



**To the Shareholders of  
Sinopec Yizheng Chemical Fibre Company Limited**

*(Established in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)*

We have audited the financial statements on pages 57 to 89 which have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards promulgated by the International Accounting Standards Board.

**Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors**

The Company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements which give a true and fair view. In preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view, it is fundamental that appropriate accounting policies are selected and applied consistently, that judgements and estimates are made which are prudent and reasonable and that the reasons for any significant departure from applicable accounting standards are stated.

It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those financial statements and to report our opinion to you.

**Basis of Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Statements of Auditing Standards issued by the Hong Kong Society of Accountants. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Company's and the Group's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance as to whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

**Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the Group as at 31 December 2002 and of the Group's profit and cash flows for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards promulgated by the International Accounting Standards Board and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

**KPMG**

*Certified Public Accountants*

Hong Kong, China  
4 April 2003

# Consolidated Income Statement

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For the year ended 31 December 2002

(Prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards)

(Expressed in Renminbi)

	Note	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000
<b>Turnover</b>	4	<b>8,009,669</b>	7,808,658
<b>Cost of sales</b>		<b>(7,304,770)</b>	(7,089,525)
<b>Gross profit</b>		<b>704,899</b>	719,133
Selling expenses		<b>(167,646)</b>	(138,933)
Administrative expenses		<b>(345,309)</b>	(265,510)
Other operating income		<b>10,118</b>	31,037
Other operating expenses		<b>(9,197)</b>	(14,492)
Employee reduction expenses	5	–	(87,800)
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment		<b>(1,760)</b>	(1,236)
<b>Profit from operations</b>		<b>191,105</b>	242,199
Net financing costs	6(a)	<b>(34,360)</b>	(28,824)
<b>Profit from ordinary activities before taxation</b>	6	<b>156,745</b>	213,375
<b>Income tax expense</b>	7(b)	<b>(7,156)</b>	(40,087)
<b>Profit from ordinary activities after taxation</b>		<b>149,589</b>	173,288
<b>Minority interests</b>		<b>(5,268)</b>	(2,499)
<b>Profit attributable to shareholders</b>	9	<b>144,321</b>	170,789
<b>Dividend attributable to the year:</b>			
<b>Final dividend proposed after the balance sheet date</b>	10(a)	<b>60,000</b>	80,000
<b>Basic earnings per share (in Rmb)</b>	11	<b>0.036</b>	0.043

The notes on pages 62 to 89 form part of these financial statements.

# Consolidated Balance Sheet

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As at 31 December 2002

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(Expressed in Renminbi)

	Note	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	12	7,031,796	7,129,371
Construction in progress	13	1,636,005	751,148
Lease prepayments	14	213,146	217,750
Unlisted investment	16	62,500	62,500
Deferred tax asset	7(d)	32,340	33,132
		<u>8,975,787</u>	<u>8,193,901</u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Inventories	17	1,186,850	998,164
Trade and other receivables	18	635,085	595,264
Deposits with banks and other financial institutions	19	714,570	788,594
Cash and cash equivalents	20	490,804	445,177
		<u>3,027,309</u>	<u>2,827,199</u>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Trade and other payables	21	1,704,096	887,508
Bank loans	22(a)	1,085,776	730,020
Income tax payable	7(c)	89,951	148,178
		<u>2,879,823</u>	<u>1,765,706</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>147,486</u>	<u>1,061,493</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<b>9,123,273</b>	9,255,394
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Bank loans	22(a)	300,000	500,000
<b>Minority interests</b>		<u>57,478</u>	<u>53,920</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u><b>8,765,795</b></u>	<u>8,701,474</u>
<b>Shareholders' funds</b>			
Share capital	23	4,000,000	4,000,000
Share premium		2,518,833	2,518,833
Reserves	24	1,136,413	1,109,837
Retained profits	25	1,110,549	1,072,804
		<u>8,765,795</u>	<u>8,701,474</u>

Approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 4 April 2003.

**Fu Xing-tang**  
Chairman

**Xu Zheng-ning**  
Director

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	Note	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	12	6,457,281	6,548,815
Construction in progress	13	1,596,885	708,028
Lease prepayments	14	128,770	131,398
Interest in subsidiaries	15	687,338	660,325
Unlisted investment	16	62,500	62,500
Deferred tax asset	7(d)	32,340	33,132
		<u>8,965,114</u>	<u>8,144,198</u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Inventories	17	1,012,206	791,240
Trade and other receivables	18	800,049	883,896
Deposits with banks and other financial institutions	19	645,000	716,950
Cash and cash equivalents	20	347,653	307,466
		<u>2,804,908</u>	<u>2,699,552</u>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Trade and other payables	21	1,600,787	787,029
Bank loans	22(a)	1,011,000	700,000
Income tax payable	7(c)	84,730	146,573
		<u>2,696,517</u>	<u>1,633,602</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>108,391</u>	<u>1,065,950</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<b>9,073,505</b>	9,210,148
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Bank loans	22(a)	300,000	500,000
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>8,773,505</u>	<u>8,710,148</u>
<b>Shareholders' funds</b>			
Share capital	23	4,000,000	4,000,000
Share premium		2,518,833	2,518,833
Reserves	24	1,136,413	1,109,837
Retained profits	25	1,118,259	1,081,478
		<u>8,773,505</u>	<u>8,710,148</u>

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**Xu Zheng-ning**  
Director

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# Consolidated Cashflow Statement

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	Note	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000
<b>Cash flow from operating activities</b>			
Cash generated from operations	31	1,532,615	772,579
Interest paid		(81,766)	(74,399)
Income tax paid		(64,591)	(30,235)
<b>Net cash from operating activities</b>		<b>1,386,258</b>	<b>667,945</b>
<b>Cash flow from investing activities</b>			
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment, and construction in progress		(1,531,165)	(1,424,202)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment		1,535	780
Interest and investment income received		40,929	44,228
Decrease in deposits with banks and other financial institutions		74,024	570,223
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>		<b>(1,414,677)</b>	<b>(808,971)</b>
<b>Cash flow from financing activities</b>			
Proceeds from short-term bank loans		2,728,285	3,004,820
Proceeds from long-term bank loans		750,000	200,000
Repayment of short-term bank loans		(2,622,529)	(2,504,800)
Repayment of long-term bank loans		(700,000)	(350,000)
Dividend paid		(80,000)	(360,000)
Dividend paid to minority shareholders		(1,710)	(4,831)
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>		<b>74,046</b>	<b>(14,811)</b>
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January		445,177	601,014
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December</b>	20	<b>490,804</b>	<b>445,177</b>

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# Consolidated Statement of Changes in Shareholders' Funds

