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#### **UNAUDITED INTERIM RESULTS**

The board of Directors (the "Board") of Dadi International Group Limited (the "Company") presents the unaudited condensed consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Group") for the six months ended 30 September 2021 (the "Reporting Period"), together with the unaudited comparative figures for the six months ended 30 September 2020 as follows:

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

		For the three months ended 30 September			months ended otember		
	Notes	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2020 HK\$'000		
		(Unaudited)	(Onaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)		
Revenue	5	9,461	2,981	19,313	246,721		
Cost of sales		(6,205)	(2,516)	(8,651)	(208,107)		
Gross profit		3,256	465	10,662	38,614		
Other gains or losses	6	1,652	274	1,843	1,865		
Administrative expenses		(11,234)	(26,986)	(23,456)	(39,307)		
(Loss)/profit from operations	7	(6,326)	(26,247)	(10,951)	1,172		
Finance costs	8	(10,280)	(14,944)	(26,496)	(29,067)		
Loss before taxation		(16,606)	(41,191)	(37,447)	(27,895)		
Income tax expense	9	(13)	(67)	(1,532)	(5,659)		
Loss for the period		(16,619)	(41,258)	(38,979)	(33,554)		
Loss for the period attributable to:							
Owners of the Company		(11,253)	(27,994)	(26,499)	(27,524)		
Non-controlling interests		(5,366)	(13,264)	(12,480)	(6,030)		
		(16,619)	(41,258)	(38,979)	(33,554)		
		HK Cents	HK Cents	HK Cents	HK Cents		
Loss per share	10						
Basic and diluted		(0.31)	(0.79)	(0.73)	(0.77)		

	For the three months ended 30 September		For the six months ended 30 September	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Loss for the period	(16,619)	(41,258)	(38,979)	(33,554)
Other comprehensive income/(expense) for the period				
Items that may be reclassified subsequently				
to profit or loss:  Exchange differences on translation				
of financial statements of				
overseas subsidiaries	(696)	17,868	8,100	17,890
Other comprehensive income/(expense)				
for the period	(696)	17,868	8,100	17,890
Total comprehensive expense				
for the period	(17,315)	(23,390)	(30,879)	(15,664)
Total comprehensive expense				
for the period attributable to:				
Owners of the Company	(11,921)	(11,814)	(18,955)	(11,345)
Non-controlling interests	(5,394)	(11,576)	(11,924)	(4,319)
	(17,315)	(23,390)	(30,879)	(15,664)

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	Notes	At 30 September 2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	At 31 March 2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Audited)
Non-current assets Property, plant and equipment Goodwill Right-of-use assets Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	11	971 6,417 1,396 36,767	889 6,417 1,379 39,789
Intangible asset Investment in an associate		43 316 45,910	312
Current assets Trade and other receivables and deposits Deposit for film production Deposit for purchase of film rights Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Bank balances and cash	12	1,240,130 31,759 4,248 2 24,806	1,221,750 30,151 4,033 2 36,196
Current liabilities Trade and other payables Borrowings Lease liabilities Tax payable	13 14	327,900 35,566 2,421 40,944	298,848 627,156 2,390 41,821
Net current assets  Total assets less current liabilities		894,114 940,024	970,215 321,917 370,703
Total assets less current habilities		940,024	370,703

	Notes	At 30 September 2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	At 31 March 2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Audited)
Capital and reserves Share capital Reserves	15	36,406 323,982	36,406 342,937
Equity attributable to owners of the Company Non-controlling interests		360,388 (20,779)	379,343 (8,855)
Total equity		339,609	370,488
Non-current liabilities Borrowings Lease liabilities	14	600,197 218	215
		600,415	215
Total equity and non-current liabilities		940,024	370,703

