

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 December 2005

1. GENERAL

The Company is a public limited company incorporated in Hong Kong and its shares are listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange"). The address of the registered office of the Company are disclosed in the Corporate Information to the annual report.

The Company is an investment holding company. The principal activities of its principal subsidiaries are set out in note 16.

The financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars which is also the functional currency of the Company.

During the prior period, the Company changed its financial year end date from 31 March to 31 December and the consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries which cover nine months period ended 31 December 2004. For current year, the consolidated financial statements incorporated the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries cover twelve months period up to 31 December 2005. The corresponding amounts shown for the consolidated income statement, consolidated statement of changes in equity, consolidated cash flow statement and related notes cover a nine month period from 1 April 2004 to 31 December 2004 and therefore may not be comparable with amounts shown for the current year.

2. ADOPTION OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARD/CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES

In the current year, the Group has adopted all the new and revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRS(s)"), Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKAS(s)") and Interpretations (hereinafter collectively referred to as "new HKFRS(s)") issued by Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants that are relevant to its operations and are effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2005. The application of the new HKFRSs has resulted in a change in the presentation of the consolidated income statement, consolidated balance sheet and the consolidated statement of changes in equity.

The adoption of the new HKFRSs has resulted in changes to the Group's accounting policies in the following areas that have an effect on how the results for the current or prior accounting years are prepared and presented.

Share-based payments

In the current year, the Group has applied HKFRS 2, Share-based Payment, which requires an expense to be recognised where the Group buys goods or obtains services in exchange for shares or rights over shares ("equity-settled transactions"). The principal impact of HKFRS 2 on the Group is in relation to the expensing of the fair value of directors' and employees' share options of the Company determined at the date of grant of the share options over the vesting period. Prior to the application of HKFRS 2, the Group did not recognise the financial effect of these share options until they were exercised. In relation to share options granted before 1 January 2005, the Group has not applied HKFRS 2 to share options granted on or before 7 November 2002 and share options that were granted after 7 November 2002 and had vested before 1 January 2005 in accordance with the relevant transitional provisions. However, the Group is still required to apply HKFRS 2 retrospectively to share options that were granted after 7 November 2002 and had not yet vested on 1 January 2005. Comparative figures have been restated (see note 3 for the financial impact).

2. ADOPTION OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARD/CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments

In the current year, the Group has applied HKAS 32 Financial Instruments: Disclosure and Presentation and HKAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement. HKAS 32 requires retrospective application. HKAS 39, which is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2005, generally does not permit to recognise, derecognise or measure financial assets and liabilities on a retrospective basis. The application of HKAS 32 has had no material impact on how financial instruments of the Group are presented for current and prior accounting periods. The principal effects resulting from the implementation of HKAS 39 are summarised below:

Classification and measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities

The Group has applied the relevant transitional provisions in HKAS 39 with respect to classification and measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities that are within the scope of HKAS 39.

From 1 January 2005 onwards, the Group classifies and measures its financial assets and financial liabilities in accordance with the requirements of HKAS 39. The classification depends on the purpose for which the assets are acquired. The Group's financial assets are loans and receivables which are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Financial liabilities are generally classified as "financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss" or "financial liabilities other than financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (other financial liabilities)". The Group's financial liabilities are "other financial liabilities" which are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The adoption of HKAS 39 has no impact on the Group's accumulated losses on 1 January 2005 and results for the current year.

Investment properties

In the current year, the Group has, for the first time, applied HKAS 40 Investment Property. The Group has elected to use the fair value model to account for its investment properties which requires gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of investment properties to be recognised directly in the profit or loss for the period in which they arise. In previous periods, investment properties under the predecessor standard were measured at open market values, with revaluation surplus or deficits credited or charged to investment property revaluation reserve unless the balance on this reserve was insufficient to cover a revaluation decrease, in which case the excess of the revaluation decrease over the balance on the investment property revaluation reserve was charged to the income statement. Where a decrease had previously been charged to the income statement and revaluation subsequently arose, that increase was credited to the income statement to the extent of the decrease previously charged. The Group has applied the relevant transitional provisions in HKAS 40 and elected to apply HKAS 40 from 1 January 2005 onwards. It has no impact on the Group's accumulated losses on 1 January 2005 and the results for the current year.

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2. ADOPTION OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARD/CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Deferred tax related to investment properties

In previous period, deferred tax consequences in respect of revalued investment properties were assessed on the basis of the tax consequence that would follow from recovery of the carrying amount of the properties through sale in accordance with the predecessor Interpretation. In the current year, the Group has applied HKAS Interpretation 21 Income Taxes – Recovery of Revalued Non-Depreciable Assets which removes the presumption that the carrying amount of investment properties are to be recovered through sale. Therefore, the deferred tax consequences of the investment properties are now assessed on the basis that reflect the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the Group expects to recover the property at each balance sheet date. In the absence of any specific transitional provisions in HKAS Interpretation 21, this change in accounting policy has been applied retrospectively. It has no impact on the results for current and prior accounting year/period as the Group's intention is to recover the property through sale.

3. SUMMARY OF THE EFFECTS OF ADOPTION OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARD CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The effects of changes in the accounting policies described above on the results for the current year and prior period are as follows:

	1.1.2005 to 31.12.2005 HK\$'000	1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004 HK\$'000
Expenses recognised in relation to share options granted		
– Increase in administrative expenses	<u>(4,392)</u>	<u>(4,085)</u>

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3. SUMMARY OF THE EFFECTS OF ADOPTION OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARD CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

The cumulative effects of the application of the new HKFRSs as at 31 December 2004 and 1 January 2005 are summarised below:

	31.12.2004 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Originally stated)	Adjustment <i>HK\$'000</i>	31.12.2004 and 1.1.2005 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Restated)
Accumulated losses	(816,215)	(4,319)	(820,534)
Share options reserve	–	4,319	4,319
Minority interests	–	39,362	39,362
Total effects on equity	(816,215)	39,362	(776,853)
Minority interests	39,362	(39,362)	–
	<u>(776,853)</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>(776,853)</u>

The financial effects of the application of the new HKFRSs to the Group's equity at 1 April 2004 are summarised below:

	As originally stated <i>HK\$'000</i>	Adjustment <i>HK\$'000</i>	As restated <i>HK\$'000</i>
Accumulated losses	(920,014)	(234)	(920,248)
Share options reserve	–	234	234
Minority interests	–	22,294	22,294
Total effects on equity	<u>(920,014)</u>	<u>22,294</u>	<u>(897,720)</u>

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3. SUMMARY OF THE EFFECTS OF ADOPTION OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARD CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

The Group has not early applied the new standards, interpretations and amendments that have been issued but are not yet effective as at 31 December 2005.

HKAS 1 (Amendment)	Capital disclosure ¹
HKAS 19 (Amendment)	Actuarial gains and losses, group plans and disclosures ²
HKAS 21 (Amendment)	Net investment in a foreign operation ²
HKAS 39 (Amendment)	Cash flow hedge accounting of forecast intragroup transactions ²
HKAS 39 (Amendment)	The fair value option ²
HKAS 39 and HKFRS 4 (Amendments)	Financial guarantee contracts ²
HKFRS 6	Exploration for and evaluation of mineral resources ²
HKFRS 7	Financial instruments: Disclosures ¹
HKFRS – INT 4	Determining whether an arrangement contains a lease ²
HKFRS – INT 5	Rights to interests arising from decommissioning, restoration and environmental rehabilitation funds ²
HK(IFRIC) – INT 6	Liabilities arising from participating in a specific market-waste electrical and electronic equipment ³
HK(IFRIC) – INT 7	Applying the restatement approach under HKAS 29 Financial Reporting in Hyperinflationary Economies ⁴

¹ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2007.

² Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2006.

³ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 December 2005.

⁴ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 March 2006.

The Group has commenced considering the potential impact of these new HKFRSs but is not yet in a position to determine whether these HKFRSs would have a significant impact on how its results of operations and financial position are prepared and presented. These HKFRSs may result in change in the future as to how the results and financial position are prepared and presented.

4. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for investment properties which are stated at fair values.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards issued by Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. In additions, the financial statements include applicable disclosure required by the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange and the Companies Ordinance.

4. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries.

The results of subsidiaries acquired and disposed of during the year/period are included in the consolidated income statement from and up to their effective dates of acquisition and disposal respectively.

All significant inter-company transactions and balances within the Group have been eliminated on consolidation.

Where necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of subsidiaries to bring their accounting policies into line with those used by other members of the Group.

Minority interests in the net assets of consolidated subsidiaries are presented separately from the Group's equity therein. Minority interests in the net assets consist of the amount of those interests at the date of the original business combination and the minority's share of changes in equity since the date of the combination. Losses applicable to the minority in excess of the minority's interest in the subsidiary's equity are allocated against the interests of the Group except to the extent that the minority has a binding obligation and is able to make an additional investment to cover the losses.

Revenue recognition

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represents amounts receivable for goods sold and services provided in the nominal course of business, net of discounts and sales related taxes.

Sales of goods are recognised when goods are delivered and title has been passed.

Service income is recognised when services are rendered.

Revenue from sale of properties in the ordinary course of business (including revenue from pre-completion contracts for the sale of development properties) is recognised when all of the following criteria are met:

- the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the properties are transferred to buyers;
- neither continuing managerial involvement to the degree usually associated with ownership nor effective control over the properties are retained;
- the amount of revenue can be measured reliably;
- it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the Group; and
- the costs incurred or to be incurred in respect of the transaction can be measured reliably.

Deposit received from the purchasers prior to the above criteria are recorded as deposit received on sale of properties and included in current liabilities.

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4. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Revenue recognition (continued)

Rental income, including rentals invoiced in advance from properties let under operating leases, is recognised on a straight line basis over the term of the leases.

Interest income from a financial asset is accrued on a time basis, by reference to the principal outstanding and at the effective interest rate applicable, which is the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial assets to that asset's net carrying amount.

Dividend income from investments is recognised when the shareholders' rights to receive payment have been established.

Investment properties

On initial recognition, investment properties are measured at cost, including any directly attributable expenditure. Subsequent to initial recognition, investment properties are measured using the fair value model. Gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of investment property are included in profit or loss for the period in which they arise.

Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment other than construction in progress are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and identified impairment losses.

Construction in progress is not depreciated until completion of construction and the asset is ready for its intended use.

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost of property, plant and equipment other than construction in progress over their estimated useful lives, using the straight line method, at the following rates per annum:

Buildings	1.67% to 3.60%
Plant and machinery	5% to 20%
Furniture and equipment	10% to 20%
Motor vehicles	20%

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected to arise from the continued use of the asset. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition of the asset (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the item) is included in the income statement in the year in which the item is derecognised.

Subsidiaries

Investments in subsidiaries are included in the Company's balance sheet at cost less any identified impairment loss.

4. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Investments in associates

The results and assets and liabilities of associates are incorporated in these financial statements using the equity method of accounting, except when the investment is classified as held for sale (in which case it is accounted for under HKFRS 5 Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations). Under the equity method, investments in associates are carried in the consolidated balance sheet at cost as adjusted for post-acquisition changes in the Group's share of the profit or loss and of changes in equity of the associate, less any identified impairment loss. When the Group's share of losses of an associate equals or exceeds its interest in that associate (which includes any long-term interests that, in substance, form part of the Group's net investment in the associate), the Group discontinues recognising its share of further losses. An additional share of losses is provided for and a liability is recognised only to the extent that the Group has incurred legal or constructive obligations or made payments on behalf of that associate.

Non-current assets held for sale

Non-current assets are classified as held for sale if their carrying amount will be recovered principally through a sale transaction rather than through continuing use. This condition is regarded as met only when the sale is highly probable and the asset is available for immediate sale in its present condition.

Non-current assets classified as held for sale are measured at the lower of the assets' previous carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell.

Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost comprises direct materials and, where applicable, direct labour costs and those overheads that have been incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition. Cost is calculated using the first-in, first-out method. Net realisable value represents 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.

Properties under development for future sale/Properties held for sales

Properties under development for future sale/properties held for sales are stated at lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost comprises the cost of the land together with direct costs attributable to the development of the properties and borrowing costs capitalised during the period of development.

Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets, which are assets that necessarily take a substantial period of time to get ready for their intended use or sale, are capitalised as part of cost of those assets. Capitalisation of such borrowing costs ceased when the assets are substantially ready for their intended use or sale. Investment income earned on the temporary investment of specific borrowings pending their expenditure on qualifying assets is deducted from borrowing costs capitalised.

All other borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

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4. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Impairment

At each balance sheet date, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If the recoverable amount of an asset is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised as an expense immediately.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised as income immediately.

Taxation

Income tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year/period. Taxable profit differs from net profit as reported in the income statement because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other periods and it further excludes items that are never taxable or deductible. The Group's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax is the tax expected to be payable or recoverable on differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit, and is accounted for using the balance sheet liability method. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences, and deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilised. Such assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary difference arises from goodwill or from the initial recognition (other than in a business combination) of other assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the taxable profit nor the accounting profit.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each balance sheet date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the liability is settled or the asset is realised. Deferred tax is charged or credited to the income statement, except when it relates to items charged or credited directly to equity, in which case the deferred tax is also dealt with in equity.

4. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Foreign currencies

In preparing the financial statements of each individual group entity, transactions in currencies other than the functional currency of that entity (foreign currencies) are recorded in its functional currency (i.e. the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates) at the rates of exchanges prevailing on the dates of the transactions. At each balance sheet date, monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing on the balance sheet date. Non-monetary items carried at fair value that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing on the date when the fair value was determined. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated.

Exchange differences arising on the settlement of monetary items, and on the translation of monetary items, are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they arise. Exchange differences arising on the retranslation of non-monetary items carried at fair value are included in profit or loss for the period except for differences arising on the retranslation of non-monetary items in respect of which gains and losses are recognised directly in equity in which cases, the exchange differences is recognised directly in equity.

For the purposes of presenting the consolidated financial statements, the assets and liabilities of the Group's foreign operations are translated into the presentation currency of the Company (i.e. Hong Kong dollars) at the rate of exchange prevailing at the balance sheet date, and their income and expenses are translated at the average exchange rates for the year/period, unless exchange rates fluctuate significantly during the period, in which case, the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of transactions are used. Exchange differences arising, if any, are recognised as a separate component of equity (the translation reserve). Such exchange differences are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which the foreign operation is disposed of.

Leases

Leases are classified as finance leases whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee, others are operating leases.

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the income statement on a straight line basis over the term of the relevant leases.

Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised on the balance sheet when a group entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of financial assets and financial liabilities (other than financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss) are added to or deducted from the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities, as appropriate, on initial recognition. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

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4. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

Financial assets

The Group's financial assets are mainly classified into loans and receivables. All regular way purchases or sales of financial assets are recognised and derecognised on a settlement date basis. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the time frame established by regulation or convention in the marketplace. The accounting policies adopted in respect of financial assets are set out below.

Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. At each balance sheet date subsequent to initial recognition, loans and receivables (including trade and other receivables, bills receivables, bank balances and cash, amounts due from a minority interest/associates/related companies) are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any identified impairment losses. An impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss when there is objective evidence that the asset is impaired, and is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the original effective interest rate. Impairment losses are reversed in subsequent periods when an increase in the asset's recoverable amount can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, subject to a restriction that the carrying amount of the asset at the date the impairment is reversed does not exceed what the amortised cost would have been had the impairment not been recognised.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and demand deposits which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Financial liabilities and equity

Financial liabilities and equity instruments issued by a group entity are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into and the definitions of a financial liability and an equity instrument.

An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the group after deducting all of its liabilities. The Group's financial liabilities are classified into other financial liabilities. The accounting policies adopted in respect of financial liabilities and equity instruments are set out below.

Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities including trade and other payables, loan from an intermediate controlling shareholder, amount due to a minority shareholder, other loans, bank loans are subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Equity instruments

Equity instruments issued by the Company are recorded at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs.

4. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present obligation as a result of a past event, and it is probable that the Group will be required to settle that obligation. Provisions are measured at the directors' best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the obligation at the balance sheet date, and are discounted to present value where the effect is material.

Retirement benefits costs

Payments to the defined contribution retirement benefits schemes are charged as expenses as they fall due.

Contingent liabilities acquired in a business combination

Contingent liabilities acquired in a business combination are initially measured at fair value at the date of acquisition. At subsequent balance sheet date, such contingent liabilities are measured at the higher of the amount that would be recognised in accordance with HKAS 37 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets and the amount initially recognised less cumulative amortisation (if appropriate).

Share-based payment transactions

Equity-settled share-based payment transactions

Share options granted to employees of the Company

The fair value of services received determined by reference to the fair value of share options granted at the grant date is expensed on a straight-line basis over the vesting period, with a corresponding increase in equity (share option reserve).

At the time when the share options are exercised, the amount previously recognised in share option reserve will be transferred to share premium. When the share options are forfeited or are still not exercised at the expiry date, the amount previously recognised in share option reserve will continue to be held in share option reserve.

5. KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

In the process of applying the Group's accounting policies, which are described in note 4, management had made the following judgments that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements.

Impairment of property, plant and equipment

Determining whether property, plant and equipment is impaired requires an estimation of the recoverable amounts of the assets. The recoverable amounts requires the entity to estimate the future cash flows expected to arise from the cash-generating unit and a suitable discount rate in order to calculate present value. During the year, an impairment loss of HK\$23,781,000 (1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004: HK\$9,473,000) was recognised.

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6. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Group's major financial instruments include trade and other receivables, bank balance and cash, trade and other payables and borrowings. Details of these financial instruments are disclosed in respective notes. The risks associated with these financial instruments and the policies on how to mitigate these risks are set out below. The management manages and monitors these exposures to ensure appropriate measures are implemented on a timely and effective manner.

Interest rate risk

The Group's cash flow interest rate risk primarily relates to fixed-rate bank loans.

The Group currently does not have any risk hedging policy. However, the management monitors interest rate risk exposure and will consider hedging significant risk exposure should the used arises.

Credit risk

The Group's credit risk is primarily attributable to trade and other receivables. The maximum exposure to credit risk in the event of the counterparties failure to perform their obligations as at 31 December 2005 in relation to each class of recognised financial assets is the carrying amount of those assets as stated in the consolidated balance sheet. In order to minimise the credit risk, the management of the Group has reviewed the recoverable amount of each individual trade debt at each balance sheet date to ensure that adequate impairment losses are made for irrecoverable amounts. In this regard, the directors of the Company consider that the Group's credit risk is significantly reduced.

The credit risk on liquid funds is limited because the counterparties are banks with high credit-ratings assigned by international credit-rating agencies.

Concentration risk

The Group is exposed to concentration risk as a significant portion of its business are derived from its largest customer.

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7. TURNOVER AND SEGMENT INFORMATION

Turnover represents the net amounts received and receivable for goods sold by the Group to outside customers, less returns and allowances.

Business Segments

The Group's principal activities are trade and manufacture of cement, trade of goods, property investment, property development and investments holding. These five business segments are the basis on which the Group reports its primary segment information. Segment information about these businesses is presented as below:

	Trade and manufacture of cement HK\$'000	Trade of goods HK\$'000	Property investment HK\$'000	Property development HK\$'000	Investments holding HK\$'000	Consolidated HK\$'000
For the year ended 31 December 2005						
Turnover						
Segment turnover	<u>46,458</u>	<u>93,261</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>114,053</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>253,772</u>
Result						
Segment result	(30,069)	7	(10,286)	8,219	–	(32,129)
Unallocated corporate expenses						(16,777)
Finance costs						(1,407)
Share of results of associates					(1)	(1)
Loss before taxation						(50,314)
Taxation						(3,371)
Loss for the year						<u>(53,685)</u>
Other information						
Additions of property, plant and equipment	7,731	–	–	97	2	7,830
Impairment loss on property, plant and equipment	(23,781)	–	–	–	–	(23,781)
Depreciation and amortisation of property, plant and equipment	(2,854)	–	–	(90)	(273)	(3,217)
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(986)	–	–	(23)	–	(1,009)
Provision for a legal claim	–	–	(8,698)	–	–	(8,698)

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7. TURNOVER AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

Business Segments (continued)

	Trade and manufacture of cement HK\$'000	Trade of goods HK\$'000	Property investment HK\$'000	Property development HK\$'000	Investments holding HK\$'000	Consolidated HK\$'000
As at 31 December 2005						
Balance sheet						
Assets						
Segment assets	62,260	601	84,870	332,453	213,948	694,132
Consolidated total assets						694,132
Liabilities						
Segment liabilities	(30,605)	(8)	(48,968)	(251,893)	(6,374)	(337,848)
Unallocated corporate liabilities						(70,952)
Consolidated total liabilities						(408,800)
For the period from 1 April 2004 to 31 December 2004						
Turnover						
Segment turnover	81,518	129,438	36	–	–	210,992
Result						
Segment result	(15,879)	45	(32,876)	(303)	(23)	(49,036)
Unallocated corporate expenses						(21,969)
Finance costs						(1,787)
Gain on disposal of subsidiaries			162,989			162,989
Share of results of associates					(261)	(261)
Profit before taxation						89,936
Taxation						4,205
Profit for the period						94,141
Other information						
Additions of property, plant and equipment	20,113	–	–	12	164	20,289
Impairment loss on property, plant and equipment	(9,473)	–	–	–	–	(9,473)
Depreciation and amortisation of property, plant and equipment	(4,283)	–	–	(24)	(234)	(4,541)
Allowance made for inventories	(2,931)	–	–	–	–	(2,931)
(Loss) gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(2,368)	–	–	2	–	(2,366)
Revaluation deficit recognised in respect of investment properties	–	–	(6,262)	–	–	(6,262)
Provision for a legal claim	–	–	(32,792)	–	–	(32,792)

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7. TURNOVER AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

Business Segments (continued)

