAL ASSETS		48	-	48
PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION	2,207	26,627	31,925	17,326
INCOME TAX EXPENSES	(1,859)	2,575	(7,224)	(4,308)
PROFIT AFTER TAXATION	348	29,202	24,701	13,018
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME				
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE PERIOD	348	29,202	24,701	13,018



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## Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income (Cont'd)

For the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Ended 31 December 2024 (the figures have not been audited)

	Individual Quarter 3-month Period Ended		Cumulative 12-month Pe	
	31.12.2024 RM'000	31.12.2023 RM'000	31.12.2024 RM'000	31.12.2023 RM'000
PROFIT/(LOSS) AFTER TAXATION ATTRIBUTABLE TO:-				
<ul><li>Owners of the Company</li><li>Non-controlling interests</li></ul>	2,245 (1,897)	37,582 (8,380)	28,826 (4,125)	25,110 (12,092)
	348	29,202	24,701	13,018
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO:-				
- Owners of the Company - Non-controlling interests	2,245 (1,897)	37,582 (8,380)	28,826 (4,125)	25,110 (12,092)
	348	29,202	24,701	13,018
PROFIT/(LOSS) PER SHARE (SEN):-				
- Basic - Diluted	0.11 N/A	1.84 N/A	1.41 N/A	1.23 N/A

The Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2023 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the interim financial statements.

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#### **Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position**

As at 31 December 2024

(the figures have not been audited)

	As at 31.12.2024	As at 31.12.2023
	RM'000	RM'000
ASSETS		
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Property, plant and equipment	661,281	672,011
Intangible assets Other investment	21	9 5,000
Goodwill	5,130	5,000 5,130
Deposits with licensed banks	120	120
	666,552	682,270
CURRENT ASSETS		
Inventories	19,913	18,641
Biological assets	5,926	3,524
Trade receivables	17,962	12,164
Other receivables, deposits and prepayments	13,116	8,656
Current tax assets	2,454	1,847
Deposits with licensed banks	21,500	- 0.050
Cash and bank balances	5,926	2,658
	86,797	47,490
Assets classified as held for sale	-	123,553
TOTAL ASSETS	753,349	853,313



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### **Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position (Cont'd)**

As at 31 December 2024

(the figures have not been audited)

	As at 31.12.2024	As at 31.12.2023
	RM'000	RM'000
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
EQUITY Share capital Retained profit	391,510 45,159	391,510 16,333
Equity attributable to owners of the Company	436,669	407,843
Non-controlling interests	(55,336)	(44,911)
TOTAL EQUITY	381,333	362,932
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES Borrowings Deferred tax liabilities	123,520 28,770 ———————————————————————————————————	150,376 35,658 186,034
CURRENT LIABILITIES Trade payables Other payables, deposits and accruals Borrowings: other borrowings Current tax liabilities	71,272 36,041 108,474 3,939	66,531 47,041 189,729 1,046
	219,726	304,347
TOTAL LIABILITIES	372,016	490,381
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	753,349	853,313
NET ASSETS PER SHARE (RM)	0.19	0.18

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### **Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity**

For the Twelve Months Ended 31 December 2024 (the figures have not been audited)

	< Non-distributable> Share Capital					
	Ordinary Shares RM'000	Merger Reserve RM'000	Accumulated Profit/(Loss) RM'000	Attributable to Owners of the Company RM'000	Non- controlling Interests RM'000	Total Equity RM'000
Balance at 1.1.2024	391,510	(53,065)	69,398	407,843	(44,911)	362,932
Profit/(Loss) after taxation/Total comprehensive income for the period  Contributions by and distributions to owners of the Company:-	-	-	28,826	28,826	(4,125)	24,701
<ul> <li>dividends</li> <li>by subsidiaries to non- controlling interests</li> </ul>	-	-	-	-	(6,300)	(6,300)
Balance at 31.12.2024	391,510	(53,065)	98,224	436,669	(55,336)	381,333

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### Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity (Cont'd)

For the Twelve Months Ended 31 December 2024 (the figures have not been audited)

		Non-distribut Capital	able>			
	Ordinary Shares RM'000	Merger Reserve RM'000	Accumulated (Losses)/Profit RM'000	Attributable to Owners of the Company RM'000	Non- controlling Interests RM'000	Total Equity RM'000
Balance at 1.1.2023	614,600	(53,065)	(178,802)	382,733	(29,259)	353,474
Contributions by and distributions to owners of the Company: reduction of share capital	(223,090)	-	223,090	-	-	-
Profit/(Loss) after taxation/Total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	25,110	25,110	(12,092)	13,018
Contributions by and distributions to owners of the Company: dividends - by subsidiaries to non- controlling interests		-	-	-	(3,270)	(3,270)
Disposal of subsidiaries	-	-	-	-	(290)	(290)
Balance at 31.12.2023	391,510	(53,065)	69,398	407,843	(44,911)	362,932

The Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2023 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the interim financial statements.



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#### **Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows**

For the Twelve Months Ended 31 December 2024 (the figures have not been audited)

#### 12 Months Ended

	31.12.2024 RM'000	31.12.2023 RM'000
CASH FLOWS FOR OPERATING ACTIVITIES Profit before taxation	31,925	17,326
Adjustments for: - Allowance for stock obsolescence Amortisation of intangible assets Bad debts written off Biological assets written off Change in fair value of biological assets Depreciation of property, plant and equipment Gain on derecognition of lease contract Gain on disposal of assets classified as held for sale Loss on disposal of investment in an associate Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment Loss on disposal of investments in subsidiaries Impairment losses no longer required:trade and other receivables -property, plant & equipment Interest expense Interest income Inventories written off Inventories adjustment Property, plant and equipment written off Payables written off	- 4 131 812 (2,403) 64,757 (15) (41,447) 2,590 (1,532) - (27) - 11,206 (38) 494 200 1,444	113 13 944 620 (123) 68,545 (9) - (659) 2,099 (48) (58,552) 14,352 (19) 741 - 7,391 (2,618)
Operating profit before working capital changes Change in inventories Change in trade and other receivables Change in trade and other payables	68,101 (1,966) (10,362) (6,259)	50,116 12,186 (386) 13,108
CASH FROM OPERATIONS Income tax paid Income tax refunded Interest paid Interest received	49,514 (11,852) 27 (5,562) 38	75,024 (14,031) 958 (7,814) 19
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	32,165	54,156
BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD	32,165	54,156





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### Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows (Cont'd)

For the Twelve Months Ended 31 December 2024 (the figures have not been audited)

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	31.12.2024 RM'000	31.12.2023 RM'000	
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD	32,165	54,156	
CASH FLOWS (FOR)/FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Costs incurred on biological assets Dividend paid Winding up of subsidiary, net of cash and cash equivalents winding	(1,370) (6,300)	(50)	
up	-	(11)	
Purchase of intangible asset	(22)	-	
Proceeds from disposal of investment in an associate	2,410	-	
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	170,355	2,129	
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(46,843)	(37,349)	
NET CASH FROM/(FOR) INVESTING ACTIVITIES	118,230	(35,281)	
CASH FLOWS (FOR)/FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Divided paid by subsidiaries to non-controlling interests	-	(3,270)	
Change in bankers' acceptance	(7,969)	3,697	
Change in revolving credit	(61,783)	(4,877)	
Payment of interest on long-term borrowings	(7,756)	(8,937)	
Drawdown of hire purchases	8,075	-	
Repayment of secured loans	-	(300)	
Payment of hire purchases	(2,219)	(515)	
Drawdown of term loans	36,665	24,719	
Repayment of lease liabilities	(2,680)	(1,355)	
Payment of interest on lease liabilities	(428)	-	
Payment of interest on hire purchases	(362)	- (4 = 40)	
Repayment of unsecured loans	(1,560)	(1,749)	
Repayment of term loans	(85,610)	(31,406)	
NET CASH FOR FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(125,627)	(23,993)	
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	24,768	(5,118)	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	2,658	7,776	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF PERIOD	27,426	2,658	
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#### Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows (Cont'd)

For the Twelve Months Ended 31 December 2024 (the figures have not been audited)

Cash and cash equivalents included in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows comprise: -

12	Months	Ended
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	31.12.2024 RM'000	31.12.2023 RM'000
Cash and bank balances Deposits with licensed banks	5,926 21,620	2,658 120
Less: Deposits pledged to licensed banks	27,546 (120)	2,778 (120)
	27,426	2,658

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#### Part A – Explanatory Notes Pursuant to MFRS 134

#### A1 Basis of Preparation

The unaudited interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with MFRS 134 Interim Financial Reporting and Chapter 9 Appendix 9B of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad.

The interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 December 2023. These explanatory notes attached to the interim financial statements provide an explanation of events and transactions that are significant to an understanding of the changes in the financial position and performance of the Group since the financial year ended 31 December 2023.

The financial statements of the Company are prepared under the historical cost convention and modified to include other bases of valuation as disclosed in other sections under significant accounting policies, and in compliance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ("MFRSs"), International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Companies Act 2016 in Malaysia.

During the current financial year, the Company has adopted the following new accounting standard(s) and/or interpretation(s) (including the consequential amendments, if any):-

#### MFRSs and/or IC Interpretations (Including The Consequential Amendments)

Amendments to MFRS 16: Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback

MFRS 17 Insurance Contracts

Amendments to MFRS 17 Insurance Contracts

Amendment to MFRS 17: Initial Application of MFRS 17 and MFRS 9 – Comparative Information

Amendments to MFRS 101: Disclosure of Accounting Policies

Amendments to MFRS 101: Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current

Amendments to MFRS 101: Non-current Liabilities with covenants

Amendments to MFRS 107 and MFRS 7: Supplier Finance Arrangements

Amendments to MFRS 108: Definition of Accounting Estimates

Amendments to MFRS 112: Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction

Amendments to MFRS 112: International Tax Reform-Pillar Two Model Rules

The adoption of the above accounting standard(s) and/or interpretation(s)(including the consequential amendments, if any did not have any material impact on the company's financial statements.



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#### Part A - Explanatory Notes Pursuant to MFRS 134

#### A1 Basis of Preparation (Cont'd)

The Group has not applied in advance the following accounting standard(s) and/or interpretation(s) (including the consequential amendments, if any) that have been issued by the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board (MASB) but are not yet effective for the current financial year: -

### MFRSs and/or IC Interpretations (Including The Consequential Amendments)

**Effective Date** 

Amendments to MFRS 10 and MFRS 128: Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture Amendments to MFRS 121: Lack of Exchangeability

Deferred 1 January 2025

The adoption of the above accounting standard(s) and/or interpretation(s) (including the consequential amendments, if any) is expected to have no material impact on the financial statements of the Group upon their initial application.

#### A2 Comments about Seasonality or Cyclicality of Operations

The prices for the Group's products are not within the control of the Group but are determined by the global supply and demand situation for edible oils.

Crop production is affected by weather conditions, age of palms and availability of labour force.

The prices obtainable for the Group's products as well as the volume of production will determine the profits for the Group.

#### A3 Unusual Items Due to their Nature, Size or Incidence

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



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#### Part A - Explanatory Notes Pursuant to MFRS 134 (Cont'd)

#### A4 Changes in Estimates

There were no changes in estimates that have had a material effect on the results of the Group for the period under review.

#### A5 Debt and Equity Securities

There were no issuances, cancellations, repurchases, resale and repayments of debt and equity securities for the period under review.

#### A6 Dividends Paid

There were no dividends paid during the current quarter.

#### A7 Segment Information

Information about operating segment is not reported separately as the Group's profit or loss, assets and liabilities are mainly confined to a single operating segment, namely the oil palm plantation and operation of palm oil mill.

#### A8 Valuations of Property, Plant and Equipment

There has been no valuation undertaken for the Group's property, plant and equipment since the last annual financial statements.

#### A9 Material Events Subsequent to the End of the Interim Period

There were no material events subsequent to the end of the period under review that have not been reflected in the financial statements.

#### A10 Changes in the Composition of the Group

There were no significant changes in the composition of the Group for the quarter under review.



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#### Part A – Explanatory Notes Pursuant to MFRS 134 (Cont'd)

### A11 Changes in Contingent Liabilities or Contingent Assets

#### Timrest Sdn. Bhd.

On 23 December 2020, Timrest Sdn. Bhd. ("TSB"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, received notices of assessment for the years of assessment ("YAs") 2012, 2014 and 2015, and notices of additional assessment for the YAs 2010, 2011, 2013, 2016 and 2017 ("Assessments") in an amount totalling RM56.4 million.

The Assessments arose as a result of the Director General of Inland Revenue's ("DGIR") contention that the disposal of cultivation rights under Licence for Planted Forest at the Simunjan estate in 2018 rendered TSB engaging in an adventure or concern in the nature of trade; the disposal of which was therefore subject to income tax under the Income Tax Act 1967 ("ITA") instead of real property gains tax under the Real Property Gains Tax Act 1976 ("RPGTA"). The claim of agriculture allowance under Schedule 3 of the ITA on the expenditure incurred on planting activities arising from the Simunjan estate was consequently disallowed for YAs 2010 to 2017.

TSB challenged the Assessments and on 15 January 2021, filed a judicial review application against the Ministry of Finance ("Respondent"). The Kuala Lumpur High Court had initially fixed the hearing for TSB's application for leave to commence judicial review on 2 February 2021. However, the DGIR has made an application to intervene in the judicial review proceeding commenced by TSB. The High Court provided directions to the parties in respect to the DGIR's application to intervene and fixed the hearing (WA-25-22-01/2021) for the DGIR's application on 12 April 2021, with the decision to be fixed on 3 June 2021 after the hearing. Further, the High Court has granted an interim stay upon the enforcement of the Assessments until the hearing on 3 June 2021, whereby the disputed taxes do not have to be paid.

On 3 June 2021, in view of the 2 cases which was previously heard by YA Hakim Datuk Noorin Binti Badaruddin (Puncak Niaga Construction Sdn Bhd v Menteri Kewangan Malaysia) and YA Hakim Dato Sri Mariana Binti Yahya (Desaru Property Development Sdn Bhd v Menteri Kewangan Malaysia), whereby two conflicting decisions were given and appeals were lodged to the Court of Appeal, the Court takes the position that the decision of the Court of Appeal will be binding upon the present application. In this regard, the Judge reserves his decision pending the outcome of the 2 appeals before the Court of Appeal. The Judge fixed a case management (WA-25-22-01/2021) date on 6 September 2021 for parties to update the Court on the outcome of the appeals at the Court of Appeal. Further, the Judge granted an interim stay until the disposal of the Leave hearing, whereby the disputed taxes do not have to be paid until the leave hearing is heard and decided.

On 6 September 2021, it was fixed for case management of Enclosure 11 (intervener application) and case management for Enclosure 1 (leave) to update the court on the outcome of the appeals at the Court of Appeal against the conflicting decisions of YA Hakim Datuk Noorin Binti Badaruddin (Puncak Niaga Construction Sdn Bhd v Menteri Kewangan Malaysia) and YA Hakim Dato Sri Mariana Binti Yahya (Desaru Property Development Sdn Bhd v Menteri Kewangan Malaysia). The Applicant informed the Court that the hearing dates for the appeals at the Court of Appeal are still pending and not fixed yet. The Court fixed a case management (WA-25-22-01/2021) on 18 November 2021 at 9am via Zoom (unless instructed otherwise by the Court) to update the court on the status of the appeals at the Court of



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#### Part A – Explanatory Notes Pursuant to MFRS 134 (Cont'd)

#### A11 Changes in Contingent Liabilities or Contingent Assets (Cont'd)

Appeal. The interim stay granted until the disposal of leave hearing as instructed by Court previously remains valid and effective.

On 18 November 2021, the Applicant informed the Court that both appeals are fixed to be heard together on 14 December 2021. The Court then fixed a case management (WA-25-22-01/2021) on 21 December 2021 at 9am via Zoom pending the outcome of the COA appeals. Interim stay granted until the disposal of leave hearing as instructed by Court previously remains valid and effective.

On 22 November 2021, it was fixed for case mention (MOF.PKCP.700-7/1/1486-1593). The Appellant requested from Court for directions on the filing of cause papers. The Court fixed the next mention date on 7 February 2022 for parties to file the agreed cause papers.