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

Equity attributable to equity shareholders of the Company

	Equity attributable to equity shareholders of the company									
	Issued capital HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	Share premium HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	Contributed surplus HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	Statutory reserve HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	Revaluation reserve HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	Translation reserve HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	Accumulated losses HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	Total HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	Non- controlling interests HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	Total equity HK\$'000 (Unaudited)
At 1 April 2020	35,649	1,823,073	325,798	6,939	(1,093)	(8,489)	(1,697,965)	483,912	51,903	535,815
Loss for the period Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	(27,524)	(27,524)	(6,030)	(33,554)
for the period	-	_	-	_	-	16,179	-	16,179	1,711	17,890
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for the period						16,179	(27,524)	(11,345)	(4,319)	(15,664)
Capital contribution from non-controlling interest									2,034	2,034
At 30 September 2020	35,649	1,823,073	325,798	6,939	(1,093)	7,690	(1,725,489)	472,567	49,618	522,185
At 1 April 2021	36,406	1,828,573	311,538	7,706	12,616	33,736	(1,851,232)	379,343	(8,855)	370,488
Loss for the period Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	(26,499)	(26,499)	(12,480)	(38,979)
for the period	-	-	-	-	-	7,544	-	7,544	556	8,100
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for the period Capital contribution from	-	-	-	-	-	7,544	(26,499)	(18,955)	(11,924)	(30,879)
non-controlling interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
At 30 September 2021	36,406	1,828,573	311,538	7,706	12,616	41,280	(1,877,731)	360,388	(20,779)	339,609

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	For the six mo	
	2021 <i>HK\$</i> '000 (Unaudited)	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)
Operating activities Cash generated from/(used in) operations Tax refunded	(10,142)	4,231 257
Net cash generated from/(used in) operating activities	(10,142)	4,488
Investing activities Other cash flows arising from investing activities	4,788	4,158
Net cash generated from investing activities	4,788	4,158
Financing activities Proceeds from other borrowings Repayment of other borrowings	600,197 (591,590)	
Other cash flows used in financing activities	(14,968)	(27,521)
Net cash used in financing activities	(6,361)	(27,521)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(11,715)	(18,875)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period Effect of foreign exchange rate changes	36,196 325	55,871 (2,756)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	24,806	34,240
Analysis of cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents of the Group	24,806	34,240

#### NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The Company was incorporated as an exempted company with limited liability in the Cayman Islands on 9 November 2001 and continued in Bermuda on 20 April 2009. The Company's shares have been listed on the GEM of The Stock Exchange since 26 August 2002.

The registered office and principal place of business of the Company are located at Clarendon House, 2 Church Street, Hamilton HM 11, Bermuda and Unit 1504-1506, 15th Floor, Office Tower, Convention Plaza, 1 Harbour Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong respectively.

The unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$"), which is the same as the functional currency of the Company and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand (HK\$'000) except otherwise indicated.

The Company's principal activity is investment holding. The Company and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Group") are principally engaged in publication, purchase and distributing of books, environmental protection business and financial leasing and other financial services.

#### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the six months ended 30 September 2021 has been prepared in accordance with the Hong Kong Accounting Standards 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and applicable disclosure requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on GEM of the Stock Exchange.

The unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements do not include all the information and disclosures required in the annual financial statement, and should be read in conjunction with those of the annual report for the year ended 31 March 2021.

The unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the six months ended 30 September 2021 have not been audited by the Company's auditors, but have been reviewed by the Company's audit committee.

#### 3. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30 September 2021 are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021, except for the adoption of new standards and interpretations effective as of 1 April 2021. The adoption of the new standards and amendments does not have a material impact on the accounting policies of the Group, and the amounts reported for the current period and prior periods. The Group has not early adopted any other standard, interpretation or amendment that has been issued but is not yet effective.

#### 4. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Group manages its businesses by divisions which are organised by a mixture of both business lines (products and services) and geography. In a manner consistent with the way in which information is reported internally to the Group's most senior executive management for the purposes of resource allocation and performance assessment, the Group has presented the following four reportable segments. No operating segments have been aggregated to form the following reportable segments.

(i)	Publication, purchase and distribution of books:	Engaged in Publication, purchase and distribution of books in the People's Republic of China ("PRC").
(ii)	Advertising and media related services:	Engaged in designing, production, acting as agency and placement of advertisements, information consulting and marketing planning in Hong Kong and the PRC.
(iii)	Financial leasing and other financial services:	Provision of financial leasing and other financial services in the PRC.
(iv)	Environmental protection business:	Provision of environmental consultancy service in the PRC.

#### Segment revenue and results

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and results by reportable segment:

	Publication, purchase and distribution of books For the six months ended 30 September		books related services as ended For the six months ended her 30 September		Financial leasing and other financial services For the six months ended 30 September		Environmental protection business For the six months ended 30 September		Total For the six months ended 30 September	
	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)
Revenue: Sales to external customers	2,670	246,721					16,643		19,313	246,721
Segment results	(24,953)	26,572					6,004		(18,949)	26,572
Unallocated other income and gains Unallocated expenses									271 (17,291)	347 (25,747)
(Loss)/profit from operations Unallocated finance costs									(35,969) (1,478)	1,172 (29,067)
Loss before taxation Income tax expense									(37,447) (1,532)	(27,895) (5,659)
Loss for the period									(38,979)	(33,554)