	Trade and manufacture of cement <i>HK\$'000</i>	Trade of goods <i>HK\$'000</i>	Property investment <i>HK\$'000</i>	Property development <i>HK\$'000</i>	Investments holding <i>HK\$'000</i>	Consolidated <i>HK\$'000</i>
As at 31 December 2004						
Balance sheet						
Assets						
Segment assets	<u>92,531</u>	<u>638</u>	<u>84,870</u>	<u>216,041</u>	<u>234,426</u>	<u>628,506</u>
Consolidated total assets						<u>628,506</u>
Liabilities						
Segment liabilities	<u>30,527</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>39,403</u>	<u>52,709</u>	<u>6,793</u>	129,438
Unallocated corporate liabilities						<u>166,687</u>
Consolidated total liabilities						<u>296,125</u>

Geographical Segments

The Group's operations are located in Mainland China and Hong Kong of the People's Republic of China (the "PRC"). The following table provides an analysis of the Group's turnover by geographical market, irrespective of the origin of the goods/services:

	Turnover by geographical market	
	1.1.2005 to 31.12.2005 <i>HK\$'000</i>	1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Mainland China	<u>160,511</u>	81,554
Hong Kong	<u>93,261</u>	<u>129,438</u>
	<u>253,772</u>	<u>210,992</u>

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7. TURNOVER AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

Geographical Segments (continued)

The following is an analysis of the carrying amount of segment assets and additions to property, plant and equipment analysed by the geographical areas in which the assets are located:

	2005 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2004 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Carrying amount of segment assets		
Mainland China	479,583	393,442
Hong Kong	214,549	235,064
	<u>694,132</u>	<u>628,506</u>
	1.1.2005 to 31.12.2005 <i>HK\$'000</i>	1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Additions to property, plant and equipment		
Mainland China	7,828	20,125
Hong Kong	2	164
	<u>7,830</u>	<u>20,289</u>

8. FINANCE COSTS

	THE GROUP	
	1.1.2005 to 31.12.2005 <i>HK\$'000</i>	1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Interest on:		
Bank loans and overdrafts wholly repayable within five years	5,583	5,300
Less: Amount capitalised in the cost of properties held for sales	(4,176)	(3,513)
	<u>1,407</u>	<u>1,787</u>

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9. TAXATION

Hong Kong Profits Tax is provided at 17.5% (1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004: 17.5%) on the estimated assessable profits for the year/period. PRC Enterprise Income Tax is provided at range from 24% to 33% (1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004: 24%) on the estimated assessable profits for the year/period.

Pursuant to the relevant laws and regulations in the PRC, the Group's certain PRC subsidiaries are exempted from PRC Enterprise Income Tax for two years starting from their first profit-making year, followed by a 50% reduction for the next three years.

	THE GROUP	
	1.1.2005 to 31.12.2005 HK\$'000	1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004 HK\$'000
The taxation charge comprises:		
Current tax:		
Hong Kong	–	6
PRC	3,334	–
	3,334	6
Under(over)provision in prior years:		
Hong Kong	297	(570)
PRC	645	–
	942	(570)
	4,276	(564)
Deferred taxation (note 30)	(905)	(3,641)
Taxation charge (credit) for the year/period	3,371	(4,205)

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9. TAXATION (continued)

A statement of reconciliation of taxation is as follows:

	1.1.2005 to 31.12.2005 HK\$'000	1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004 HK\$'000
(Loss) profit before taxation	<u>(50,314)</u>	<u>89,936</u>
Effective tax at the PRC Enterprise Income Tax rate of 24% (1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004: 24%)	(12,076)	21,585
Tax effect of share of results of associates	–	63
Tax effect of expenses not deductible for tax purposes	7,979	5,966
Tax effect of income not taxable for tax purposes	(444)	(39,815)
Tax effect of tax losses not recognised	5,690	8,580
Tax effect on utilisation of tax losses previously not recognised	–	(9)
Effect of different tax rates of subsidiaries operating in other jurisdictions	1,280	(3)
Under(over)provision in prior year	942	(570)
Others	–	(2)
Taxation charge (credit) for the year/period	<u>3,371</u>	<u>(4,205)</u>

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10. (LOSS) PROFIT FOR THE YEAR/PERIOD

	THE GROUP	
	1.1.2005 to 31.12.2005 HK\$'000	1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004 HK\$'000
The (loss) profit for the year/period is arrived at after charging:		
Auditors' remuneration		
Current year/period provision	1,550	1,020
Prior period (over)underprovision	(120)	54
	1,430	1,074
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	3,217	4,533
Impairment loss on property, plant and equipment	23,781	9,473
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	1,009	2,366
Minimum lease payments in respect of rented premises	1,610	1,995
Allowance made for inventories	–	2,931
Contributions to retirement benefits schemes (including directors' emoluments)	1,558	1,315
Other staff costs (including directors' emoluments)	13,771	14,822
Cost of inventories recognised as an expense	236,760	206,776
after crediting:		
Gross rental income from investment properties, net of negligible outgoings		
	1,009	684
Interest income excluding of interest income on the temporary investment of specific borrowings of approximately HK\$620,000 (1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004: HK\$243,000) which has been capitalised in properties under development		
	1,882	22
Exchange gain	1,530	–

Other than interest income capitalised as stated above, the above amounts are shown net of expenses capitalised in properties under development as follows:

	1.1.2005 to 31.12.2005 HK\$'000	1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004 HK\$'000
Other staff costs	3,319	701
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	90	8
Operating lease rentals for land and building	654	95

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11. DIRECTORS' AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT'S EMOLUMENTS

(a) Directors' emoluments

The emoluments paid or payable to each of the 11 (2004: 11) directors were as follows:

The other 1 director (2004: 1 director) has no emoluments for the year.

	Zhang Guotong HK\$'000	Wu Chun Wah HK\$'000	Wang Hongxin HK\$'000	Xu Zhen HK\$'000	Ma Zhengwu HK\$'000	Gu Laiyun HK\$'000	Hong Shui Kun HK\$'000	Chen Shengjie HK\$'000	Kwong Che Keung HK\$'000	Tsui Yiu Wa HK\$'000	Lao Youan HK\$'000	Total 1.1.2005 to 31.12.2005 HK\$'000
Fee	1,018	1,610	465	182	240	240	240	60	360	360	180	4,955
Contributions to retirement benefit schemes	51	80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	131
Share-based payment	402	402	-	22	43	282	43	-	-	-	-	1,194
Total emoluments	1,471	2,092	465	204	283	522	283	60	360	360	180	6,280

	Zhang Guotong HK\$'000	Wu Chun Wah HK\$'000	Xu Zhen HK\$'000	Li Tie Feng HK\$'000	Ma Zhengwu HK\$'000	Gu Laiyun HK\$'000	Hong Shui Kun HK\$'000	Chen Shengjie HK\$'000	Kwong Che Keung HK\$'000	Tsui Yiu Wa HK\$'000	Lao Youan HK\$'000	Total 1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004 HK\$'000
Fee	454	1,000	-	260	164	164	164	164	270	270	135	3,045
Contributions to retirement benefit schemes	5	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	55
Share-based payment	266	266	73	146	146	226	146	146	-	-	-	1,415
Total emoluments	725	1,316	73	406	310	390	310	310	270	270	135	4,515

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11. DIRECTORS' AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT'S EMOLUMENTS (continued)

(b) Five highest paid individuals

Of the five individuals with the highest emoluments in the Group, two (1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004: two) directors of the Company whose emoluments are included in note 11(a) above. The emoluments of the remaining three (1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004: three) individuals were as follows:

	THE GROUP	
	1.1.2005 to 31.12.2005 HK\$'000	1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004 HK\$'000
Salaries and other benefits	1,557	2,646
Contributions to retirement benefits schemes	78	55
	<u>1,635</u>	<u>2,701</u>

Emoluments of the highest paid individuals were within the following bands:

	THE GROUP	
	1.1.2005 to 31.12.2005 Number of employees	1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004 Number of employees
Nil to HK\$1,000,000	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>

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12. (LOSS) EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic and diluted (loss) earnings per share is based on the following data:

	THE GROUP	
	1.1.2005 to 31.12.2005 HK\$'000	1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004 HK\$'000 (restated)
(Loss) profit for the year and earnings for the purposes of basic and diluted earnings per share	(45,997)	99,714
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of basic earnings per share	1,687,104,968	1,687,104,968
Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares in respect of share options	N/A	1,976,336
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of diluted earnings per share	N/A	1,689,081,304

No diluted loss per share has been presented for the year ended 31 December 2005 because the exercise of share options will be anti-dilutive.