On 21 December 2021, the Applicant informed the Court that the Proposed Intervenor's appeal in Puncak was allowed whilst the Applicant's appeal in Desaru was disallowed. The Applicant subsequently informed the Court that the clients in the appeals endeavour to file an appeal to the Federal Court against the decisions of the Court of Appeal in 30 days. The Court then fixed Simunjan case management (WA-25-22-01/2021) on 17 March 2022 at 9 am via Zoom for parties to update the Court regarding the appeals at the Federal Court. Interim stay granted until the disposal of leave hearing as instructed by Court previously remains valid and effective.

On 7 February 2022, it is fixed for mention (MOF.PKCP.700-7/1/1486-1593). The Appellant has sent the draft cause papers to the Respondent. The Respondent requested for time to peruse the draft cause papers. The Court instructed parties to file cause papers and attend the next mention on 5 April 2022.

On 17 March 2022, the Applicant informed the Court that Puncak and Desaru had been fixed for leave hearing at Federal Court on 24 May 2022. The Court then fixed case management (WA-25-22-01/2021) on 01 June 2022 at 9 am via Zoom to update the Court on the outcome of Puncak and Desaru. Interim stay granted until the disposal of leave hearing as instructed by Court previously remains valid and effective.

On 5 April 2022, it is fixed for mention (MOF.PKCP.700-7/1/1486-1593). The Appellant informed the court that the draft cause papers are still pending review and return from the Respondent. The Respondent requested for time to peruse the draft cause papers. The Court instructed parties to file cause papers and attend the next mention on 9 May 2022.

On 9 May 2022, it is fixed for mention (MOF.PKCP.700-7/1/1486-1593). The Appellant informed the court that the draft cause papers are still pending review and return from the Respondent. The Respondent requested for more time to peruse the draft cause papers. The Court instructed parties to file cause papers and attend the next mention on 12 July 2022.



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#### Part A – Explanatory Notes Pursuant to MFRS 134 (Cont'd)

#### A11 Changes in Contingent Liabilities or Contingent Assets (Cont'd)

On 01 June 2022, it was fixed for case management (WA-25-22-01/2021) to update the court on the status of the appeal at the Federal Court on intervener cases. The Applicant informed the Court that the leave application at the Federal Court was dismissed on 24 May 2022. However, the dismissal was based on the preliminary objection by the IRB on the appeal ability of the COA's decision based on Section 3 of the CJA. The Federal Court did not decide based on the question of law on intervener applications. The Applicant's Counsel requested for the case before this court to proceed to hearing of the intervener application as the matter should be heard on the merits. In this regard, the Court instructed parties to file any submission or additional submission, if necessary. The Court fixed the hearing for the intervener application on 5 September 2022. The Applicant request for the Interim stay previously granted to be extended until 5 September 2022. Notwithstanding the Attorney General Chambers (AGC) and IRB's objections, the Court allowed interim stay until 5 September 2022.

On 12 July 2022, it is fixed for mention (MOF.PKCP.700-7/1/1486-1593). The Appellant informed the court that the draft cause papers are still pending review and return from the Respondent. The Respondent requested for more time to revert on the draft cause papers. The Court instructed parties to file cause papers and attend the next mention on 13 September 2022.

On 05 September 2022, due to a conflict of hearings, the Court vacated the hearing **(WA-25-22-01/2021)** and directed the intervenor hearing in front of YA Dato' Ahmad Kamal bin Md. Shahid (MTKL BKK1, Aras 4, Sayap Kanan) is fixed for 7 December 2022 at 11.00am to 1.00pm, the Written Submissions be filed and served on/before 9 November 2022; and The Written Submissions in Reply be filed and served on 23 November 2022. Interim stay granted until the disposal of leave hearing as instructed by Court previously remains valid and effective.

On 13 September 2022, it was fixed for mention (MOF.PKCP.700-7/1/1486-1593) to update the Court on the status of filing of cause papers. The Appellant's counsel informed the court that the Respondent's counsel reverted with their comments on the draft cause papers on 12.9.2022 and subsequently requested more time to review. In that regard, the Court directed parties to attend the next mention on 15 November 2022 to file cause papers.

On 15 November 2022, it was fixed for mention (MOF.PKCP.700-7/1/1486-1593) to update the Court on the status of filing of cause papers. The Appellant informed the court that the amended cause papers were only received from the Respondent on 14 November 2022. In that regard, the Court directed parties to attend the next mention on 17 January 2023 to file cause papers.



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#### Part A – Explanatory Notes Pursuant to MFRS 134 (Cont'd)

#### A11 Changes in Contingent Liabilities or Contingent Assets (Cont'd)

On 07 December 2022, it was fixed for hearing **(WA-25-22-01/2021)** of Enclosure 11 (Proposed Intervenor's application to intervene) and case management for Enclosure 1 (Judicial Review Application). The Applicant submitted that the court has a discretion whether or not to allow the application to intervene and the application to intervene should be made at the substantive stage. The Proposed Intervenor submitted that no ground of decision does not mean principle of stare decisis does not apply. Based on the stare decisis principle, the High Court are bound by the Court of Appeal decision in Puncak Niaga Construction Sdn Bhd and Desaru Property Development Sdn Bhd. The court directed parties to attend decision fixed on 16 February 2023 at 9am, the Proposed Intervenor to file written submission on/before 7 January 2023, and the Applicant to file written submission in reply on/before 21 January 2023. The interim stay previously granted by Court until the disposal of the leave hearing remains valid.

On 17 January 2023, it was fixed for mention (MOF.PKCP.700-7/1/1486-1593) to update the court on the status of cause papers and to fix hearing dates. The Appellant informed the court that all cause papers have been filed. The Court fixed the trial date on 1 July 2024 to 2 July 2024 and instructed the parties to file witness statement 2 weeks before the trial.

On 16 February 2023, it was fixed for decision **(WA-25-22-01/2021)** in relation to the IRB's Application to Intervene. The Court allowed the IRB's Application to intervene with an order of cost in the cause. The Court directed parties to attend case management via e-review on 28 March 2023 before the Deputy Registrar to fix leave hearing date. Interim stay was granted in the year 2021 until disposal of leave.

On 28 March 2023, it was fixed for case management (WA-25-22-01/2021) in Enclosure 1 to fix leave hearing date. The Court directed parties to attend leave hearing physically fixed on 21 September 2023, from 10am to 11.30am; to file written submission simultaneously on/before 24 August 2023; to file written submission in reply simultaneously on/before 7 September 2023; and parties must bring the hardcopy of the written submission(s) on the leave hearing date. Interim stay was granted on 3 June 2021 until disposal of judicial review application.

On 21 September 2023, it was fixed for hearing **(WA-25-22-01/2021)** in Enclosure 1. The Applicant's counsel informed the Court that the Applicant wishes to rely on the written submissions and the oral submission presented to the Court during the leave hearing for Symphony Hills and Puncak Niaga Management on 18 September 2023 in order to save court's time. The Attorney General Chambers (AGC) informed the Court that they wish also to rely on their written submissions and emphasised that the AGC's objection to the Applicant's leave application remains the same. The Intervener took the same position. The Court took note of the above and instructed parties to attend leave decision in Enclosure 1 on 24 October 2023 via zoom. Interim stay was granted on 3 June 2021 until disposal of judicial review application.



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On 24 October 2023, it was initially fixed for Decision (WA-25-22-01/2021) in Enclosure 1. However, in view of 5 other cases which involve similar issues with the present matter, the Court took the view that it is appropriate to adjourn the Decision fixed on this day to the date of decision fixed for the 5 other cases, i.e. 27 November 2023. The Court will be pronouncing decisions for all 6 cases on 27 November 2023 simultaneously. The Court instructed parties to attend decision physically on 27 November 2023 at 9 am. Interim stay was granted on 3 June 2021 until disposal of judicial review application.

On 27 November 2023, it was fixed for the leave decision (WA-25-22-01/2021) in Enclosure 1. Upon reading all parties' written submissions and hearing parties' oral submissions, the Court found that the Applicant's leave application does not have merit and dismissed the Applicant's leave application with costs where the Applicant is required to pay RM2,500.00 to the AGC and DGIR respectively without subjecting to allocator fee. The Applicant's counsel then requested an interim stay to be granted pending the appeal to the Court of Appeal. The Federal Counsel objected to the interim stay application as no formal application had been filed. The Senior Revenue counsel objected to the interim stay application as no formal application had been filed and there are no special circumstances warranting the granting of interim stay. In this regard, the Court instructed parties to file a formal stay application before the High Court. Further, the Court granted an interim stay pending the filing of notice of appeal to the Court of Appeal and the notice of application for stay within 30 days. In the event the stay application is not filed within 30 days from today, the stay will lapse. RDS Advocates and Solicitors would suggest for the Company to file an appeal in light of the cases where leave has been granted by the High Court (eg: CMMT Investment Limited Sdn Bhd v MOF and Bandar Baru Majidee Development v MOF) and to file a formal stay application before the High Court in order to preserve the status quo.