# Segment assets and liabilities

The following is an analysis of the Group's assets and liabilities by reportable segments:

	Publication, pu				Financial leasing and other financial services		Environmental protection business		Total	
	At 30 September 2021 <i>HK\$</i> '000 (Unaudited)	At 31 March 2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Audited)	At 30 September 2021 <i>HK\$</i> *000 (Unaudited)	At 31 March 2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Audited)	At 30 September 2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	At 31 March 2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Audited)	At 30 September 2021 <i>HK\$</i> *000 (Unaudited)	At 31 March 2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Audited)	At 30 September 2021 <i>HK\$</i> *000 (Unaudited)	At 31 March 2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Audited)
Segment assets	934,757	925,569	72,265	70,105	187,675	190,505	37,612	38,847	1,232,309	1,225,026
Unallocated assets									114,546	115,892
Total assets									1,346,855	1,340,918
Segment liabilities	874,527	258,307	45,353	45,049	28,883	28,540	6,691	6,701	955,454	338,597
Unallocated liabilities									51,792	631,833
Total liabilities									1,007,246	970,430

# Other segment information

	Publication, purchase and distribution of books For the six months ended 30 September		Advertising and media related services For the six months ended 30 September		Financial leasing and other financial services For the six months ended 30 September		Environmental protection business For the six months ended 30 September		Total For the six months ended 30 September	
	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)
Addition to non-current assets Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	- 25	481	-	-	128	92	116 36	-	244 61	<b>-</b> 573

# 5. REVENUE

	For the three m 30 Septe		For the six months ended 30 September		
	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	
Revenue from contracts with customers At a point in time Publication, purchase and					
distribution of books  Overtime  Environmental protection	2,670	2,981	2,670	246,721	
business	6,791		16,643		
	9,461	2,981	19,313	246,721	

#### 6. OTHER GAINS OR LOSSES

	For the three m 30 Septe		For the six months ended 30 September		
	2021	2020	2021	2020	
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Bank interest income	32	92	51	164	
Dividend income	1,449	16	1,449	1,341	
Other (loss)/Income	171	166	343	360	
Total	1,652	274	1,843	1,865	

#### 7. LOSS/PROFIT FROM OPERATIONS

	For the three months ended 30 September		For the six months ended 30 September	
	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)
The Group's (loss)/profit from operations is arrived at after charging/(crediting):				
Cost of sales Depreciation charge  property, plant and	6,205	2,516	8,651	208,107
equipment	57	66	111	171
<ul> <li>right-of-use assets</li> <li>Net foreign exchange</li> </ul>	-	1,359	_	2,704
(loss)/gain	1	18	1	19
Staff costs (including directors' remuneration)	5,940	6,415	12,398	11,395

# 8. FINANCE COSTS

	For the three months ended 30 September		For the six months ended 30 September	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Interest on other borrowing	10,280	14,625	26,496	28,748
Interest on lease liabilities		319		319
Total	10,280	14,944	26,496	29,067

#### a INCOME TAX EXPENSE

INCOME TAX EXI ENCE				
	For the three m 30 Septe		For the six mo	
	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)
Current tax charged: PRC Enterprise Income Tax	13	67	1,532	5,659
Total tax charged	13	67	1,532	5,659

Under the Law of the PRC on Enterprise Income Tax (the "EIT Law") and Implementation Regulation of the EIT Law, the tax rate of the PRC subsidiaries is 25% from 1 January 2008 onwards.

No provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax has been made as the Group has no assessable profits in Hong Kong or the estimated assessable profit was wholly absorbed by tax losses brought forward for the six months ended 30 September 2021 (2020: Nil).

The Group had no significant unprovided deferred tax assets and liabilities at 30 September 2021 (2020: Nil).

#### LOSS PER SHARE

#### Basic loss per share

The calculation of the basic loss per share is based on the loss attributable to owners of the Company for the three months ended 30 September 2021 of approximately HK\$11,253,000 (2020: loss attributable to owners of the Company of approximately HK\$27,994,000) and loss attributable to owners of the Company for the six months ended 30 September 2021 of approximately HK\$26,499,000 (2020: loss attributable to owners of the Company of approximately HK\$27,524,000) and the weighted average of 3,640,627,457 shares in issue during the three months ended 30 September 2021 (2020: 3,564,945,946 shares) and the weighted average of 3,640,627,457 shares in issue during the six months ended 30 September 2021 (2020: 3,564,945,946 shares).