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	Note	Share capital Rmb'000	Share premium Rmb'000	Reserves Rmb'000	Retained profits Rmb'000	Total Rmb'000
At 1 January 2001		4,000,000	2,518,833	1,291,302	1,268,298	9,078,433
Net profit for the year		-	-	-	170,789	170,789
Appropriation	24	-	-	42,935	(42,935)	-
Dividend	10	-	-	-	(360,000)	(360,000)
At 31 December 2001, as previously reported		4,000,000	2,518,833	1,334,237	1,036,152	8,889,222
Adjustment to land use rights	24	-	-	(224,400)	36,652	(187,748)
At 31 December 2001, as reclassified		4,000,000	2,518,833	1,109,837	1,072,804	8,701,474
Net profit for the year		-	-	-	144,321	144,321
Appropriation	24	-	-	26,576	(26,576)	-
Dividend	10	-	-	-	(80,000)	(80,000)
<b>At 31 December 2002</b>		<b><u>4,000,000</u></b>	<b><u>2,518,833</u></b>	<b><u>1,136,413</u></b>	<b><u>1,110,549</u></b>	<b><u>8,765,795</u></b>

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## 1. Background of the Company

Sinopec Yizheng Chemical Fibre Company Limited (the “**Company**”) was established in the People’s Republic of China (the “**PRC**”) on 31 December 1993 as a joint stock limited company.

The Company and its subsidiaries (the “**Group**”) are principally engaged in the production and sale of polyester chips and polyester fibre in the PRC.

## 2. Significant accounting policies

A summary of the significant accounting policies adopted by the Group is set out below.

### (a) Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“**IFRS**”) promulgated by the International Accounting Standards Board, IFRS includes International Accounting Standards (“**IAS**”) and related interpretations.

These financial statements also comply with the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance and the applicable disclosure provisions of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

The Company also prepares a set of financial statements which complies with the PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations. A reconciliation of the Group’s and the Company’s results and shareholders’ funds under IFRS and the PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations is presented on page 129.

### (b) Basis of preparation

The financial statements are presented in Renminbi, rounded to the nearest thousand. The measurement basis used in the preparation of the financial statements is historical cost modified by the revaluation of certain property, plant and equipment (refer to accounting policy h). The accounting policies have been consistently applied by the Group and are consistent with those used in the previous year except that as described in note 24 that land use rights are carried at cost less amortisation and impairment losses effective 1 January 2002. The effect of this change resulted in a decrease in the shareholders’ funds as of 1 January 2002. The effect of this change did not have a material impact on the Group’s financial condition and results of operations in prior years.

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with IFRS requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the year. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## 2. Significant accounting policies *(Continued)*

### (c) Basis of consolidation

#### (i) *Subsidiaries*

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Company and all of its principal subsidiaries. Subsidiaries are those enterprises controlled by the Company. Control exists when the Company has the power, directly or indirectly, to govern the financial and operating policies of an enterprise so as to obtain benefits from its activities. The results of the subsidiaries are included in the consolidated income statement from the date that control effectively commences until the date that control effectively ceases, and the share attributable to minority interests is deducted from or added to profit from ordinary activities after taxation.

#### (ii) *Transactions eliminated on consolidation*

All significant inter-company balances and transactions, and any unrealised gains and losses arising from inter-company transactions, are eliminated on consolidation.

#### (iii) *Goodwill*

Goodwill arising on an acquisition represents the excess of the cost of the acquisition over the fair value of the net identifiable assets acquired. Goodwill is stated at cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses (refer to accounting policy q).

#### (iv) *Negative goodwill*

Negative goodwill arising on an acquisition represents the excess of the fair value of the net identifiable assets acquired over the cost of acquisition.

Negative goodwill, to the extent not exceeding the fair values of the non-monetary assets acquired, is recognised in the income statement over the weighted average useful life of those assets that are depreciable/amortisable. Negative goodwill in excess of the fair values of the non-monetary assets acquired is recognised immediately in the income statement.

### (d) Translation of foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into Renminbi at the foreign exchange rates quoted by the People's Bank of China ("**PBOC rates**") ruling at the dates of the transaction.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are translated to Renminbi at the applicable PBOC rates ruling at that date.

Foreign currency exchange differences are dealt with in the income statement other than those eligible for capitalisation as construction in progress (refer to accounting policy m).

### (e) Cash equivalents

Cash equivalents comprise time deposits with an initial term of less than three months. Cash equivalents are stated at cost, which approximates fair value.



## 2. Significant accounting policies (Continued)

### (f) Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables are stated at cost less allowance for doubtful debts. An allowance for doubtful accounts is provided based upon an evaluation of the recoverability of these accounts by the directors at the balance sheet date.

### (g) Inventories

Inventories, other than spare parts and consumables, are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Cost includes the cost of purchase computed using the weighted average method and, in the case of work in progress and finished goods, direct labour and an appropriate share of production overheads based on normal operating capacity. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

When inventories are sold, the carrying amount of those inventories is recognised as an expense in the period in which the related revenue is recognised. The amount of any write-down of inventories to net realisable value and all losses of inventories are recognised as an expense in the period the write-down or loss occurs. The amount of any reversal of any write-down of inventories, arising from an increase in net realisable value, is recognised as a reduction in the amount of inventories recognised as an expense in the period in which the reversal occurs.

Spare parts and consumables are stated at cost less any provision for obsolescence.

### (h) Property, plant and equipment

(i) Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost or valuation (refer to note 12(c)) less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses (refer to accounting policy q). Revaluations are performed periodically to ensure that the carrying amount of these assets does not differ materially from that which would be determined using fair values at the balance sheet date. The cost of an asset comprises its purchase price and any directly attributable costs of bringing the asset to working condition and location for its intended use. Expenditure incurred after the asset has been put into operation is capitalised only when it increases the future economic benefits embodied in the item of property, plant and equipment. All other expenditure is charged to the income statement as an expense in the period in which it is incurred.

(ii) Gains or losses arising from the retirement or disposal of property, plant and equipment are determined as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and are recognised as income or expense in the income statement on the date of retirement or disposal.

## 2. Significant accounting policies *(Continued)*

### (h) Property, plant and equipment *(Continued)*

- (iii) Depreciation is provided to write off the cost or revalued amount of each item of property, plant and equipment over its estimated useful life on a straight line basis, after taking into account its estimated residual value, as follows:

Buildings	25 to 40 years
Plant, machinery and equipment	8 to 22 years
Motor vehicles and other fixed assets	5 to 20 years

- (iv) Lease prepayments represent land use rights paid to the PRC land bureau. Land use rights are carried at cost less amortisation and impairment losses. Amortisation is calculated on a straight-line basis over the respective periods of the rights. At 31 December 2002, lease prepayments which comprise land use rights have been presented in a separate balance sheet caption. Accordingly, the comparative amount at 31 December 2001 which was previously included in property, plant and equipment was reclassified to conform with the current year's presentation.

### (i) Construction in progress

Construction in progress represents buildings, various plant and equipment under construction and pending installation, and is stated at cost less impairment losses (refer to accounting policy q). Cost comprises direct costs of construction as well as interest charges, and foreign exchange differences on related borrowed funds to the extent that they are regarded as an adjustment to interest charges, during the construction period (refer to accounting policy m).