On 28 November 2023, the Notice of Appeal has been filed and served to the relevant parties on 29 November 2023. The Court of Appeal has fixed the first case management **(W-01(IM)-641-12/2023)** on 26 February 2024.

On 19 December 2023, it was fixed for Case Management (WA-25-22-01/2021) for Enclosure 69 (The Applicant's Application for Stay of Proceedings). Both Attorney General Chambers (AGC) and the Intervenor informed the Court that they object to the Applicant's Application for Stay of Proceedings. In this regard, the Court has given the following instructions that AGC/Intervenor to file its AIR (Afidavit Jawapan) on/before 5 January 2024; the Applicant to file its AIR (Afidavit Balasan) on/before 19 January 2024; and parties to attend Case Management via e-review to update on the status of the affidavits on 23 January 2024.

On 23 January 2024, it was fixed for Case Management (WA-25-22-01/2021) for Enclosure 69 (The Applicant's Application for Stay of Proceedings). The Applicant's counsel informed the Court that the parties have exhausted their affidavits. In this regard, the Court has given the following instructions that parties to attend physical hearing for Enclosure 69 before YA Dato' Ahmad Kamal bin Md. Shahid on 11 June 2024, 10am to 11am; parties to file and serve written submission simultaneously on/before 17 May 2024; and parties to file and serve written submission in reply simultaneously on/before 31 May 2024.



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#### Part A – Explanatory Notes Pursuant to MFRS 134 (Cont'd)

#### A11 Changes in Contingent Liabilities or Contingent Assets (Cont'd)

On 26 February 2024, it was fixed for CM (W-01(IM)-641-12/2023) for Enclosure 1 (Appeal to the Court of Appeal). The Appellant's counsel informed the Court that the Record of Appeal, exclusive of the Grounds of Judgment and the Notes of Proceeding have been duly filed. The Court directed the parties to attend case management on 13 May 2024 to update the status of filing of the Supplementary Record of Appeal, which is inclusive of the Grounds of Judgment and the Notes of Proceeding.

On 20 March 2024, it was fixed for the CM **(WA-25-22-01/2021)** for Enclosure 69 (The Applicant's Application for Stay of Proceedings) to reschedule the hearing date previously fixed for 11 June 2024 due to the court's vacation. Upon discussion between parties, the Court has given the following instructions that parties to attend the hearing for Enclosure 69 before YA Dato' Ahmad Kamal bin Md. Shahid via Zoom on 27 June 2024, 10 – 11 am, parties to file and serve written submissions (BM/BI) in the form of PDFs simultaneously on/before 31 May 2024; and parties to file and serve written submissions in reply (BM/BI) in the form of PDFs simultaneously on/before 14 June 2024.

On 13 May 2024, it was fixed for CM (W-01(IM)-641-12/2023) for Enclosure 1 (Appeal to the Court of Appeal). The Appellant's Counsel informed the Court that the supplementary Record of Appeal, inclusive of the Grounds of Judgment and Notes of Proceedings, was filed in Enclosure 12 on 8 March 2024. In light of similar appeals filed to the Court of Appeal, wherein YA Dato' Ahmad Kamal dismissed the leave application by the taxpayers to commence judicial review, the Court has directed parties to attend case management on 30 May 2024 to confirm if the appeals are to be fixed for the same hearing date, and also to update the status of the appeals.

On 30 May 2024, it was fixed for CM (W-01(IM)-641-12/2023) for Enclosure 1 (Appeal to the Court of Appeal). The Appellant's Counsel informed the Court that the Record of Appeal, inclusive of the Grounds of Judgment and the Notes of Proceedings, has not been filed. The Appellant's Counsel forwarded the draft Notes of Proceedings to the AGC, but there has been no response as of today. The Court took note of the above and directed the parties to attend case management on 12 September 2024 for the purposes of coordinating the related appeals, in view of the date of decision for tax appeals which has been fixed for 6 September 2024.

On 11 June 2024, it was fixed for mention (MOF.PKCP.700-7/1/1486-1593). The SCIT vacated the trial initially fixed for 1 July 2024 and 2 July 2024 without providing any reasons. The SCIT then directed the trial has been rescheduled to 21 August 2024 and 22 August 2024, 9.30am at MOF Putrajaya; and parties to file witness statement 2 weeks before the trial.



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#### Part A – Explanatory Notes Pursuant to MFRS 134 (Cont'd)

#### A11 Changes in Contingent Liabilities or Contingent Assets (Cont'd)

On 27 June 2024, it was fixed for the hearing of the stay application in Enclosure 69 (The Applicant's Application for Stay of Proceedings) (WA-25-22-01/2021). The Applicant's counsel informed the Court that the leave to commence judicial review was dismissed, and the decision for the appeal before the Court of Appeal on similar matters was fixed for 6 September 2024. Hence, the Applicant's counsel requested to have the stay application heard after the Court of Appeal's decision on similar matters. In response, the Intervener highlighted the "pay first, talk later" regime in Malaysia and requested the Applicant to propose a tax instalment payment plan pending the decision from the Court of Appeal. The Court acknowledged the above and instructed the parties to attend case management on 11 September 2024 and update the Court on the decision of the Court of Appeal and the proposed tax instalment plan.

On 21 August 2024, it was fixed for the trial **(MOF.PKCP.700-7/1/1486-1593)**. The Appellant's 1st and 2nd witnesses completed examination-in-chief (EIC), cross-examination and reexamination. While the Appellant's 3rd witness completed his examination-in-chief. The matter is adjourned to the next day at 9 am.

On 22 August 2024, it was fixed for the trial (MOF.PKCP.700-7/1/1486-1593). The Appellant's 3rd witness completed his cross-examination and re-examination. The Respondent's witness completed its examination-in-chief, cross-examination, and re-examination. The Court instructed the Appellant to file written submission on 23 September 2024; the Respondent to file written submission on 21 October 2024; the Appellant to file written submission in reply on 28 October 2024; parties to attend clarification on 14 November 2024 (afternoon); and parties to attend decision on 29 November 2024 (morning).

Additionally, the IRB conceded the following issues:

- (i) Issue 1 Time Bar
- (ii) Issue 3 Agricultural Allowance
- (iii) Issues 4 & 5 Deductibility of Charter Fees & Invocation of Section 140 of the ITA
- (iv) Issue 6 Penalty for the YAs 2010 to 2016

The only issue in dispute is Issue 2, concerning the taxability of gains arising from the disposal of agricultural rights at the Simunjan Estate, and its corresponding penalty for the YA 2017.

On 6 September 2024, it was fixed for case management (W-01(IM)-641-12/2023) for Enclosure 1 (Appeal to the Court of Appeal). The Court directed the parties to attend case management on 27 November 2024 while pending the decision of bulk leave appeal before the Court of Appeal.

On 11 September 2024, it was fixed for case management (WA-25-22-01/2021) to update the status of the COA Appeal. The Applicant's counsel informed the Court that the next CM for the appeal before the Court of Appeal was fixed for 12 September 2024 and the parties agreed to have the stay application heard after the decision from the Court of Appeal on similar matters. The Applicant's counsel also informed the court that the Applicant had requested a meeting to discuss tax instalment plan via a letter dated 11 July 2024 and we are now awaiting a reply. The Intervenor confirmed the same and informed the court that this is pending approval from the superior. The Court took note of the above and instructed the parties to attend case management on 23 September 2024 and update the Court on the decision of the Court of Appeal as well as the tax instalment plan.