#### Diluted loss per share

No diluted loss per share were presented as there were no potential ordinary shares in issue for the three months and six months ended 30 September 2021.

# 11. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

During the six months ended 30 September 2021, the Group acquired property, plant and equipment amount to HK\$262,000 (six months ended 30 September 2020: nil) and items of property, plant and equipment with carrying amounts were not disposed of (six months ended 30 September 2020: nil).

#### 12. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES AND DEPOSITS

	At 30 September 2021 <i>HK\$</i> '000 (Unaudited)	At 31 March 2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Audited)
Trade receivables Allowance for expected credit losses	667,613 (6,931)	659,674 (6,931)
	660,682	652,743
Deposits Prepayments Other receivables Loan receivables Allowance for expected credit losses	20,705 321,323 276,563 19,817 (58,960)	19,915 308,410 279,548 20,094 (58,960)
	579,448	569,007
	1,240,130	1,221,750

An aged analysis of the Group's trade receivables, based on the invoice date, which approximates the respective revenue recognition dates and net of allowance for expected credit losses, at the end of the Reporting Period is as follows:

At	At
30 September	31 March
2021	2021
HK\$'000	HK\$'000
(Unaudited)	(Audited)
5,405	2,420
1,053	1,660
1,342	1,678
652,882	646,985
660,682	652,743
	30 September 2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited) 5,405 1,053 1,342 652,882

#### TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES 13.

	At 30 September 2021 <i>HK\$</i> '000 (Unaudited)	At 31 March 2021 <i>HK\$</i> '000 (Audited)
Trade payables Accruals and other payables Dividend payables to non-controlling interests Security deposits received	175,371 111,068 39,383 2,078	171,289 90,696 34,785 2,078
	327,900	298,848

An aged analysis of the Group's trade payables presented based on the invoice date at the end of the Reporting Period is as follows:

	At 30 September 2021 <i>HK\$</i> '000 (Unaudited)	At 31 March 2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Audited)
0 - 30 days 31 - 60 days 61 - 90 days Over 90 days	1,926 _ 204 	157,959 - - 13,330
	175,371	171,289

#### 14. BORROWINGS

	At 30 September 2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	At 31 March 2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Audited)
Borrowings-secured		591,590
Borrowings-unsecured	635,763	35,566
	635,763	627,156
The carrying amounts of the above borrowings are repayable: Within one year	35,566	627,156
Within a period of more than one year but not exceeding two years	600,197	
	635,763	627,156
Less: amounts due within one year shown under current liabilities	35,566	627,156
Amounts shown under non-current liabilities	600,197	
The range of interest rates per annum on the Group's borrowings were	as followed:	
	At 30 September 2021 (Unaudited)	At 31 March 2021 (Audited)
Fixed rate	8.00%	8.00%- 10.22%

As at 30 September 2021, the borrowings of approximately HK\$600,197,000 (year ended 31 March 2021: approximately HK\$591,590,000 which granted by trust guarantee fund) was granted to the Group by Shanxi Environment Group Co., Ltd which is a substantial shareholder of the Company.

#### 15. SHARE CAPITAL

	Number of shares	Amount HK\$'000
Authorised: At 1 April 2020, 31 March 2021, 1 April 2021 and 30 September 2021, ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each	20,000,000,000	200,000
Issued and fully paid: At 1 April 2020, ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each (Audited) Issue of shares	3,564,945,946 75,681,511	35,649 757
At 31 March 2021 and 1 April 2021, ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each (Audited) and 30 September 2021, ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each (Unaudited)	3,640,627,457	36,406

#### MATERIAL RELATED PARTY TRANSACTION 16.

Save as disclosed elsewhere in these unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements, the Group had entered into the following material transaction with related parties during the period.

			For the six months ended 30 September	
Name of related party	Nature	Note	2021 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2020 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)
Shanxi Environment Group Co., Ltd* (山西省環境集團有限公司 ' "Shanxi Environment")	Long-term loan	<i>(i)</i>	600,197	_

#### Note:

On 23 June 2021, the Company and Shanxi Environment reached a loan contract. Pursuant to the Framework Agreement, Shanxi Environment granted a two-years term loan amount to RMB500,000,000 to Dadi Feichi Culture Development (Shanghai) Co., Limited (大地飛馳文化發 展(上海)有限公司).

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#### MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### Interim Dividend

The Board resolved not to declare any interim dividend for the six months ended 30 September 2021 (2020: Nil).