Impact of the adoption of new and revised accounting policies

The Group's adoption of new and revised accounting policies during the year are described in detail in Note 2. To the extent that those changes have had an impact on results reported for 2005 and 2004, they have had an impact on the amounts reported for earnings per share. The following table summarises that impact on both basic and diluted earnings per share:

	Impact on basic (loss) earnings per share		Impact on diluted earnings per share	
	1.1.2005 to 31.12.2005 HK cents	1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004 HK cents	1.1.2005 to 31.12.2005 HK cents	1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004 HK cents
Figures before adjustments	(2.47)	6.15	N/A	6.15
Adjustment arising from the adoption of new and revised accounting policies	(0.26)	(0.24)	N/A	(0.25)
As reported/restated	(2.73)	5.91	N/A	5.90

13. RETIREMENT BENEFITS SCHEMES

The Group participates in both a defined contribution scheme which is registered under the Occupational Retirement Scheme Ordinance (the ORSO Scheme) and a Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme (the MPF Scheme) established under the Mandatory Provident Fund Ordinance in December 2000. The assets of the schemes are held separately from those of the Group, in funds under the control of trustees. All employees who were members of the ORSO Scheme prior to the establishment of the MPF Scheme were required to switch to the MPF Scheme, whereas all new employees joining the Group on or after December 2000 are required to join the MPF Scheme. The Group contributes 5% of relevant payroll costs to the MPF Scheme, which contribution is matched by employees.

The employees of the Group's subsidiaries in the PRC are members of a state-managed retirement benefit scheme operated by the PRC government. The subsidiaries are required to contribute 29% of payroll costs to the retirement benefit scheme to fund the benefits. The only obligation of the Group with respect to the retirement benefit scheme is to make the specified contributions.

For the year ended 31 December 2005, contributions totalling of approximately HK\$1,558,000 (1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004: HK\$1,315,000) were paid by the Group.

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14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

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	Buildings HK\$'000	Plant and machinery HK\$'000	Furniture and equipment HK\$'000	Motor vehicles HK\$'000	Construction in progress HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
COST						
At 1 April 2004	80,418	81,431	15,530	7,455	2,944	187,778
Additions	2,747	42	211	–	17,289	20,289
Acquired on acquisition of subsidiaries	–	–	60	304	–	364
Transfer	–	160	–	–	(160)	–
Disposals	(1,072)	(3,113)	(688)	(1,865)	–	(6,738)
Disposal of subsidiaries	(3,937)	–	(1,810)	(1,592)	–	(7,339)
At 31 December 2004	78,156	78,520	13,303	4,302	20,073	194,354
Currency realignment	1,266	1,416	12	61	362	3,117
Additions	3,023	434	111	–	4,262	7,830
Transfer	14,237	10,460	–	–	(24,697)	–
Disposals	(9,303)	(640)	(26)	(782)	–	(10,751)
At 31 December 2005	87,379	90,190	13,400	3,581	–	194,550
ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION AND IMPAIRMENT						
At 1 April 2004	31,050	60,474	13,711	6,222	–	111,457
Provided for the period	1,906	2,050	306	279	–	4,541
Eliminated on disposals	(483)	(1,729)	(607)	(1,518)	–	(4,337)
Impairment loss recognised in income statements	6,273	3,192	–	8	–	9,473
Disposal of subsidiaries	(518)	–	(1,692)	(1,592)	–	(3,802)
At 31 December 2004	38,228	63,987	11,718	3,399	–	117,332
Currency realignment	546	1,162	10	43	–	1,761
Provided for the year	1,359	1,211	196	451	–	3,217
Eliminated on disposals	(5,881)	(581)	(4)	(725)	–	(7,191)
Impairment loss recognised in income statements	9,166	14,615	–	–	–	23,781
At 31 December 2005	43,418	80,394	11,920	3,168	–	138,900
NET BOOK VALUES						
At 31 December 2005	43,961	9,796	1,480	413	–	55,650
At 31 December 2004	39,928	14,533	1,585	903	20,073	77,022

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14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued)

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The directors of the Company have met the county government of Wen Ting County, Suzhou, the PRC and obtained written notice for the usage right of a piece of land located at Wen Ting County. However, the State Land Bureau has yet to give its approval to the Group's title to this piece of land, held through a 71% subsidiary (with the remaining 29% held by a PRC joint venture partner), on which buildings with net book value of HK\$43,961,000 (2004: HK\$39,928,000) have been erected. It is the responsibility of the PRC joint venture partner to ensure that the appropriate land use right certificate is obtained and they have confirmed to the Group that they are in the process of obtaining the land use right certificate from the State Land Bureau.

Certain plant and machinery with an aggregate net book value of HK\$9,378,000 (1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004: HK\$14,115,000) have been pledged as securities for the Group's bank loans.

During the year/period, the directors conducted a review of the Group's certain manufacturing assets and determined that a number of those assets were fully impaired, due to physical damage and technical obsolescence. Accordingly, full impairment losses of approximately HK\$9,166,000 (1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004: HK\$6,273,000) and HK\$14,615,000 (1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004: HK\$3,192,000) and Nil (1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004: HK\$8,000) respectively have been recognised in respect of buildings, plant and machinery and motor vehicles.

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	Furniture and equipment <i>HK\$'000</i>
COST	
At 1 April 2004, 1 January 2005 and 31 December 2005	353
ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	
At 1 April 2004	246
Provided for the year	20
At 31 December 2004	266
Provided for the year	26
At 31 December 2005	292
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 December 2005	61
At 31 December 2004	87

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15. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

	THE GROUP	
	2005 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2004 <i>HK\$'000</i>
FAIR VALUE		
At beginning of year/period	84,870	194,796
Disposal of subsidiaries	–	(103,664)
Revaluation deficit	–	(6,262)
Exchange gain on revaluation of investment properties	1,530	–
	86,400	84,870
Analysed by lease term and geographical location:		
Medium term leasehold properties situated in the Mainland China	86,400	84,870

The fair value of the Group's investment properties at 31 December 2005 have been arrived at on the basis of a valuation carried out on that date by S.H. Ng & Co., Ltd., independent qualified professional valuers not connected with the Group. S.H. Ng & Co., Ltd. are members of the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyor, and have appropriate qualifications and recent experiences in the valuation of similar properties in the relevant locations. The valuation, which conforms to International Valuation Standards, was arrived at by reference to market evidence of transaction prices for similar properties.

All of the Group's property interests held under operating leases to earn rentals or for capital appreciation purposes are measured using the fair value model and are classified and accounted for as investment properties.

As at the balance sheet date, the Group had outstanding litigations in relation to the ownership of the Group's investment properties. For details of the litigations, please refer to note 25 to the financial statements.

16. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES

	THE COMPANY	
	2005 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2004 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Unlisted shares, at cost	1,001	1,001
Less: Impairment loss	(1,000)	(1,000)
	1	1

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16. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (continued)

Particulars of the principal subsidiaries are as follows:

Company	Place of incorporation/ registration	Total paid-up and issued ordinary share/ registered capital	Equity interest owned by the Group %	Principal activities
<i>Directly held:</i>				
Galactic Investment Limited	Hong Kong	2 ordinary shares of HK\$1 each	100	Investment holding
Merry World Associates Limited	British Virgin Islands (the "BVI")	1 ordinary share of US\$1 each	100	Property investment
<i>Indirectly held:</i>				
Boxhill Limited	BVI	1 ordinary share of US\$1 each	100	Investment holding
Chengtong Hua Da Trading Limited	Hong Kong	100 ordinary shares of HK\$1 each	51	Trading
Come Ward Limited	Hong Kong	10,000 ordinary shares of HK\$1 each	100	Trading
Evolve Limited	Hong Kong	500 ordinary shares of HK\$10 each	100	Property investment
Chengtong Trading (International) Limited	Hong Kong	429 ordinary shares of HK\$1 each	100	Trading
Price Sales Limited	Hong Kong	10,000 ordinary shares of HK\$1 each	100	Investment holding
Sea-Land Mining Limited	Hong Kong	1,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$10 each	100	Investment holding
蘇州南達水泥有限公司* Suzhou Nanda Cement Company Limited	PRC	RMB101,262,000	71.03	Trade and manufacture of cement
中實投資有限責任公司* Zhongshi Investment Company Limited	PRC	RMB80,000,000	70	Properties development

* The subsidiary was established in the PRC as a sino-foreign equity joint venture enterprise.

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16. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (continued)

The above table lists the subsidiaries of the Company which, in the opinion of the directors, principally affected the results of the period/year or formed a substantial portion of the assets and liabilities of the Group. To give details of other subsidiaries would, in the opinion of the directors, result in particulars of excessive length.

None of the subsidiaries had any debt securities subsisting at 31 December 2005 or at any time during the year/period.

17. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES AND AMOUNTS DUE FROM AN ASSOCIATE

	THE GROUP	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Share of net assets	<u>263</u>	<u>264</u>
Amounts due from associates	–	175,918
Less: Allowance for doubtful receivables	–	(1,086)
	<u>–</u>	<u>174,832</u>

The amount due from an associate is unsecured, interest-free and have no fixed terms for repayment.

Particulars of the Group's associates at the balance sheet date are as follows:

Name of company	Class of shares held	Place of incorporation	Equity interest owned by the Group %	Principal activity
Goodwill (Overseas) Limited ("Goodwill")	Ordinary	BVI	32	Investment holding
Success Project Investments Ltd. ("Success Project")	Ordinary	BVI	35	Investment holding

During the year, the Group's interests in Goodwill have been classified as held for sale (note 23).

As at 31 December 2004, the Company had an amount due from an associate of the Group of approximately HK\$517,000 which was interest-free and has no fixed terms of repayment.

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17. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES AND AMOUNTS DUE FROM AN ASSOCIATE (continued)

Summarised financial information in respect of the Group's associates is set out below:

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Total assets	751	540,322
Total liabilities	–	(542,974)
Net assets (liabilities)	751	(2,652)
Group's share of associates' net assets	263	264

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Revenue	–	–
Loss for the year	2	744
Group's share of loss of associates for the year (net of tax)	1	261

18. INVENTORIES

	THE GROUP	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Raw materials	3,540	6,040
Work in progress	–	683
Finished goods	996	5,322
	4,536	12,045
Less: Allowance made	–	(2,931)
	4,536	9,114

As at the balance sheet dates, the inventories were carried at cost.

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19. PROPERTIES UNDER DEVELOPMENT FOR FUTURE SALE

	THE GROUP	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
At beginning of year/period	170,135	–
Acquisition of subsidiaries	–	128,173
Additions	60,027	41,962
	230,162	170,135
Transfer to properties held for sales	(230,162)	–
	–	170,135

The cost of properties under development situated in the PRC are held under long leases.

During the year, net interest capitalised amounted to HK\$3,556,000 (1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004: HK\$3,270,000). At 31 December 2004, properties under development amounting to HK\$33,929,000 have been pledged as securities for the Group's bank loans.

At 31 December 2004, properties under development related to a site for residential development project comprising villas nos. 9 and 11 at Baiwanzhuang Dajie, Xicheng District, Beijing, the PRC with a site area of about 7,200 sq.m.

20. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	THE GROUP	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Trade receivables	11,758	7,713
Prepayments and deposits	2,259	1,992
Other receivables	17,767	9,286
	31,784	18,991

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20. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES (continued)

Trade receivables

The Group allows an average credit period of 30 days to its trade customers on open account credit terms. The ageing analysis of the trade receivables at the balance sheet date is as follows:

	THE GROUP	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Current	8,510	1,443
One to three months	128	796
Over three months	3,120	5,474
	11,758	7,713

The directors consider that the fair value of trade and other receivables at the balance sheet dates approximate the carrying amounts.

21. AMOUNT DUE FROM A MINORITY SHAREHOLDER

The amount due from a minority interest is unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand. The directors considered that the fair value at the balance sheet date approximates to the carrying amount.

22. AMOUNTS DUE FROM RELATED COMPANIES

Name of related companies	THE GROUP		Maximum amount outstanding during the year
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000	HK\$'000
中國物資開發投資總公司	4,621	4,621	4,621
北京京華都房地產開發有限公司	–	–	49,383
China Chengtong Hong Kong Company Limited	100	–	100
Nardu Company Limited	125	27	125
Panyu Lucky Rich Real-Estates Development Limited	430	372	430
Tat Yeung Investments Limited	6	–	6
	5,282	5,020	54,665

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22. AMOUNTS DUE FROM RELATED COMPANIES

The amounts are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand. 中國物資開發投資總公司 is a subsidiary of China Chengtong Holdings Company, a holding company of a substantial shareholder of the Company. 北京京華都房地產開發有限公司 is an indirectly owned subsidiary of China Chengtong Holdings Company, which is, in turn, the ultimate holding company of the substantial shareholder (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company, World Gain Holdings Limited. Nardu Company Limited, Panyu Lucky Rich Real-Estates Development Limited and Tat Yeung Investments Limited are subsidiaries of China Chengtong Hong Kong Company Limited, a substantial shareholder of the Company. The directors consider that the fair value at the balance sheet date approximates to the carrying amount.

23. ASSETS CLASSIFIED AS HELD FOR SALE

	2005 HK\$'000
Share of net assets	—
Amount due from an associate	162,166
Less: Allowance for doubtful receivables	(1,086)
	161,080
	161,080

During the year, the directors decided to dispose of the interest in an associate, Goodwill, and on 11 January 2006, the Group entered into an agreement (the "Disposal Agreement") with an independent third party (the "Purchaser") to dispose of a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, Price Sales Limited which holds the 32% equity interest of Goodwill and the related loan advanced by the Group to Goodwill at a consideration of US\$24,701,754 (equivalent to HK\$192,674,000).

As at 31 December 2005, the Company had an amount due from Goodwill of HK\$517,000 which will also be disposed of under the Disposal Agreement.

The directors consider that the fair value of assets classified as held for sale at the balance sheet dates approximate the carrying amounts.