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On 23 September 2024, it was fixed for CM (WA-25-22-01/2021) to update the Court on the status of the COA Appeal and the instalment proposal. The Applicant's counsel informed the Court the Applicant submitted a request for a discussion for the instalment plan with the Intervenor on 11 July 2024. However, there has been no response from the Intervenor. The Applicant's counsel further requested three months from the Court to update the Court on the status of the appeal before the Court of Appeal and the outcome of the discussion between the parties. The Court noted the above and instructed the following:

- (a) The written submissions for the stay application are complete. The parties agree that the stay application will be adjourned until the disposal of the Applicant's appeal at the Court of Appeal, which was fixed for 25 November 2024;
- (b) Parties are to attend case management via e-review to update the Court on the status of the COA appeal and the discussion on 17 December 2024.

On 28 October 2024, the Respondent has served their written submission on 26 October 2024. As a result of this delay, the SCIT **(MOF.PKCP.700-7/1/1486-1593)** has granted new dates for the following:

- (a) Appellant file written submission: 15 November 2024
- (b) Clarification: 29 November 2024
- (c) Decision: 20 December 2024

On 27 November 2024, it was fixed for CM (W-01(IM)-641-12/2023) for Enclosure 1 (Appeal to the Court of Appeal). The Appellant informed the Court that the decision for bulk leave appeal has been rescheduled to 19 December 2024. The Court took note and directed the parties to attend CM on 3 January 2025 to get further instructions.

On 27 November 2024, it was fixed for clarification (MOF.PKCP.700-7/1/1486-1593). The Appellant's counsel submitted the following:

- (a) The subject matter of the disposal in the present matter was agricultural rights, not the Simunjan Estate. There was no SPA nor MOT indicating any transfer of land. Moreover, the Simunjan Estate is not a titled land, meaning the Appellant could not have owned or disposed of the estate. During cross-examination, RW1 admitted that the Appellant disposed of the Agricultural Rights rather than Simunjan Estate;
- (b) Reference was made to two similar precedents involving transfer of rights:
  - (i) SE Sdn Bhd v Ketua Pengarah Hasil Dalam Negeri: The SCIT ruled that the gains from the transfer of rights were capital in nature and subject to RPGT
  - (ii) Keysight Technologies Malaysia Sdn Bhd v Ketua Pengarah Hasil Dalam Negeri: The Court of Appeal held that gains arising from the disposal of IP rights, which were treated as intangible assets, were capital in nature and not subject to income tax:
- (c) The Court of Appeal decision in Kind Action Sdn Bhd v Ketua Pengarah Hasil Dalam Negeri was cited. The issue of double taxation arose when the Respondent issued Form JA despite the prior issuance of Form K under the Real Property Gains Tax Act 1976 ("RPGTA"). The Appellant's counsel highlighted that the Federal Court recently dismissed the Inland Revenue Board's appeal, thereby upholding the Court of Appeal's decision;



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- (d) Form JA should have been raised for the YA 2018, not the YA 2017, as the condition precedent was only completed in 2018; and
- (e) There are no badges of trade evident in the present appeal.

In response, the Respondent's counsel argued that:

- (a) The Appellant disposed of the Simunjan Estate granted under LPF/0035. Reference was made to the consideration of RM150 million stated in both Form CKHT 1A and the Agreement between RSB and the Appellant;
- (b) There was no double taxation since the Respondent had issued Form KR to the Appellant earlier;
- (c) The Respondent sought to distinguish the cited precedents:
  - (i) In SE Sdn Bhd, the income involved rental income from fixed assets, whereas the present case involves business income from the sale of fresh fruit bunches from the Simunian Estate:
  - (ii) In Keysight, there was no alteration to the IP, and no time-bar issue was raised, making it materially different from the present appeal.
- (d) There were badges of trade in the present matter, including an intention to trade and a short holding period.
- (e) There were badges of trade in the present matter, including an intention to trade, alteration and developments on the Simunjan Estate, and a short holding period.

The Appellant's counsel rebutted that the Agricultural Rights were disposed of due to extenuating financial distress. Furthermore, it was clarified that the disposal of the Agricultural Rights to RSB and the subsequent disposal by RSB to Tiasa Mesra was a back-to-back transaction.

The Court instructed the parties to attend the decision on 10 January 2025.

On 17 December 2024, it was fixed for case management (WA-25-22-01/2021) to update the status of the COA Appeal. The Applicant's counsel informed the Court that the next Case Management for the appeal before the Court of Appeal was fixed for 19 December 2024. The Court instructed the parties to attend case management via e-review on 9 January 2025 to update the Court on the decision of the Court of Appeal.

On 19 December 2024, it was fixed for Case Management (W-01(IM)-641-12/2023) for Enclosure 1 (Appeal to the Court of Appeal). The parties informed the Court that the COA had ruled in favour of the taxpayers for the bulk leave appeal and granted leave for Judicial Review on 19 December 2024. The parties also informed the Court that the AGC may file a motion for leave to appeal against the said decision. The Court took note and directed the parties to attend CM on 6 February 2025 to update status of the AGC's appeal to the Federal Court.



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On 9 January 2025, it was fixed for CM **(WA-25-22-01/2021)** to update the Court on the status of the COA Appeal. The Applicant's counsel informed the Court that the Court of Appeal dismissed the AGC's appeal against the High Court's decision in granting leave to commence judicial review. By consent, it was agreed by the parties that:

- i. the substantive hearing of all the judicial review applications in the High Court be stayed pending the filing of leave application in the Federal Court by the Attorney General Chambers; and
- ii. the disposal of such leave application e-filed, and if such application is not filed within the time period stipulated then the stay herein lapsed and the substantive hearing of judicial review will proceed in the High Court.

The Court noted the above and instructed the parties to proceed with the stay application instead.

In this regard, the Court gave the following instructions:

- i. To attend physical hearing on 9 July 2025, 10am;
- ii. To file written submission in PDF copyable format on or before 6 June 2025 and serve it on the same day;
- iii. To file written submission in reply in PDF copyable format on or before 27 June 2025 and serve it on the same day;
- iv. Parties must bring physical copy of the written submissions for the purpose of the hearing;
- v. Any application to change the submission date must be made in writing and filed to EFS system to obtain the Court's permission. The application letter should copy all other parties, including their email addresses, and indicate whether the parties agree or disagree with the application.

On 10 January 2025, it was fixed for Decision (MOF.PKCP.700-7/1/1486-1593).

The judgment delivered by the Court was as follows:

- (a) Several issues were withdrawn during the trial, i.e., the eligibility for agricultural allowance, the deductibility of the charter fee, and the corresponding penalties for these issues;
- (b) The only issue that proceeded to trial was the taxability of gains arising from the disposal of agricultural rights at the Simunjan Estate for the YA 2017 under the Income Tax Act 1967 ("ITA"), along with the corresponding penalty imposed under Section 113(2) of the ITA;
- (c) Upon examining the written submissions by both parties, witness statements, and documentary evidence, the Court found:
  - (i) This issue pertained to the disposal of agricultural rights rather than property. Hence, the disposal should be considered a capital transaction, not a trading activity;
  - (ii) There was no intention to trade, as the agricultural rights were held as an investment to generate income:
  - (iii) Improvements made to the estate were functional necessities; and
  - (iv) Financial considerations warranted the disposal of agricultural rights.
  - Based on the foregoing, the Appellant has successfully discharged its burden of proof under paragraph 13 of Schedule 5 of the ITA.



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(d) As such, the Court allowed the Appellant's appeal, and the Form JA for the YA 2017 was set aside.

On 28 January 2025, the Inland Revenue Board filed and served its notice of appeal. At this stage, no action is required from us. We will await their index for the record of appeal and seek further instructions from the Court regarding the filing of written submissions.

On 6 February 2025, it was fixed for CM (W-01(IM)-641-12/2023) for Enclosure 1 (Appeal to the Court of Appeal). The Applicant's counsel informed the Court that the AGC filed a notice of motion to appeal to the Federal Court. The Court took note and directed the parties to attend CM on 15 May 2025 to update the Court on the decision of the AGC's notice of motion to appeal to the Federal Court.

On 13 February 2025, it was fixed for the first case management **(WA-14-2-01/2025)** for IRB's appeal. The Appellant informed the Court that the Notice of Appeal was filed on 28 January 2025. The Court took note of the above and instructed parties to attend case management via e-review on 20 March 2025 for the Appellant to update on the filing of the record of appeal.