#### **Industry Overview**

# Publication, purchase and distribution of books business (the "Book Distribution Business")

In May 2018, the Ministry of Education of the PRC promulgated the Regulation for Libraries in Primary and Secondary School (《中小學圖書館(室)規程》), which stipulates the minimum requirement for book inventory and establishes the book keeping requirement for libraries in primary and secondary schools according to the Recommended Book List and Core Book List for Libraries in Primary and Secondary Schools Nationwide. Authorized provincial agent platforms are responsible for concentrated handling of book procurement requests from provincial primary and secondary schools and places centralized procurement orders with the authorized book procurement entities to address the demand for local primary and secondary education.

# Environmental protection business

The PRC government has been promulgating various initiatives to support the creation of a consistent environmental quality monitoring network with online and automatic pollution emission and monitoring capabilities. With the rapid growth of demand for environmental monitoring, there is a corresponding need to improve the quality of data monitoring performance which is a key step towards realising smart environment protection. With the gradual implementation of the policies expected to be in place in the coming years, the environment protection and monitoring industry shall witness continuous growth.

#### **Key Risk Factors and Uncertainties**

The following lists out the key risks and uncertainties faced by the Group, which may materially and adversely affect its business, financial condition or results of operations. It is a non-exhaustive list and there may be other risks and uncertainties further to the key risk areas outlined below.

**Key Risk Factors and Uncertainties** (Continued)

#### Policy risk

The Group's Book Distribution Business is mainly based on the relevant policy background of the three ministries and commissions, namely the Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Culture, and the National Radio and Television Administration and the China Educational Equipment Industry Association, as well as the All-China Federation of Booksellers and Publishers Chamber. In particular, the Recommended Book List and the Core Book List may be reviewed and updated on an annual basis by the authorities. Meanwhile, the environmental protection business segment is highly regulated in the PRC with various laws, rules and regulations, policies and industry standards in place, such as the 13th Five-Year Plan for Nuclear Safety and Radioactive Pollution Prevention and Control with the Vision 2025 (《核安全與放射性 污染防治「十三五」規劃及二零二五年遠景目標》), the Law on Prevention and Control of Radioactive Pollution of the People's Republic of China (《中華人民共和國放射性污染防治 法》), the Regulation on Safety and Protection of Radioisotopes and Radioactive Devices (《放 射性同位素與射線裝置安全和防護條例》), the Administrative Measures for the Safety Permit for Radioisotopes and Radiation Devices (《放射性同位素與射線裝置安全許可管理辦法》) and the Monitoring Method for Electromagnetic Radiation Environment of Mobile Communication Base Station (《移動通信基站電磁輻射環境監測方法》). Significant changes and adjustments of relevant policies may bring uncertainties to the Group's daily operating environment and market competitiveness. The Group will continue to track the direction of relevant national policies and respond to changes in policies in a timely manner.

#### Book quality risk and delivery risk

If local primary and secondary schools and local education commissions fail to accept books as agreed with the Group, the Group shall bear the risks of book quality and delivery. The Group has agreed on the guality standards and delivery methods of specific category of books in the procurement contracts with book publishers who owns the intellectual property rights of the book under the Recommended Book List and Core Book List (the "Book Publishers"), so that these risks are borne by the Book Publishers to the greatest possible extent.

**Key Risk Factors and Uncertainties** (Continued)

#### Prepayment risk

Since the Book Distribution Business requires the Group to make prepayments to the Book Publishers in line with the industry practice, there exists a prepayment risk associated with such practice. To mitigate such risk, the Group generally sources library books from those Book Publishers that are all large-scale publishing groups and have long term business dealings with the Group.

#### Receivables collection risk

End customers of the Book Distribution Business are primary and secondary schools and local education commissions in all areas, and the funds for purchase of books depends on the special appropriation funds from the Ministry of Education of the PRC. Since the appropriation funds are limited and there is time lag of a few months each year, and the authorized provincial agent platforms usually do not make prepayments for purchase of books in line with the industry practice, and there exists risk of bad debts collection. Therefore, the Group closely monitors the book flow and the appropriation funds in all areas, and timely collects the receivables to minimize the collection time.

Nevertheless, during the Reporting Period, the intermittent suspension of classes in primary and secondary schools and the abnormal administrative work of schools throughout the PRC as a result of the outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic led to the delay of business turnover in the first half of the year, as well as the delay in book delivery and collection of receivables. Please refer to the section headed "Business Review – Publication, purchase and distribution of books business" below for details.