Construction in progress is transferred to property, plant and equipment when the asset is substantially ready for its intended use.

No depreciation is provided in respect of construction in progress.

### (j) Investments

- (i) In the Company's balance sheet, investments in subsidiaries are accounted for using the equity method.
- (ii) Unlisted equity investments are stated at cost less impairment losses (refer to accounting policy q).

### (k) Provisions and contingent liabilities

Provisions are recognised for liabilities of uncertain timing or amount when the Group or Company has a legal or constructive obligation arising as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made. When the time value of money is material, provisions are stated at the present value of the expenditures expected to settle the obligation.

Where it is not probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required, or the amount cannot be estimated reliably, the obligation is disclosed as a contingent liability, unless the probability of outflow of economic benefits is remote. Possible obligations, whose existence will only be confirmed by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more future events are also disclosed as contingent liabilities unless the probability of outflow of economic benefits is remote.

## 2. Significant accounting policies (Continued)

### (l) Revenue recognition

#### (i) Sales of goods

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised in the income statement when the buyer receives the goods and the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer. Revenue excludes value-added tax and is after deduction of any trade discounts and returns. No revenue is recognised if there are significant uncertainties regarding recovery of the consideration due, associated costs or the possible return of goods, or when the amount of revenue and the costs incurred or to be incurred in respect of the transaction cannot be measured reliably.

#### (ii) Interest income

Interest income from bank deposits is accrued on a time apportioned basis on the principal outstanding and at the rate applicable.

#### (iii) Dividend income

Dividend income is recognised when the shareholder's right to receive payment is established.

### (m) Net financing costs

Net financing costs comprise interest payable on borrowings, interest receivable on bank deposits, foreign exchange gains and losses, and other costs incurred in connection with borrowings.

All interest and other costs incurred in connection with borrowings are expensed as incurred as part of net financing costs, except to the extent that they are capitalised as being directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of an asset which necessarily takes a substantial period of time to get ready for its intended use.

### (n) Repairs and maintenance expenses

Repairs and maintenance expenses, including cost of major overhaul, are expensed as incurred.

### (o) Research and development costs

Research and development costs comprise all costs that are directly attributable to research and development activities or that can be allocated on a reasonable basis to such activities. Because of the nature of the Group's research and development activities, no development costs satisfy the criteria for the recognition of such costs as an asset. Both research and development costs are therefore recognised as expenses in the period in which they are incurred.

### (p) Retirement benefits

Contributions payable under the Group's retirement plans are charged to the income statement according to the contribution determined by the plans. Further information is set out in note 26.

## 2. Significant accounting policies *(Continued)*

### (q) Impairment loss

The carrying amounts of the Group's assets, other than trade and other receivables (refer to accounting policy f), inventories (refer to accounting policy g), and deferred tax assets (refer to accounting policy s), are reviewed at each balance sheet date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. An impairment loss is recognised whenever the carrying amount of an asset or its cash generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised in the income statement.

#### (i) Calculation of recoverable amount

The recoverable amount of an asset is the greater of the net selling price and the value in use. In assessing the value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. For an asset that does not generate largely independent cash flows, the recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

#### (ii) Reversals of impairment losses

An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a favourable change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount.

An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised. Reversals of impairment losses are credited to the income statement in the year in which the reversals are recognised.

### (r) Dividends

Dividends are recognised as a liability in the period in which they are declared or approved.

### (s) Income tax

Income tax comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax is recognised in the income statement except to the extent that it relates to items recognised directly to equity, in which case it is recognised in equity.

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantially enacted at the balance sheet date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years.

Deferred tax is provided using the balance sheet liability method, providing for temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. The amount of deferred tax provided is based on the expected manner of realisation or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, using tax rates enacted or substantially enacted at the balance sheet date.

A deferred tax asset is recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the asset can be utilised. Deferred tax assets are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that the related tax benefit will be realised.

## 2. Significant accounting policies (Continued)

### (s) Income tax (Continued)

The tax value of losses expected to be available for utilisation against future taxable income is set off against the deferred tax liability within the same legal tax unit and jurisdiction to the extent appropriate, and is not available for set-off against the taxable profit of another legal tax unit.

### (t) Related parties

For the purposes of these financial statements, parties are considered to be related to the Group if the Group has the ability, directly or indirectly, to control the party or exercise significant influence over the party in making financial and operating decisions, or vice versa, or where the Group and the party are subject to common control or common significant influence. Related parties may be individuals or other entities.

### (u) Operating leases

Operating lease payments are charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the period of the respective leases.

## 3. Segment reporting

The Group's profits are almost entirely attributable to the production and sales of polyester chips and polyester fibre in the PRC. Accordingly, no segmental analysis is provided.

## 4. Turnover

Turnover represents the sales value of goods supplied to customers, net of value added tax and is after deduction of any sales discount and returns.

## 5. Employee reduction expenses

During the year ended 31 December 2001, the Group recorded employee reduction expense of Rmb87,800,000 in respect of voluntary resignation of approximately 1,170 employees in accordance with the Group's employee reduction plan. No such expenses were incurred during the year ended 31 December 2002.

## 6. Profit from ordinary activities before taxation

Profit from ordinary activities before taxation is arrived at after charging / (crediting):

### (a) Net financing costs

	The Group	
	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000
Interest on bank loans and advances	81,477	75,554
Less: Amounts capitalised as construction in progress*	<u>(28,501)</u>	<u>(16,330)</u>
Net interest expense	52,976	59,224
Interest income	(22,626)	(34,682)
Net foreign exchange loss/(gain)	16	(355)
Others	<u>3,994</u>	<u>4,637</u>
Net financing costs	<u><u>34,360</u></u>	<u><u>28,824</u></u>

\* The borrowing costs have been capitalised at an average rate of 5.1% (2001: 5.7%) per annum for construction in progress.

### (b) Other items

	The Group	
	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000
Cost of inventories#	7,301,727	7,077,525
Staff costs:		
– Wages and salaries, welfare and other costs#	<u>520,871</u>	517,152
– Contributions to defined contribution plans#	<u>63,778</u>	62,041
Total staff costs	<u>584,649</u>	579,193
Depreciation#	769,089	804,555
Repairs and maintenance expenses#	151,198	116,934
Research and development costs#	18,357	16,350
Amortisation of lease prepayments	4,604	–
Auditors' remuneration	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>

# Cost of inventories includes Rmb1,295,490,000 (2001: Rmb1,316,863,000) relating to wages and salaries, welfare and other costs, contributions to defined contribution plans, depreciation, repairs and maintenance expenses, and research and development costs, which amount is also included in the respective total amounts disclosed separately above for each of these types of expenses.

# Notes on the Financial Statements

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## 7. Income tax

- (a) The charge for PRC income tax of the Company is calculated at the rate of 15% (2001:15%) on the estimated assessable income of the year determined in accordance with relevant income tax rules and regulations. The Company has not received notice from the Ministry of Finance that the 15% tax rate will continue to be applicable to the Company in 2003. As such, it is possible that the Company's tax rate will increase in 2003.