Management believes, based on legal advice, that TSB has an arguable case to contend that the Respondent has exceeded its jurisdiction and acted illegally and unreasonably in failing to exercise its power under Section 135 of the ITA to provide directions to the DGIR and/or Section 127(3A) of the ITA to set aside or exempt the notices of additional assessment. Further, the DGIR's conduct in subjecting the gains arising from TSB's disposal of cultivation rights at the Simunjan estate to Section 4(a) of the ITA is without legal and factual basis. Therefore, no provision is required to be made in the financial statements.

#### R. H. Plantation Sdn. Bhd.

On 15 April 2024, R. H. Plantation Sdn Bhd, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Rimbunan Sawit Berhad received a demand letter from Louis Achuk & Co. Advocates who is acting on behalf of Mr. Sangau Anak Ebaiak trading under the name and style of Undi Enterprise to demand for outstanding sum of RM3.03 million (accumulating from January 2022 until February 2024) and shortchanged payment for Oil Palm Fresh Fruit Bunches (FFB).

On 23 May 2024, Mr. Sangau Anak Ebaiak trading under the name and style of Undi Enterprise ("Plaintiff") through Louis Achuk & Co. Advocates filed a suit against R. H. Plantation Sdn Bhd ("Defendant") in Miri High Court under Suit No. **MYY-22NCC-2-5/2024** (HC).

On 31 May 2024, a sealed copy of the Writ of Summons [Encl.1] and Statement of Claim [Encl.2] both dated 23 May 2024 was duly served on the Defendant (Miri office).



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On 1 July 2024, the matter MYY-22NCC-2-5/2024 (HC) came up for mention by way of ereview and it has been set for further mention on 1 August 2024 by way of ereview to monitor the exchange of pleadings.

On 10 July 2024, the Defendant through Sandhu Lee & Co. Advocates filed Defence [Encl.6] and a copy was served to the Plaintiff's Advocates on the same day. On 17 July 2024, the Plaintiff through its Advocates filed and served Reply to Defence [Encl.7].

On 1 August 2024, the Court has fixed the matter for pre-trial case management before his Lordship Justice Dean Wayne Daly on 4 September 2024 at 9.00 a.m. so as to give the further directions to parties for preparation of trial.

On 4 September 2024, it was fixed for pre-trial case management and the Court has set the following directions:

- i. Bundle of Pleadings to be filed on or before 4 October 2024;
- ii. Affidavit Verifying List of Documents, Bundle of Documents, Statement of Agreed Facts and Issues to be Tried respectively to be filed on or before 19 October 2024;
- iii. Witness Statements to be filed two weeks before the trial date;
- iv. Trial dates have been fixed on 10 to 14 March 2025 at 9.00 a.m.; and
- v. Final Management fixed on 20 January 2025 to monitor compliance of the directions.

On 23 January 2025, the matter came up for case management on 22 January 2025. During the mention of the case, the Plaintiff's counsel had requested forensic analysis to be done for the documents listed as per their letter dated 16 January 2025 and for the cost to be incurred jointly. We have objected to the proposal and thereafter the court directed the parties to discuss and decide on whether the forensic analysis can be done jointly within 14 days from the mention date. The Plaintiff was directed to write in a detailed proposal to us for the consideration. Further, the court has rescheduled the trial dates to 18 August 2025 to 22 August 2025 at 9am.

Management has received legal advice suggesting that there is a reasonable argument to contest the Plaintiff's claim. Specifically, the Plaintiff had erroneously double-counted the quantity delivered. Hence, the Plaintiff's claim there is not bona fide and/or the Plaintiff will be unjustly enriched should be claim be allowed. Thus, no provision is required to be made in the financial statements.

#### **A12** Capital Commitments

The amount of capital commitments not provided for in the financial statements as at 31 December 2024 was as follows: -

RM'000

Property, plant and equipment: -

- Contracted but not provided for

4,508

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### Part A – Explanatory Notes Pursuant to MFRS 134 (Cont'd)

#### A13 **Significant Related Party Transactions**

The Group carried out the following significant transactions with the related parties during the period under review: -

	Individual Quarter 3 Months Ended		Cumulativ 12 Month	ns Ended
	31.12.2024 RM'000	31.12.2023 RM'000	31.12.2024 RM'000	31.12.2023 RM'000
Consultancy fees paid	-	2	-	10
Interest paid	12	62	56	117
Purchase of fertilizers and	(0)		004	70
chemicals	(2)	7.450	984	78
Purchase of FFB	7,292	7,152	23,266	23,614
Purchase of property, plant	1,366	1 260	2.260	2.055
and equipment Purchase of stores and	1,300	1,360	3,260	2,055
consumables	1,829	611	6,421	2,243
Purchases of Diesel	2,971	011	10,890	2,243
Rental paid	653	80	1,503	150
Repairs and maintenance	38	150	209	276
Transportation and	30	100	200	210
accommodation charges	20	54	100	83
Utilities, insurance, and sundry	20	04	100	00
expenses	20	_	46	24
Event package fee expense	-	4	86	27
Contract Fee	1,626	515	7,568	927
Purchases Empty Bunch Ash	-	-	6	-
Rental received	9	31	41	57
Sale of crude palm oil	- -	5,447	-	67,333
Sale of Palm Kernel	-	993	-	9,866
Sale of FFB	20,159	15,126	63,816	37,491
Sale of stores and consumables	53	66	973	277
Sale of Seedlings	57	149	286	455
Transportation and handling				
income	9	81	27	928
Utilities, insurance, and sundry				
income	2	1	6	6
Computer & Software				
maintenance income	-	-	-	25
Sale of property, plant				
and equipment	-	-	16	2
Labour service fee income	-	1	-	-
Event Package Fee income			7	



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#### Part B - Explanatory Notes Pursuant to Appendix 9B of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad

#### **B1 Review of Performance**

Financial review for current guarter and financial year to date

	Individual Quarter 3 Months Ended		Changes	Cumulativ 12 Month	Changes	
	31.12.2024	31.12.2023	(%)	31.12.2024	31.12.2023	(%)
	RM'000	RM'000		RM'000	RM'000	
Revenue	183,713	139,619	31.6%	539,556	507,762	6.3%
Gross Profit/(Loss)	15,646	(10,216)	-253.2%	41,142	19,388	112.2%
Profit before taxation	2,207	26,627	-91.7%	31,925	17,326	84.3%
Profit after taxation	348	29,202	-98.8%	24,701	13,018	89.7%
Profit attributable to owners of the Company	2,245	37,582	-94.0%	28,826	25,110	14.8%

#### 3 Months Ended 31.12.2024 vs 31.12.2023

For the three months ended 31 December 2024, the Group recorded revenue of RM183.7 million, reflecting a 31.6% increase from RM139.6 million in the same period of 2023. The Group experienced a significant turnaround in gross profit, rising by 253.2% to RM15.6 million, compared to a gross loss of RM10.2 million in previous year. Despite the increase in revenue and gross profit, profit before taxation declined by 91.7%, dropping from RM26.6 million to RM0.3 million. Consequently, profit attributable to the owners of the company declined by 94.0%, from RM37.6 million to RM2.2 million.

#### 12 Months Ended 31.12.2024 vs 31.12.2023

For the financial year ended 31 December 2024, the Group reported total revenue of RM539.6 million, representing a 6.3% increase compared to RM507.8 million in the previous year. Gross profit grew significantly by 112.2%, rising from RM19.4 million to RM41.1 million. As a result, profit before taxation surged by 84.3%, increasing from RM17.3 million to RM31.9 million. Profit after taxation also saw a strong rise of 89.7%, climbing from Rm13.0 million to RM24.7 million. Additionally, profit attributable to the owners of the company increased by 14.8%, reaching RM28.8 million compared to RM25.1 million in 2023.



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### B2 Material Change in the Profit Before Taxation for the Current Quarter as Compared with the Immediate Preceding Quarter

	Current Quarter Ended	Immediate Preceding Quarter Ended	Changes
	31.12.2024	30.09.2024	(%)
	RM'000	RM'000	
Revenue	183,713	146,902	25.1%
Gross profit	15,646	5,017	211.9%
Profit before taxation	2,207	31,849	-93.1%
Profit after taxation	348	32,245	-98.9%
Profit attributable to owners of the Company	2,245	32,683	-93.1%

#### 3 Months Ended 31.12.2024 vs 30.09.2024

For the quarter ending December 31, 2024, the Group recorded revenue of RM183.7 million, reflecting a 25.1% increase from RM146.9 million in the previous quarter. This growth led to significant surge in gross profit, which rose by 211.9%, reaching RM15.6 million compared to RM5.0 million in the prior quarter. Despite increase in revenue and gross profit, profit before taxation dropped sharply by 93.1%, falling to RM2.2 million from RM31.8 million. Similarly, profit before taxation declined by 98.9%, from RM32.2 million to RM0.3 million. As a result, profit attributable to the company's owners experienced a substantial 93.1% decline, reaching RM2.2 million compared to RM32.7 million in the preceding quarter.