#### **Business Review**

During the Reporting Period, the Group faced severe challenges caused by the resultant impact arising from the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic as it has disrupted the operation of schools and libraries in the PRC. This situation posed temporary adverse impact to the business development of the Group, and the Group will closely monitor the development of the pandemic and continuously assess its impact on its operations.

#### Publication, purchase and distribution of books business

During the Reporting Period, the revenue contributed by such segment was approximately HK\$2.67 million (2020: HK\$246.72 million) from publication, purchase and distribution of books in the PRC.

**Business Review** (Continued)

# Publication, purchase and distribution of books business (Continued)

The significant period-to-period decrease in the revenue of the Group generated from the book publication, purchase and distribution business segment was due to the resultant impact of the COVID-19 pandemic suffered by the industry participants, leading to poor business and financial performance and a generalised slowdown in the settlement of payments and receivables along the industry chain, including those from the Group's downstream customers, namely the book distributors. This in turn was contributed by the intermittent suspension of classes at the schools in the PRC lending to delayed book order and settlement of bills to such book distributors. Please refer to the section headed "Key Risk Factors and Uncertainties – Receivables collection risk" above for details. In response to the situation in the book publication, purchase and distribution industry, the Group had timely launched legal proceedings in the PRC against certain downstream distributors on contractual claims to seek compensation from them. Please refer to the announcement of the Company dated 25 October 2021 for details. Meanwhile, on a prudent capital management perspective, the Group had to continue with its approach to temporarily ease the pace of its operations under this business segment.

## Environmental protection business

During the Reporting Period, the revenue contributed by such segment was approximately HK\$16.64 million (2020: nil).

The Group commenced recognizing the environmental protection business segment following the acquisition of Shanxi Jinxi Keyuan Environmental Protection Science and Technology Company Limited ("Jinxin Keyuan") in February 2021. Such business segment commenced its substantive operation in March 2021, and its operations have been developing in a progressive manner since then.

# **Financial Review**

During the Reporting Period, the revenue of the Group was approximately HK\$19.31 million (2020: HK\$246.72 million), which HK\$2.67 million was generated from the publication, purchase and distribution of books (2020: HK\$246.72 million), and the revenue of HK\$16.64 million from the environmental protection business. The revenue decreased by approximately HK\$227.41 million or 92.17% as compared with the six months ended 30 September 2020. Please refer to the section headed "Business Review" above for details of the reasons of the period-to-period decrease in the revenue of the Group.

# Financial Review (Continued)

Finance costs incurred during the Reporting Period amounted to approximately HK\$26.50 million (2020: HK\$29.07 million). The period-to-period decrease of approximately 8.85% was mainly due to the lower interest rate under the loan granted by Shanxi Environment when compared to the loan granted by the trust fund in the corresponding period of 2020. Please refer to notes 14 and 16 of the notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group for the Reporting Period.

Administrative expenses incurred by the Group recorded a period-to-period decrease of approximately 40.33% from approximately HK\$39.31 million for the six months ended 30 September 2020 to approximately HK\$23.46 million for the Reporting Period due to the expiry of the term of the transactions under the financing services framework agreement entered into between the Company and Shanxi Environment Protection Fund Co., Ltd., details of which are further particularized in the section headed "Management Discussion and Analysis – Connected Transactions" in the 2020 interim report of the Company.

Loss attributable to owners of the Company for the Reporting Period amounted to approximately HK\$26.50 million (2020: Loss attributable to owners of HK\$27.52 million). The loss was mainly attributable to the decrease in the revenue generated by the Book Distribution Business of the Group, and partially offset by (i) the increase in the revenue from the expanding operations of the environmental protection business segment; and (ii) the decrease in the finance costs and administrative expenses of the Group during the Reporting Period as mentioned above.

#### Outlook

The management of the Group will seize the opportunity to promote the development of various businesses and improve the business layout of the Group according to the annual development plan determined by the Board.

In relation to the Book Distribution Business, the Group will continue to strengthen its business foundation, vigorously enhance the effort to urge for early settlement and payment by our downstream customers, reduce the amount of receivables and strive to eliminate the adverse effects caused by the epidemic. Also, the Group will actively advance its cooperation with well-known institutions, such as Shanghai Juvenile Children's Publishing House Company Limited (上海少年兒童出版社有限公司) to expand its business scale in the cultural industry.