The income tax rates applicable to the Company's principal subsidiaries in the PRC range from 15% to 33%, and some subsidiaries have been granted a tax holiday for not more than 5 years. No provision has been made for overseas income tax as the Group did not earn income subject to overseas income tax.

- (b) Income tax expense in the consolidated income statement represents:

	<b>The Group</b>	
	<b>2002</b>	2001
	<b>Rmb'000</b>	Rmb'000
Provision for PRC income tax for the year	<b>26,758</b>	40,087
Deferred taxation ( <i>Note d below</i> )	<b>792</b>	–
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	<b>27,550</b>	40,087
Tax credit	<b>(25,141)</b>	–
Underprovision in respect of prior years	<b>4,747</b>	–
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	<b>7,156</b>	40,087
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Pursuant to "Cai Shui Zi [1999] No. 290" issued by the Ministry of Finance and the State Administration of Taxation of the PRC on 8 December 1999, the Company is entitled to claim tax credit relating to purchases of equipment produced in the PRC for technological improvements.

The following is a reconciliation of income taxes calculated at the Company's applicable tax rate with actual tax expense for the year:

	<b>The Group</b>	
	<b>2002</b>	2001
	<b>Rmb'000</b>	Rmb'000
Profit from ordinary activities before tax	<b>156,745</b>	213,375
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Expected PRC income tax using the Company's tax rate of 15%	<b>23,512</b>	32,006
Differential tax rate on profits of subsidiaries	<b>3,805</b>	1,021
Tax loss of subsidiaries not recognised for deferred tax	<b>(1,888)</b>	6,513
Tax credit	<b>(25,141)</b>	–
Additional tax raised in respect of prior year	<b>4,747</b>	–
Non-deductible expenses	<b>3,065</b>	4,011
Non-taxable income	<b>(944)</b>	(3,464)
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Income tax expense	<b>7,156</b>	40,087
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**7. Income tax** (Continued)

(c) Income tax in the balance sheets represents:

	The Group		The Company	
	2002 <i>Rmb'000</i>	2001 <i>Rmb'000</i>	2002 <i>Rmb'000</i>	2001 <i>Rmb'000</i>
Provision for PRC income tax for the year	<b>26,758</b>	40,087	<b>17,718</b>	37,275
Provisional PRC income tax paid	<b>(13,819)</b>	(27,138)	<b>(10,000)</b>	(25,931)
	<b>12,939</b>	12,949	<b>7,718</b>	11,344
Balance of PRC income tax provision relating to prior years	<b>77,012</b>	135,229	<b>77,012</b>	135,229
Tax payable	<b>89,951</b>	148,178	<b>84,730</b>	146,573

(d) Deferred tax asset is attributable to the following:

<b>Non-current</b>	The Group and The Company	
	2002 <i>Rmb'000</i>	2001 <i>Rmb'000</i>
Land use rights	<b>32,340</b>	33,132

As described in note 24(d), land use rights are carried at cost less amortisation and impairment losses effective 1 January 2002. The surplus on the revaluation of land use rights net of deferred tax assets are reversed to the shareholders' funds.

There is no other significant deferred tax asset or liability that has not been provided for in the financial statements.

Movement in the deferred tax asset is as follows:

<b>Non-current</b>	The Group and the Company		
	At 1 January 2002 <i>Rmb'000</i>	Recognised in income statement <i>Rmb'000</i> (Note b above)	At 31 December 2002 <i>Rmb'000</i>
Land use rights	<u>33,132</u>	<u>(792)</u>	<u>32,340</u>



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## 8. Directors' and supervisors' remuneration

Directors' and supervisors' emoluments:

	<b>2002</b> <b>Rmb'000</b>	2001 <i>Rmb'000</i>
Fees	<b>48</b>	48
Salaries and other emoluments	<b>769</b>	678
Discretionary bonuses	<b>770</b>	623
Retirement scheme contributions	<b>315</b>	267
	<b><u>1,902</u></b>	<u>1,616</u>

Included in the directors' and supervisors' remuneration were fees of Rmb48,000 (2001: Rmb48,000) paid to the independent non-executive directors and supervisors during the year.

The remuneration of the directors and supervisors is within the following band:

	<b>2002</b> <b>Number of</b> <b>Directors and</b> <b>Supervisors</b>	2001 Number of Directors and Supervisors
Hong Kong dollars		
0 – 1,000,000	<b><u>17</u></b>	<u>17</u>

The five highest paid individuals of the Group in 2002 and 2001 were all executive directors whose total emoluments have been shown above.

## 9. Profit attributable to shareholders

The profit attributable to shareholders includes a profit of Rmb143,357,000 (2001: Rmb163,794,000) which has been dealt with in the financial statements of the Company.

## 10. Dividend

### (a) Dividend attributable to the year

	<b>2002</b> <i>Rmb'000</i>	2001 <i>Rmb'000</i>
Final dividend proposed after the balance sheet date of Rmb1.5 cents (2001: Rmb2 cents) per share	<u>60,000</u>	<u>80,000</u>

Pursuant to a resolution passed at the Directors' meeting on 4 April 2003, a final dividend of Rmb1.5 cents (2001: Rmb2 cents) per share totalling Rmb60,000,000 (2001: Rmb80,000,000) was proposed for shareholders' approval at the Annual General Meeting. The final dividend proposed after the balance sheet date has not been recognised as a liability at the balance sheet date.

### (b) Dividend attributable to the previous financial year, approved and paid during the year

	<b>2002</b> <i>Rmb'000</i>	2001 <i>Rmb'000</i>
Final dividend in respect of the previous financial year, approved and paid during the year, of Rmb2 cents (2001: Rmb9 cents) per share	<u>80,000</u>	<u>360,000</u>

## 11. Earnings per share

### (a) Basic earnings per share

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the profit attributable to shareholders of Rmb144,321,000 (2001: Rmb170,789,000) and 4,000,000,000 shares (2001: 4,000,000,000 shares) in issue during the year.

### (b) Diluted earnings per share

There were no dilutive potential ordinary shares in existence during the years ended 31 December 2001 and 2002.