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#### **B3** Commentary on Prospects

The Malaysian palm oil industry is expected to grow in 2025. Palm oil prices are likely to be higher, averaging between RM4,350 and RM4,600 per ton, due to strong demand, especially from Indonesia's B40 biodiesel program. However, challenges remain, including the European Union Deforestation Law, which will require Malaysia to follow strict sustainability rules. To stay competitive, the industry must focus on sustainable practices and meet global environmental standards. Despite these challenges, the outlook remains positive.

#### **B4** Financial Estimate, Forecast, Projection or Internal Targets

The Group has not issued any financial estimate, forecast, projection or internal targets for the period under review.

#### **B5** Income Tax Expense

·	Individua 3 Month	l Quarter s Ended	Cumulative Quarter 12 Months Ended		
Tax expense for the year:	31.12.2024 RM'000	31.12.2023 RM'000	31.12.2024 RM'000	31.12.2023 RM'000	
Current tax	4,546	3,858	14,138	11,355	
Deferred tax	(2,687)	(6,433)	(6,914)	(7,047)	
	1,859	(2,575)	7,224	4,308	



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## B6 Corporate Proposals Pending Completion and Status of Utilisation of Proceeds Raised from Corporate Proposals

Proposal	

On 21 December 2023, Rimbunan Sawit Berhad ("RSB")'s wholly-owned subsidiary, R.H. Plantation Sdn. Bhd. ("RHPSB") had entered into a Sale and Purchase Agreement ("S&P") with Mahawangsa Sungai Bok Plantation Sdn. Bhd. (formerly known as Hua Seng Plantation Sdn. Bhd.) ("MSBPSB" or the "Purchaser") to dispose of a parcel of agricultural land described as Lot 56 Sawai Land District, Miri, Sarawak measuring approximately 4,857.00 hectares together with the oil palm plantation and buildings erected thereon ("Selangor Estate") to MSBPSB for a disposal consideration of RM90.00 million to be satisfied entirely in cash ("Proposed Disposal 1"); and

Rimbunan Sawit Berhad ("RSB")'s wholly-owned subsidiary, Jayamax Plantation Sdn. Bhd. ("JPSB") had entered into a Sale and Purchase Agreement ("S&P") with Mahawangsa Sungai Bok Plantation Sdn. Bhd. (formerly known as Hua Seng Plantation Sdn. Bhd.) ("MSBPSB" or the "Purchaser") to dispose of 4 parcels of agricultural land described as Lots 4 and 6, both of Block 9 Dulit Land District, Miri, Sarawak and Lots 101 and 102, both of Sawai Land District, Miri, Sarawak, collectively measuring approximately 5,077.66 hectares, each with the oil palm plantation and buildings erected thereon (collectively, the "Jayamax Estate") to MSBPSB for a disposal consideration of RM75.00 million to be satisfied entirely in cash ("Proposed Disposal 2")

#### Status

- (i) The Proposed Disposal 1 shall be conditional upon the fulfilment of the following conditions:
- (a) RHPSB obtaining the consent in writing of the Director of Land and Survey Department of Sarawak for the transfer of the Selangor Estate to and in favour of MSBPSB in compliance with the restriction-in-interest expressed in the land title of the Selangor Estate ("CSPA 1 Consent for Transfer I");
- (b) RHPSB obtaining the consent in writing of the Superintendent of Land and Survey Department of Sarawak, Miri Division for the transfer of the Selangor Estate to and in favour of MSBPSB in accordance with the provisions of the Sarawak Land Code ("CSPA 1 Consent for Transfer II");
- (c) MSBPSB obtaining the consent in writing of the Director of Land and Survey Department of Sarawak for the charge of the Selangor Estate to and in favour of MSBPSB's financier in compliance with the restriction-in-interest expressed in the land title of the Selangor Estate ("CSPA 1 Consent for Charge");
- (d) the approval of the shareholders of RSB in a general meeting for the disposal of the Selangor Estate at the Disposal Consideration 1 and upon the terms set out in the CSPA 1; and
- (e) all other approvals, consents or authorisations from the relevant authorities or parties and matters contemplated by the CSPA 1 being obtained,

hereinafter collectively referred to as "CSPA 1 Conditions Precedent".



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### B6 Corporate Proposals Pending Completion and Status of Utilisation of Proceeds Raised from Corporate Proposals (cont'd)

#### Status

- (ii) The CPSA 1 Conditions Precedent shall be fulfilled within 6 months from the date of the CSPA 1 with a grace period of 1 month ("Compliance Period").
- (iii) The CSPA 1 shall cease to be conditional on the date when all the CSPA 1 Conditions Precedent shall have been fulfilled (the "CSPA 1 Unconditional Date") on the basis that the consents are granted upon terms and conditions which are acceptable to RHPSB and MSBPSB.
- (i) The Proposed Disposal 2 shall be conditional upon the fulfilment of the following conditions:
- (a) the issuance of the provisional lease (under the Land Code of Sarawak) for both Lot 101 and Lot 102 by the Land and Survey Department of Sarawak, Miri Division to JPSB as the registered proprietor;
- (b) JPSB obtaining the consent in writing of the Director of Land and Survey Department of Sarawak for the transfer of the Jayamax Estate to and in favour of MSBPSB in compliance with the restriction-in-interest expressed in the land title of the Jayamax Estate ("CSPA 2 Consent for Transfer I");
- (c) JPSB obtaining the consent in writing of the Superintendent of the Land and Survey Department of Sarawak, Miri Division for the transfer of the Jayamax Estate to and in favour of MSBPSB in accordance with the provisions of the Sarawak Land Code ("CSPA 2 Consent for Transfer II");
- (d) MSBPSB obtaining the consent in writing of the Director of Land and Survey Department of Sarawak for the charge of the Jayamax Estate to and in favour of MSBPSB's financier in compliance with the restriction-in-interest expressed in the land title of the Jayamax Estate ("Consent for Charge");
- (e) the approval of the shareholders of RSB in a general meeting for the disposal of the Jayamax Estate at the Disposal Consideration 2 and upon the terms set out in the CSPA 2; and
- (f) all other approvals, consents or authorisations from the relevant authorities or parties and matters contemplated by the CSPA 2 being obtained,

hereinafter collectively referred to as "CSPA 2 Conditions Precedent".

- (ii) The CSPA 2 Conditions Precedent shall be fulfilled within 6 months from the date of the CSPA 2 with a grace period of 1 month ("CSPA 2 Compliance Period").
- (iii) The CSPA 2 shall cease to be conditional on the date when all the CSPA 2 Conditions Precedent shall have been fulfilled (the "CSPA 2 Unconditional Date") on the basis that the consents are granted upon terms and conditions which are acceptable to JPSB and MSBPSB.

On 22 December 2023, 10% of disposal consideration 1 & 2 has been paid to RHPSB by MSBPSB upon execution of the CSPA 1 & CSPA 2, of which 3% shall be retained by RHPSB's solicitors as the retention sum for payment to the Director General of Inland Revenue as required under the Real Property Gains Tax Act, 1976 ("RPGT Act").



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### B6 Corporate Proposals Pending Completion and Status of Utilisation of Proceeds Raised from Corporate Proposals (cont'd)

Status

On 31 January 2024, 3% of disposal consideration 1 & 2 have been released by RHPSB and JPSB solicitors to the RHPSB and JPSB.

On 21 February 2024, both RHPSB and JPSB entered into Supplementary Agreements with the MSBPSB to change the manner in which the balance of the disposal consideration will be settled.

On 28 February 2024, MSBPSB has make payment of RM2,500,000 each for RHPSB and JPSB.