# Outlook (Continued)

The Group will continue to increase the investments in and business scale of environmental protection as well as its support for Jinxin Keyuan to expand the business scale and improve the revenue stream. Meanwhile, the Group will actively explore other environmental protection businesses, with an aim to achieve business breakthrough in the areas of solid disposal and green and ecological rehabilitation, so as to optimize the Group's industrial layout.

During the financial year, subsidiaries of the Group will continue to make efforts in industrial funds and actively cooperate with well-known institutions to seek to establish industrial funds individually or jointly, so as to improve the Group's investment ability.

The Group will continue to integrate various resources and strive to achieve its operational goal for the whole year to bring better return to its shareholders.

# Liquidity and Financial Resources

At 30 September 2021, the Group had total assets of approximately HK\$1,346.86 million (31 March 2021: HK\$1,340.92 million), including cash and bank balances of approximately HK\$24.81 million (31 March 2021: HK\$36.20 million). During the Reporting Period, the Group financed its operation mainly with internally generated cash flow and other borrowings.

The cash and cash equivalents of the Group were mainly denominated in Renminbi ("RMB"). The decrease of the cash balance was mainly due to the increase in trade receivables.

# **Capital Structure**

There was no change in capital structure of the Group during the Reporting Period.

As at 30 September 2021, the total borrowings of the Group, all of which were denominated in RMB, amounted to approximately HK\$635.76 million (31 March 2021: HK\$627.16 million) that bore interest rate of approximately 8% per annum as at 30 September 2021. No financial instrument was being used for interest rate hedging purpose.

#### **Gearing Ratio**

The gearing ratio, expressed as percentage of total liabilities over total assets, was 74.80% (31 March 2021: 72.4%).

# Charge on the Group's Assets

As at 30 September 2021, there was no charge on the Group's assets.

#### Foreign Exchange Exposure

The Group has not used any foreign currency derivative instruments to hedge its exposure to foreign exchange risk. However, the management closely monitors the exposures and will consider hedging the exposures should the need arise.

# **Capital Commitment**

As at 30 September 2021, the Group did not have any significant capital commitments (31 March 2021: Nil).

# **Contingent Liabilities**

As at 30 September 2021, the Group had no significant contingent liabilities (31 March 2021: Nil).

# Material Acquisitions and Disposal of Subsidiaries, Associates and Joint Ventures

The Group had no material acquisitions or disposals of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures during the Reporting Period.

#### **Employees**

As at 30 September 2021, the Group had 85 employees. Their remuneration, promotion and salary review are assessed based on job responsibilities, work performance, professional experiences and the prevailing industry practices. The Group's employees in the PRC is subject to social insurance contribution plans or other pension schemes organised by the regional governments and is required to pay on behalf of the employees a monthly social insurance premium covering pension insurance, medical insurance, unemployment insurance an housing fund, whilst the employees in Hong Kong joined the mandatory provident fund scheme. Other benefits include share options may be granted under the share option scheme based on individual performance. The Group provided various training courses to help employees to keep abreast of the latest trend in the industry and the dynamic pace in current market during the Reporting Period.

# Significant Investment

As at 30 September 2021, the Group had no significant investments (31 March 2021: Nil).

#### **Future Plans for Material Investments and Capital Assets**

As at 30 September 2021, the Group did not have other plans for material investment and capital assets.

#### OTHER INFORMATION

# DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN THE SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURE OF THE COMPANY AND ITS ASSOCIATED CORPORATIONS

As at 30 September 2021, the interests and short position of the Directors and chief executive of the Company in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Hong Kong Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO")), which have been notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests or short positions which they have taken or deemed to have taken under such provisions of the SFO) or which have been entered in the register maintained by the Company pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, or otherwise required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Rules 5.46 to 5.67 of the GEM Listing Rules, are as follows:

## Long positions in ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each (the "Shares") of the Company

Name of director	Capacity/Nature of interest	Number of Shares held/ interested	Percentage of the Company's issued share capital
Mr. Wu Xiaoming	Beneficial owner	41,240,000	1.13%
Mr. Zhang Xiongfeng	Beneficial owner	237,209,900	6.52%

## DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 September 2021, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries was a party to any arrangements to enable the directors and chief executive of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of the Company or any other body corporate, and none of the directors and chief executive of the Company or their spouses or children under the age of 18, had any right to subscribe for the securities of the Company, or had exercised any such rights.