The Disposal Agreement is conditional upon the following:

- (1) the passing at the EGM of a resolution of the shareholders of the Company approving the Disposal in accordance with the terms of the Disposal Agreement pursuant to the requirements of the Listing Rules.
- (2) the other shareholders of Goodwill (or their beneficial owners) shall enter into an agreement with the Purchaser (or its nominated wholly owned subsidiary) for the sale of their interest in Goodwill in form satisfactory to the Purchaser before Completion.
- (3) satisfactory due diligence review by the Purchaser.

Details of the Disposal Agreement are set out in the Company's announcement dated 7 February 2006.

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24. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	THE GROUP	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Trade payables	78,702	52,462
Deposits received, other payables and accruals	49,689	47,332
	128,391	99,794

The ageing analysis of the trade payables at the balance sheet date is as follows:

	THE GROUP	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Current	717	6,056
One to three months	9,788	14,377
Over three months	68,197	32,029
	78,702	52,462

The directors consider that the fair value of trade and other payables at the balance sheet dates approximate the carrying amounts.

25. PROVISION FOR A LEGAL CLAIM

	THE GROUP HK\$'000
Balance at 1 January 2005	32,792
Provide for the year	8,698
Balance at 31 December 2005	41,490

Petitions have been filed against a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, Merry World Associates Limited ("Merry World") seeking orders, among other matters, for the transfer of the Group's two investment properties with carry value of HK\$41,490,000 (the "Property A") and HK\$ 44,910,000 (the "Property C"), respectively, as at 31 December 2005 in favour of the plaintiff (the "Plaintiff").

Property A and Property C were acquired by Merry World from the Plaintiff in 2001 when Merry World was not part of the Group. Merry World is the registered owner of Property A and Property C in the PRC. The Plaintiff alleged among other matters, that Merry World had failed to make payments for the purchase of the Property A and Property C.

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25. PROVISION FOR A LEGAL CLAIM (continued)

Judgments of The Intermediate People's court of Guangzhou City were made on 13 July 2005 and 16 September 2005 ordering, inter alias, the transfer of the Property A and Property C to the Plaintiff. The directors, after consulting with the Group's legal counsel, have made appeal to the Higher People's court of Guangzhou City.

Merry World has on 1 March 2006 entered into two settlement agreements (the "Settlement Agreements") with the Plaintiff in relation to Property A and Property C for, among other matters, the transfer of Property A by Merry World to the Plaintiff in pursuant to the judgment and the discontinuance and withdrawal by the Plaintiff of all its claims made and legal proceedings instituted against Merry World in relation to Property C and the confirmation of the title of Merry World in Property C.

Having obtained the advice of the Group's legal counsel, the directors are of the opinion that provision is adequate as at the balance sheet dates with reference to the carrying values of the properties and the likelihood of the outcome of the claim.

Details of the Settlement Agreements are set out in the Company's announcement dated 31 March 2006.

26. LOAN FROM A RELATED COMPANY

The amount represents loan from a holding company of a substantial shareholder and is unsecured and interest-free. The repayment date of the loan was originally scheduled on 9 January 2005 and it was extended to 9 January 2006. The directors considered that the fair value at the balance sheet date approximates to the carrying amount.

27. AMOUNT DUE TO A MINORITY SHAREHOLDER

The amount due to a minority interest is unsecured, interest-free and is repayable on demand. The directors consider that the fair value at the balance sheet date approximates to the carrying amount.

28. OTHER LOANS

The other loans from third parties are unsecured, repayable on demand and interest-free, except for a loan of HK\$3,600,000 (2004: HK\$3,600,000) which is interest bearing at 0.05% per day on a compound basis. The directors considered that the fair value at the balance sheet date approximates to the carrying amount.

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29. BANK LOANS, SECURED

	THE GROUP	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Within one year	17,616	17,304
After one year but within two years	–	94,300
	<u>17,616</u>	<u>111,604</u>
Less: Amount due within one year included in the current liabilities	(17,616)	(17,304)
Amount due after one year	<u>–</u>	<u>94,300</u>

The interests of the Group's bank loans are carried at fixed rate of 7.56% (2004: ranged from 5.49% to 7.56%) per annum.

For details of the securities to the bank loans, please refer to notes 14 and 19 to the financial statements.

30. DEFERRED TAXATION

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The following are the major deferred tax liabilities accrued and movement thereon during both years:

	Revaluation of properties	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
At beginning of year/period	6,599	10,240
Credit to income for the year/period	(905)	(3,641)
At end of year/period	<u>5,694</u>	<u>6,599</u>

The Group has deductible temporary differences not recognised in the financial statements are as follows:

	THE GROUP	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Tax losses	(220,216)	(196,507)
Impairment losses and allowance made on assets	(76,678)	(54,338)
	<u>(296,894)</u>	<u>(250,845)</u>

No deferred tax asset has been recognised due to unpredictability of future profit streams. At 31 December 2005, included in unrecognized tax losses are losses of approximately HK\$24,553,000 (2004: HK\$16,923,000) which will expire in 2010. Other tax losses may be carried forward indefinitely.

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30. DEFERRED TAXATION (continued)

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At 31 December 2005, the Company has unused tax losses of HK\$77,237,000 (2004: HK\$61,575,000) available for offset against future profits. No deferred tax asset has been recognised due to the unpredictability of future profits streams. The tax losses may be carried forward indefinitely.

31. AMOUNTS DUE FROM/TO SUBSIDIARIES

The amounts due from/to subsidiaries are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand. The directors considered that the fair value at the balance sheet date approximates to the carrying amount.

32. SHARE CAPITAL

	2005		2004	
	Number of shares '000	Amount HK\$'000	Number of shares '000	Amount HK\$'000
Authorised:				
At 1 April 2004, 31 December 2004 and 31 December 2005	<u>5,000,000</u>	<u>500,000</u>	<u>5,000,000</u>	<u>500,000</u>
Issued and fully paid:				
At 1 April 2004, 31 December 2004 and 31 December 2005	<u>1,687,105</u>	<u>168,710</u>	<u>1,687,105</u>	<u>168,710</u>

33. SHARE OPTIONS SCHEMES

The Company adopted a share option scheme at an extraordinary general meeting of the Company held on 24 June 2003 (the "Scheme"), the Directors may, at their discretion, invite any participants to take up options to subscribe for fully paid ordinary shares ("Shares") in the Company subject to the terms and conditions stipulated therein.

Details of the Scheme are as follows:

(i) Purpose

The purpose of the Scheme is to provide incentives or rewards to participants thereunder for their contribution to the Group and/or to enable the Group to recruit and retain high-calibre employees and attract human resources that are valuable to the Group and any invested entity.

33. SHARE OPTIONS SCHEMES (continued)

(ii) Participants

The Directors may, at their discretion, invite any participant including any executive director, non-executive director or employee (whether full time or part time), shareholder, supplier, customer, consultant, adviser, other service provider or any joint venture partner, business or strategic alliance partner, in each case, of the Company, any subsidiary of the Company or any invested entity, to take up options to subscribe for Shares in the Company.

(iii) Maximum number of shares

(1) 30% limit

The limit on the number of Shares which may be issued upon exercise of all outstanding options granted and yet to be exercised under the Scheme must not exceed 30% of the Shares in issue from time to time (the "Scheme Limit").

(2) 10% limit

In addition to the Scheme Limit, and subject to the following, the total number of shares which may be issued upon exercise of all options granted under the Scheme must not in aggregate exceed 10% of the Shares in issue as at the date of approval of the Scheme (excluding any options which have lapsed) (the "Scheme Mandate Limit").