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## 12. Property, plant and equipment

### (a) The Group

	Buildings <i>Rmb'000</i>	Plant, machinery and equipment <i>Rmb'000</i>	Motor vehicles and other fixed assets <i>Rmb'000</i>	Total <i>Rmb'000</i>
Cost or valuation:				
At 1 January 2002	1,996,575	9,509,271	574,556	12,080,402
Additions	–	2,426	1,682	4,108
Transfer from construction in progress (Note 13)	62,054	591,413	17,234	670,701
Disposals	–	(5,300)	(2,821)	(8,121)
Reclassifications	(1,805)	(10,410)	12,215	–
<b>At 31 December 2002</b>	<b><u>2,056,824</u></b>	<b><u>10,087,400</u></b>	<b><u>602,866</u></b>	<b><u>12,747,090</u></b>
Accumulated depreciation:				
At 1 January 2002	475,460	4,164,599	310,972	4,951,031
Depreciation charge for the year	69,690	632,097	67,302	769,089
Written back on disposal	–	(2,343)	(2,483)	(4,826)
Reclassifications	(345)	(1,811)	2,156	–
<b>At 31 December 2002</b>	<b><u>544,805</u></b>	<b><u>4,792,542</u></b>	<b><u>377,947</u></b>	<b><u>5,715,294</u></b>
Net book value:				
<b>At 31 December 2002</b>	<b><u>1,512,019</u></b>	<b><u>5,294,858</u></b>	<b><u>224,919</u></b>	<b><u>7,031,796</u></b>
At 31 December 2001	<u>1,521,115</u>	<u>5,344,672</u>	<u>263,584</u>	<u>7,129,371</u>

## 12. Property, plant and equipment (Continued)

## (b) The Company

	Buildings <i>Rmb'000</i>	Plant, machinery and equipment <i>Rmb'000</i>	Motor vehicles and other fixed assets <i>Rmb'000</i>	Total <i>Rmb'000</i>
Cost or valuation:				
At 1 January 2002	1,788,928	8,828,667	549,678	11,167,273
Additions	1,889	1,612	401	3,902
Transfer from construction in progress (Note 13)	60,486	545,458	16,141	622,085
Disposals	–	(5,250)	(1,143)	(6,393)
Reclassifications	105	839	(944)	–
<b>At 31 December 2002</b>	<b><u>1,851,408</u></b>	<b><u>9,371,326</u></b>	<b><u>564,133</u></b>	<b><u>11,786,867</u></b>
Accumulated depreciation:				
At 1 January 2001	439,394	3,880,727	298,337	4,618,458
Depreciation charge for the year	62,763	588,572	63,158	714,493
Written back on disposal	–	(2,299)	(1,066)	(3,365)
Reclassifications	105	839	(944)	–
<b>At 31 December 2002</b>	<b><u>502,262</u></b>	<b><u>4,467,839</u></b>	<b><u>359,485</u></b>	<b><u>5,329,586</u></b>
Net book value:				
<b>At 31 December 2002</b>	<b><u>1,349,146</u></b>	<b><u>4,903,487</u></b>	<b><u>204,648</u></b>	<b><u>6,457,281</u></b>
At 31 December 2001	<u>1,349,534</u>	<u>4,947,940</u>	<u>251,341</u>	<u>6,548,815</u>

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## 12. Property, plant and equipment (Continued)

- (c) The Company was established in the PRC on 31 December 1993 as a joint stock limited company as part of the restructuring of Yihua Group Corporation (“Yihua”). On the same date, the principal business undertaking of Yihua together with the relevant assets and liabilities were taken over by the Company. As required by the relevant PRC rules and regulations, a valuation of the assets and liabilities to be injected into the Company was carried out as at 31 October 1993 by an independent valuer registered in the PRC. The injected assets and liabilities were reflected in the financial statements on this basis.

In accordance with IAS 16 Property, Plant and Equipment, subsequent to this revaluation, which was based on depreciated replacement costs, property, plant and equipment are carried at the revalued amount, being the fair value at the date of the revaluation less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Revaluations are performed with sufficient regularity to ensure that the carrying amount of these assets does not differ materially from that which would be determined using fair values at the balance sheet date. Based on a revaluation performed jointly by independent valuers registered in the PRC, China United Assets Appraisal Corporation, Beijing Zhong Zheng Appraisal Company, CIECC Assets Appraisal Corporation and Zhong Fa International Properties Valuation Corporation, as of 30 September 1999, which was based on depreciated replacement costs, the carrying value of property, plant and equipment did not differ materially from their fair value.

- (d) All of the Group’s buildings are located in the PRC.

## 13. Construction in progress

	The Group		The Company	
	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000
Balance at 1 January	751,148	159,836	708,028	157,537
Additions	1,555,558	1,213,274	1,510,942	1,168,467
	2,306,706	1,373,110	2,218,970	1,326,004
Transfer to property, plant and equipment (Note 12)	(670,701)	(621,962)	(622,085)	(617,976)
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<b>1,636,005</b>	<b>751,148</b>	<b>1,596,885</b>	<b>708,028</b>

Construction in progress comprises:

	The Group		The Company	
	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000
Construction of purified terephthalic acid (“PTA”) production plant	1,400,262	269,508	1,400,262	269,508
Improvement and expansion to existing plants	169,444	423,994	169,444	423,994
Others	66,299	57,646	27,179	14,526
	1,636,005	751,148	1,596,885	708,028

#### 14. Lease prepayments

Lease prepayments represent land use rights on land located in the PRC, which were granted in 1995 and 2001 respectively for a period of 50 years from the respective dates of grant.

#### 15. Interest in subsidiaries

	<b>The Company</b>	
	<b>2002</b>	2001
	<b>Rmb'000</b>	<i>Rmb'000</i>
Share of net liabilities of subsidiaries, unlisted	<b>(112,662)</b>	(139,675)
Amounts due from subsidiaries	<b>800,000</b>	800,000
	<b><u>687,338</u></b>	<u>660,325</u>

The following list contains only the particulars of subsidiaries which principally affected the results, assets and liabilities of the Group.

<b>Name of company</b>	<b>Registered capital</b> <i>in thousands</i>	<b>Percentage of equity</b>		<b>Type of legal entity</b>	<b>Principal activity</b>
		<b>held directly by the Company</b> %	<b>held by subsidiary</b> %		
Foshan Chemical Fibre Complex	Rmb32,933	100	–	Wholly-owned legal person	Management and administration
Yizheng Chemical Fibre Foshan Polyester Company Limited ("Foshan Polyester")	USD85,427	59	41	Limited company	Manufacturing chemical products, chemical fibre, and textile products, and sales of its own manufactured products and provision of after-sales services
Yihua Kangqi Chemical Fibre Company Limited	Rmb60,000	95	5	Limited company	Investment holding and trading of polyester chips and polyester fibre

All of the above principal subsidiaries are established and operated in the PRC.

The amount due from subsidiaries of Rmb800,000,000 (2001: Rmb800,000,000) is expected to be recovered after more than one year.

None of the subsidiaries has any debt securities.