On 28 June 2024, the redemption sums of RM12,371,539.34 to redeem Lot 56 Sawai Land District under CSPA 1, and Lots 4 and 6 both of Block 9 Dulit Land District under CSPA 2, had all been settled.

On 1 July 2024, MSBPSB has make payment of RM11,545,820.63 to RHPSB and RM5,000,000 to JPSB. Besides, RHPSB also received redemption sums of RM61,458,243.03 on 1 July 2024.

The Memorandum of Discharge of Charge of the Existing Charge, the Memorandum of Transfer in favour of MSBPSB and the Memorandum of Charge in favour of MSBPSB's financier, all affecting Lot 56 Sawai Land District under CSPA 1 have been accepted for registration at the land registry office of the Land and Survey Department, Miri division on 5 July 2024.

The Memorandum of Discharge of Charge of the Existing Charge affecting Lots 4 and 6 both of Block 9 Dulit District, and the Memorandum of Transfer in favour of MSBPSB and the Memorandum of Charge in favour of MSBPSB's financier, all affecting Lots 4 and 6 both of Block 9 Dulit Land District and Lots 101 and 102 both Sawai Land District under CSPA 2 have been accepted for registration at the land registry office of the Land and Survey Department, Miri Division on 3 July 2024.

The Disposal Consideration 1 under CSPA 1 has been settled by MSBPSB on 5 July 2024 pursuant to the payment of the final amount of RM5,495,936.34 on 5 July 2024 in the late afternoon to Messrs. Huang & Co. Advocates as stakeholder, of which such sum was then released to RHPSB on even date, 9 July 2024.

The Disposal Consideration 2 under CSPA 2 has been settled by MSBPSB on July 2024 pursuant to the payment of the final amount of RM47,628,460.66 on 5 July 2024 in the late afternoon to Messrs. Huang & Co. Advocates as stakeholder, of which such sum was then released to JPSB on even date, 9 July 2024.

RHPSB has delivered Selangor Estate to MSBPSB and relocated its employees from Selangor Estate to other estates within RSB Group, and MSBPSB has taken possession and management of Selangor Estate on even date, 9 July 2024; and

JPSB has delivered Jayamax Estate to MSBPSB and relocated its employees from Jayamax Estate to other estates within RSB Group, and MSBPSB has taken possession and management of Jayamax Estate on even date, 9 July 2024.

The Disposals have been completed on 9 July 2024 following the receipt of the payment of the total balance disposal consideration by the RHPSB and JPSB from MSBPSB in accordance with the terms and conditions of the CSPAs. An announcement was made on 9 July 2024.

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## B6 Corporate Proposals Pending Completion and Status of Utilisation of Proceeds Raised from Corporate Proposals (cont'd)

	No.	Purposes	Proposed Utilization (RM'000)	Actual Utilization (RM'000)	Intended Time- Frame
	1.	Partial repayment of interest- bearing borrowings	86,106	86,106	July 2024
2. New planting and replanting of oil palm		19,100	19,100	July 2024	
	3.	Working capital requirements	59,119	59,119	July 2024
	4.	Defray estimated expenses in relation to the Proposed Disposals	675	675	July 2024
		Total	165,000	165,000	

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#### **B7** Group Borrowings

	As at 31.12.2024 (RM'000)			As at 3	1.12.2023 (R	(M'000
	Short-	Long-	,	Short-	Long-	,
<u>-</u>	term	term	Total	term	term	Total
Secured: - Bankers' acceptance	13,626	-	13,626	13,479	-	13,479
Lease liabilities	3,011	8,383	11,394	1,516	3,588	5,104
Revolving credit	54,091	-	54,091	104,578	-	104,578
Term loans	20,374	108,368	128,742	33,968	123,339	157,307
Loans	-	-	-	1,030	19,350	20,380
_	91,102	116,751	207,853	154,571	146,277	300,848
<b>Unsecured: -</b> Bankers'						
acceptance	3,459	-	3,459	11,575	-	11,575
Hire purchase	3,938	5,819	9,757	1,352	2,549	3,901
Loans	600	950	1,550	1,560	1,550	3,110
Revolving credit	9,375	-	9,375	20,671	-	20,671
_ _	17,372	6,769	24,141	35,158	4,099	39,257
Total Borrowings	108,474	123,520	231,994	189,729	150,376	340,105

a) The bankers' acceptance and revolving credit bore interest ranging from 4.0% to 4.6% per annum.

b) The term loans bore interest ranging from 2.9% to 5.5% per annum.

c) The bank overdraft is bearing interest ranging from 6.9% to 7.6% per annum.



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#### **B8 Material Litigation**

The Group has no outstanding material litigation which might materially and adversely affect the position or business of the Group as at 7 February 2025 being the latest practicable date.

#### **B9 Dividends**

No interim dividend has been declared for the period ending 31 December 2024.

#### **B10** Profit/(Loss) Per Share

	Individual Quarter 3 Months Ended		Cumulative Quarter 12 Months Ended	
	31.12.2024	31.12.2023	31.12.2024	31.12.2023
Profit attributable to the Company (RM'000)	2,245	37,582	28,826	25,110
Weighted average number of ordinary shares ('000):- Issued ordinary shares at 1 January	2,041,722	2,041,722	2,041,722	2,041,722
Weighted average number of ordinary shares at 31 December	2,041,722	2,041,722	2,041,722	2,041,722
Basic profit per share (sen)	0.11	1.84	1.41	1.23

The diluted earnings per share was not applicable as there were no dilutive potential ordinary shares outstanding at the end of the reporting period.

#### **Audit Report of the Preceding Annual Financial Statements B11**

The auditors' report on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2023 was not subject to any qualification.



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#### **B12**

**Profit/(Loss) Before Taxation**Profit/(Loss) before taxation is arrived at after charging/(crediting): -

	Individual Quarter 3 Months Ended		Cumulative Quarter 12 Months Ended	
	31.12.2024 RM'000	31.12.2023 RM'000	31.12.2024 RM'000	31.12.2023 RM'000
Allowance for stock obsolescence no longer required	-	3	-	-
Allowance for stock obsolescence	-	113	-	113
Amortisation of intangible assets Audit fee: -	1	2	4	13
- current financial year	105	103	389	388
- over provision in the previous financial year	-	(2)	-	(2)
Bad debts written off	3	284	131	944
Biological assets written off	812	620	812	620
Changes in fair value of biological assets	(1,154)	889	(2,403)	(123)
Depreciation of property, plant and	44.000	00.750	0.4.757	00.545
equipment	11,939 361	29,752 1,477	64,757 1,382	68,545 1,928
Directors' remuneration Finance costs	2,432	3,787	11,206	14,352
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(Gain)/Loss on derecognition of lease liabilities	(30)	3	(38)	(9)
Gain on disposal of assets classified as	(00)	· ·	(00)	(0)
held for sale	-	-	(41,447)	-
Loss on disposal of investment in an	2.500		2.500	
associate Loss on disposal of investments in	2,590	-	2,590	-
subsidiaries	-	2,099	-	2,099
Gain on disposal of property, plant and				
equipment	(402)	(430)	(1,532)	(659)
Impairment losses on:receivables	_	48	_	_
Impairment losses no longer required: -	_	40	_	_
- trade and other receivables	_	-	(27)	-
- property, plant and equipment	-	(58,552)	-	(58,552)
Interest income	(8)	(15)	(38)	(19)
Inventories written off	420	703	494	741
Payables written off	-	(59)	-	(2,618)
Inventories adjustment	209	-	200	-
Property, plant and equipment written off	404	6,413	1,444	7,391
Rental income	(91)	(58)	(222)	(118)
Rental on equipment	(8)	(1)	381	32
Rental on premises	-	2	-	6
Staff costs: -				
- short-term employee benefits	9,625	7,307	36,020	34,394
- defined contribution plan	1,059	721	3,976	3,555



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#### **B13** Derivatives

(a) Nature of outstanding derivatives

There were no outstanding derivatives as at the end of the reporting period.

(b) Risks and Policies of Derivatives

The Group did not enter into any derivatives during the 12-month period ended 31 December 2024.

(c) Gains/losses Arising from Fair Value Changes of Financial Liabilities

The Group did not have any financial liabilities measured at fair value through profit or loss as at 31 December 2024 and 31 December 2023.

#### **B14** Authorisation for Issue

The interim financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors in accordance with a resolution of the Directors dated 21 February 2025.