The Company may, from time to time, renew the Scheme Mandate Limit by obtaining the approval of its shareholders in general meeting. The Company may also seek separate approval by its shareholders in general meeting for granting options beyond the renewed Scheme Mandate Limit provided the options in excess of such limit are granted only to participants specifically identified.

(iv) Maximum entitlement of each participant

Unless approved by shareholders of the Company, the total number of securities issued and to be issued upon exercise on the options granted to each participant (including both exercised and outstanding options) in any 12 month period must not exceed 1% of the Shares in issue. Where any further grant of options to a participant would result in the Shares issued and to be issued upon exercise of all options granted and to be granted to such person (including exercised, cancelled and outstanding options) in the 12 month period up to and including the date of such further grant representing in aggregate over 1% of the relevant class of securities in issue, such further grant must be separately approved by shareholders of the Company in general meeting with such participant and his associates abstaining from voting.

(v) Price of shares

The exercise price must be at least the higher of: (a) the nominal value of a Share at the date of grant; (b) the closing price of a Shares as stated on the daily quotations sheet of the Stock Exchange on the date of grant, which must be a business day and (c) the average closing price of a Share as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheets for the five business days immediately preceding the date of grant.

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33. SHARE OPTIONS SCHEMES (continued)

(vi) Amount payable upon acceptance of the option

Acceptance of an offer of the grant of an option shall be by the delivery to and receipt by the Company at its registered office of the form of acceptance sent to the Participant duly completed and signed by the Participant together with a remittance of HK\$1.

(vii) Exercisable periods

An option shall be exercisable at such time(s) or during such period(s) and subject to such terms, as the Directors may, at their discretion specify, provided that 50% of the option shall be exercisable with a period of three (3) years commencing from twelve (12) months after the date of acceptance of the offer and the balance 50% may be exercisable at any time with a period of three (3) years commencing from twenty-four (24) months after the date of acceptance of the offer.

(viii) Vesting periods

- (1) The options granted on 8.3.2004 have vesting period as follows:
50% of the options are vested in 12 months from the date of acceptance of the offer and the balance 50% of the options are vested in 24 months from the date of acceptance of the offer.
- (2) The options granted on 28.9.2004 have vesting period as follows:
100% of the options are vested in 12 months from the date of acceptance of the offer.

(ix) The remaining life of the Scheme

The life of the Schemes is 10 years commencing on the Adoption Date and will end on 23 June 2013.

(x) Shares available for issue under the Scheme

As at 31 December 2005, the total number of shares available for issue under the Scheme was approximately 118,810,500 shares which represented approximately 7% of the total issued share capital of the Company.

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33. SHARE OPTIONS SCHEMES (continued)

The movements in the number of options outstanding during the period/year which have been granted to the directors of the Company and employees of the Group under the Scheme were as follows:

	Exercisable period	Exercise price HK\$	Outstanding at 1.4.2004	Granted during the period	Lapsed during the period	Outstanding at 1.1.2005	Granted during the year	Lapsed during the year	Outstanding at 31.12.2005	Number of underlying shares
Directors	9.3.2005 to 8.3.2009	0.364	9,000,000	-	-	9,000,000	-	(2,400,000)	6,600,000	6,600,000
	29.9.2005 to 28.9.2008	0.245	-	8,000,000	-	8,000,000	-	-	8,000,000	8,000,000
Other employees	9.3.2005 to 8.3.2009	0.364	16,150,000	-	(2,150,000)	14,000,000	-	(1,750,000)	12,250,000	12,250,000
	29.9.2005 to 28.9.2008	0.245	-	24,050,000	-	24,050,000	-	(1,000,000)	23,050,000	23,050,000
Total			<u>25,150,000</u>	<u>32,050,000</u>	<u>(2,150,000)</u>	<u>55,050,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(5,150,000)</u>	<u>49,900,000</u>	<u>49,900,000</u>

The fair values of options granted in 2004 were calculated using the Black-Scholes pricing model which is considered by the Directors to be the best pricing model currently available for estimating the fair values of these options. The inputs into the model were as follows:

Fair value of option at date of grant	HK\$0.161
Share price at date of grant	HK\$0.290
Exercise price	HK\$0.245
Expected volatility	78%
Expected life in years	3
Risk free rate	1.5%
Expected dividend yield	0%

Expected volatility was determined by calculating the historical volatility of the Company's share price over the previous one year. The expected life used in the model has been adjusted, based on management's best estimate, for the effects of non-transferability, exercise restrictions and behavioral considerations.

The Group recognised total expenses of HK\$4,392,000 (1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004: HK\$4,085,000) related to equity-settled share-based payment transactions during the year.

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34. RESERVES

Details of changes in reserves of the Group are set out in the consolidated statement of changes in equity on page 31.

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	Share premium <i>HK\$'000</i>	Capital redemption reserve <i>HK\$'000</i>	Share options reserve <i>HK\$'000</i>	Accumulated losses <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
At 1 April 2004					
– as previously stated	939,273	402	–	(1,025,222)	(85,547)
– effect of changes in accounting policies (note 3)	–	–	234	(234)	–
– as restated	939,273	402	234	(1,025,456)	(85,547)
Recognition of equity- settled share based payments	–	–	4,085	–	4,085
Profit for the period	–	–	–	82,829	82,829
At 31 December 2004 and 1 January 2005	939,273	402	4,319	(942,627)	1,367
Recognition of equity- settled share based payments	–	–	4,392	–	4,392
Net loss for the year	–	–	–	(314)	(314)
At 31 December 2005	<u>939,273</u>	<u>402</u>	<u>8,711</u>	<u>(942,941)</u>	<u>5,445</u>

35. FAIR VALUE OF OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS

The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents and bills receivables, approximate their respective fair values due to the relatively short term maturity of these financial instruments. The fair values of other classes of financial assets and financial liabilities are disclosed in the respective notes to financial statements.

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36. COMMITMENTS

(a) Capital commitments

	THE GROUP	
	2005 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2004 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Capital commitments in respect of properties under development:		
Contracted but not provided for	–	98,016
Authorised but not contracted for	–	72,018
	<u>–</u>	<u>170,034</u>
Capital commitments in respect of acquisition of property, plant and equipment:		
Contracted but not provided for	–	6,688
	<u>–</u>	<u>6,688</u>

At the balance sheet date, the Company did not have any capital commitments.

(b) Operating lease commitments as lessee

At 31 December 2005, the Group had commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases in respect of rented premises which fall due as follows:

	THE GROUP	
	2005 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2004 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Within one year	1,655	2,342
In the second to fifth years inclusive	–	2,103
	<u>1,655</u>	<u>4,445</u>

Leases are negotiated for an average term of three years.

At the balance sheet date, the Company had no commitments under non-cancellable operating leases in respect of rented premises.

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36. COMMITMENTS (continued)

(c) Operating leases commitments as lessor

At 31 December 2005, the Group had contracted with tenants for the following future minimum lease payments:

	THE GROUP	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Within one year	1,105	913
In the second to fifth years inclusive	768	913
More than five years	864	–
	<u>2,737</u>	<u>1,826</u>

Leases are negotiated for an average term of three years.

At the balance sheet date, the Company had not entered into any operating lease arrangement for rental income.

37. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year/period, the Group received consultancy fee income of HK\$Nil (1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004: HK\$515,000) from an associate and interest income of HK\$1,183,000 (1.4.2004 to 31.12.2004: nil) from a related company.

Balance with related parties at respective balance sheet dates are set out in the consolidated balance sheet/ balance sheet and notes thereto.