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## 16. Unlisted investment

At cost	The Group and The Company	
	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000
Equity investment in Sinopec Finance Company Limited ("Sinopec Finance")	<u>62,500</u>	<u>62,500</u>

## 17. Inventories

	The Group		The Company	
	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000
Raw materials	718,791	535,907	659,969	447,894
Work in progress	56,473	52,649	52,820	49,509
Finished goods	190,395	204,042	105,189	113,890
Goods in transit	32	323	32	323
	<u>965,691</u>	<u>792,921</u>	<u>818,010</u>	<u>611,616</u>
Spare parts and consumables	221,159	205,243	194,196	179,624
	<u>1,186,850</u>	<u>998,164</u>	<u>1,012,206</u>	<u>791,240</u>
Inventories stated at net realisable value	<u>533,410</u>	<u>116,240</u>	<u>485,714</u>	<u>46,460</u>

## 18. Trade and other receivables

	The Group		The Company	
	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000
Trade receivables	88,994	85,264	26,570	28,650
Bills receivable	401,453	319,678	376,420	292,958
Amounts due from subsidiaries and fellow subsidiaries – trade	48,275	43,051	49,356	43,051
	<u>538,722</u>	<u>447,993</u>	<u>452,346</u>	<u>364,659</u>
Amounts due from parent company and fellow subsidiaries – non-trade	10,999	8,310	10,999	8,310
Amounts due from subsidiaries – non-trade	–	–	271,162	402,791
Other receivables, deposits and prepayments	85,364	138,961	65,542	108,136
	<u>635,085</u>	<u>595,264</u>	<u>800,049</u>	<u>883,896</u>

The Company requests customers to pay cash or settle by bills in full prior to delivery of goods. Subject to negotiation, credit is only available for major customers with well-established trading records.

**18. Trade and other receivables (Continued)**

The ageing analysis of trade receivables, bills receivable and amounts due from subsidiaries and fellow subsidiaries – trade is as follows:

	The Group		The Company	
	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000
Within one year	<b>527,990</b>	442,596	<b>448,998</b>	360,687
Between one and two years	<b>6,425</b>	4,347	<b>1,501</b>	2,936
Between two and three years	<b>4,307</b>	1,050	<b>1,847</b>	1,036
	<b><u>538,722</u></b>	<u>447,993</u>	<b><u>452,346</u></b>	<u>364,659</u>

The amounts due from parent company, subsidiaries and fellow subsidiaries – non-trade are unsecured, interest free and have no fixed repayment terms.

The amounts due from subsidiaries – non-trade are not expected to be settled within one year.

**19. Deposits with banks and other financial institutions**

	The Group		The Company	
	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000
Balances with banks and other financial institutions	<b>371,855</b>	465,997	<b>206,525</b>	304,298
Balances with the following banks and other financial institutions, which are related parties of the Group				
– Sinopec Finance	<b>772,439</b>	715,728	<b>772,439</b>	715,728
– CITIC Industrial Bank	<b>60,971</b>	51,776	<b>13,641</b>	4,293
	<b><u>833,410</u></b>	<u>767,504</u>	<b><u>786,080</u></b>	<u>720,021</u>
	<b>1,205,265</b>	1,233,501	<b>992,605</b>	1,024,319
Less: Balances with banks and other financial institutions with an initial term of less than three months (Note 20)	<b>(490,695)</b>	(444,907)	<b>(347,605)</b>	(307,369)
	<b><u>714,570</u></b>	<u>788,594</u>	<b><u>645,000</u></b>	<u>716,950</u>



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## 20. Cash and cash equivalents

	The Group		The Company	
	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000
Cash in hand	109	270	48	97
Balances with banks and other financial institutions with an initial term of less than three months (Note 19)	490,695	444,907	347,605	307,369
	<b>490,804</b>	<b>445,177</b>	<b>347,653</b>	<b>307,466</b>

## 21. Trade and other payables

	The Group		The Company	
	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000
Trade payables	461,890	320,509	346,484	226,455
Bills payable	13,528	5,000	–	–
Amounts due to fellow subsidiaries – trade	710,698	53,974	710,698	53,974
Amounts due to subsidiaries – trade	–	–	48,732	21,024
	<b>1,186,116</b>	<b>379,483</b>	<b>1,105,914</b>	<b>301,453</b>
Amounts due to parent company and fellow subsidiaries – non-trade	54,322	93,850	54,322	93,850
Other payables and accrued expenses	463,658	414,175	440,551	391,726
	<b>1,704,096</b>	<b>887,508</b>	<b>1,600,787</b>	<b>787,029</b>

The ageing analysis of trade payables, bills payable and amounts due to subsidiaries and fellow subsidiaries – trade is as follows:

	The Group		The Company	
	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000
Due within one month or on demand	640,197	309,687	585,914	256,657
Due after one month but within six months	545,919	69,796	520,000	44,796
	<b>1,186,116</b>	<b>379,483</b>	<b>1,105,914</b>	<b>301,453</b>

The amounts due to parent company and fellow subsidiaries – non-trade are unsecured, non-interest bearing and have no fixed terms of repayment.

## 22. Bank loans

(a) Bank loans as at 31 December 2002 were unsecured and repayable as follows:

	The Group		The Company	
	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000
Within 1 year or on demand				
Short-term bank loans	<b>685,776</b>	580,020	<b>611,000</b>	550,000
Current portion of long-term bank loans	<b>400,000</b>	150,000	<b>400,000</b>	150,000
	<b>1,085,776</b>	730,020	<b>1,011,000</b>	700,000
After 1 year but within 2 years	<b>150,000</b>	300,000	<b>150,000</b>	300,000
After 2 years but within 5 years	<b>150,000</b>	200,000	<b>150,000</b>	200,000
	<b>300,000</b>	500,000	<b>300,000</b>	500,000
	<b>1,385,776</b>	1,230,020	<b>1,311,000</b>	1,200,000

All the bank loans are denominated in Renminbi.

(b) Short-term loans are general credit facilities denominated in Renminbi. At 31 December 2002, the weighted-average annual interest rates of the Group and the Company are 4.4% (2001: 5.2%) and 4.5% (2001: 5.3%) respectively.

(c) The interest rates and terms of repayment for long-term bank loans are as follows:

	Interest rate	Interest type	The Group and The Company	
			2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000
<b>Long-term bank loans</b>				
Due in 2002	5.94%	Floating	–	150,000
Due in 2003	5.94%	Floating	–	300,000
Due in 2003	4.94%	Fixed	<b>400,000</b>	–
Due in 2004	5.35%	Floating	–	50,000
Due in 2004	5.94%	Fixed	–	150,000
Due in 2004	4.94%	Fixed	<b>150,000</b>	–
Due in 2005	4.94%	Fixed	<b>150,000</b>	–
Long-term bank loans (note 30(d))			<b>700,000</b>	650,000
Less: Current portion of long-term bank loans			<b>(400,000)</b>	(150,000)
Long-term portion of long-term bank loans			<b>300,000</b>	500,000

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## 23. Share capital

	The Group and The Company	
	2002 <i>Rmb'000</i>	2001 <i>Rmb'000</i>
Registered, issued and paid up capital:		
2,400,000,000 "Legal person A" shares of Rmb1 each	2,400,000	2,400,000
200,000,000 "A" shares of Rmb1 each	200,000	200,000
1,400,000,000 "H" shares of Rmb1 each	1,400,000	1,400,000
	<u>4,000,000</u>	<u>4,000,000</u>

All the "Legal person A", "A" and "H" shares rank pari passu in all material respects.