# **OTHER INFORMATION** (Continued)

# INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS OF SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES

As at 30 September 2021, so far as the Directors are aware, the following persons (not being a Director or chief executive of the Company) had or were deemed or taken to have an interest and/or short position in the Shares or the underlying Shares which would fall to be disclosed under the provisions of Division 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO or which were recorded in the register of the Company required to be kept by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO, or who is, directly or indirectly, interested in 5% or more of the issued share capital carrying rights to vote in all circumstances at general meetings of the Company or any other members of the Group:

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#### Long position in the Shares of the Company

Name of shareholder	Capacity	Interest in Shares	the Company's issued share capital
山西省國有資本投資運營有限公司	Interest of controlled corporation	1,027,985,995 (Note)	28.24%
山西大地環境投資控股有限公司	Interest of controlled corporation	1,027,985,995 (Note)	28.24%
山西省環境集團有限公司	Interest of controlled corporation	1,027,985,995 <i>(Note)</i>	28.24%
Dadi International Holdings Co., Ltd	Beneficial owner	1,027,985,995 <i>(Note)</i>	28.24%

Note: Dadi International Holdings Co., Ltd is beneficially and wholly-owned by 山西省環境集團有限公司, which is in turn beneficially and 90% owned by 山西大地環境投資控股有限公司, which is in turn beneficially and wholly-owned by 山西省國有資本投資運營有限公司. As such, each of 山西省國有資本投資運營有限公司,山西大地環境投資控股有限公司,山西省環境集團有限公司 is deemed to be interested in the Shares held by Dadi International Holdings Co., Ltd.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 September 2021, the Company has not been notified by any persons (other than the Directors and chief executives of the Company) who had interests or short positions in the shares and underlying shares of the Company which were to be recorded in the register required to be kept under Section 336 of the SFO and/or who were directly or indirectly interested in 5% or more of the issued share capital carrying rights to vote in all circumstances at general meetings of any other members of the Group.

# **OTHER INFORMATION** (Continued)

#### **SHARE OPTION SCHEME**

The Company adopted a share option scheme (the "Share Option Scheme") pursuant to a resolution passed at the annual general meeting of the Company on 25 September 2012. The principal terms of the Share Option Scheme have been set out in note 39 to the financial statements as included in the annual report of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2021.

As at 30 September 2021, no share options were outstanding under the Share Option Scheme and no options were exercised, cancelled or lapsed during the Reporting Period.

#### **COMPETING INTEREST**

At 30 September 2021, none of the directors, management and substantial shareholders of the Company, or their respective associates had any interests in any business which competes or may compete with the business of the Group or had any other conflicts of interest with the Group pursuant to Rule 11.04 of the GEM Listing Rules.

#### PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF LISTED SECURITIES OF THE COMPANY

The Company has not redeemed any of its listed securities during the Reporting Period. Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased or sold any of the Company's listed securities during the Reporting Period.

#### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

The corporate governance principles of the Company emphasise a quality Board, sound internal controls, transparency and accountability to all shareholders. By applying rigorous corporate governance practices, the Group believes that its accountability and transparency will be improved thereby instilling confidence to shareholders and the public. During the Reporting Period, the Group has complied with the code provisions in the Corporate Governance Code and Corporate Governance Report as set out in Appendix 15 of the GEM Listing Rules.

## **CODE OF CONDUCT REGARDING SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS**

During the Reporting Period, the Company has adopted a code of conduct regarding securities transactions by directors on terms no less exacting than the required standard of dealings set out in Rules 5.48 to 5.67 of the GEM Listing Rules. Having made specific enquiries of all Directors, all the Directors confirmed they have complied with the required standards of dealings and the code of conduct regarding securities transactions by Directors adopted by the Company.

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The Company has established an audit committee with written terms of reference in compliance with Rules 5.28 to 5.29 of the GEM Listing Rules. The primary duties of the audit committee are to review and supervise the financial reporting process and internal control procedures of the Group. The audit committee comprises the non-executive director Mr. Zhang Xiongfeng and three independent non-executive directors namely, Mr. Law Yui Lun (the Chairperson), Dr. Zhang Wei and Dr. Jin Lizuo. The audit committee has reviewed the Group's unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30 September 2021.

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

At the date of this report, the executive Directors are Mr. Qu Zhongrang, Mr. Fu Yuanhong and Mr. Wu Xiaoming, the non-executive Directors are Mr. Ju Mengjun and Mr. Zhang Xiongfeng and the independent non-executive Directors are Dr. Zhang Wei, Dr. Jin Lizuo and Mr. Law Yui Lun.

By Order of the Board

Dadi International Group Limited

Fu Yuanhong

Chairman

Hong Kong, 3 November 2021