## 24. Reserves

	The Group and The Company				Total <i>Rmb'000</i>
	Statutory surplus reserve <i>Rmb'000</i> <i>(Note a)</i>	Statutory public welfare fund <i>Rmb'000</i> <i>(Note b)</i>	Discretionary surplus reserve <i>Rmb'000</i> <i>(Note c)</i>	Excess over share capital <i>Rmb'000</i> <i>(Note d)</i>	
At 1 January 2001	429,289	267,466	594,547	–	1,291,302
Transfer from retained profits <i>(Note 25)</i>	<u>21,937</u>	<u>20,998</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>42,935</u>
At 31 December 2001, as previously reported	451,226	288,464	594,547	–	1,334,237
Adjustment to land use rights	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>(224,400)</u>	<u>(224,400)</u>
At 31 December 2001, as reclassified	451,226	288,464	594,547	(224,400)	1,109,837
Transfer from retained profits <i>(Note 25)</i>	<u>13,887</u>	<u>12,689</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>26,576</u>
<b>At 31 December 2002</b>	<u><b>465,113</b></u>	<u><b>301,153</b></u>	<u><b>594,547</b></u>	<u><b>(224,400)</b></u>	<u><b>1,136,413</b></u>

## 24. Reserves (Continued)

### Notes:

- (a) According to the Articles of Association of the Company and its subsidiaries in the PRC, each of these entities is required to transfer 10 per cent of its profit after taxation, as determined in accordance with the PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations, to its statutory surplus reserve until the reserve balance reaches 50 per cent of its registered capital. The transfer to this reserve must be made before distribution of dividends to shareholders of these entities.

The statutory surplus reserve can be used by an entity to make good its previous years' losses, if any, or to expand its production and operation, and may be converted into share capital by the issue of new shares to shareholders in proportion to their existing shareholdings or by increasing the par value of the shares currently held by them, provided that the balance after such issue is not less than 25 per cent of its registered capital.

- (b) According to the Articles of Association of the Company and its subsidiaries in the PRC, each of these entities is required to transfer 5 per cent to 10 per cent of its profit after taxation, as determined in accordance with the PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations, to its statutory public welfare fund. The fund can only be utilised on capital items for the collective benefits of its employees such as the construction of dormitories, canteen and other staff welfare facilities. This fund is non-distributable other than in liquidation. The transfer to this fund must be made before distribution of a dividend to its shareholders.

The Directors authorised the transfer of Rmb12,689,000 (2001: Rmb20,998,000), subject to the shareholders' approval, to this fund, of which Rmb11,490,000 (2001: Rmb20,059,000) represents 10 per cent (2001: 10 per cent) of the Company's profit after taxation excluding share of profits or losses from subsidiaries and Rmb1,199,000 (2001: Rmb939,000) represents the amount attributable to the transfers proposed by the respective subsidiaries, if any.

- (c) The transfer to the discretionary surplus reserve from the income statement is subject to the approval by shareholders at Annual General Meetings. The utilisation of the reserve is similar to that of the statutory surplus reserve.

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has proposed to transfer any of its profit to this reserve in respect of the financial year 2002 (2001: Rmb Nil).

- (d) Effective 1 January 2002, land use rights which are included in lease prepayments are carried at historical cost base. Accordingly, the surplus on the revaluation of land use rights net of deferred tax asset are reversed to shareholders' funds. The effect of this change did not have a material impact on the Group's financial condition and results of operations in the years prior to the change. As such, certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform with the current year's presentation.

Under the PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations, land use rights are carried at the revalued amount.

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## 25. Retained profits

	The Group <i>Rmb'000</i>	The Company <i>Rmb'000</i>
At 1 January 2001	1,268,298	1,283,967
Net profit for the year	170,789	163,794
Transfer to reserves (Note 24)	(42,935)	(42,935)
Dividends approved in respect of the previous year (Note 10(b))	(360,000)	(360,000)
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At 31 December 2001, as previously reported	1,036,152	1,044,826
Adjustment to land use rights	36,652	36,652
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At 31 December 2001, as reclassified	1,072,804	1,081,478
Net profit for the year	144,321	143,357
Transfer to reserves (Note 24)	(26,576)	(26,576)
Dividend approved in respect of the previous year (Note 10(b))	(80,000)	(80,000)
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<b>At 31 December 2002</b>	<b><u>1,110,549</u></b>	<b><u>1,118,259</u></b>

According to the Company's Articles of Association, the amount of retained profits available for distribution to shareholders of the Company is the lower of the amount determined in accordance with the PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations and the amount determined in accordance with IFRS. At 31 December 2002, the amount of retained profits available for distribution, which was the amount determined in accordance with the PRC Accounting Rules and Regulations, was Rmb509,773,000 (2001: Rmb477,480,000). Final dividend of Rmb60,000,000 (2001: Rmb80,000,000) in respect of the financial year 2002 was proposed after the balance sheet date.

## 26. Retirement benefits

As stipulated by the regulations of the PRC, the Company and its subsidiaries in the PRC participate in basic defined contribution pension plans organised by the respective municipal governments under which they are governed. Details of the schemes of the Company and its principal subsidiary, Foshan Polyester, are as follows:

Administrator	Beneficiary	Contribution rate	
		2002	2001
Yizheng Municipal Government, Jiangsu Province	Employees of the Company	<b>17%</b>	16%
Foshan Municipal Government, Guangdong Province	Employees of Foshan Polyester	<b>19%</b>	19%

All employees are entitled to retirement benefits equal to a fixed proportion of their salary at their normal retirement age. The Group has no other material obligation for payment of basic retirement benefits beyond the annual contributions which are calculated at a rate based on the salaries, bonuses and certain allowances of its employees as described above.

## 26. Retirement benefits *(Continued)*

Other than the above, pursuant to a document "Lao Bu Fa [1995] No.464" dated 29 December 1995 issued by the Ministry of Labour of the PRC, the Company has set up a supplementary defined contribution retirement scheme for its employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the Company in an independent fund administered by a committee consisting of representatives from the employees and the management. The scheme is funded by contributions from the Company which are calculated at a rate based on the basic salaries of its employees. The contribution rate for 2002 was 9 per cent (2001: 9 per cent).

## 27. Related party transactions

China Petrochemical Corporation ("**CPC**"), China Petrochemical & Chemical Corporation ("**Sinopec**") and China International Trust and Investment Corporation ("**CITIC**") are considered to be related parties as they have the ability to exercise significant influence over the Group in making financial and operating decisions.

Yihua, Sinopec Yangzi Petrochemical Company Limited ("**Yangzi**"), Sinopec Finance, CITIC Industrial Bank, Nanjing Chemical Industrial Group ("**Nanhua**"), Sinopec Maoming Petrochemical Corporation ("**Maoming**") and other subsidiaries of CPC, Sinopec or CITIC are considered to be related parties as they are subject to the common significant influence of CPC, Sinopec or CITIC.

### (a) Significant transactions between the Group and the related parties during the year were as follows:

#### Yangzi

	2002 <i>Rmb'000</i>	2001 <i>Rmb'000</i>
Purchases of raw materials	<u>2,082,970</u>	<u>2,208,719</u>

#### Yihua and its subsidiaries ("**Yihua Group**")

	2002 <i>Rmb'000</i>	2001 <i>Rmb'000</i>
Sales	921,641	1,070,203
Purchases	109,218	103,945
Miscellaneous service charges (see note below)	132,487	118,360
Miscellaneous service fee income (see note below)	28,947	27,597
Trademark licence fee (see note below)	10,000	10,000
Payments relating to the construction and maintenance work	<u>102,501</u>	<u>79,199</u>

*Note:* The above service fee income and charges were in accordance with the terms of the agreement dated 8 February 1994, 21 December 2001 and 27 November 2002 signed between the Company and Yihua.

In accordance with the agreement dated 27 November 2002 signed between the Company and Yihua, the Company transferred its existing 634 employees working in the security and catering functions to Yihua which then provides the security and catering services to the Company.

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## 27. Related party transactions (Continued)

- (a) Significant transactions between the Group and the related parties during the year were as follows: (Continued)

### Sinopec and its subsidiaries ("Sinopec Group"), excluding Yangzi

	2002 <i>Rmb'000</i>	2001 <i>Rmb'000</i>
Service charges for the purchase of import equipment	2,594	–
Purchase of equipments	4,000	–
Purchase of raw materials	168,127	111,884
Subsidy received in respect of technological research and development	<u>5,400</u>	<u>12,080</u>

### CPC and its subsidiaries (excluding Sinopec Group and Yihua Group)

	2002 <i>Rmb'000</i>	2001 <i>Rmb'000</i>
Payment for construction work	127,726	–
Purchase of equipment	12,832	6,659
Purchase of raw materials	41,890	24,161
Insurance premium paid	<u>13,834</u>	<u>13,507</u>

### Sinopec Finance

	2002 <i>Rmb'000</i>	2001 <i>Rmb'000</i>
Interest income	<u>11,362</u>	<u>13,732</u>

### CITIC Industrial Bank

	2002 <i>Rmb'000</i>	2001 <i>Rmb'000</i>
Interest income	<u>557</u>	<u>374</u>

The Directors of the Company are of the opinion that the above transactions with related parties were entered into in the ordinary course of business and on normal commercial terms or in accordance with the terms of the agreements governing such transactions.

- (b) At 31 December 2002, no guarantees were given by CPC to banks in respect of bank loans to the Company (2001: Rmb50,000,000).

## 28. Contingent liabilities

At 31 December 2002, contingent liabilities in respect of guarantees given to banks by the Company in respect of bank loans granted to certain wholly owned subsidiaries totalled Rmb74,776,000 (2001: Rmb30,020,000).

At 31 December 2002, the Group discounted bills with banks totalled Rmb42,900,000 (2001: Nil).

## 29. Capital commitments

At 31 December 2002, the Group and the Company had capital commitments as follows:

	The Group		The Company	
	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000	2002 Rmb'000	2001 Rmb'000
Authorised and contracted for	455,682	690,890	451,262	665,652
Authorised but not contracted for	740,849	1,416,623	740,849	1,393,669
	<u>1,196,531</u>	<u>2,107,513</u>	<u>1,192,111</u>	<u>2,059,321</u>

These capital commitments are for the construction of PTA production plant and improvements to the existing plants.

## 30. Financial instruments

Financial assets of the Group include cash and cash equivalents, deposits with banks and other financial institutions, trade and other receivables and unlisted investment. The financial liabilities of the Group include bank loans and trade and other payables. The Group does not hold or issue financial instruments for trading purpose at 31 December 2002 and 2001. The Group had no positions in derivative contracts that are designated and qualified as hedging instruments at 31 December 2002 and 2001.

### (a) Interest rate risk

The interest rates and terms of repayment of bank loans of the Group are disclosed in Note 22.

### (b) Credit risk

#### *Deposits with banks and other financial institutions*

Substantial amounts of the Group's cash balances are deposited with the following financial institutions: Bank of China, Industrial and Commercial Bank of China, Bank of Communications, China Construction Bank, CITIC Industrial Bank, Agricultural Bank of China and Sinopec Finance.

#### *Trade and other receivables*

The Group does not have a significant exposure to any individual customer or counterparty. The major concentrations of credit risk arise from exposures to a substantial number of trade debtors operating in one geographical region, the PRC.

Details of the amounts due from parent company and fellow subsidiaries are disclosed in Note 18.

#### *Unlisted investment*

Details of the unlisted investment are disclosed in Note 16.



## 30. Financial instruments (Continued)

### (c) Concentration risk

Substantial amounts of the Group's cash balances are deposited with Sinopec Finance.

### (d) Fair value

The fair value of unlisted investment could not reasonably be estimated without incurring excessive costs as the investment is unquoted equity securities and there is no quoted market price for such securities in the PRC.

The fair values of cash and cash equivalents, trade and other receivables, trade and other payables are not materially different from their carrying amounts.

The carrying values of short-term deposits and short-term bank loans are estimated to approximate to their fair values based on the nature or short-term maturity of these instruments.

The fair values of the Group's long-term loans as estimated by applying a discounted cash flow using current market interest rates for similar financial instruments, are summarised as follows:

	2002		2001	
	Carrying amount <i>Rmb'000</i>	Fair value <i>Rmb'000</i>	Carrying amount <i>Rmb'000</i>	Fair value <i>Rmb'000</i>
Long-term bank loans, including current portion (Note 22(c))	<u>700,000</u>	<u>704,482</u>	<u>650,000</u>	<u>652,629</u>

Fair value estimates are made at a specific point in time and based on relevant market information and information about the relevant financial instrument. These estimates are subjective in nature and involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgement and therefore cannot be determined with precision. Changes in assumptions could significantly affect the estimates.

**31. Note to the consolidated cash flow statement**

Reconciliation of profit from ordinary activities before taxation to cash generated from operations

	<b>2002</b> <b>Rmb'000</b>	2001 <i>Rmb'000</i>
Profit from ordinary activities before taxation	<b>156,745</b>	213,375
Depreciation charge	<b>769,089</b>	804,555
Interest and investment income	<b>(25,876)</b>	(37,682)
Interest expense	<b>52,976</b>	59,224
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	<b>1,760</b>	1,236
(Increase) / decrease in inventories	<b>(188,686)</b>	118,679
Increase in trade and other receivables	<b>(54,874)</b>	(57,730)
Decrease in lease prepayments	<b>4,604</b>	–
Increase / (decrease) in trade and other payables	<b>816,877</b>	(329,078)
	<hr/> <b>1,532,615</b> <hr/>	<hr/> 772,579 <hr/>
Cash generated from operations	<b>1,532,615</b>	772,579

**32. Parent companies**

The Directors consider the immediate parent company and the ultimate parent company at 31 December 2002 to be Sinopec and CPC, respectively, which are incorporated in the PRC.